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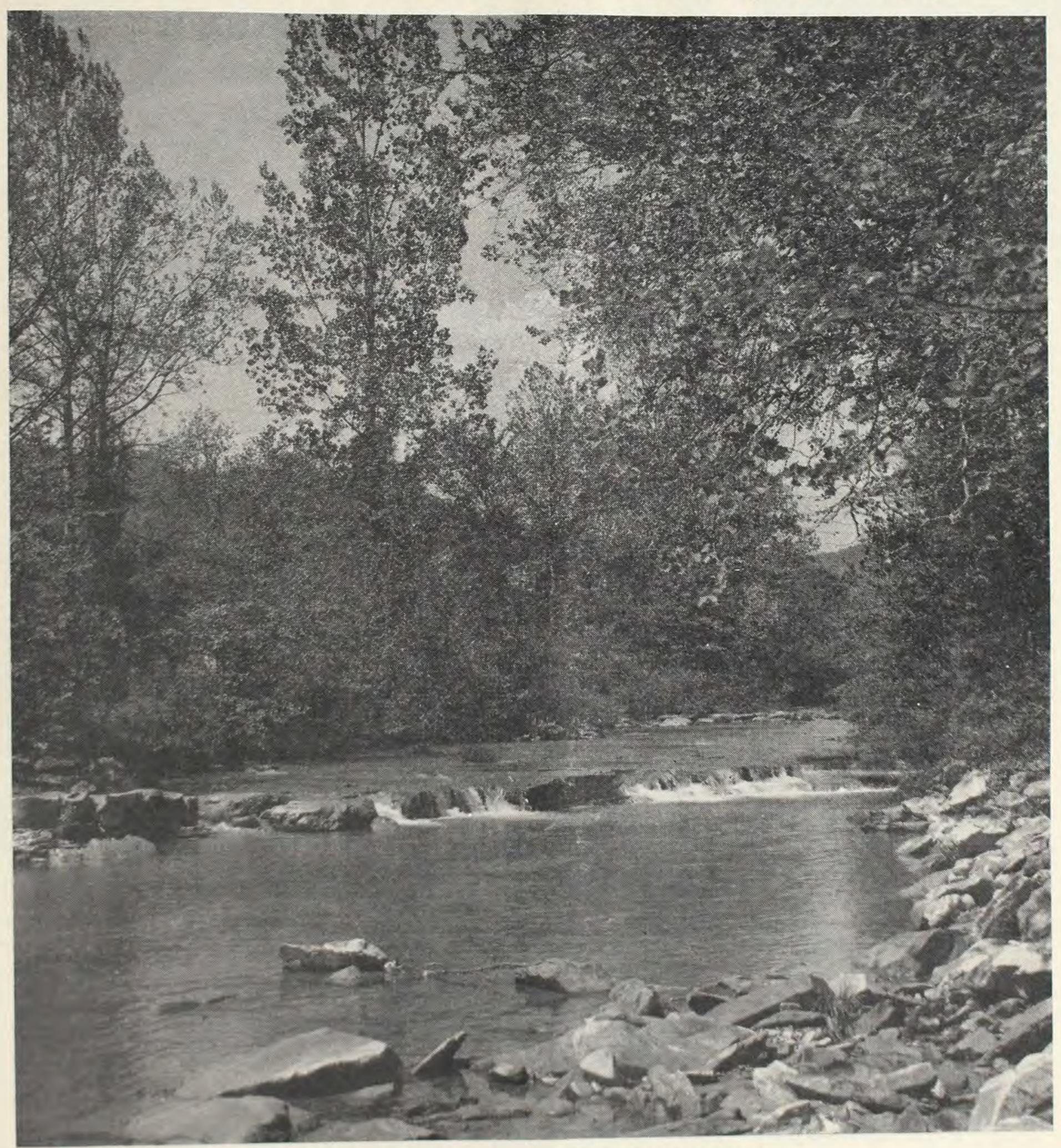
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"He leadeth me beside still waters"

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- Proclamation of Preparation Donald J. Sewell
- Rooted Built Up Established Robert D. McCarthy

Know Your Council of Ten



By John G. Balyo

Perhaps you have never heard of Zimri because he has been dead for almost three thousand years, and is mentioned only briefly in I Kings 16:8-20. He was a military officer in the army of Israel, half of King Elah's war chariots being under his direct command. Zimri had achieved a certain measure of success in the world and the recognition that goes with it, but he was far from being satisfied. He relished very little the role of a servant; he was ambitious and wanted to be king. What a delight it would be to have Elah's place and have people bow down to him!

The more he thought about it the more the idea appealed to him (sin

is that way, you know), and he finally decided to do something about it. He could be king by the simple expedient of rallying around him his many charioteers and assassinating the reigning king.

So Zimri took over the kingdom! He wanted the throne and he got it. He thirsted for the summit and he reached it. It was as simple as that. But with what careful irony the Bible historian recorded King Zimri's reign. He wrote: "In the twenty and seventh year of Asa, king of Judah, did Zimri reign seven days in Tirzah." A king for seven days! He owned a throne for a week, and that was all! Then suicide! He committed murder for a throne and committed suicide when he couldn't keep it. But of course he should have known that he couldn't keep it. He should have known that everything a man obtains outside the will of God he is destined to lose. He should have known that he never had the slightest prospect of winning because God was against him. He should have known but he didn't, because his pride had blinded him.

Since the foolishness of pride is a peril to every man, perhaps it would not be unwise to remind ourselves that God is against those who lust for a place in the sun where they can bask in the worthless approval of their worldly contemporaries. Perhaps it would be well for us to be warned not to seek "honor from men," but to seek "the honor that cometh from God only," for "God resisteth the proud and giveth grace to the humble." Beware the Zimri complex!

Dr. John G. Balyo

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Bible College and Seminary and the G.A.R.B.C. Council of Fourteen. The Lord has given him successful pastorates in Indiana, Michigan and Ohio. Presently he is pastor of the Cedar Hill Baptist Church, Cleveland. He and his wife have one son whose name is Michael. Brother Balyo is well known throughout our Baptist fellowship on both the state and national level. It is good having such a man on our Council of Ten!

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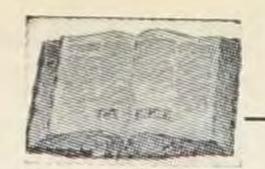
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A WORD from the EDITOR . . .



A. Donald Moffat

G.A.R.B. Conference

We've just returned from the national G.A.R.B.C. conference. It was our feeling that the Lord greatly blessed hearts. Ours is a blessed fellowship! How good to meet with those of like precious faith from across the nation. It seemed to us as though every speaker was empowered by the Holy Spirit in delivering his message. We hope in subsequent issues of the Ohio Independent Baptist to run a digest of some of these sermons.

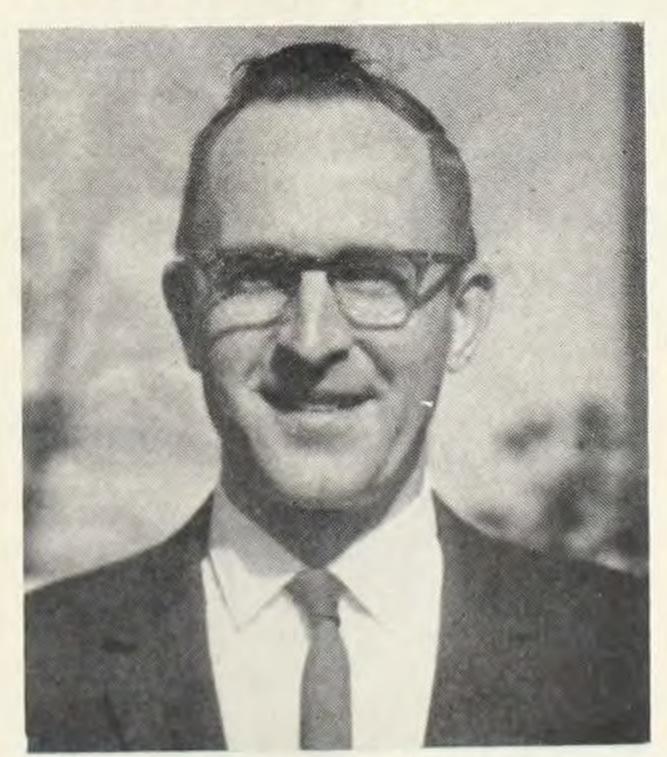
A number of resolutions were passed including one entitled "A Reaffirmation of Biblical Conviction Regarding Creation." After thoughtful consideration, it was overwhelmingly passed by the messengers from the fellowshipping churches. Just to quote the resolution in part. . . "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That we recommend to our autonomous but approved agencies, especially our schools as the fountainhead of our training Christian servants, and our missions as a comparable fountainhead of worldwide evangelism and church building, that each hold fast our historic doctrinal convictions and guard itself against the inroads of Barthianism, neo-orthodoxy, scientism and academic idolatry, rejecting theological modernism and neo-evangelicalism, rejecting and refuting both naturalistic and theistic evolution, and accepting the clear statements of Scripture as having precedence over any pronouncements of science whenever such may appear to be in conflict." It was further resolved. . . "That we instruct the Council of Fourteen to approve only such schools, missions and other agencies as refute both naturalistic and theistic evolution" . . . and . . . "That we instruct the Council of Fourteen to maintain a careful scrutiny of the approved schools, missions and other agencies of our Association in relation to their adherence to the stated doctrinal position of the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches."

