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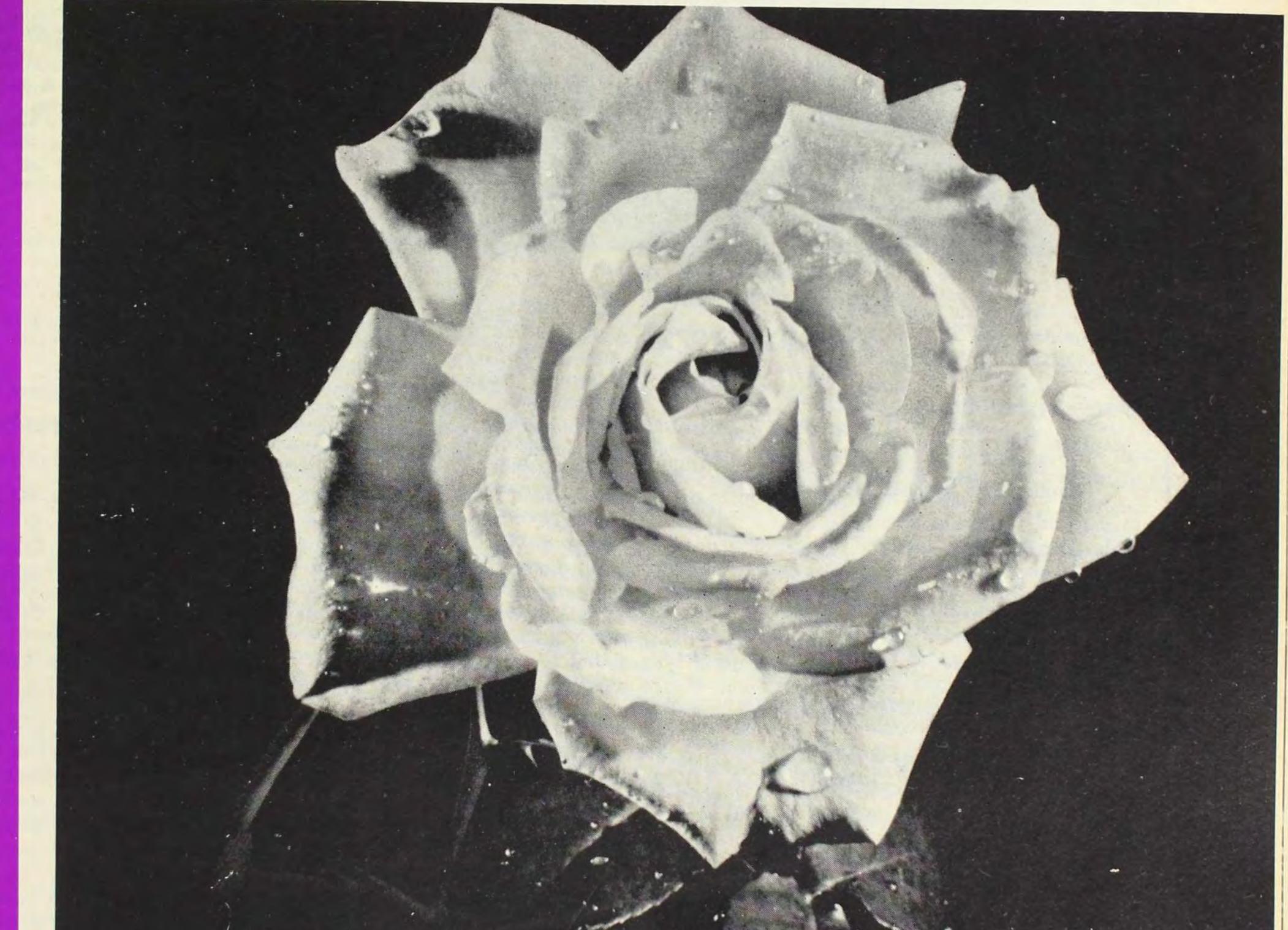


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"... And The Desert Shall Blossom As The Rose."

Isaiah 35:1b

A Smart Little Girl

Amy Sue Kirtland is a pretty smart little girl. Although only 20 months old she finds THE OHIO INDE-PENDENT BAPTIST worth reading. We could wish many adults in our OARBC Fellowship would do the same. Some of our OARBC churches do not subscribe to either our "BUNDLE LOT" plan or our "EVERY ACTIVE FAMILY PLAN". Amy Sue wants to know what is going on in our FELLOW-SHIP" - what is happening at our camps - what is being done in our churches! If your church is not subscribing, why not order a "Bundle Lot" . . . DO IT TODAY!

Amy Sue Kirtland's daddy is Lt. Wilbur Kirtland. He is a pilot in the United States Air Force and (at present writing) is located on Okinawa. Her mommy, Judy Kirtland, is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Chapman of Faith Baptist Church,



Amy Sue Kirtland

Gallipolis, Ohio. Amy Sue loves her mommy, her daddy, her grandparents . . . and THE OHIO INDEPEND-ENT BAPTIST!

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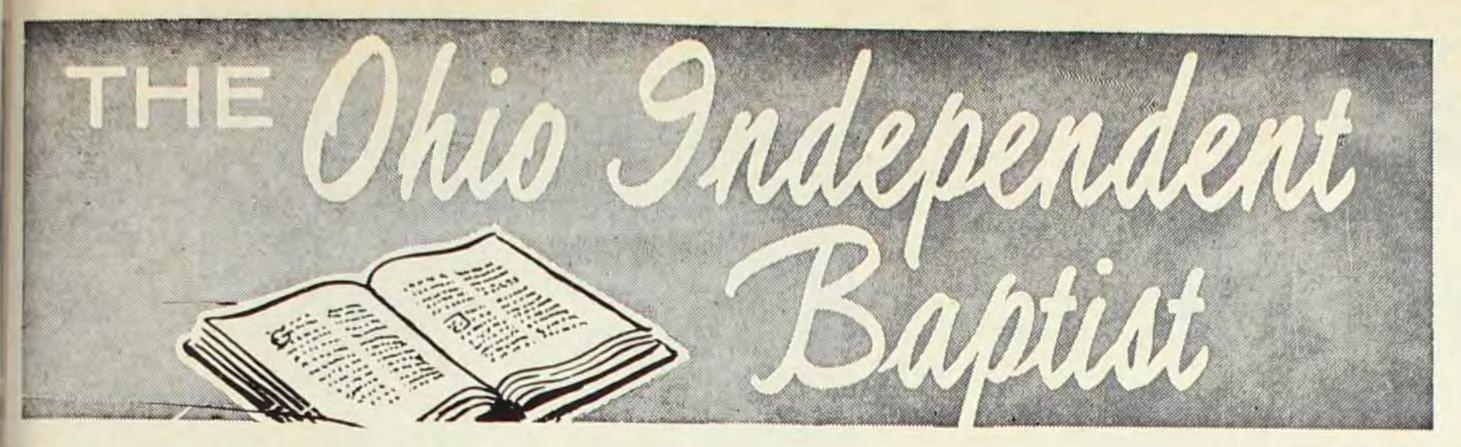
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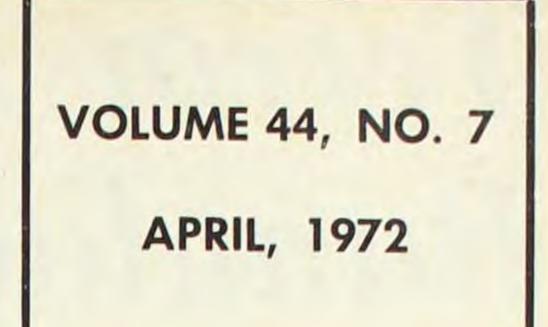
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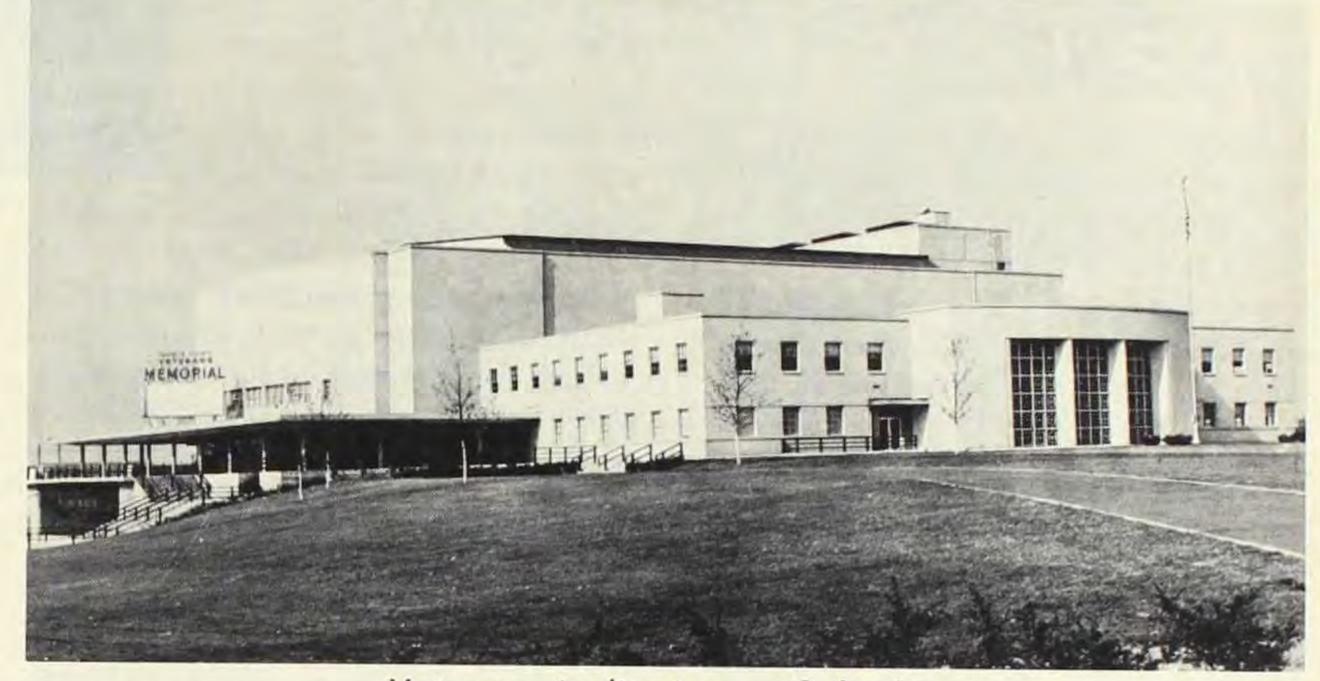
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Your Editor's Schedule Of Meetings APRIL 2-7 Berean Baptist Church Oregon, Ohio APRIL 10 Still open APRIL 11 Council of Ten meeting Columbus, Ohio **APRIL 16-23** Faith Baptist Church Amherst, Ohio APRIL 30 - MAY 5 First Baptist Church Sauk Village, Illinois

