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Crisis In The Chad

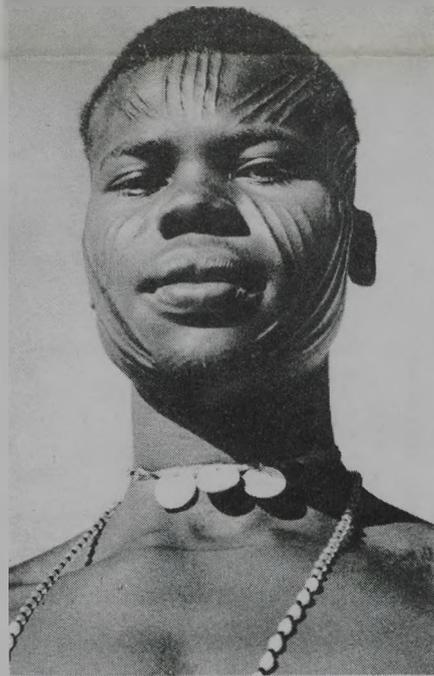
Another one of the African nations has now produced the most serious situation faced by Baptist Mid-Missions in its world-wide ministry since the one it experienced during the crisis in Congo back in 1964. That earlier crisis produced the tragic death of missionary, Irene Ferrel, and many of our missionaries then suffered personally from the violence of the hour. This time, God did not permit any of our missionaries to be subjected to physical violence. Such, however, is not the case with our Christian brothers and sisters in the Republic of Chad, Africa. Their steadfast Christian refusal to submit to the humiliating demands of a violent and resurgent paganism, has resulted in the theft of their property, the destruction of their homes, and - according to reports from two other Missions - in at least four cases, their deaths!

Between the days of November 16 and November 19, three of the veteran missionary couples serving under Baptist Mid-Missions were expelled from the Republic of Chad. With less than 48 hours notice, Rev. and Mrs. Robert Vaughn, veteran missionaries serving at Kyabe, Rev. and Mrs. Gordon Wimer, veteran missionaries serving in Sarh, and Rev. and Mrs. Daniel Hirschy, veteran missionaries serving at Koumra, were ordered to leave the country. Missionary Robert Vaughn was president of the Baptist Mid-Missions Field Council and the chief administrative officer of the Mission in the Republic of Chad. Together with other members of the personnel on Kyabe station, Bob and Vera Vaughn were actively engaged in the translation of the Word of God into the Sara Kaba language. Gordon Wimer was the business manager for Baptist Mid-Missions and he carried the responsibility for all of our Christian activities in Sarh, center of the Mission's operation in Chad. Gordon and Alice Wimer had been wonderfully used of God on the committee which translated the New Testament into the Sara Madjingaye language. The Sara New Testament appeared only a little over one year ago. Daniel Hirschy was the senior missionary at Koumra, location of the Baptist Mid-Missions Medical Center for the Republic of Chad. By carrying a heavy responsibility of evangelism and teaching, Dan and Eleanor Hirschy added spiritual depth to the great medical mission ministry at Koumra.

The three couples were, in effect, placed under arrest, and each couple was held in a separate room at the police station in Sarh until they could all be placed on an open truck, on top of their hand baggage, to be transported the more than three hundred miles to the capital of Chad, Ndjamen. From the time that they were arrested, until they were actually on the plane which was to carry them to Europe and on to United States, the veteran missionaries were under the surveillance of guards who were armed with sub-machine guns. Mrs. Hirschy was actually bruised by one of these guns when the truck jolted from a particularly rough spot in the road and threw her against one of the guards. Except for the extreme rigors of the trip, however, the missionaries were not physically harmed during their expulsion from Chad. They commented on the reserve and the

courtesy of those who guarded them.