We have been told that all of these resolutions (in their complete form) will be sent to pastors whose churches are a part of the G.A.R.B.C. Others desiring copies may obtain them by writing the G.A.R.B.C., 1800 Oakton Blvd., Des Plaines, Illinois — 60018.

WANTED!! More Subscribers

During these summer months, like churches, the Ohio Independent Baptist does not seem to do as well as during winter months . . . SUB-SCRIPTION-WISE that is! It doesn't have to be that way and wouldn't be if YOU would take it upon yourself to interest others to subscribe to our State periodical. While at Grand Rapids we had men from other states say how much they would like to have a similar magazine for their people. Why not play the part of a gracious benefactor and subscribe for a few of your friends . . . and just in case you don't have any friends, send the money anyhow and we'll see that it is sent to some of our missionaries. They REALLY appreciate receiving it!

Meet our O.I.B. Circulation Manager



Mr. Stuart Chaffe

We want to introduce to our readers Mr. Stuart Chaffe of Cedar-ville, Ohio who serves as Circulation Manager of the Ohio Independent Baptist.

"Stu" as he is affectionately called, is an Ohioan by birth having been born in Painesville. As a youth he grew up in the church. He worked hard in young people's and other

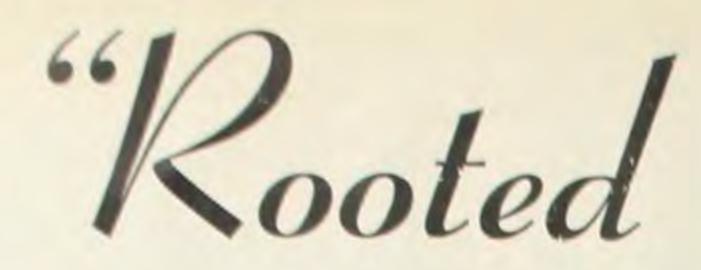
church activities of a Methodist church but it wasn't until after his being married that both he and his wife came to Christ for salvation. This took place in Willowick, Ohio in the church of which Rev. Paul Cell is pastor. Stu was led to Christ by blind evangelist, Bob Bixil. This was on October 16, 1949.

Immediately he began studying the Word of God. For awhile the Chaffes worked at the Dessie Scott Children's Home in Pine Ridge, Kentucky. Sensing the need for more training, they both enrolled at Cedarville College and graduated together in the Class of 1960.

Mrs. Chaffe is the Chief Librarian at Cedarville College. Brother Chaffe has a responsible position with the U. S. Post Office in Xenia, Ohio.

They have one daughter, Dianne, who is now a Sophomore at Cedar-ville College.

Your editor appreciates greatly all that Brother Chaffe is doing. It would not be possible for us to carry on this work without his help. There is no doubt in our mind that he was sent by the Lord to assist in this work. Pray for him as there is a world of detail attached to this work of Circulation Manager.



and built up in Him, and established in the faith as ye have been taught abounding therein with thanksgiving."

Colossians 2:17

By Rev. Robert D. McCarthy

Shocking to say the least, is the statement found in Leonard Sanderson's book on Personal Evangelism which says that, "40 percent of those joining the church each year are being lost to the program and influence of the church within ten years." To some degree the problem of "Spiritual Drop-outs" faces every church although perhaps in our Bible centered churches the percentage is lower. However, when I first heard and later read this, I did some soul searching to see how this had affected my own ministry of now over 30 years. Gratefully, I can turn to numbers of precious ones saved and going on to maturity and now serving the Lord on many fields. Well over a hundred in number are in full time service, and in most cases bearing precious fruit with their faithful service to Christ. But there is also a long list of just as precious ones, who started well at the Cross but have fallen by the wayside, immature and unfruitful. What caused this? How had I failed? How had the church failed? I think it can be summed up in one sentence. The babes in Christ had failed to become "rooted and built up in him" (Colossians 2:7), we had failed to nurture them with the proper food and attention. The season of early cultivation had been passed over. I had not systematically given them full opportunity to strike their roots down deep in the fertile soil of the Word of God. New converts' classes are better than nothing, but I have been convinced that they are second in order and effectiveness. Very few new converts feel at liberty to speak before others of the temptations he encounters or of his limited knowledge of the Word by asking questions. With this conclusion in my mind and through the challenging influence of two young U. S. Airmen, who had personally benefited in their Christian lives by a systematic "follow-up" effort, I asked God to help us meet this situation victoriously.

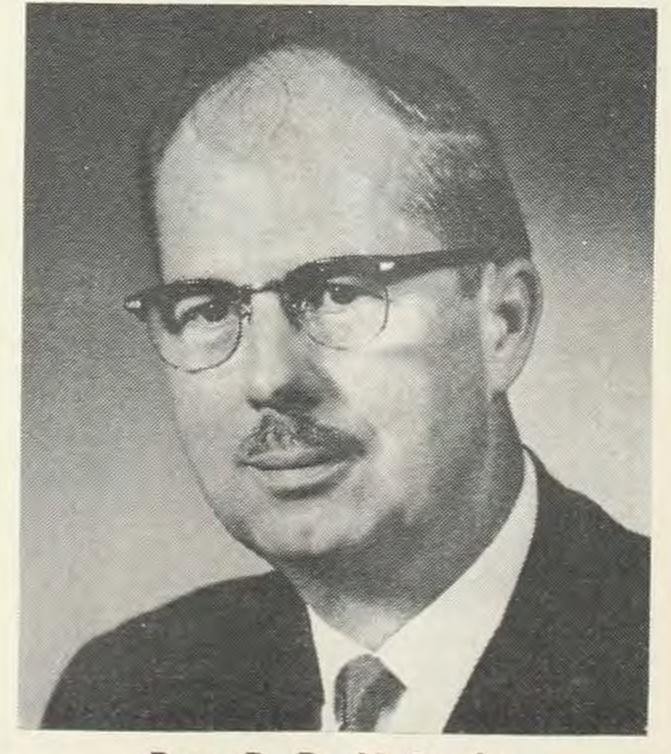
Desiring

Desiring to encourage those that receive Christ directly or indirectly through our ministry, I turned to the Word of God to find guidance. Colossians chapter two clearly pointed the

way. Here we read of Paul's deep concern for a segment of God's children who faced the attractive arguments of evil men, whose design was to shipwreck their lives of service. Paul's heart was moved with earnest anxiety and he desired to encourage them in this new life in Christ. Such personal interest in newborn Christians will cost hours of prayerful preparation if it is to produce a sincere impression upon their hearts. They must sense that this interest comes from our hearts and is directed toward them individually. This means of course contact with them personally after they confess Christ as their own personal Saviour. They will be open to the suggestion of personal Bible study offered by the pastor or another earnest Christian at this time. In every case so far, one of the first expressions made by these new Christians has been their amazement at the personal interest shown in their Christian growth. Needless to say it results in their placing the right importance upon Bible study, and you are off to a splendid start toward your objective of establishing them in Christ through the Word.

Discerning

Discernment in spiritual matters is for those who have the mind of Christ through the new birth. Paul tells us in I Coronthians 2:10, that God has revealed these things for us by His Spirit. His Word records the unsearchable riches of Christ and



Rev. R. D. McCarthy

offers believers understanding and instruction for every experience of life. Follow-up work with the new Christians brings them in touch with the "Mind of Christ" for every day living. It will pre-arm them as they face the adversary of their souls and assure victory for them. Avoiding failure through becoming established in Christ, means a stronger witness has been added to our local testimony also. While none of us should bypass warning our people against sinful habits in preaching and teaching, it is in the small or individual Bible study that we can do our best work in pointing out such hazards to the Christian testimony. Alone with a sincere pastor or Christian friend, these new-born ones are more apt to ask questions about personal sins or questionable practices and accept help from His Word to overcome them. After all, the "sword of the Spirit is in the Word of God" Ephesians 6:17, and through study of the Word together we can help them to become skilful in personal use of this God-given weapon . . . Paul reminds the Colossians that they had been taught how to become "rooted and built up in him, and established in the faith."