State Youth Rally



MAY 7-12 First Baptist Church Holland, Michigan MAY 14-19 First Baptist Church Angelica, New York

Talents For Christ Contest At Cedarville College

Free college tuition, trophies, competitive experience, helpful suggestions and fellowship are all potential benefits to those who enter the Ohio Talents for Christ Contest on April 15. The contest, open to all high school students in our churches, is part of the national Talents for Christ Contest. The winners from Ohio will go to San Diego, California in June to compete on the national level.

Contest categories include; Bible Knowledge, Journalism, Preaching (boys), Public Speaking (girls), Girls' Voice, Boys' Voice, Organ, Piano, Woodwind, Brass and Strings. All High School students with ability in these areas should be encouraged to participate. Many national winners admit that when they entered they had no idea that they could win. It is possible that you have a winner in your youth group.

Veterans Auditorium - Columbus

It's spring again and that's a sure sign that another State Youth Rally is almost here! On April 29, hundreds of teenagers will jam the Veteran's Memorial Auditorium in Columbus for an afternoon of excitement, challenge, fellowship and fun. Rev. Fusco, well known for his enthusiastic presentation of God's Word, will speak to the theme "Where Do I Fit In?". Rev. Fusco's use of ventriloquism will provide a humorous and interesting twist to the program.

The music program promises to be tops with exciting groups from Cedarville College, Grand Rapids Baptist Bible College, and Faith Baptist Bible

College. Also present to highlight the program will be a teen ensemble from The Christian Upper School, Cleveland, Ohio.

Other features of the program will include the announcement of the Talents for Christ winners, camp presentations and a tantalizing midafternoon snack.

Plan now to bring a bus load from your church. The program starts at 1:00 p.m., April 29. Registration fee: \$2.50 per person at the door. You may save \$.25 per person by preregistering, 1148 Gallia St., Portsmouth, Ohio 45662 before April 22. See you There!

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Terror In Bangladesh

Editor's Note: This article and the one on the opposite page appeared in The Grand Rapids Press (Section B) of their Sunday, March 5, 1972 issue.

Our brother, Dr. Donn W. Ketcham is a missionary surgeon serving the Lord under the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism in Bangladesh.

Dr. Ketcham presents here an "on the spot" picture of what has transpired in that land. May the reading of this article cause us to covenant with our God . . . to PRAY . . . PRAY AS WE NEVER PRAYED BEFORE!

The tense days at the jungle hospital during the Bangladesh upheaval are related by Dr. Ketcham in the following article:

In the last year of conflict in Bangladesh, what role has the foreign missionary played? The mission with which I serve in Bangladesh comprises the largest single group of Americans in this country. We have all come through unscathed, for which we thank God. There were tense days, however. Each day was a challenge. We eventually evacuated all our national personnel to a jungle station 15 miles away, which left just the two of us to cope with bandits (we slept with shotguns at our side every night), and local bands of people who were intent on looting Hindu homes, plus hiding men from would be killers, taking in refugees, keeping bands of marauders from burning down nearby homes, chasing out looters from those same homes, having our names put on the list of people to be "done in" by a local hoodlum, etc.



Dr. Donn W. Ketcham

eyes, repaired the shattered bowel of a 5-year-old boy shot by the military, repaired the slivered bones of numerous people shot by the military, heard children weep for their parents and parents for their children.

As the military were driven back by the freedom fighters and the Indian Army, a new type of work came our way. We then saw the masses of people returning from their exile in the jungle and "over the border" areas. The pathetic plight of these people tear your heart. It becomes an emotionally traumatic experience just to go to the hospital. There will be . literally scores of people who will fall down before you, grab your feet, dust your shoes with their hair and plead, beg, weep, whimper for just a handful of rice, just one blanket, just a bit of medicine, just a roof for their heads, just a little help and love.

When the uprising was ushered in on March 25, we were busily operating a jungle hospital 65 miles south of the seaport town of Chittagong. We see over 100 patients every morning in the out-patient beds, most of which are surgical beds.

Full Program, Too

In addition, there is a full program of teaching, preaching, administering the hospital, helping the nationals to better their own lot in farming, etc. It is a busy, immensely rewarding life. We have worked amongst the Bengali people now since 1963 and have grown to love them, know them, respect them and sympathize with them. In the midst of this busy life dropped the bombshell of full-blown national catastrophe.

When the Pakistan Army started to move our way, the U.S. government told us to move out our nonessential personnel. We were loath to do so, but, on April 21, we sent out 34 men, women and children by open boat across the Naf River into Burma. From there they went by open truck, ancient launch and airplane to Bangkok. All these people returned to Bangladesh within one month of that time.

Before the army got to us, we went to them and pleaded the cause of our local people and got their promise that they would not molest anyone in our area. In an area reaching from 7 miles to the north to 20 miles to the south, none was killed by the military. This is the only area like this we know of in all this land. By a miracle of God, we were not only able to see the lives of these people spared, but we were able to mount a relief operation to them even while the military was here. We talked recently with the consul general af a European nation. He reported that Gen. A. K. Niazi, the commander of the West Pakistani troops complained to him that we at Memorial Christian Hospital (Association of Baptists) were a real hindrance to his work. That suits me just fine!