It was exactly one week later that all of the remaining Baptist Mid-Missions missionaries in Chad - with the exception of the medical personnel - were also expelled from the country. With less than 20 hours of notice, the second group - three additional couples and six single girls - were placed on a commercial plane at Sarh to begin their trip out of Chad and back to Europe and the United States. It was apparently because a commercial plane was available at the time that the second group



Madjingaye man with initiation scars

of missionaries was flown to Ndjamen for contact with a larger plane which could take them to France. Miss Mary Baker, a great favorite with young people and young adults in the area of Sarh, Miss Viola Brown, who had recently been giving considerable attention to the Arabic language in preparation for a more intensive ministry of evangelism among the Moslems, and Miss Wilma Childs, who had been especially effective in her evangelization and teaching ministry among women and children out in the villages, had all been stationed at Sarh. Miss Doris Gilbert, a specialist in children's work, had been working at Koumra, and both Miss Nancy Knopf and Miss Ada Temple had been stationed at Kyabe. Miss Knopf and Miss Temple had recently been giving a great amount of their time to the translation of the New Testament into the language of the Sara Kaba people.



No Missionary - No Pastor - No Church - No Class - Anymore.

Rev. and Mrs. Allen Fisher, who had been engaged in literacy and translation work at Goundi, Rev. and Mrs. Gerald Pauley, who had specialized in village evangelism and church planting, and Rev. and Mrs. Roger Reisacher, who had been carrying the heavy responsibility of the Baptist Bible Institute and Secondary School at our Balimba Station - in the suburbs of Sarh - were all included in the second group which was expelled from the Chad. During his first term of service, Allen Fisher had begun the translation of the New Testament into the Toumack language and had produced five Primers in an effort to teach the people of the Goundi area to read their own language. The Pauleys were in their second term at Balimba, and Rev. and Mrs. Reisacher were in their first term. Roger Reisacher is a native of France, and Mrs. Reisacher was formerly a missionary with Baptist Mid-Missions in the country of France. This couple brought unusual qualifications to the Bible-teaching ministry at Balimba. The qualifications and the work of the missionaries apparently made no difference whatsoever to the officials because they were are forcefully expelled from Chad.

Only the medical personnel from Baptist Mid-Missions were permitted to remain behind. A national medical evangelist, trained by Dr. Seymour at the Koumra Medical Center, had rather recently taken over responsibility for general medical work in the new dispensary building at Kyabe. Miss Ruth Bartow, R.N., who had previously carried the total medical responsibility in the dispensary, was thus freed to give full time to the midwifery service in a completely redecorated obstetrical building. She was permitted to transfer from Kyabe to Koumra at the time of the expulsion. Dr. and Mrs. David Seymour, in charge

of the Moumra Medical Center, and the three nurses who had worked with them, were permitted to remain at the Medical Center. Those nurses who had been serving at Koumra are Miss Ruth Carlson, R.N., Miss M. Kay Lamb, R.N., and Miss Loraine McDowell, R.N. Special prayer should be offered in behalf of the Seymours and the nurses because of the almost unbearable pressures under which they have been placed by this situation. Although the medical ministry of the mission has been granted permission to continue, and even though assurances were given by officials in Chad that the spiritual ministry in connection with the medical work would not be hampered in any way, the extreme religious persecution in the area causes fear that the promises will not be kept.

Dr. Seymour was also granted the power of attorney over all of the personal property left by the expelled missionaries. He is honored, respected, and has even been decorated by the government of Chad for his outstanding medical missionary service to the country. Nevertheless, the practical aspects of the situation are overwhelming. Without the assistance of Bob Vaughn to help in the maintenance of the electrical generators, the business assistance of Gordon Wimer on all of the incoming medical supplies, and the work of Dan Hirschy in carrying many of the normal missionary responsibilities at Koumra station, it is difficult to see how Dr. Seymour and his limited medical staff will be able to maintain anything like the previous level of their medical services.