The value of seeking to reach every new Christian with personal Bible study is manifold. Not only do we reach the needy heart of the new convert, but we immediately recruit and put to work many members of the church. Follow-up is a ministry in which the whole church may participate. This necessarily calls for new dedication on the part of many, for we all know that one must practice what they teach if they are to be effective. We see this was true with the Apostle Paul for he wrote in Philippians 4:9, "Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you." New Christians need to be shown "how" to institute daily habits of prayer and Bible study by older Christians, not just "told" to do it. As they see the examples set before them, and have personal touch with those who are leading them through

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STATE CONFERENCE Oct. 17-19 At Barberton



Rev. Herbert T. White

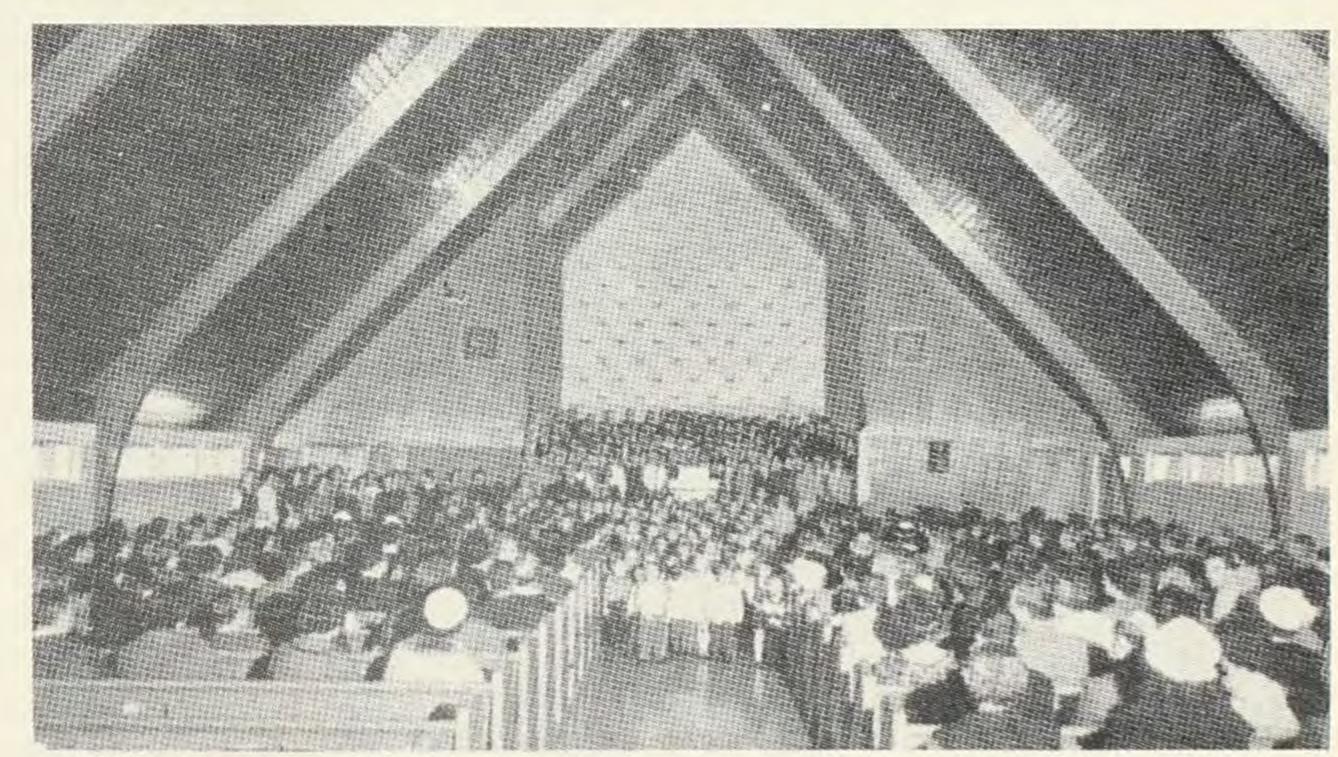
Rev. Herbert T. White (shown above) is host pastor for our coming O.A.R.B.C. conference, October 17-19. He is pastor of the Norton Baptist Church, Barberton, Ohio where the conference is to be held.

Brother White began his ministry at Norton Baptist in July of 1964. He received Jesus Christ as his own personal Saviour at the age of 20, however, not until he had reached 34 did he hearken unto the call of God to preach. Upon graduating from Bob Jones University in the spring of 1958, he became pastor of an independent Church in Mansfield, Ohio where he ministered for six and onehalf years. This work in Barberton is his second pastorate.

Although new to our Regular Baptist fellowship, he is most enthusiastic about it. Both he and his people are anticipating great times of blessing during the conference!



The Norton Baptist Church is located at 4239 Cleveland-Massillon Road in Barberton. The building is more than adequate to meet our needs for our O.A.R.B.C. conference. It has a large auditorium, some 50 Sunday School class rooms and a newly erected Youth Building. Your editor was privileged to minister at the Norton Church just recently. The pastor and people were most hospitable!



This is a part of the present Norton Baptist Sunday School. This work began back in the late thirties and was organized as a church in 1940. For a number of years, services were held in various buildings around Norton. From 1951 to 1958, they assembled in a basement building and then the present super-structure was erected. The Sunday School has an average attendance of 400-450.

CONFERENCE PROGRAM (Tentative)

Chairman - Rev. Verne Dunham

Music Chairman - Rev. Wesley Bliss

MONDAY AFTERNOON — October 17

3:00 p.m. Rally, Song Service & Special Music

Message - Rev. Wilbur Rooke

7:00 p.m. Song Service & Special Music

Message — Rev. Ben C. Jennings

TUESDAY — October 18

9:30 a.m. Message - Dr. Allen Lewis

Fellowship Hour 10:15 a.m.

Reception of new churches & pastors

Message - Rev. Joseph Chapman 11:00 a.m.

Ladies Luncheon for pastor's wives 11:45 a.m.

Ladies Missionary Hour & Men's Forum 1:30 p.m.

Report of State Missionary 3:45 p.m.

Song Service & Special Music 7:00 p.m.

Missionary Message — (unconfirmed)

WEDNESDAY — October 19

9:30 a.m. Message — Rev. Richard Snavely

10:15 a.m. Associational Hour — Youth & Camp

Reports

11:00 a.m. Message — (unconfirmed)

1:30 p.m. Educational Hour

2:45 p.m. Message - Rev. Wm. McKeever

3:30 p.m. Associational Hour

Song Service & Special Music 7:00 p.m.

Message — Rev. Chelsea Stockwell

THURSDAY — October 20

9:30 a.m. Message — Rev. Glen Crabb

10:15 a.m. Missionary Symposium

11:15 a.m. Message - Rev. Wm. Russell

Closing Rally 2:00 p.m.

Song Service & Special Music

Message - Rev. John Reed

Glimpses of Truth

from the

Greek New Testament By Dr. Geo. Lawlor



The word "meek" is a term in the New Testament which is much misunderstood and misused. The adjective "meek" (Greek praos) occurs four times in the New Testament, and the noun "meekness" (Greek praoteis) which is the word used by Paul in his account of the fruits of the Spirit in Gal. 5:23, may be found twelve times in the Pauline Epistles, Jas. 1:21; 3:13; and I Peter 3:15. It is the first of the two forms however, the adjustive "meek" (praos), at which we shall look briefly.

This word is the one used by our Lord Jesus Christ in the Beatitude in Matt. 5:5, "Blessed are the meek . . ."
It occurs again in I Peter 3:4, "a meek and quiet spirit". The other two uses are found in Matthew's Gospel and are descriptive of the Lord Himself. In Matt. 11:29, the Lord says, "I am meek . . ," and in Matt. 21:5, He quotes the Messianic prophecy from Zech. 9:9, again referring to Himself, "Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek . . ,"

In early Greek this word praos was used to describe a beast that had been tamed, i.e. a wild horse that had been converted to obedience by the use of the bit and bridle. Here is the clue to the meaning of this New Testament word. It denotes gentleness, but behind the gentleness, there is force, strength, spirit — but a spirit under control. According to Numbers 12:3, Moses was the "meekest" man in the earth, but upon occasion his strength and spirit blazed forth untempered.

Christians are to be meek, not with a wheedling spinelessness, a passive sentimentalism, but with strength of spirit always under control, exercising mastery over themselves. This means that they must be Christ-controlled, for only our blessed Lord Himself can give us that fine mastery over ourselves that enables us to be gentle but firm. None of us can attain this kind of "meekness" by ourselves, by our own efforts. The meek are blessed because Christ makes them so.

News from Cedarville College

Cedarville College's faculty continues to grow. Three new members have been added and will begin their duties with the Fall semester. They are Mr. Charles B. Hurst who will assume the duties of Registrar, Mr. Brad Moore who will teach in the Department of Education and Psychology and Mr. Tom Naylor in the Department of Music.

Mr. Cleveland McDonald, Chairman of the Social Science Division and Mr. John Reed of the Language and Literature Division received their Ph.D.'s from Ohio State University on June 14. The New Chairman of the Biblical Education Division, Mr. Robert Gromacki was awarded his Th.D. degree from Grace Theological Seminary, June 1.

Construction on the college's new library and dormitory is moving along rapidly even though a Trade's union strike in the Dayton area has put the dormitory construction about a month behind schedule. The library, constructed with non-union help, is currently progressing ahead of schedule.

Among those eagerly watching the new construction are 100 summer school students. The largest summer group in the school's history are taking selections from 21 courses offered by 14 of the faculty members.

YOUR FIGHT AGAINST COMMUNISM . . .