We've done our best. We give regularly, each week, an assortment of rice, wheat, high-protein supplement, milk powder, blankets, clothing and baby food to well over 1,500 people. We've been fortunate in obtaining many of these supplies from established social agencies as well as donations from many individuals in the U.S.

In the midst of all this medical and relief work, we have not forgotten the spiritual needs of the people. Muslims are disillusioned with Islam since they were set upon by their own Muslim brothers. Hindus are more interested in Christianity than ever after the oppression they underwent. We have simply preached to these people that there is One who cares for them. We tell them of God who loved each of them so much that He made special provision for the forgiveness of their sins at the cost of His only Son. Many are finding that, in this new land, they can now have new spiritual life as well.

During the time they were gone, there remained only two of us at the hospital, Dr. V. B. Olsen and myself.

Operations for All

The medical work was going on all this while. We operated on fleeing freedom fighters, smuggling them across the border before the arrival of the West Pakistan military. We operated on the victims of the freedom fighters as well. The saddest of all were the women and children who came in. I've removed the eye of a 5-year-old girl who was shot by the military, given relief to a woman whose husband was shot before her

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Why the Doctor Weeps

American citizens living in Bangladesh this last year have suffered considerable mental anguish because of the U.S. government policy toward Bangladesh. When the Pakistani military machine first rolled over the Bengalis in March, the fleeing national leaders of the Bengali people came to us and hopefully asked when our government would come to their rescue. Certainly a land of freedom and democracy like America would come to the aid of people who were being exterminated by an oppressor. They pleaded, they begged, they cried. No help came.

When the Pakistan Army was in control here, we were continually embarrassed to have to stand before Bengalis and explain how it could be that the American government would still give military aid to West Pakistan, even though that aid was being used to kill Bengalis. rise up and reclaim the land from the hand of the Pakistani military machine, we were ashamed to tell them that there was still no help coming to them from U.S.

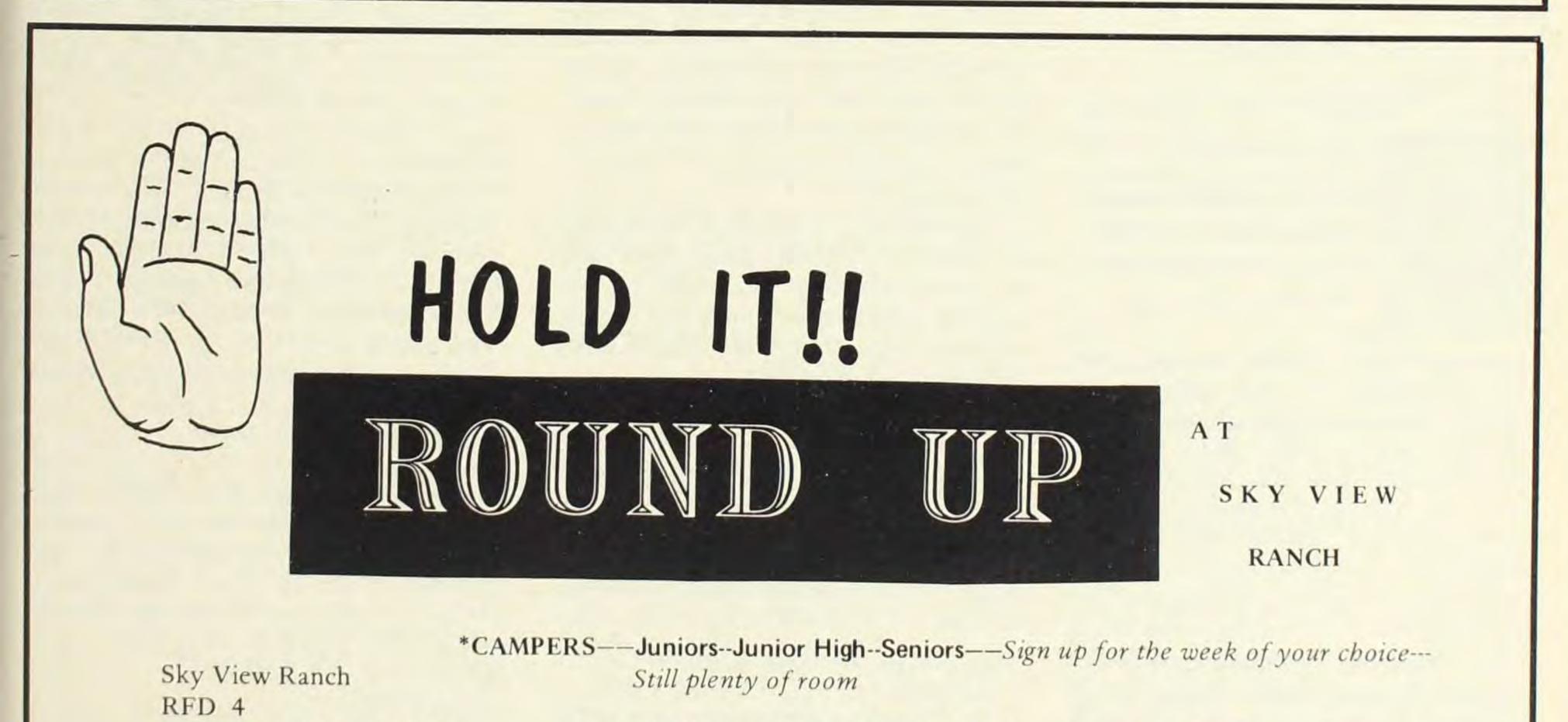
Finally came the day when victory was complete. Bangladesh was a reality. The shame became even more acute. Why isn't America recognizing Bangladesh? Again and again we were asked this. One official in the new government told me, "I trust no American." He made an exception in my case, since according to him I am Bengali and not American since I stayed here and suffered with the Bengali people.

There is now a strange phenomenon seen in village and town alike. Everyone seems to recognize that the American people are solidly behind Bangladesh. It is only the cabinet that is dragging its feet. They feel that the one who is the real traitor to their cause is Henry Kissinger and, as a result of Kissinger's influence, Richard Nixon. It is a shame to America that Russia and so many others have recognized Bangladesh first. We have lost the advantage in this land. Here is how Dr. Ketcham feels about America's policy toward Bangladesh:

Our consular officials are in the anomalous position of not officially being here. We know that with America's recognition will come considerable amounts of aid to rebuild this land, but it is the Russians who have gotten here first. They are the ones who are getting all the credit. They will do the least in the way of aid and get the most fanfare, because they got here first.

I have been here in this troubled area all through the terror-filled days. I've seen the bombs fall. I've operated on the blasted bodies. I've cried with the people in their oppression and shouted with them in their victory. I feel all this as keenly as they do, but they never let me forget that I am the representative of a country that talks a great deal about freedom but won't help a morally raped people to become a free people themselves. I feel the shame of it keenly. I weep for the Bengalis. I weep more for our own dear country in which policy seems to be determined by what is expedient rather than what is morally right.