When the missionaries left Chad, they were forced to leave behind all of the major items of their missionary equipment and most of their personal belongings. They could only take with them that limited amount of hand baggage permitted on the airplane. Everything

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FINANCIAL REPORT — December — 1973

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Total useable monies received	\$2649.50
Other receipts — D.F.C., etc.	340.00
Total received	\$2989.50
Expenses for December	\$3327.88
Useable money in O.A.R.B.C. Treasury—Dec. 31 st—	NONE.
(Treasury in red — \$441.65)	
Special O.I.B. Report	
Cost of Printing Dec. Issue	\$ 953.33
(12 pages—12,000 copies)	
Additional change over expense	
(Address plates, etc.—one time expense)	304.14
Total	\$1257.47
Other expenses—Editor Salary, Cir. Mgr.	\$ 590.06
Total December expenses	\$1847.53
Received in December—Subs, adv. support	\$ 570.00

Key '73 Update

"TO ALL PASTORS AND PRIESTS"

This was the way a letter was addressed which we received from the Greater Los Angeles Key '73 Committee. It called for "all pastors and priests of L.A. County to a 'Come Together' meeting at the Forum on March 26th where a Key '73 T.V. program is to be produced for nationwide showing later this year." Also planned are Key '73 gatherings at the Los Angeles Coliseum on June 23 and a special crusade on October 21—28 at the Shrine Auditorium. This is vivid proof to Bible-believers that Key '73 does involve unscriptural fellowship with those who preach "another gospel". Galatians 1:7—9.

COME TOGETHER

The Key '73 "Come Together" program at the Los Angeles Forum on March 26, 1973, provided further proof that Key '73 is an unscriptural program. Participants included: Bishop Juan Arzube, Roman Catholic; Pat Boone, Charismatic leader; Lloyd Ogilvie, sensitivity training promoter; and Dr. Lawrence Mays, Director of the ecumenical Los Angeles Church Council. The joining together of these unscriptural movements under the banner of Key '73 Evangelism is deception and gross disobedience.

WHAT IS KEY '73 LEADING UP TO?

An article in World Vision Magazine for January 1973 is most significant. "If all of these Christians can work together effectively for ONE YEAR, imagine what they could accomplish for Jesus Christ if they really tried throughout their entire lives."

NO CONVERSION

A Key '73 group "Disavows any effort the part of Christian groups to convert Jews or those of other religions." Los Angeles Times of February 10 quoted at length from the statement of the Key Task Force of the United Methodist Church California-Arizona Conference. The statement was an answer to protests of Jewish groups which claim Judaism and Jews should be considered as valid sources of truth rather than objects of conversion. Any evangelism which does not seek to convert the lost everywhere is not biblical evangelism and should be repudiated.

NO ORGANIZATIONAL TIES

Defenders of Key '73 Evangelism claim there is no disobedience to scripture since there are no organizational ties. But the Key '73 "Come Together" program states "Come Together is an experience of Christian love. It is an opportunity for young people to lead an experimental worship; to establish the unity of God's people as the whole Church is invited to worship and minister together. If Roman Catholics, ecumenical proponents, sensitivity trainers and Charismatic leaders are invited to worship and minister together, what could be more unscriptural than that? II Corinthians 6:14—18; Galatians 1:7—9.

Christian ACCENT

A Word From Your Editor...

We have been pleased with the remarks made concerning our new O.I.B. format. Many have said they like it better than the magazine style used for so many years. It does allow for more news, pictures, articles and, of course, it is being sent FREE to all of our churches!

A number of our churches (not too many) have added the O.I.B. to their church budgets. It would be greatly appreciated if every church would do this. As was suggested in last month's issue — if each church would pay five cents for each copy of the magazine they receive, the O.I.B. would be able to operate in the black. Please give this suggestion your prayerful consideration. Perhaps your church might be able to do a little more than that. It would be appreciated!

We would encourage you to send us your church bulletins so that your church might appear in our Calendar Clippings section. Too, we'd like news, pictures and articles that are not too lengthy. Do let us hear from you.

Our schedule of meetings for January and February is as follows:

- January 2 - 6 Emmanuel Baptist Church, Mechanicsburg, Penna.
- January 13 - 20 Grace Baptist Church, Brockport, New York
- January 27 - February 3 First Baptist Church, North Tonawanda, New York
- February 10 - 17 Grace Protestant Church, Brooklyn, New York.
- February 24 - March 3 Bible Baptist Church, Rantoul, Illinois

We covet your prayers as we continue editing our magazine and in holding evangelistic meetings.