. . . takes on new meaning when you support dedicated missionaries daily helping Christian brethren throughout the world who are suffering the devastation of war, disease, overpopulation, and the ravages of nature. They have nowhere to turn because of their Biblical stand from larger denominational and government agencies. Your financial help is sorely needed. A few dollars goes a long way in their teaching of the Word of God, bringing comfort, even sustaining life itself among those less fortunate than you. Any contribution, no matter how small, will be a blessing to these people. Write:

Rev. James T. Shaw INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN RELIEF 801 Haddon Ave., Collingswood, N. J. 08108

Honored for Christian Service



At the national G.A.R.B.C. conference held in Grand Rapids, Dr. Robert T. Ketcham, beloved servant of the Lord, one of the founders and leaders of the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches was presented with a citation for faithful service and a love offering of \$13,643.42.

The crowd that evening which included (along with others) messengers and pastors of the 1260 churches stood in unanimous assent of their affection as Dr. Robert Powell presented the citation and check. Both of these long time friends were moved to tears, as were most of those who watched. Seen in the picture above is Dr. Ketcham receiving the check from Dr. Powell. Mrs. Ketcham is standing by.

The message Dr. Ketcham delivered that evening gave tribute and praise (all of it) to the God he served and will continue to serve as long as God gives him breath. His exhortation, given to the young preachers of the association, was to take heart in the personal comfort of a loving Father and stand for the Faith with total faith in God.

MEN'S RETREAT

Don't forget our Men's Retreat! The dates are September 12-15. The place is Scioto Hills. Speakers are to be Dr. Reginald Matthews, Evangelist and Brother Don Moffat, Editor of the O.I.B. Rev. Wesley Bliss will be leading the singing. Ten dollars covers everything! Send your \$3.00 registration fee NOW to Rev. Martin E. Holmes, Box No. 97, Sunbury, Ohio. There will be swimming, fishing, boating, hiking, baseball, Bible messages, good food, good accommodations and good fellowship. PLAN ON ATTENDING!

Returning to India

Ed. Note: Recently we were blessed in hearing Rev. John Wilkens speak concerning India. We asked for this article so that other hearts might also be burdened. Pray for these folk!

This great land has been much in the news the last few years. India is a hungry country — *Physically*, *Mentally* and *Spiritually*.

Physically — There are 480 million people striving to live in a country one third the size of the United States and for the most part the farming is carried on the same way it was thousands of years ago, plowing with oxen and a pointed stick, planting by hand, harvesting, threshing, cleaning, grinding, etc., all by hand in the villages where about 87% of the people live. Consequently, people are hungry physically. 480 million people and 200 million cattle would have had an average of little more than ten ounces of food each per day in 1964 had it not been for imports of foodstuffs.



Rev. & Mrs. John Wilkens

Mentally — Over 45 million students are in school today compared with 14 million in 1947 — and yet there are about 76% of the people illiterate. Adult study classes are very popular and many more are needed. Literature is in demand in many places and languages. Whatever the material, it will be read. Communists are providing much attractive ma-

terial - but we are not.

Spiritually - India is a very religious country - Paul could have certainly said, "Men of India, I perceive in every way - on every hand and with every turn I make - that you are most religious." (Amplified N.T. Acts 17:22) According to the Statesman (a leading newspaper of India) datelined New Delhi, November 5, 1964, Hindus increased 20.29% from 1951-1961, to a total of 366.502 million; Christians 27.38% to 10.726 million; Buddists 1,671% to 3.25 million; Moslems 25.61% to 35.414 million. Other religions also showed increases. All of these statistics indicate that India is spiritually hungry, that Satan is offering substitutes, and that we should try all the harder to present them with the message of the Gospel.

India is in need of help, and given in the right way this help will be appreciated and received. Would you ask God what He would have you to do about this? Total commitment is needed — token commitment will no longer do.

Seeking the Lost in Alaska

May 29, 1965, another milestone for Alan and Eleanore Patterson, for graduation from Los Angeles Baptist Theological Seminary marked three long years in further preparation for the work that is ahead. Then, with POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE still ringing in our ears and a little Dodge Dart packed as tight as a drum, we headed across the hot desert on our way to Cleveland, Ohio. Our applications for work in Alaska under Baptist Mid-Missions would be completed after our appearance before the Mission Council and the two week program called the "Seminar." We knew that "God had led us all the way" as we signed the articles of agreement at the end of this period. We knew also that it was His sovereign will for us to return to Alaska. The chilling winds and the huge mosquitoes of Alaska were not new to us, for we had spent four years in a small Athabaskan Indian village under an interdenominational mission. With strong Baptistic convictions, resignation from the mission was inevitable. Now we were making our plans to return under Baptist Mid-Missions, but there was support to raise.

To some, deputation is tedious, to others a delight. I must confess that

I did not always look upon this task as optimistically as Eleanore did, but once we began to present the work of Alaska to the churches, it was very refreshing to meet those who promised to uphold us in prayer. By December, we saw that we could make our tenative departure date to return to the country that we love. Our hearts were thrilled with the joy of the Lord as we saw the final church take on our support.

We then drove to Newhall, California, and for one more month finished up the schedule which we had made.

On March 24, 1966, we found ourselves on the Alaska Highway with



Rev. & Mrs. Alan Patterson

the beautiful warm weather of Southern California behind us, and nothing but ice, slush, snow and mud that lay ahead. Our goal was Fairbanks, the second largest city of Alaska which lies in the "Golden Heart of the North." The town of Fairbanks was born as men grubbed about in the mire of the earth looking for that precious yellow metal called gold. The saloons and dance halls relieved the tensions of these prospectors and even today, this atmosphere prevails to a certain degree. Many changes have been made, but there are hearts that are needy and this is the gold that we came here for. How is it done? Only by door to door visitation can we reach these people with the message of life, and it is our desire to see a Baptist Church here in College which will proclaim this message to those who live here. College is a smaller section of Fairbanks with the University of Alaska just down the road.

We do have a program. We hope to begin with a week night Bible study. As soon as there are enough believers, we will organize into a Baptist church. Our emphasis is on the visitation aspect and already the gospel has been left in many homes of this area. We do covet your prayers for us daily; and maybe, someday on your vacation you might attend the College Baptist Church just a little way out of Fairbanks.

Heart to Heart Among the Women

Mrs. Inez Milner, Women's Editor



VACATION

It's time again — the hurry, scurry time. Everyone excited about getting the most out of, or putting the most into the time given him/her by their employer. Some time ago while working in the State of Illinois I learned if you accepted another job on your vacation time, you automatically lost your "vacation with pay." My employer explained, vacations were given to make you more fit for your job. You needed a relaxation, a rest, a time of vacation to set a new pace. That law must be off the books now. How many work two jobs the year 'round? Does that mean two vacations?

Our Maker knows our limits. He knows we need "stopping time." Time to relax, to think, to read, to study, to pray, to rest awhile. "Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest awhile." (Mark 6:31)

The place where we take our "rest" is quite significant to what we receive from it. May I relate a part of a hurried "vacation" my husband, Rev. Wilbur Rooke, had a few weeks ago — the place being the Holy Land; the spot, the Garden of Gethsemane.

He rose early in the morning with the intent of spending those hours alone in the Garden. Upon reaching the Garden, the gates were locked. How disappointed he was! A passer-by related the opening time as 8 o'clock. It was now 5:30 o'clock! But here comes a man down the street; none other than the Keeper of the Garden. No, he wasn't going to open the Garden Gate at this time but when he learned of my husband's disappointment he unlocked the gate, allowed him to enter, then locked the gate again! And was on his way.

There the privilege was his, as he had longed for — to be alone in the Garden and even the Keeper on the outside. There he could walk where the Saviour trod, see the tomb where He lay, Calvary's Hill where he died. There he could open The Word, perhaps he read from Mark 6:31 — "Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place (but this was THE GARDEN,) and rest awhile."

When he related this precious experience to us in our prayer service following his return — we too, felt we had "come apart awhile", we met the Lord there. What a vacation! The place we take our "rest" is quite significant to what we receive. (Mark 6:31). — Submitted by request, Mrs. Wilbur Rooke, Euclid-Nottingham Baptist Church, Cleveland.

KOOK'S KORNER

Fruit Cocktail Cake

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 teasp. soda
- 1 pinch salt
- 1 medium size can Fruit Cocktail (well drained)
- 1 egg

Mix dry ingredients and egg together. Add well drained fruit. Mix well. pour into greased 9 x 9 pan. Sprinkle well with a brown sugar and chopped nuts mixture. Bake 40 minutes at 350°, or until done.

Serve with ice cream or whipped cream, garnish with nuts and/or fruit, if desired. Delicious! — Submitted by Mrs. Gerald Marshall, Cedarville, Ohio.

Commentary on Ruth By Walter L. Wilson, M.D.