When the Mukti Bahinis began to



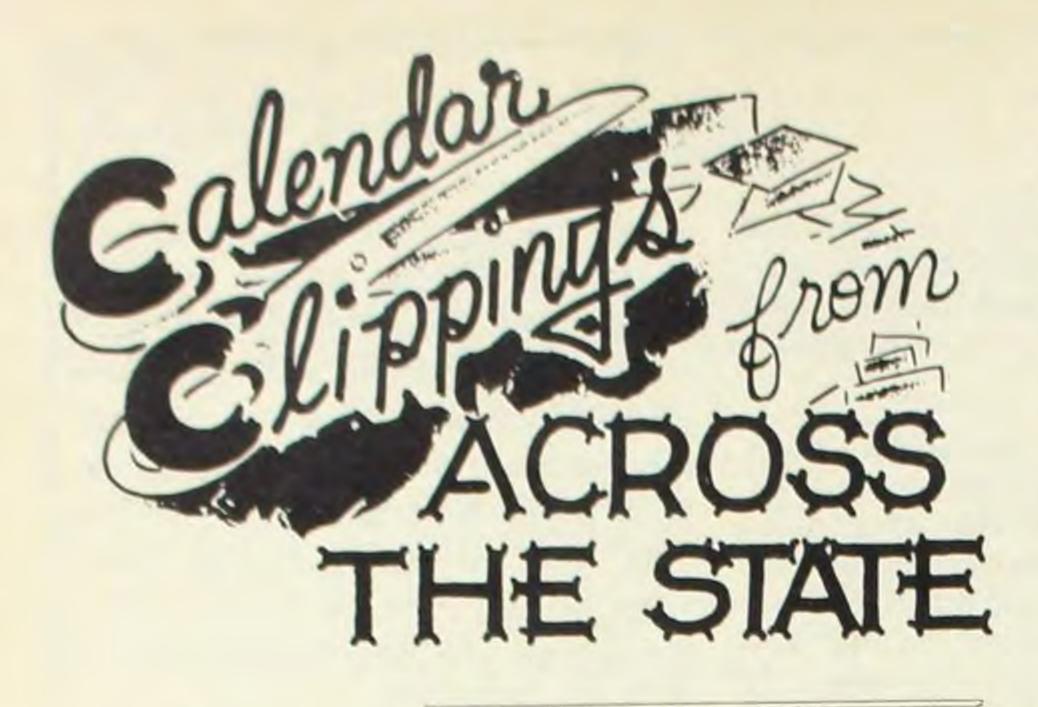
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We invite all of our OARBC pastors to place us on their mailing list. Send us your Church Calendars each week. Our mailing address is simply — Editor Don Moffat, Box No. 160, Xenia, Ohio — 45385.

AVON BAPTIST CHURCH -

We had the joy of extending the Right Hand of Fellowship to seven new members just recently. Brother Howard Reinhold continues to serve as our Interim Pastor.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH, BEDFORD —

We distributed lists with ideas for foodstuffs for "The Wills" family. This food will be packed in barrels and then sent to Africa. "The Wills" have been in Switzerland studying the French language. They hope to be leaving soon for Africa. Brother Earl Umbaugh was with us and presented our OARBC "Debt Free Program". GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH, CEDARVILLE —

As a church, we are now helping in the support of 22 missionaries and four Jewish Missions missionary agencies. Our total missionary budget is \$17,000. Approximately 28 of our TEENS meet each Monday morning at 7:45 a.m. in the church to pray for unsaved friends. A carload of our young people have visited the Dayton airport several times to distribute tracts and witness for their Lord. BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH, CLEVELAND -We were privileged to enjoy a concert of sacred and patriotic music presented by the Cedarville College band. The Moody Bible Institute Chorale was with us the day before Easter. Our Second Annual Sweetheart banquet proved a huge success. into our church. Mr. Ken Nichols of Cedarville College spoke at a banquet for our Sunday School teachers and officers. We had Dr. Nam Chin Cha of Korea speak to us on the theme — "Communism and the Future". We voted recently to purchase a new 15 passenger Dodge Mini-bus. PINE HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH,

Columbus —

On April 23rd, we will be celebrating the 10th anniversary of our church. The Maranatha Baptist Bible College Chorale were with us on April 2. Our Missionary Conference is scheduled for May 17-21. Evangelist Herbert T. White will be here for meetings in July.

HEIGHTS BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH, EAST LIVERPOOL —

Miss Norma Nulph (Baptist Mid-Missions) was our guest at our Annual Missionary Banquet. Rev. Marvin Werbeach of North Jackson, Ohio visited with us telling us about Christian Day Schools. The Lord is blessing this work. We are growing numerically. We are making plans to expand and remodel our present church building. ABBE ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH,

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, BLANCHESTER —

During February, the Cedarville College Choralaires presented a service in song. Our State Missionary, Rev. Earl Umbaugh spoke concerning our State "Debt Free Program" The Lord is blessing in our services.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, BOWLING GREEN —

At a Family Night service, we were privileged to hear Fred and Rachel Whitman. These dear folk will be going to Italy under Baptist Mid-Missions. We are looking forward to having Evangelist Robert Sumner for a special evangelistic campaign in late May.

RILEY CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH, BLUFFTON —

Our Missionary Conference proved a great blessing. Both "Home" and "Foreign" mission agencies presented their works. We also had Christian educators s p e a k concerning our schools. We praise the Lord for the increase in giving on the part of our people for missions. HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH, COLUMBUS —

Recently Dr. Cleveland McDonald of Cedarville College ministered here. A film presenting the work of our Baptist Children's Home in Kouts, Indiana was shown at our Ladies Missionary Fellowship.

Immanuel Baptist Church, Columbus —

Gospel singer Alan McGill presented a Gospel Concert in the evening service of March 19. A Youth Workers Conference for all Junior and Senior High Sponsors was held February 29.

Maranatha Baptist Church, Columbus — Elyria —

Recent speakers include Rev. William Commons (ABWE - Hong Kong) and Rev. Warren Simmons (FBHM-Joy Clubs). We joined in with the North Olmsted Baptist Church for their roller skating party. We recently broke all of our previous Sunday School records. FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,

Elyria —

Pastor Hull is bringing a series of messages on Sunday mornings concerning — "THE BLOOD OF CHRIST". Our youth took part in a Winter Retreat at Sky View Ranch. The young people of the Abbe Road Baptist Church were with them in this endeavor.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,

GALION -

While Pastor and Mrs. Booth were vacationing in Florida, our brother, Rev. George Zinn preached and brought one of his "Sermons in Song". A gift was given our church toward the purchase of a bus. FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH,

WHIPPLE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH, CANTON —

Our meetings with Evangelist C. Leroy Sheveland were blessed of the Lord. Our Ladies Missionary Union were privileged to have Miss Nancy Towle, missionary to Spain. COLONIDOO

At a recent morning service, certificates were presented to those who had completed courses during the recent Fall quarter of our Maranatha Bible Institute. Rev. E. E. Schwartz and his wife were with us on March 19.

Memorial Baptist Church, Columbus —

We learned at our Annual Business Meeting that our income in the past two years has increased from \$42,744 to \$65,257. Also, during this time, we have received 91 new members GALLIPOLIS —

Rev. and Mrs. David Trotman, ABWE missionary candidates to Bangladesh (East Pakistan) were with us recently. Our Sweetheart Dinner proved most successful. We praise the Lord for those recently baptized and brought into our church. Work on our new addition is moving right along.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,

GALLIPOLIS -

We were privileged to have Rev. and Mrs. Floyd Wooden (Baptist

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Mid-Missions) tell of their work in Japan. Progress continues to be made daily as we continue in the constructing of our new Educational Building unit.

GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH, LONDON —

Rev. and Mrs. Mark Trimble (Baptist Mid-Missions) told of their call to Brazil and of the great need in that land. Mr. Jim Little recently presented the work of the Gideons. The Conquerettes Trio from Cedarville College sang for us. Pastor Morris spoke at a Men's Fellowship supper at the Maranatha Baptist Church in Springfield.

First Baptist Church, Medina —

Dale Loftis, missionary to Jamaica, was with us in February. We recently voted to spend \$100 for a book display and to make books available to our people. We voted also to increase our pastor's salary. The Lord continues to bless our work here for which we praise Him.

MOGADORE BAPTIST CHURCH -

and Nancy Towle of Spain. Our State Missionary, Rev. Earl Umbaugh was with us to speak concerning our "Debt Free Camp" program and his wife, Mrs. Sergie Umbaugh spoke to our Women's Missionary Fellowship. Rev. J. A. Parker from the colored church in Lancaster ministered here on February 20.

BLESSED HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD —

Dr. Clifford Johnson, Rev. Thomas Loper both of Cedarville College preached here recently. We invited Rev. Joseph Chapman to hold a three-day conference for us. He was here March 12-15. A special commissioning service was held for Miss Connie Endicott. She will be working under Baptist Mid-Missions among the Sioux Indians. Gospel singer Alan McGill was with us March 20th.

GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH, SUNBURY —

"The Ambassadors for Christ" from the First Baptist Church of Shelby, Ohio were with us. Also, the "Swordbearers" from Cedarville College. Missionaries Dewane and Pat Light told of their burden for the people of Nicaragua. We are praising the Lord for our new Thomas Transistor organ. It is all paid for — in full!

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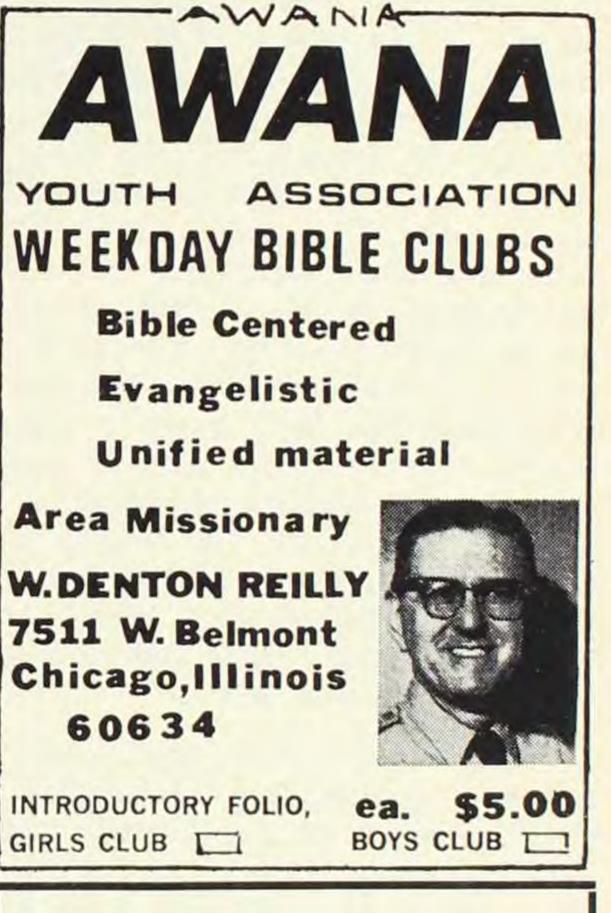
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Rev. Norman Bosworth told us concerning the "Debt Free Camp" program. Special Revival Services were held March 19-26 with Evangelist White. Mr. Sidney Main, an executive from the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company gave his personal testimony at one of our Sunday evening services.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, NEW LONDON —

Don "Robbie" Robinson and Bill Sharratt, both of Word of Life, ministered here recently. We were privileged also to have Mr. George Schuler. Our brother is well known as a song writer, Moody staff member and evangelist.

NORTH OLMSTED BAPTIST CHURCH-

Miss Norma Nulph (BMM) spoke recently at one of our youth meetings. Rev. L. W. Beckley ministered here one Sunday in February. We continue to see the Lord's blessing on our JOY CLUB ministry. Many children are being reached with the gospel through these clubs.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, NILES —

Our pastor's wife, Mrs. Carol Sparling, spoke at our Grace Bennett Missionary Society tureen dinner. Special evangelistic meetings with Dr. Lew Stewart, Evangelist and Director of the "Days of Decision" were held March 19 through 26.

FAIRFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH, THURSTON —

Rev. Canterbury has resigned as pastor of this work. The Lord blessed his ministry while here. He is now serving the Lord as pastor of a new work in Carrollton, Ohio. We covet the prayers of God's people as we wait on the Lord to lead us in choosing a new pastor.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, WILLOWICK —

We were happy to have "The Epperley Family" with us recently. Rev. and Mrs. Ross Epperly both teach at the Baptist Christian School in Cleveland. They are a very talented couple. Their music for the day was excellent. Evangelist Curt Wetzel was here March 5 through 12. His sound, solid Bible preaching was both a blessing and a challenge.

Emmanuel Baptist Church, Xenia —

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We've had a number of missionary speakers of late. These include Connie Endicott who works among the Sioux Indians, Betty Guthrie of Mexico

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Missionaries Willard and Donna Benedict (ABWE — Bangladesh) gave us a vivid report of conditions in that war-torn land. Rev. John Lineberry ministered here on March 19.

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Memories of HIS Great Goodness

by Ruth Hege

"I will still be your missionary."

Every verse of Psalm 138 is meaningful and precious to me, but today in looking back in retrospect from the vantage point of the past forty years, verse 8 stands out clearly, "The Lord will work out His plans for my life - for your lovingkindness Lord, continues forever." and Psalm 57:2 "It is God Who performeth all things for me." I can now understand how every experience (even the bitterest) has in love been prepared by Him to strip me of self-reliance and make me lean on Him more heavily and depend upon Him more completely - to underscore the blessed truth of His teaching in the parable of the vine and the branches: "Without Me you can do nothing." I know that any fruitbearing has been possible only because of the faithful pruning and trimming of the divine Husbandman. So then, the branch has naught of which to boast, except it be of such a wise and patient Gardner Who was determined to have some fruit at any costs, for His own glory.

goodness I gladly and gratefully pay tribute to the many who in God's love plan have contributed towards the working out of His will in my life. I praise Him for Christian, Godfearing parents who gave their children to the Lord and asked Him to use them how and where He chose and meant it. I am grateful that the Lord directed my Mennonite father to the Baptist Church of Wellington when he was seeking a church-home for his family. It was this little church that commissioned me in 1931 by the laying on of hands to send me forth, and this same church by gifts and prayers has supported me throughout the years. Then there have been many, many individual faithful ones who have given at a sacrifice and prayer-warriors who have stood by and held over me the shield of faith by prevailing prayer in the weakest, darkest and most dangerous hours. In that day when the books are opened and rewards are given many shall share in the recompense. Then together we will cast our crowns at our dear Saviour's feet Who alone is worthy and sing praises unto Him Who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood."



Miss Ruth Hege

me to the ground, give it me back and I will still be your missionary."

May I take the liberty to paraphrase? "Recall the 40 years of missionary service, give me back all of its experience, give me back its loneliness, give me back its dangers of wild animals, of wild men, of robberies and material losses, give me back its standing in the face of death surrounded by frenzied guerillas with arrows flying — give it me back and I will still be your missionary."

Another truth which comes clearly into focus in recounting the memories of His goodness is this: Friends and loved ones have not even as much as mentioned the faults and failures of which there have been many for "love covereth." Isn't this just what our Lord does for us? He takes away the filthy rags of our own righteousness and clothes us with the garments of Salvation and covers us with the robe of His Righteousness and adorns us with the ornaments of His grace. We can exult with the prophet, "Who is a God unto Thee, that pardoneth iniquity and passeth by the transgression of His heritage?" And is it not true that the bitterest experiences, washed by tears, have been forgotten and there remains only the sweetness and comfort of walking with Him, to rejoice our hearts and encourage us to journey on. "For this God is our God forever and ever. He will be our Guide even unto death." Ps. 48:14.

After 21 years of missionary service James Chalmers of Burma wrote: "Recall the 21 years, give me back all of its experience, give me its shipwrecks, give me its standing in the face of death, give it me surrounded by savages with spears and clubs, give it me back again with spears flying about me, with clubs knocking Why can I say this? Because of God's abounding, unchanging faithfulness — because of the joys of walking with Him all the way because Romans 8:28 and Phil. 1:12 are blessedly true — because every experience, even the failures have brought me further along the way of fulfilling my life verse: "That I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death." Phil. 3:10.

As I review in memory the past forty years in God's service in foreign lands — Congo and Venezuela — I stand amazed at His great goodness and faithfulness to me and my heart overflows with adoration, praise and thanksgiving to Him Who alone is worthy of all glory. What a great salvation is ours! What a loving, kind understanding Master we serve!