Scioto Hills Camp '74 Schedule

A great summer is being anticipated at Scioto Hills. Our brother, Ken Nichols, will be serving as the Camp Director. He is well experienced in working with young people. This ought to be one of the best summers we've ever had. Shown here is a list of the different weeks camp will be in session and the special speaker for each week.

DATES	JUNIOR WEEKS	SPEAKERS
June 17		Joe Chapman
July 1		Clifford Lones
July 15		William Broughton
August 5		David Elmore
June 24	JUNIOR HIGH WEEKS	Howdy House, Sr.
July 8		Lee Turner
July 29		Kenneth Andrus
July 22	SENIOR HIGH WEEK	Jim Phipps

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BASIS OF BOLD DEPARTMENT!



Pastor and wife at Kyabe: What has become of Him?

else was left behind! Time was so short that very little could be sold. In one case, a missionary was forced to leave his truck parked under a shade tree at a river crossing because the ferry was not in working condition. Another missionary remembered that there had not even been time to extinguish the fire in the burner on her kerosene refrigerator. Thus food-stuffs were left behind to spoil, and mission properties and many personal possessions are subject to unhampered vandalism and theft. All of the charges leveled against the missionaries at the time of their expulsion were completely false. A total misrepresentation was made to American Embassy officials as to the reason for the expulsion. The missionaries were accused of signing and circulating a petition against the Chadian Cultural Revolution. No such petition ever existed, and no missionary personally participated in any of the widespread resistance to this movement in Chad. However the missionary may have felt in their hearts, they did not react to the sickening situation in any overt manner. The refusals came from the Chadian Christians who were outraged that they should be expected to betray the Lord Jesus Christ and to bow again before idols that they forsook when they became Christians. With the same devotion manifested by Christians in the first century, these faithful followers of Christ in Chad resisted even unto blood all efforts to force them to return to the tribal idols. The Cultural Revolution in the Chad was, in a way, a factor in the expulsion of the missionaries, but certainly not for the reasons or in the way suggested by Chadian officials.

One could hardly criticize the citizens of Chad for an honest desire to see their culture become truly Chadian. Feeling - and probably rightly so - that the period of colonialism had robbed them of their cultural uniqueness as a people, and of their national dignity, the government and the people of Chad had recently become very aggressive in the emphasis upon their national heritage. This was patriotism, and patriotism - as such - is not unchristian. The revival of old cultural customs did, however, bring the old initiation rites back into a new prominence. These practices had - in some cases - been shunned and remembered only with shame. The terrible lip discs of the Sara Kaba women had been outlawed, and the Madjingaye execution (where the victim was partially buried and a wooden stake was driven through his head) had become an unmentionable subject in recent years. The return of the initiation rites brings the past to life again in the name of "culture." The hideous idolatry is back again, and it is known that at least the threat of the

old-style execution has been made to those who dared to resist the initiation rites.

Some features of the initiation rites have, of course, little or no bearing upon a person's relationship to Jesus Christ. The teaching of tribal skills, the building of national pride, and an emphasis upon moral living, are all featured in the initiation rites. These are probably to be commended. One feature, however, the flagrant idolatry of traditional Chadian worship, automatically placed every Christian in direct opposition to this national movement. For nearly half a century, the missionaries had preached against idolatry. The Chadian Baptists, because of their acceptance of Christ and the plain teaching of God's Word, took the lead in resisting the return of the old rituals. One Baptist pastor declared that no one on earth could force him to return to "praying to the big stick". A Christian in Chad could not comply with the demands of his government and of the pagan populace when compliance meant betraying the Lord Jesus Christ.