"CONCERN FOR OTHERS —

Notice in verse 8 that Boaz says to Ruth, 'Hearest thou not, my daughter? Go not to glean in another field, neither go from hence, but abide here fast by my maidens.' That reminds us that we, too, ought to give a royal welcome into our fellowship to those who come seeking God. We should not simply say, 'How are you and how is the baby?" What are we going to do with the information after we get it? We should say something worthwhile to those friends who come to Sunday School, Church, or Bible Class. For example, we might say, 'We hope you find some grain here, something for your soul and heart and life; and if you have any trouble, let me know. I'll come to your home and help you to know how to study

your Bible, how to get the cream out of the old, precious Word of God, how to find the fruits of Heaven and the blessings of God. I'll be glad to help you. I want to help you!

In verse 12 we read: 'The Lord recompense thy work, and a full reward be given thee of the Lord God of Israel, under whose wings thou art come to trust' — as though Ruth were just a baby chick getting under the mother's wing. If I had space I would talk about chickens. It is wonderful what you can learn from baby chicks getting under the mother's wings."

Report on Meetings

The Spring Meeting of the West Moriah Women's Missionary Fellowship was held May 10th, at the Bible Mission Baptist Church, Reynoldsburg, Ohio. Mrs. Umbaugh, wife of our State Missionary, spoke and showed films of all the new churches that have been started in Ohio during the last two years. Miss Ruth Nephew, missionary to the Central African Republic, gave a challenging message taken from Isaiah, 6th chapter, on the three visions — a vision of self, a vision of the Lord, a vision of the needs.

New Officers elected for the coming year are: President — Mrs. Gerald Fields, Pataskala; 1st Vice-Pres. — Mrs. Erwin Towle, Pataskala; 2nd Vice-Pres. — Mrs. Gallogy, Sunbury; Secretary — Mrs. Billy Badger, Columbus; Treasurer — Mrs. Paul Williams, South Canaan.

Berea Women's Missionary Fellowship — Sept. 20, 1966 at the Calvary Baptist Church, 5971 E. Wallings Road, Broadview Heights. An excellent program and time of Fellowship is planned from 10 a.m. through 2:30 p.m.

South Bethel Women's Missionary Fellowship — Sept. 27, 1966, No details received.

North Bethel Women's Missionary Fellowship — Nov. 3, 1966. No details received.

KEEP IN MIND OUR ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, THE WEEK OF THE OHIO ASSN. MEETING.

Proclamation of Preparation

By Rev. Donald J. Sewell

(Rev. Donald Sewell, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio was the Baccalaureate speaker at Cedarville College's graduation services this past June. His message was a blesing and a challenge to many. The following is a digest of that message.)

One of the most educated intellectuals of the early church was also one of the world's foremost soul winners. It was this burning passion of a burdened heart that directed Paul's desire toward the city of Rome. As we study the book of Romans with its dominant theme — salvation, we see an Epistle unique and unlike all of the other Epistles penned by Paul. He was writing to a church he had not founded; one that he had never visited.

Value of Souls

In Paul's introduction of this Epistle, we find his proclamation of preparation. Paul was embarking upon a new endeavor, and many of you young people as you graduate from Cedarville College will be embarking upon new endeavors and will be applying the education you have received into the practical avenues of your life. I would like for you to see first of all Paul's VALUE OF SOULS found in verse 14, "I am debtor." This word debtor is used by Paul in a metaphorical sense to show one who is under obligation. Paul felt keenly his responsibility to God and humanity in taking the Gospel to the lost. This sense of responsibility was a real burden upon his heart. In the opening verses of this chapter we find that Paul had a personal calling; he was a servant of Jesus Christ. Salvation changes one's master. He was dominated by the Lord Jesus Christ. His calling was that of an Apostle, a sent one. And, I believe the Holy Spirit still directs in specific areas of service no matter what that area of life might be. Paul himself had been a lost sinner and now he had experienced the grace of God in his life, and he knew Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour. Further on in this Epistle we find that he drives home the truth concerning the universal depravity of man and the universal sufficiency of the Gospel. This increased the value that he placed upon the souls of men. Today we find in our society a secularism that seeks to destroy the eternal value of a soul. Our mechanical and mechanistic age has made man nothing but hands in industry and cogs in a great economic or military machine, but every individual soul is precious in the sight of God. Paul knew the value of a soul. Thus, he considered himself a debtor.

Vigor in Service

Secondly in Paul's proclamation of preparation, we see his VIGOR IN SERVICE. In verse 15 he says, "I am ready." The word 'ready' here indicates an eagerness on Paul's part to proclaim the Gospel to those in Rome. This eagerness was the result of a willing mind. In verse 14, we saw his sense of responsibility, but here we see in verse 15 his availability as with great eagerness he desires to go to Rome. God is more interested, young people, in our availability. May we with the Apostle Paul, as we leave the halls of Cedarville College, be eager and vigorous in our service for the Saviour. This eagerness was not just a stirring of his emotions; but as we study the earlier verses of this chapter, we find that Paul was a man of prayer and this had a definite part in his eagerness. Then too, we consider the place where Paul wanted to go -Rome. Rome, the mighty capital of the empire where wealth, pride and education abounded; where the forces of sin held high carnival; where skepticism was rampant; where true holiness of life was laughed out of court. No wonder this servant of God was eager to preach the gospel and displayed vigor in his service for Christ.

You talk about a challenge! What could be more challenging than to leave these halls of learning to take the Gospel to a world that is in every way equal to ancient Rome in its sin and debauchery.

Valor for the Saviour

The third thing in Paul's proclamation of preparation is his VALOR FOR THE SAVIOUR. In verse 16 he says, "For I am not ashamed." This was not the bold emotional statement of a braggart. The conjunction "for" is the key. It links his estimate of the gospel with his keenly felt responsibility. Here are certainly two statements of valor. First, "I am not ashamed of the Gospel." This

statement was prompted by the position of the Romans in the world. This city, as we have already mentioned, was the mistress of the world. Their emperors were worshipped as present deities, but Paul proclaimed he was not ashamed of the simple Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. We are not ashamed of the Gospel in the jails, nor the slums, where perhaps socially they might be below us; but how about the universities? Many Christian intellectuals suffer mental persecution when in the presence of other intellectuals who know not Christ and scoff at His Word.



Rev. Donald J. Sewell

and many become ashamed, because they listen to the world's estimate of the Gospel rather than what God's word says about it. But we see his second statement of valor, "It is the power of God unto salvation." Paul realized that in spite of all the superlatives that were evident in Rome it was the Gospel of Jesus Christ that changed lives.

Young people, whatever your vocation, seek to win men to Christ. We are guilty today of professionalizing what Jesus personalized. If you go into medicine, the doctor can certainly meet man's physical needs; or if you go into education, the educator can meet man's intellectual need; or if you go into social work, the social worker seeks to meet man's emotional need. All of these are good and necessary vocations, but I would remind you that it takes the Gospel of Jesus Christ to meet man's greatest need, that of salvation. Our task as born-again Christians today is not to make the world a better place to live, but to prepare man for heaven. Remember, you are a Christian first! This involves an obligation to others. And remember too, if you would be wise, be a soul winner. "He that winneth souls is wise."

The Little Missionaries

(From "Topsy-Turvy Land; Arabia Pictured for Children," by Samuel M. Zwemer and Amy E. Zwemer.

Some little missionaries came to Arabia a few years before any of the American missionaries did, and have been coming ever since. Most of them were born in a country not far from Arabia, yet only one of them visited Arabia before Mohammed was born.

They never write reports of their work for the papers, yet I have seen a few splendid accounts of their work written on tablets of flesh with tears for ink. Because their work is done so much in secret and in out-of-theway places, they are generally overlooked, and often under-estimated.

They receive no salary and get along in the most self-denying way by fasting and living all together, packed like herrings, in a dark, close room, except when they go out into the sunshine on their journeys.

Most of them came to Arabia in the steerage of the big ships from London, but none of them were seasick at all throughout the entire voyage.

They never complain of being tired or discouraged, and never get fever or cholera, although I have talked and slept with them when I had fever myself. Never yet has one of them died on a sick-bed. On one or two occasions I have heard of a small company of them being burned at the stake, but I was told that not a groan escaped from their lips, nor were their companions frightened the least bit. With my own eyes I have seen one or two of them torn asunder and trampled upon by those who hate Jesus Christ and His kingdom and His little missionaries. Yet the only sound to be heard was the blasphemies of their persecutors, who could not answer them in any other way.

Bound by Love

It is very strange indeed that when once one or two of them learn the language they are bound to their work by so many tiny cords of love that they seldom fall apart from their work, or fall out one with the other.

There are more than sixty different names and ages among them, yet they all have one family accent. Some of them are medical missionaries and can soothe and heal broken hearts and prevent broken heads. There are two ladies among them, but they seldom go about alone, and the men do most of the preaching, especially in Arabia. Most of them are evangelists or apostles or teachers.

And their enterprise and push! One of them told me the other day that he wanted "to preach the Gospel in the regions beyond" Mecca, so that even there "every knee should bow to Jesus." You begin to see them everywhere in the Persian Gulf and around Muscat and Aden. Last year a few of them went to Jiddah with the pilgrims.