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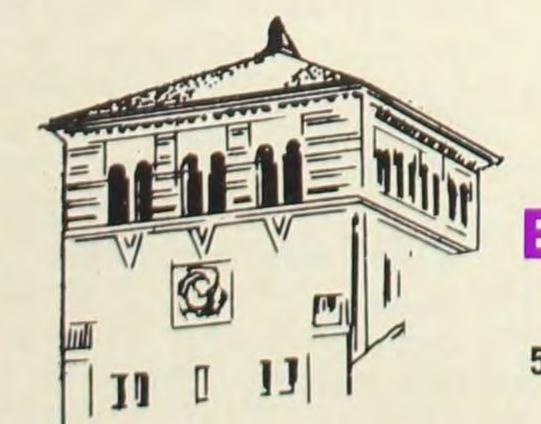
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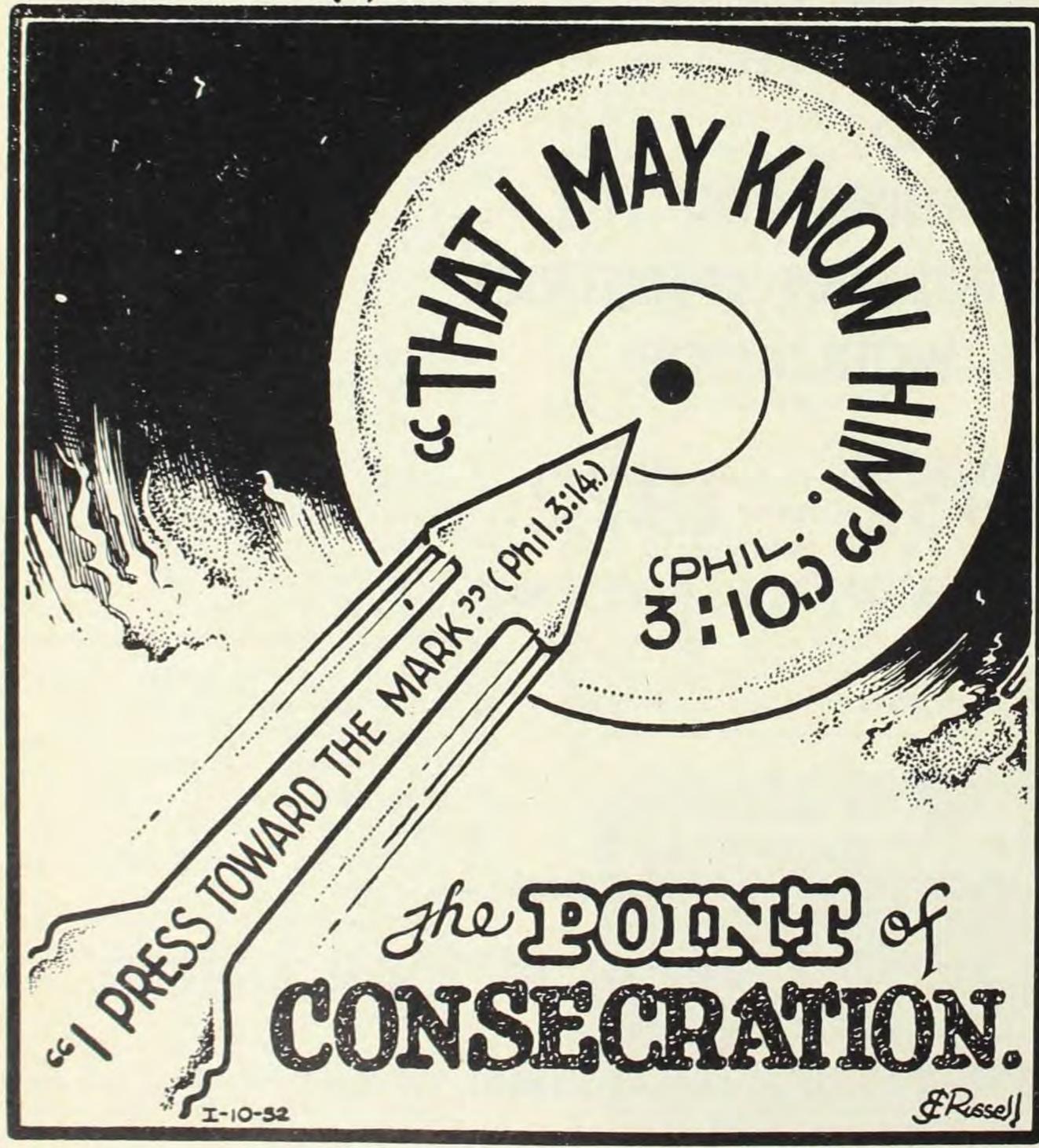
In recent years there has appeared in fundamental circles a refreshing, youthful, dynamic organization called "Awana". Awana Youth Association, located in Rolling Meadows, Illinois uses the motivational dynamics of games and competition to instruct boys and girls 8 thru 18 in the precious truths of God's Word.

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of Toledo. Come and see for yourself.

Pictured above are more than 200 teenagers who were present for the Mid-Winter Round-Up.

"This OHE thing I do." 3:13.5-CONCENTRATION.



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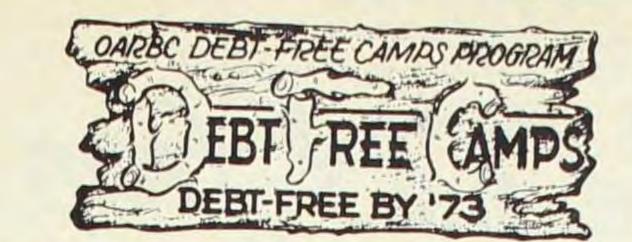
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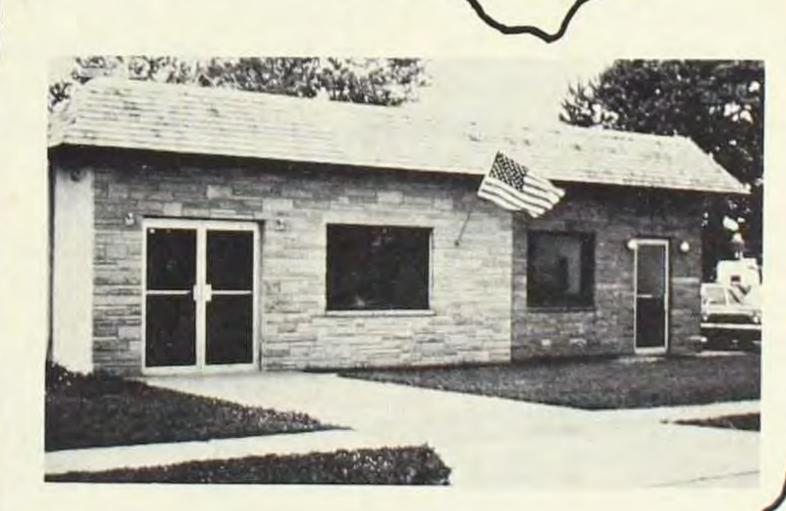
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GLIMPSES of

in Galatians 6:1

TRUTH from the

Galatians 6:1 begins a new paragraph, but does not introduce a new subject or change of theme from the previous context in chapter 5:22-26. The fruit of the Holy Spirit does not include pride, envy, and vainglory, and surely does not lead us to challenge each other belligerently. Christian liberty is devoid of all selfishness, and does lead any of us to want more credit and praise than others. True, spiritual "brethren" - who are genuinely what the word denotes - will not act in any such manner. Such things as envy, selfishness, desire for more credit, challenging each other as to "rights", vainglory, and station, are beneath real brothers in the Lord. Those who are motivated by envy and unholy desire would not be sorry to see a brother in Christ overtaken by some sin and blemished by it. But those whose character is genuinely spiritual, with hearts not motivated by pride and envy will be deeply concerned over a brother who has become the victim of some transgression, and are the proper ones to help the sinning brother by the exercise of Christian love and wise counsel. This leads to the admonition in 6:1.