The message proclaimed by Baptist Mid-Missions missionaries in Chad was introduced into that country by Rev. and Mrs. Paul Metzler in 1925. Even the President of Chad, NGARTA TOMBALBAYE, professed to accept the gospel, and he was once a leader and a teacher in one of the churches founded by Baptist Mid-Missions. There was no change in the message or the work of the missionary, but the violent revival of ancient idolatry has placed the missionary and the Christians of Chad under terrible and tragic attack.

The missionaries expelled from Chad have suffered the loss of thousands and thousands of dollars of missionary equipment. As they look to the Lord now for His leadership concerning those areas of the world where they should direct their new missionary efforts, they will be faced with the tremendous task of buying all new equipment for their new ministries. Their sacrifice must be shared by Christians in the United States who are their partners in the fulfillment of the Great Commission. The loss of the Mission itself is almost beyond calculation. All of the houses, the schools, the dispensaries, and, in some cases, the buildings of the local churches which were built in the course of the Mission's developing ministry in Chad, apparently stand today as a total loss. "Caesar" in the twentieth century has been as ruthless as the Caesar of the first.

Great as is the physical loss sustained by the missionary and Mission, the loss of the Chadian Christians is much greater. Without compromise, and almost without fear, these faithful followers of the Lord Jesus Christ have faced the insolence of the idolat-

Church Acquires Bus



"A thing of beauty"

Pictured above is the beautiful red, white and blue bus which the Lord has provided for the folk at the Wheelerburg Baptist Church. It is a thing of beauty and has already been used to bring folk into the House of the Lord each Sunday.

According to Pastor Richard L. Sumner, the bus is equipped with a public address system and a tape jack which can be used for "sing-a-long" music, etc.

Further Report On Findlay Fire

In our DECEMBER issue we gave a report of the devastating fire at the Calvary Baptist Church, Findlay, Ohio. We thought our readers might be interested in reading a word written by Rev. Richard Snively, pastor of the Findlay church. This article appeared in their church paper - Glimpses Of Calvary. (Issue No. 11 - December 20, 1973)

"I rejoice that we can know and serve a God that is sovereign. He is not a God controlled by circumstances, but rather He controls them.

"Though Satan sought to destroy the testimony of Calvary Baptist Church through the devastating fire on October 11, yet God still is in control of all things and through the fire has made the wrath of man to praise Him. Others have come to trust Christ as Saviour

because of the fire and the whole Calvary Family has been strengthened.

"The actual fire loss was determined at \$512,000.00 less depreciation of personal property and buildings. Thus an insurance settlement of \$483,350.00 has been accepted from the insurance company by the Calvary Family. We rejoice in this good settlement and are looking forward to planning and rebuilding in the future months.

"The contract for \$50,000.00 has been signed to repair the two educational units damaged by the fire and the workmen are busy restoring the units. Within a few weeks both units should be ready for use again.

"As never before, we need to pray and seek the direct will of our Heavenly Father for wisdom as plans are made for the future."

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Berlin Heights Has New Pastor



Pastor and Mrs. Robert Rogers

The new pastor at the Berlin Heights Baptist Church is F.B.H.M. missionary Rev. Robert Rogers. He began his ministry in Berlin Heights September '73.

Brother Rogers heard the Lord's call to Christian service some 23 years ago. He is a graduate of Cedarville College and served in

Greater Elyria Area Unites For Special Services

During the fall season of 1973, the Greater Elyria, Ohio area tasted the beginnings of a heaven-sent revival. After months of careful planning, seven of the area Regular Baptist churches welcomed the ministry of the Life Action Team. At the beginning of

New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Due to a massive heart attack in 1971, he had to remove himself for a while from active Christian service. It is a miracle the way in which the Lord is restoring his health and strength.

The Lord is blessing the ministry of Brother Rogers and his wife, Barbara, at Berlin Heights. The church is showing a steady growth and plans have been laid for an even greater outreach through the use of a church bus.

the week, the services were held in the auditorium of the First Baptist Church, but by Wednesday night they moved to the Elyria High School auditorium which by the end of the week was packed out.