Void of Pride

They dress very plainly, but often in bright Oriental colors (one just came all in green); on one or two occasions I have seen them wear gold when visiting a rich man, but there was no pride about them, and they put on no airs in their talk.

How many of these little missionaries are there, do you ask? Over three thousand eight hundred and forty visited and left the three stations of the Arabian Mission in the Persian Gulf last year. But, as I told you, they are so modest that only about a score of them sent in any account of their work, and that even came through a third party by word of mouth. I have heard it whispered that a faithful record of all their journeys and speeches is kept, but that these are put on file, to be published all

at once on a certain great day, when missionaries all get their permanent discharge.

What a quiet, patient, faithful, loving body of workers they are! Even when it is very, very hot they never get out of temper as other missionaries sometimes do, after a hard day's work, when in a hot discussion with a bigoted Moslem. And yet how plainly they tell the truth! They do not even fear a Turkish Pasha; but that is because they have all obtained a Turkish passport and a permit to preach anywhere unmolested.

Unless you have guessed my riddle, you will want to know what these missionaries cost and why we do not employ more of them; and who sent them out, and to what Board they belong; and who buys them new clothes of leather and cloth; and what happens to them when their backs are bent with age and their faces furrowed with care.

The Answer is Here!

But surely by this time you have guessed that the Little Missionaries are the Books of the Bible. The two ladies are Esther and Ruth, and the four who go about the most are Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

And now may I ask you to pray for the Little Missionaries? Pray that they may prepare the way of the Lord all over this dark peninsula, from the palm groves of Busrah to the harbor of Aden, and from the Sea of Oma to the unholy cities — Mecca and Medina.

Dundee Pastor Ordained

Rev. Gene R. Solberg, pastor of the Bible Mission Baptist Church, Dundee was recently ordained at the Bible Mission Baptist Church, Reyonldsburg. The examining council expressed itself as being well pleased with our brother's presentation of doctrinal truth. They commended him for his "preparation, presence of mind and freedom of expression during examination."

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We would like to have a contest among the women of our churches, seeing who might be able to get the most number of renewals and new subscriptions to the Ohio Independent Baptist.

Tentative plans call to have the contest start on November 1st and run through December 15th. We hope to have as first prize a beautiful \$35.00 Scofield Bible. Other prizes will also be offered.

More complete word will appear in next month's issue. No one shall be considered a contestant until they send in at least five (5) renewals or subscriptions. A record will be kept of each contestant. They will be credited with one point (1) for each renewal and two points (2) for each NEW subscription. Let's begin combing the bushes!

Concerning Missionary Giving By Rev. Kenneth R. Smelser

Introduction: Many dear Christians feel led and have a heart to give an extra gift to some needy missionary. Thus, they bypass the local church and send their gift direct to a Mission for the missionary. This discussion is to show that the same gift to the same missionary can do a far greater job, if sent THROUGH the Local Church.

Points of consideration:

- Send the gift to the local church designated to the missionary. The church will send it to them and thus, the church is placed ABOVE self. The channel of giving is through the local church.
- 2. Self can be completely hid. However, there may be a desire on the part of the donor to express their love by a gift to a particular missionary and in this case, it would be an unselfish communication. In that circumstance, the church reports to the missionary who the in-



Rev. Kenneth R. Smelser

dividual giver, or group who gave, is. The missionary answers both the church and the donor. This makes a double tie and real strength for all three; the donor, missionary, and the church.

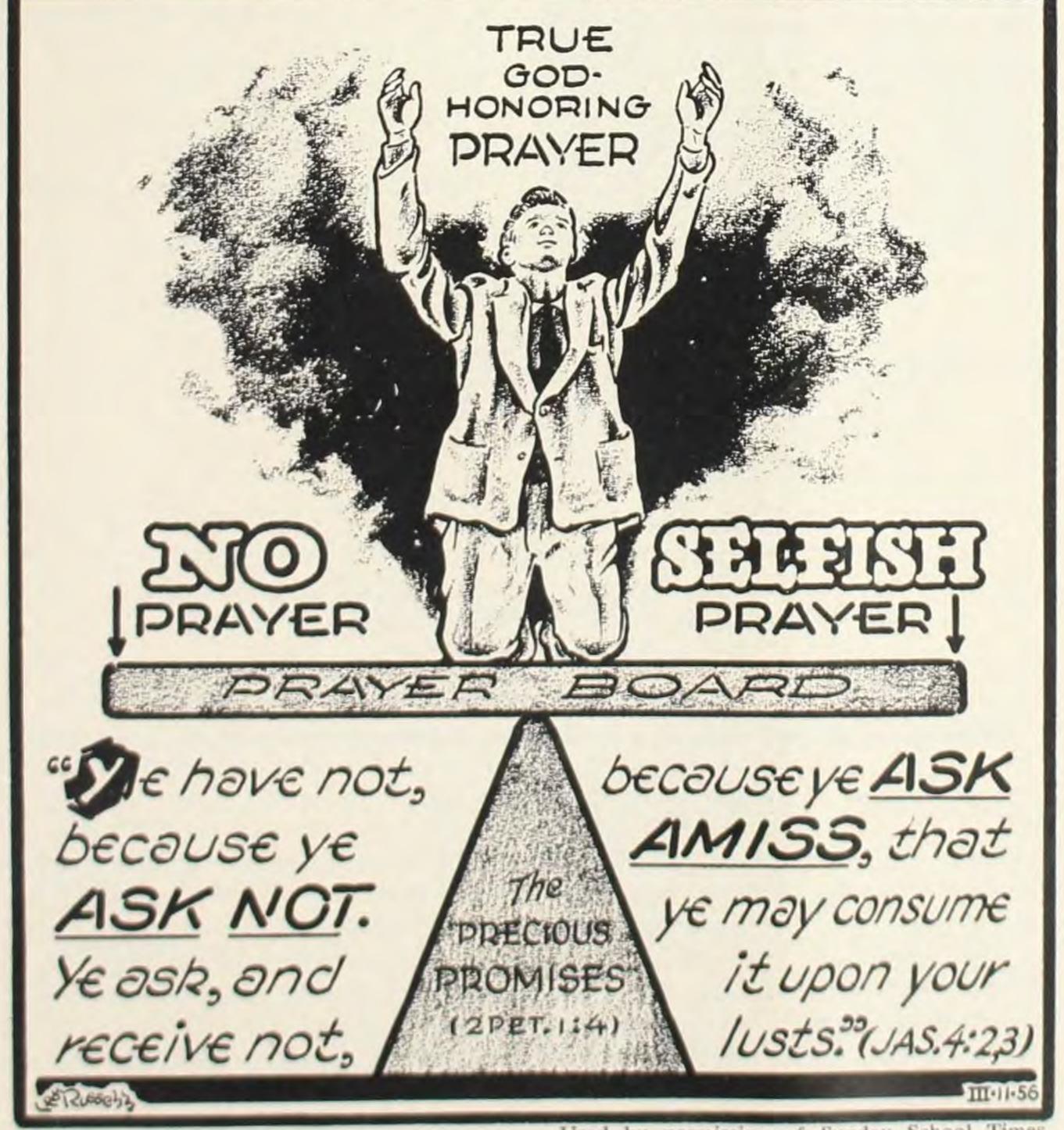
3. The gift through the church helps many in the church to get interested in your missionary interest. This means many more prayers. It can lead to others

- giving also a gift. . . More money and more prayers.
- 4. The more gifts through the local church, the greater the testimony of that church. This is a strength and a drawing power.
- 5. The more missionaries, who receive money through a particular church, the more prayers by those missionaries for that church. Prayer is power.
- 6. Mainly because it is Scriptural. It is the body of believers working together to evangelize the world. It does away with "hit or miss" giving to missionaries many times. Scriptures: I Cor. 3:16; 16:1,2; Acts 11:22; Eph. 5:23-32; Col. 1:18.
- 7. It is a SAFE GUARD on rare occasions when a person, or any church-related group, gives to an unworthy missionary and the church must refuse to send it and return the gift. This of course the church always has the right to do. Therefore we ought to require all groups of the church to channel their missionary giving through the Missionary Treasurer of the Church. What business firm would allow other than central giving by its various departments? See illustration No. 1.
- 8. The local church gets the glory for Christ and the missionary may get far greater help. See illustration No. 2.
- 9. It must be remembered that this kind of giving is to be beyond the faithful support of the missionary program of the church. The local church's missionary program is to be the primary responsibility of each and every member. See illustration No. 3.

Illustrations:

- 1. There was a person giving to a particular missionary who had been previously expelled from his fine Board. The church learned of it first.
- 2. A man was giving \$5 a month regularly to a missionary but not through his church. His pastor asked him to give the same gift through his church. It wasn't long until the church put the missionary on the budget for \$300.00 and later raised it to \$500.00. The Church now prays for "our missionary."
- The history and blessing of the Medina First Baptist Church stands to illustrate this entire page.

LET'S HIT THE TRUE BALANCE!



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Cedarville Professor Writes on Camp Counseling



Miss Joy MacKay, assistant professor of Christian Education at Cedarville College has recently written a book, "Creative Counseling for Christian Camps." It has been printed by Scripture Press Publications.