contrary to it. When a man is detected in such an action as this, those who are spiritual (hoi pneumatikoi), in the congregation are responsible for restoring the guilty one. "Those who are spiritual" are those who are mature in the faith, possessing solid Christian character, conscious of the Holy Spirit's leadership and guidance, able to counsel, and ready to forgive. To stress the fact that it is such as these who are expected to undertake the restoring, the emphatic pronoun (humeis) has been placed by the Holy Spirit before the articular plural noun (hoi pneumatikoi) so that the expression is to be rendered: "You, on your part, the spiritual ones - you restore!" It is not for those who are unable to master their carnality and fleshly inclinations. God has placed men in every local church who are able to exercise themselves in this vital and crucially important work.

original meaning of prepare, make ready, perfect" something for its full use and destination is found among the Papyri, in rather common use. For example, in Papyrus Oxy viii, 1153:16, the recipient of a letter is informed that he will receive certain garments which have been especially made and prepared (kateirtismena) for him. The word is used in the New Testament, Hebrews 10:5, of the special divine preparation of the body of the Lord in the virgin's womb for the virgin birth. In Hebrews 11:3, it designates the planning and framing of the ages in expert manner ("The ages were framed by the word of God"). Again, in Hebrews 13:21, the writer prays in his benediction that God will "make you perfect in every good work. . ." Paul appeals to the Corinthians that they "be perfectly joined together in the same mind. . ." (I Cor. 1:10). To the Thessalonians Paul expressed the desire that whatever was lacking in their faith might be made complete (I Thess. 3:10). But the word occurs also in Matthew 4:21, where it describes the action of the Apostles in mending their fishing nets. And it has an old, common surgical usage — that of setting a broken limb, and repairing a dislocated joint. Now, from these uses, it is clear that the prominent idea in the word is not that of punishment, but of reparation, amendment, correction, restoration, making right again where there has been injury, wrong, or loss. Believers who are tempted into doing what is wrong must be corrected and restored to their proper place. This is all a part of the preparation and maturing of such brethren for their full use and service, and for their destination. All of this goes into the fitting out of the whole man for a more effective witness. When an errant brother gets off the right path, and is detected in some act that is wrong, and therefore harmful and injurious, and detrimental to the whole body - mature, brotherly concern

The case Paul visualizes and sets before us is that of a man who is overtaken (proleimphthei) in a "fault", lit. "surprised, or detected in the act of committing a sin" - so that his guilt is unquestionable, placed beyond all doubt. The "fault" or sin, is rendered by the word paraptomati, and contrary to the views of many, is not a mild word and chosen for that reason, but denotes something solemn and serious, and plainly wrong. In fact, the verb form of this word occurs in Hebrews 6:6, where the aorist participle parapesontas describes the act of having fallen away from the true Christian faith. The sin here, in Gal. 6:1, is not some slight, "lesser" sin, one not so "bad" as others - but a transgression which cuts across what is right and goes

They are to "restore" the sinning brother in a spirit of meekness, and watching themselves lest they also get to be tempted. Evidently, in view of the last verb in the verse, *peirastheis*, "tempt", the sin is of a nature which deals with the kind of wrong-doing which one may be "tempted" (enticed, lured). The "restoring" is important. It is described by the verb *katartidzete*, which is a most interesting word. Its

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Day School Conference

"Sense and Sensibility in Christian Education was the theme of Cedarville College's annual Christian Day School conference, held on February 25-26. Guest speaker for the weekend worship was Dr. John Blanchard executive director of the National Association of Christian Schools, located in Wheaton, Illinois.

A wide range of topics added diversified interests to the conference. Exploring such areas as "Maladjusted Behavior and the Teacher's Role," "Financing Christian Education" and "A Christian View of Science." speakers included members of Cedarville's education department. Dr. Blanchard presented "A Biblical View of Education," "Problems of Christian Day Schools," and "Establishing a Christian Day School."

According to the principal of the Academy, any book can be used from literature to chemistry, business, or Christian education. Devotional books and Bibles are also needed. The literature books needed for the school include such authors as Whitman, Cooper, Hutchins, Stevenson, Swift, Dickens, Shakespeare, Alcott, Anderson, Hawthorne to sight a few.

Anyone interested in contributing to either phase of the missionary project can do so by contacting Mr. Terry Clapp, SMP Chairman, Cedarville College, Cedarville, Ohio.

Author Presented

Dr. Kenneth Hardy Cooper, author of Aerobics and director of the Cooper Clinic and Research Foundation appeared on the Cedarville College campus on February 18. As part

of the school's Artist Lecture Series, Dr. Cooper began his lecture at 8:00 p.m. in Alford Auditorium.

Dr. Cooper has developed an exercise system called aerobics which is concerned with the amount of work done by muscles in relation to the amount of oxygen consumed. The supply and utilization of oxygen is promoted through vigorous exercises performed at least four or five days a week.

Upon entering the Air Force in 1960, he continued his research using thousands of air men for his experiments. Dr. Cooper is now retired from the Air Force and is working at his 81/2 acre Research Foundation in Dallas, Texas.

Besides Aerobics, Dr. Cooper has written several other publications which include, The New Aerobics and Aerobics for Women.

Student Speakers Available

Pastors or churches interested in securing the services of GARBC Grace Seminary students, should contact either Rev. Gordon L. Finley, Chairman of Christian Service or Rev. Bill Slocum, President - Route 8, Warsaw, Ind. 46580.

The conference attracted over 65 Christian Day School administrators from a five state region.

New Study Program

Seeking to expand the student's academic experience and comprehension of the interrelationships among various disciplines and Christian theism is the main objective of the Interdisciplinary Studies Program. The new program will begin with the start of spring quarter in March. The course is designed to combine depth of knowledge in one particular field with a specific study of the relationships found in the liberal arts. Among the requirements, the Interdisciplinary major will approach three new courses, American Minorities, Man and Reliable Knowledge and Man and His Environment.

Three thousand dollars and three thousand books is the goal of the student missionary project now underway at Cedarville College.

Missionary Project

The project, which officially began February 1, has a two phase program. Phase I, to collect three thousand dollars, began with the collection of money from students during winter quarter registration. The money received will be distributed three ways. Phase II of the project is to collect three thousand books for the Fellowship Baptist Academy, Kabongkalong, Philippines. The school, now furnishing a new library, is a Christian academy working with the Filipino people.

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Heart to Heart Among the Women

-Mrs. Inez Milner - Women's Editor-

"Under The Circumstances"

During a radio message I once heard Theodore Epp say, "You have no business being under the circumstances". How often, both in my own life and in counselling others, have I turned to a favorite Psalm, the 37th, and noted the succinct phrases which appear at the beginning of so many verses and which give us a "way of escape" in time of testing - (I Cor. 10:13).

Are you distressed because of pressures brought on by out-siders? FRET NOT — (verse I). Are you disappointed in family or friends who don't understand? TRUST IN THE LORD — (verse 3). Have you an unexplainable emptiness or discomfort of heart? DELIGHT THYSELF IN THE LORD — (verse 4). Is the path ahead obscure and you're in a dilemma about what to do? COMMIT THY WAY UNTO THE LORD — (verse 5). Are you disheartened at constant rebuff, in spite of trying to do right? REST IN THE LORD — (verse 7). Do you become discouraged and disgusted at constantly doing for others who never appreciate it? CEASE FROM ANGER — (verse 8). are to bring lunches for their children. The host church will furnish milk.

Ladies may reserve a box lunch, or pack their own lunch. Beverage will be served by the host church. Details of lunch reservations will be sent to all churches.

Dime Bank offerings may be sent to our treasurer, Mrs. David Elmore, 715 Poplar St., Coshocton, Ohio — 43812.

Ladies, plan to fellowship with us on April 18th at Immanuel Baptist Church, Columbus!!

Fauntite Recipe APPLESAUCE CAKE (12 servings) 1¼ cups sweetened applesauce ¾ cup quick-cooking rolled oats 1 cup raisins (optional) ½ cup shortening ¾ cup brown sugar 1 egg 1 tsp. vanilla 1½ cup sifted all-purpose flour 1 tsp. baking powder ½ tsp each: soda, salt, cinnamon

I have prayed so long. Won't I ever get the answer?" WAIT ON THE LORD — (verse 34). And then — the glorious climax in the last verse — "THE LORD SHALL HELP THEM . . . BECAUSE THEY TRUST IN HIM".