The combined ministry of Dr. Ed Hindson and Evangelist Del Fehsenfeld served as a double punch as revival was preached and taught. Dozens of homes felt the impact and each of the churches sensed a great moving of the Holy Spirit of God. On the Sunday following the services, in several churches, the entire day was given over to testimonies, Christians getting right with God and with each other and with a general praising of the Lord for His movement in their midst. During the week the Life Action singers conducted seven high school assemblies, and in each one of these a definite impact was made for the Word of God.

The churches participating in the Life Action ministry were Midview Baptist, Grafton, Rev. Lauren Schenck, Pastor; Calvary Baptist, Oberlin, Rev. Joe Fritz, Pastor;

Emmanuel Baptist, Lorain, Rev. James McCoy, Pastor; Beth-E Baptist, Elyria, Rev. Walter Spieth Pastor; Abbe Road Baptist, Elyria Rev. David Dunkin, Pastor; First Baptist, LaGrange, Rev. Harry Ramsey, Pastor; and the First Baptist Church of Elyria, Rev. Willis Hull, Pastor. The earnest prayer of each of these congregations is that God's revival may continue to break up the fallow ground and stir the slumbering hearts until Jesus comes.

To Serve As Representative

Rev. Mel Keeler, pastor of North Royalton Baptist Church, North Royalton, Ohio, assumes the responsibilities of eastern representative for Shepherds Home and School effective February 4th.

Mr. Keeler's initial assignment will cover, Ohio, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, and the New England states. He and Mrs. Keeler will be available for meetings in these states about March 1st. Hopefully, the Keelers will be able to visit our many supporting churches in this area of the country.

Churches, women's missionary societies, or any group wishing to schedule the Keelers may contact them c/o Shepherds, Inc., Box 111 Union Grove, Wis. 53182. Mr. Keeler's schedule will be quite flexible initially. Shepherds is delighted to commend the Keelers to our churches.

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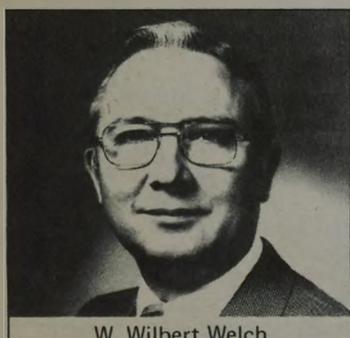
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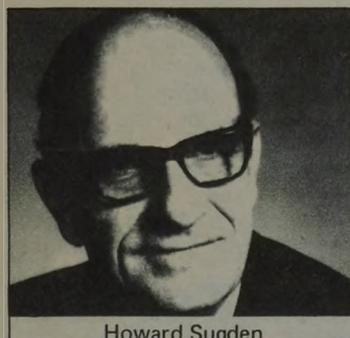
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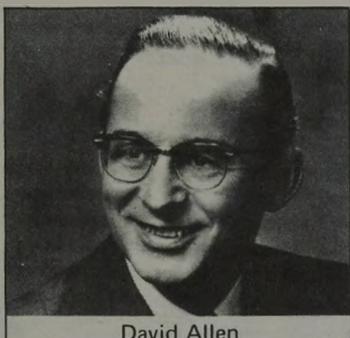
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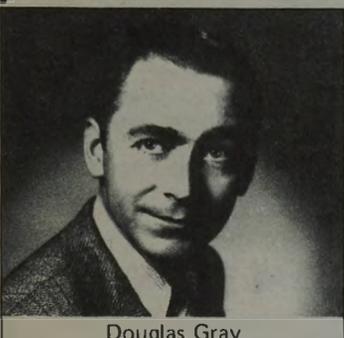
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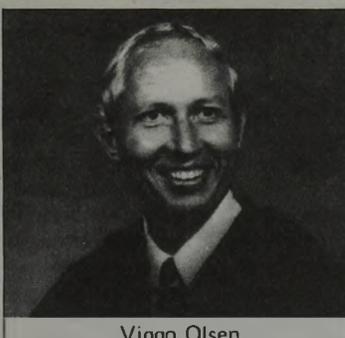
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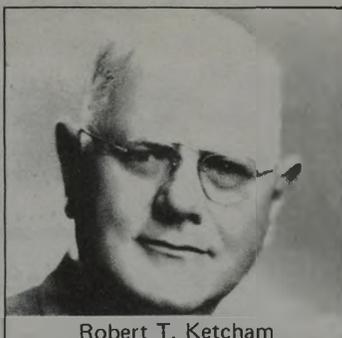
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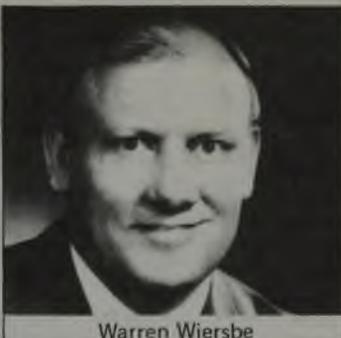
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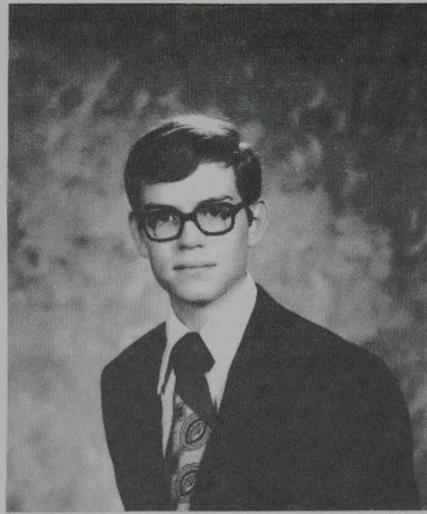
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The Devil's Monastery Versus God's Sanctuary