Here is a book that contains many helpful ideas for the camp counselor and director. Contained in the book are sections on knowing the camp, knowing your campers, knowing how to use the Word of God and knowing how to use campcraft skills.

Miss MacKay teaches counseling and other camp courses during the summer months at Word of Life's Summer Institute of Camping. The book is being used at a number of Christian Colleges and Seminaries. Copies may be ordered through the Cedarville College Book Store, Cedarville, Ohio.

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A Psalm and A Poem

By Ralph T. Nordlund

(Read PSALM VI in your Bible first)

O Lord, rebuke me not, nor chasten me
In angry, hot displeasure!
How long must this bone-vexing sickness be —
Beyond my weakened measure?

Return, O Lord, with healing grace and might:
Nor death, nor grave can praise Thee!
My pillow swims in tears throughout the night:
Have mercy, Lord, and raise me!

Thank God, He hears, and will receive my pray'r,
And grant my supplication;
From taunts of sinners He my soul shall spare,

And bring me vindication!

Psalm VI is usually called the first of the penitential psalms. It is very similar to the longer 38th Psalm, and may have been composed during or after the same spell of sckness; and yet it does not contain any confession of sin, unless its pleading for mercy is an acknowledgement of a need for forgiveness. It certainly is more penitential

than the 7th Psalm, in which the Psalmist pleads for help against his enemies on the basis of his own righteousness and integrity; and yet it falls far short of the confessions of sin we find in the 32nd and 51st Psalms.

Yet it may be that if we were as sick as David, we would not go much beyond praying for mercy and healing either. Only those who have been prostrated by sickness know how weak the mind becomes along with the weakness of the body. As we get close to the grave, we may not even be able to pray at all, good Christians as we may be. At such times it is good to know that our tears may be, as Spurgeon said, "liquid prayers." God understands the language of tears. This psalm is a strong encouragement to us to pray for healing when we are sick. We will come to know the meaning of God's mercy better; and we may also have the experience of the assurance of an answer such as came to David in verses 8 through 10, and we shall cease to cry and begin to testify!

"Thank you, Lord, for the Petunias!"

I think it's time someone said a kind word about Petunias. Every gardener is eager to show his dahlias, roses, or lilies, but I have never had anyone invite me to look at Petunias.

Our conservatories hold flower shows featuring the earliest tulip to the last poinsettia, but no one ever exhibits a Petunia. Brides carry flowers ranging from edelweiss to lillies of the valley, but no bride would consider carrying a Petunia. Everyone ignores the Petunia — but the bloomin' thing goes right on bloomin'. It's time someone appreciated it.

Flowers remind ministers of people, and a group of people has about as many varieties of "plants" as does a garden. Every group has a few "azaleas", which produce only if soil and sunshine are to their liking; "iris" which rot if they are not constantly in the sunshine. We could go on and on: from the "asters" that wilt, to the "snapdragons" that rust, from the shrinking "violets" to the stubborn "glads."

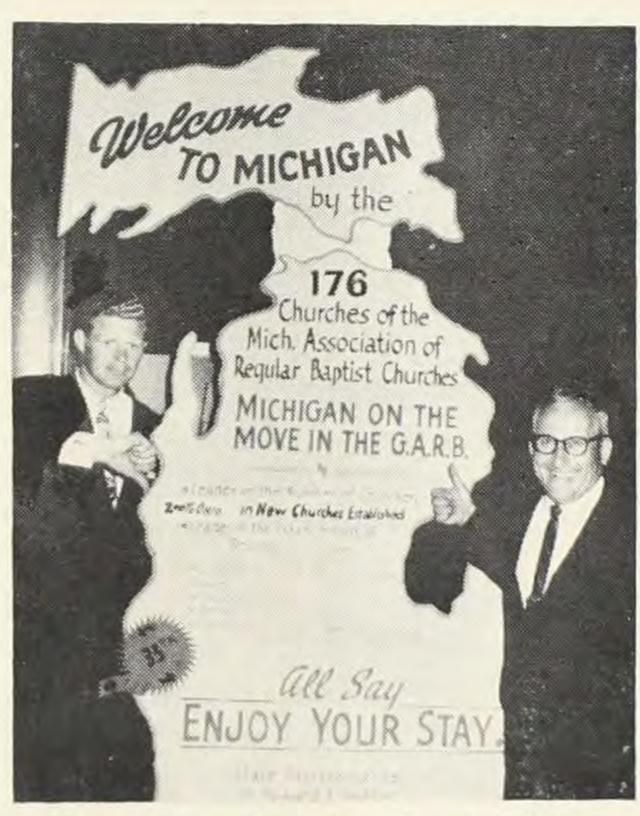
There is a regal "chrysanthemum" that stands out in a crowd and fits into a situation only if in command; the tender "morning glory", which blooms at the beginning of a day, but fades at noon. Every variety of people needs some special attention to make it bloom—except the "Petunia."

Perhaps you can understand why "Petunias" are dear to a minister's heart. They are those persons who go right on doing their part without any special attention. No one fusses over them, pampers or cultivates them. No one praises them for their dependability or loyalty. But like the "Petunia" in the garden, they don't seem to mind. They contribute their effort, without expecting to win a blue ribbon. They give of their beauty

without begrudging the demands of others. They cause no trouble, create no commotion. Like the "Petunia", they just keep blooming the very best they can. It takes all kinds of people to make this world. Every minister knows that some varieties will always need special attention to help them bloom. He expects that. There are always those who need extra encouragement and those who want to be recognized for every deed.

There are always those who want to feel important. This is all in a day's work. But when the day is finished and if it has been especially difficult and disappointing, there arises from the quiet of a pastor's study, a very simple prayer, "Dear Lord, thank you for the "Petunias."

"2nd TO OHIO"



We regret that we do not have a better picture but this is better than none at all! While attending the national G.A.R.B.C. conference in Grand Rapids, our attention was drawn to this beautiful sign inviting folk to Michigan. The sign was made by our brother, Rev. Don Jennings of

Fenton, Michigan. It really is a lovely sign.

Along with other accomplishments achieved by the Michigan churches, it listed the following. . . "Leader in New Churches Established." Our brother, Rev. Ben Jennings (Don's dad), being a loyal Ohioan (he pastors the Graham Road Baptist Church, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio) printed a little card which read. . . "2nd to Ohio." This he carefully placed over the word "Leader" causing the Michigan sign to properly read. . . "2nd to Ohio in New Churches Established!"

In the above picture, Brother Don Jennings can be seen standing at the left of the sign with "Thumbs down" to the correction, while to the right is our Brother Umbaugh designating "thumbs up!"

It was all in good fun, but it is nice to know that Ohio did lead all of the other states in the number of new churches established! We added eleven churches this year. We praise the Lord for sending a man like Earl Umbaugh our way!

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Thus is the greatest advance in the physical development of the Los Angeles Baptist College and Seminary, since its move to Newhall five years ago. The school's president John R. Dunkin states that the decision of the Board of Trustees is to proceed immediately with construction of a new gymnasium which is being financed by a gift from the Bross Foundation of over \$250,-000.00. The Bradley Construction Company of Sherman Oaks, California has been selected as the general contractor.

The gymnasium playing court will be full professional size with the option of two practice courts. The bleachers will seat approximately 1000 spectators and the structure will include a lobby, locker rooms, coaches offices, a training room, team room, weight room, laundry and storage facilities. Two large classrooms will also be provided for the academic aspects of the physical education minor offered by the college.

The building, scheduled to be completed in December of this year, will be named the "Robert K. Bross Gymnasium" in honor of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bross of Vista, California. Mr. Bross is a trustee of LABC and, together with his wife has been vitally interested in the growth of the college. The Board of Trustees has been informed that this is the largest known single gift to be given to a private Christian college for the construction of a gymnasium.

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this "follow-up" work they become "firmly planted" souls for Christ. They are more able to stand against the smooth talk of false teachers who seek to spoil their unfeigned faith in the Gospel of Christ. If a deep conviction or the desire to see young Christians exercise spiritual discernment in every area of their lives is ours, the hours spent in "follow-up" work will be done with love and care. Those involved in such work will be first to testify of the rich blessings enjoyed, as spiritual growth is seen in the lives of young Christians.

Developing

Development of new Christians into mature life for Christ is the goal set by the Scriptures, and of course is the aim of every true pastor and Christian worker engaged in this "follow-up" work. In Colossians 1:28

Paul speaks to us in these words, ". . . that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus." Another translation of this phrase is, "we may bring every man up to his full maturity in Christ." This was the constant aim of the Apostle Paul as he dealt with young Christians. In fact he states in Colossians 1:29 (Phillips Trans.), "This is what I am working at all the time, with all the strength that God gives me." With the several young Christians that are being followed up in our field, we can testify that a definite spiritual growth is being produced by the Lord through the hours spent with them in study of the Word. For instance, a young man with a Roman Catholic background said, "If I had known that these things were in the Bible, I would not have experienced the doubts that followed my conversion to Christ."