Aren't we foolish to allow ourselves to be "under the circumstances?" —ANNA LISA

North Bethel Fellowship

DATE CORRECTION — The Spring Rally of the North Bethel Women's Missionary Fellowship is scheduled for THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 1972, to be held at Fostoria Baptist Church, 524 W. Lytle St., Fostoria, Ohio. Activities for the day will center around the theme "Channels Only". A beautiful Candle Lantern will be given to the church having the largest number of ladies present. The election of officers for the coming year will be an item of business.

During the morning session, workshops will be held on "Women's Role in Local Church" and "How Best to Meet the Missionary's Needs". The afternoon session will feature a Girl's Gospel Team from Cedarville College with special music and testimonies. Mrs. Frank Hartwig, missionary to the Philippines with Association of Baptists for World Evangelism, will be our speaker. The Hartwigs are presently on deputation, planning to return to the Philippines for their second term in June 1972. Our "Quarter Bank" goal for the Bangui High School in Central African Republic is \$1,050.00! A Nursery will again be provided. Project Tables will be provided for YOUR Mission projects. Miss Bernice Mick will be returning with her Book Fair from Cedarville College Bookstore. NOTE: SALAD BAR — one salad for every three or four ladies from each church. Table service and beverage will be furnished by the host church.

SUBMITTED BY

-MRS. LAURA RETCHER, SECY.-TREAS.

Another Reminder!

The Ohio Women's Missionary Union will held their Spring Rally at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 18th, 1972, at Immanuel Baptist Church, 3417 Palmetto St. at Derrer Road, Columbus, Ohio. 1/4 cup chopped walnuts

2 Tbsp. sugar

Heat applesauce to boiling; stir in rolled oats and raisins. Cool. Cream shortening and brown sugar until light and fluffy; add egg and vanilla, beating thoroughly. Sift flour with baking powder, soda, salt and cinnamon; add to creamed mixture alternately with applesauce, beating until smooth after each addition. Stir in nuts. Turn into a greased and floured 9x9x2 inch pan. Sprinkle sugar over cake. Bake at 350° for 50 minutes.

-MRS. HELEN TREMBLE Mattoon, III.

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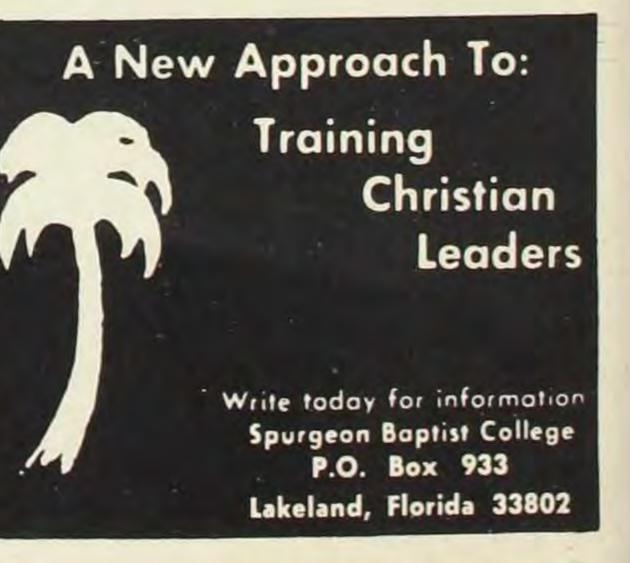
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Miss Ruth Hege, veteran missionary with Baptist Mid-Missions in Venezuela now on furlough, will be the speaker.

Nursery will be provided. Mothers



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must come to the rescue, and get the sinning person back on the right road again. The present imperative "restore" is iterative, for every case of this kind, and shows the critical urgency of making the restoration. This is a ministry which must be carried out by those who are truly spiritual — and they even minding themselves, so that they too are not tempted into a fall. The task requires a spirit of meekness on our part, the very opposite of harshness, arrogance, and excess severity. Some sins do require stern rebuke and plain-spoken censure, and we must not hesitate to carry them out when it is necessary. The transgression of Gal. 6:1 however, while far from being a mild offense, needs the pouring in of oil and wine upon the wound, and gentle fingers to bind it up. A mending process needs to be initiated, the broken limb must be set - and such treatment requires expert skill. The proper, sympathetic administration of this restoring of a sinning brother will 3:00 p.m.



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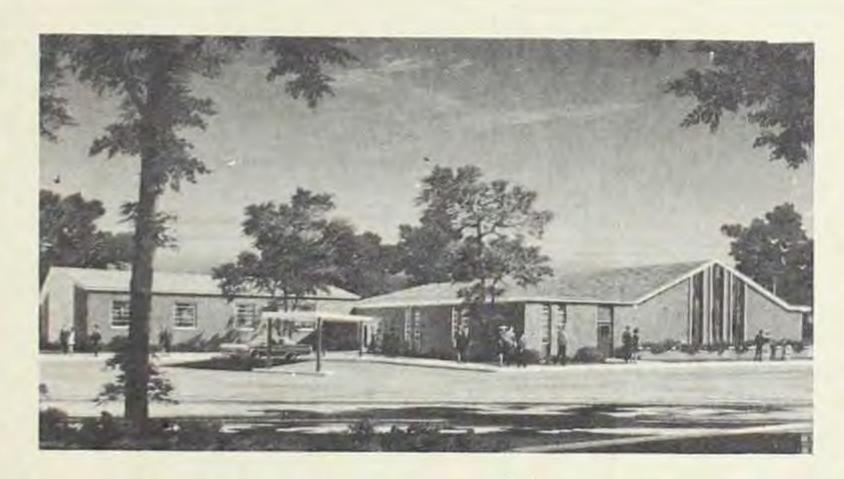
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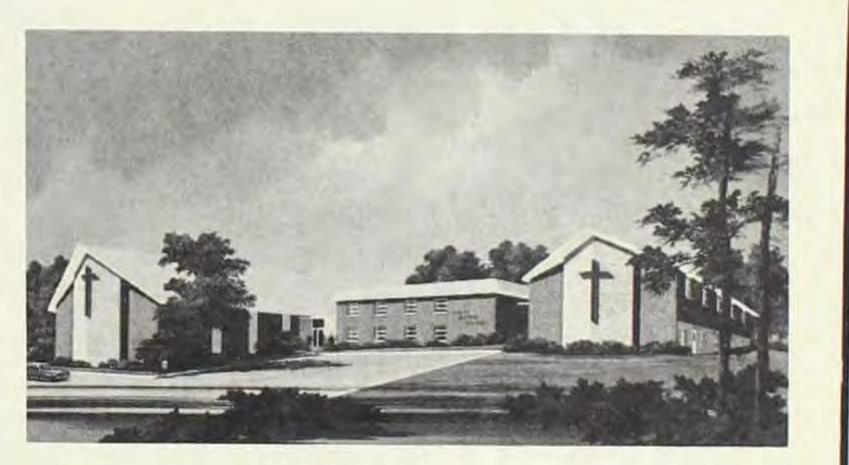
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It is wrong to let a fellow-believer go on doing something he should not do; to allow him to continue in a path of error into which he has been drawn; to ignore his sin, and by so doing confirm him in his act. He must be arrested in his deviation from the truth, and the nature of his misdeed revealed and explained to him. Particularly is this essential where some aspect of the true Christian faith is concerned, and when the sin involves the matter of doctrine with its related practical effects. This is a particularly sensitive duty, and can only be carried out by those who are genuinely spiritual, and thus know

is living and powerful, and penetrates the inmost recesses of the heart. Warnings will need to be given later, when the restoration has been effectively accomplished. In this present day, it is particularly crucial for sinning saints to be restored to fellowship and harmony, by correction to be brought back into the right way, whatever has been broken or rent made sound and fit again, and the life with its practices and pursuits put in order and adjusted so that the Lord is honored and pleased. The whole body of saints will be blessed and benefited by this, and the corporate testimony enlarged and strengthened. Let those who are

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