Editor's Note: The author of this article, Willis Raymond Hull, III, is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Willis R. Hull of the First Baptist Church in Elyria, Ohio. It was presented in the CONTEST FOR CHRIST held last June in Kansas City, Missouri. Our young brother won First Place in the field of Journalism. The article presents a Christian young person's views regarding the value of Christian schools, for our young people, as compared to public schools. In this article, you hear from the student himself!



Willis R. Hull, III

At a typical public school, one fine spring day in April, a young, sixth grade girl was rushed to the hospital as a result of a "bad trip" from L.S.D. Someone had slipped some of the drug into her milk.

At another school, a girl was seriously molested, and had stones thrown at her by a group of junior high boys. They had disdained her because she would not compromise her stand to wear her skirts at a reasonable length.

Why is it that Christian parents refuse to do anything about such a situation? Why will they not put their children in fundamental Christian schools where instances such as these do not happen? Can it be that they do not know of the awful conditions that their children have to face? Or is it that they just do not care enough?

There are many Christian parents across America today who are totally ignorant about the type of education their children are receiving in the public school. The state-controlled schools, where our country's next leaders are sent, are nothing more than the Devil's Monasteries which he is using to drive a wedge between the youth of today, and their parents and God. In these schools, the whole philosophy is based on a selfish, humanistic point of view. This is diametrically opposed to the teachings of the Word of God.

This philosophy results in an environment which is anything but wholesome, and one that is helping to warp and pollute the minds of our next generation. These young people are subjected to false theories, and bombardments of their religious beliefs for 35 hours a week. They have practically no barrier to discourage any of this brainwashing from making an impression on their unsuspecting minds.

Because of the philosophy and the environment that the state has to offer, is it any wonder that the product the public schools are producing is far below the standard for a happy, considerate, Christian citizen?

Let us look more closely at both public and Christian schools concerning their philosophies, environments, and their products. We will see if there is a need and a reason for more Christians to send their children to Christian schools. In God's Word, we read that the "fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge." (Proverbs 22:6, K.J.V.) These are the fundamentals on which Christian schools base their philosophy for teaching. To them, the very reason for teaching is so that young people will mature to become vessels fit for God's use. In Bible class, and in every aspect of learning--math, science, English and history--God is the center. As they learn about these subjects, students are reminded about their great Creator who established these laws and facts, and who did it for God's glory and man's use. Learning with this point of view gives a good perspective between God and His universe, and man.