It is very easy to teach these

learners to pray as you meet with them individually. Asking God to guide and enlighten as you study His Word as Psalms 119:18 suggests, is a good way to begin. Then, as the study proceeds and points up our responsibility to witness to our lost friends, we can pray together for the salvation of their loved ones and friends. We have found the Navigator's Bible Study series very helpful and are using them in all our "follow-up" Bible studies just now. I can remember hearing Mel Trotter tell us of the importance of memorizing verses of Scripture, many years ago. And it is just as important today. His Word is a lamp and a shield to the Christian's pathway. As the Psalmist says in Psalm 119:11, "Thy Word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee." I always suggest a good edition of the Bible for Bible students, one with large enough print to allow less strain in reading. I use the Scofield Bible, and well remember the great help it was to me when I was a new Christian. A systematic method of recording the learner's daily Bible reading will also be helpful, and points up to him the progress or neglect that is being shown to this important matter. George Muller said, "The power of our spiritual life will be according to the measure of the room that the Word of God takes up in our life and in our thoughts."

Directing

We also suggest that a list of those he desires to contact Christ be drawn up and remembered regularly in prayer. So that a more effective testimony may be given to these contacts, we follow the suggestion of writing out what they are planning to say to these friends of their's for Christ, always using some Scripture. The plan is working and will work for anyone desiring to help establish new Christians in Christ. The discernment expressed after a few weeks of Bible study is very gratifying and marks a development toward Christian maturity that will greatly reduce the number of "Spiritual Drop-outs." May I add that it would be a joy to assist any pastor in setting up a "Follow-up" program or to share the titles of source materials.

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Fundamental Baptist Congress

There is a second Fundamental Baptist Congress to be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, October 3-6. Meetings will be held in the Civic Audiortium. Subjects to be discussed are The Lordship of Christ, The Authority of the Word of God, Regenerate Membership, God's Man in the Present Crisis and others. Among others, a few of the speakers will be Dr. John Balyo, Dr. Wilbert Welch, Dr. Hugh Hall Dr. Monroe Parker, Dr. R. T. Ketcham and Rev. Bernard Bancroft.

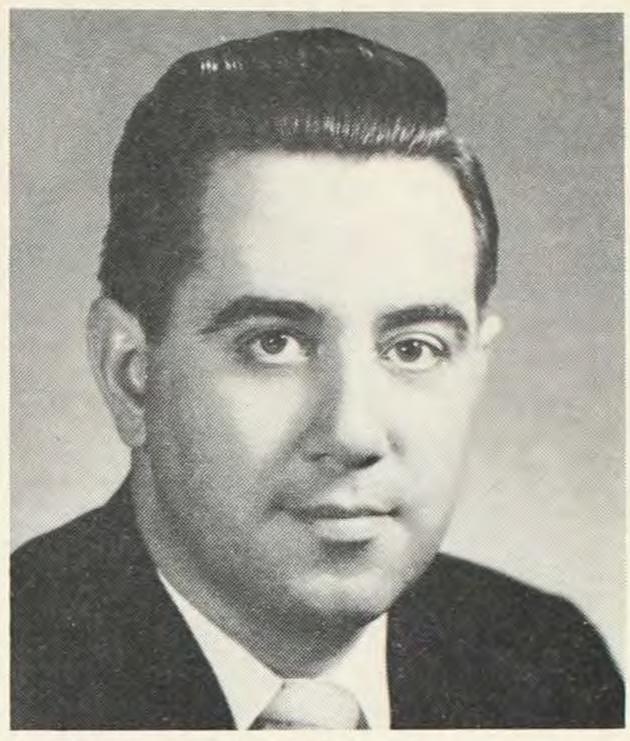
The first meeting, held in Detroit in 1963, exceeded all expectations in attendance, enthusiastic fervor, and spiritual power. If at all possible, plan to be in Grand Rapids, Oct. 3-6!

Two New Churches Recognized

A recognition council met recently to consider the Parkview Bible Baptist Church, Mayfield Heights. After due examination, it was unanimously decided that the church be recognized as a duly constituted Baptist Church. Rev. Paul Schenck is the pastor of this church. In southern Ohio, a recognition council met to consider the Grand Avenue Baptist Church, Fairborn. Here also, after due examination, it was unanimously decided that the church be recognized as a duly constituted Baptist Church. Rev. Earle Lieby is the pastor.

Both of these churches have already been received into our national fellowship (G.A.R.B.C.) and are making application to be received into our state fellowship this Fall at our annual conference in Barberton.

Springfield Church Calls Pastor



Rev. Kenneth L. Andrus

Rev. Kenneth Andrus has accepted a call to pastor the Blessed Hope Baptist Church, Springfield.

Brother Andrus is a graduate of Baptist Bible Institute of Cleveland, which is now Cedarville College. He was ordained by the Bethel Baptist Church, Warren. He has served as assistant pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist Church, Toledo and as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Grove City, Penna.

During his recent pastorate, he was used of the Lord to guide the church in the erecting of a new church building costing \$141,000. He has served as Association Camp Director for five years, initiated and maintained a devotional telephone ministry called — "Dial-A-Devotion", and carried on a daily radio program.

Rev. and Mrs. Andrus have four children. We are confident that the Lord has guided the folk at Blessed Hope in calling this man of God.



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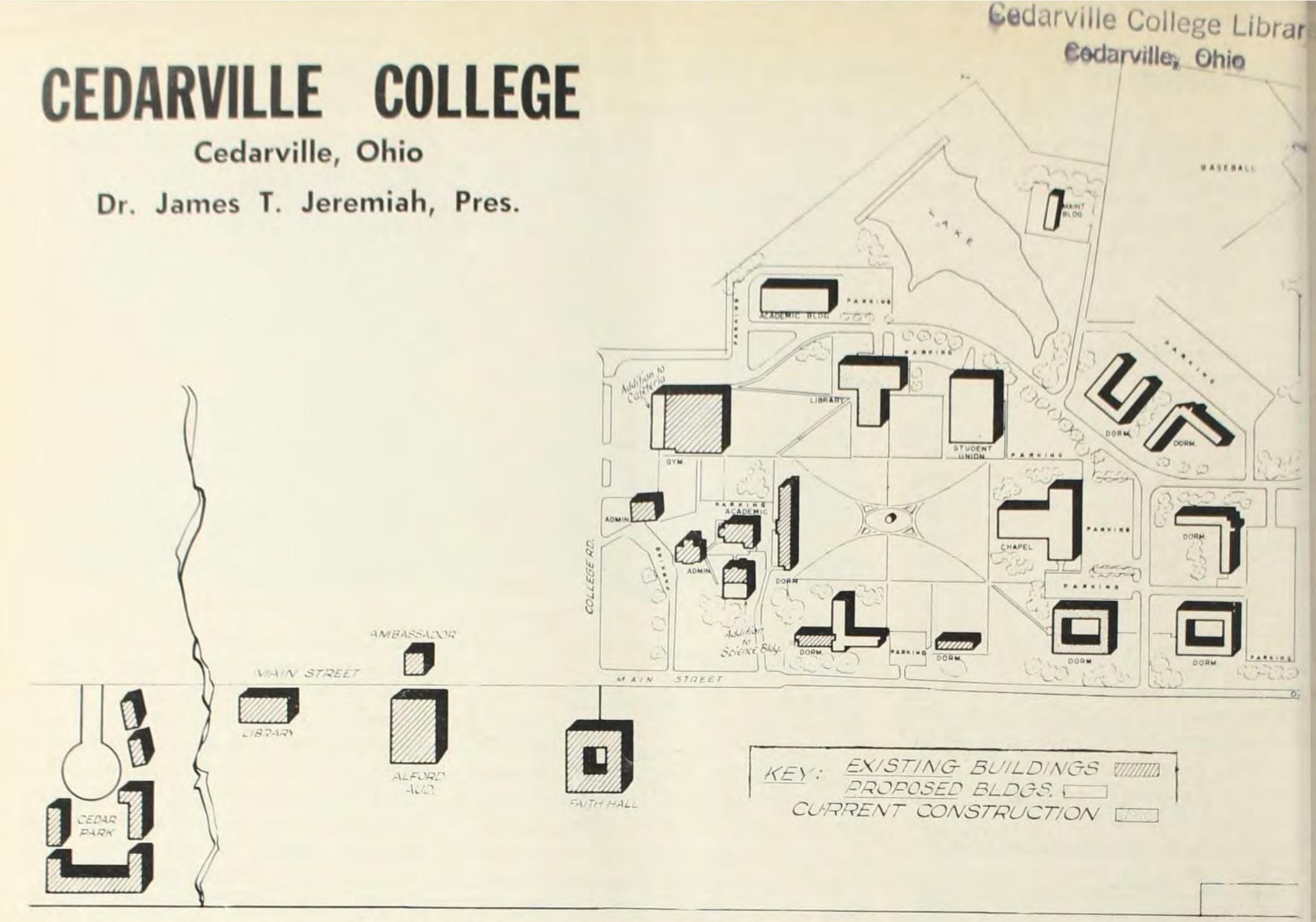
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