In the Christian school the Word of God is taught. Sitting in a Sunday school for one hour a week is not adequately training a child, "in the way he should go." An in-depth, daily study of God and the Bible, establishes a good philosophy for living, and the only philosophy by which a Christian should live. This philosophy of God, revealed in His Word, should be so ingrained into young Christian minds that as they get older, false theories do not persuade them to change from their Bible-

oriented position. This kind of training is not accessible in the public schools.

The philosophy of the public schools is opposite to this kind of God-centered philosophy. Teachers teach that man is just an animal without a soul. He should learn all he can, to get as much as possible to satisfy his fleshly desires. The reason young people should work hard to get a good education, is so that they can graduate higher in their class, so that they get the better job, so that they can make more money, so that they can live more comfortably, so that they can provide their children with a better education. This will enable their children to graduate higher in their class, in order to get the better job, so that they can make more money, and so on. This vicious circle is nothing more than a selfish, humanistic idea, and is creating a "dog-eat-dog" environment in our schools.

Also, since students are taught that they are merely the highest form of animal, our next generation is striving to get their thrills now, without regard to morals or values. There is a doubt as to whether or not we will live until tomorrow, so the philosophy is to get their "kicks" in any way, and get them as soon as possible. The Bible says that "the fool hath said in his heart, there is no God." (Psalm 14:1 K.J.V.) To deny that man has a soul, is to deny God. Also, to teach the theory of evolution, is to deny God the power to create a universe such as ours. When the public schools use these philosophies in their teaching, it is evident that they are teaching for the unsaved, who lack the wisdom of God, and are fools. No Christian should be a part of something that is geared to the world, and public education is one of these things.

Now that we have looked at the philosophy of both of the types of schools, let us look at the environment that each philosophy breeds.

In Christian schools, teachers are selected on their ability to teach, as well as their zeal and consecration to Christ. These teachers are not teaching merely as a job to make money, but because they are called of God for such a task. They have a sense of compassion and sincere consideration for each pupil, regardless of race, intelligence, or social standing. For example, in one Christian school where I attended, I know of a teacher who spent many long hours with a student who could not grasp the concepts of a particular subject. She would sometimes work until eight or nine p.m., trying to help this student. That shows real dedication which does not come from a paycheck. It is found in the heart of one who God controls.

In the public schools, however, many teachers are only teaching

for themselves, with no regard for their students. Every year many children fail to pass their grade level but are pushed into the next grade merely because their teachers did not spend the time and energy needed to help them pass. They are shoved through grade after grade and finally quit, knowing little more when they come out, as they did when they went in. I once had a teacher who told our class that the only reason he was teaching was because he could make more money teaching than he could from selling shoes, which is what he would have rather done.

Also, we have heard about all of the student uprisings, and dissent that plagues our college campuses. The incoming tide of teachers for the public schools has been taught and trained at these very schools which abound in diverse beliefs, such as communism, socialism revolution, and extreme right-wing teaching.

Another question about these new teachers, being unsaved, is concerned with their morals. When some parents asked about their daughter's progress, a teacher replied that she was doing fine, and that he thought she was a "cute little broad." In another public school, where I attended, a girl had to leave school because of a pregnancy, as a result of one of the young male teachers. Of course this is not the case for every teacher, but the point remains that many of the teachers of the public schools should not teach Christian students how to live properly, simply because they are unable to see a Christian's point of view.

Not only are the teachers discouraging, but the morals of the public schools are desperate, and are getting worse every year. In a small town school where I attended, the drug traffic was tremendous, as well as the violence and the degradation of the school. One day a friend of mine got his head dunked into a used urinal. (The boys who did it went unrepri-manded.) Another day, a girl was dragged into the boy's locker room, and the boys who did it were only stopped from stripping all of her clothes off by the gym instructor. (The penalty was five minutes of running in the gym.) At a school nearby, a girl walked out of the girls' locker room completely nude, and while twenty or thirty boys stood around and watched, she proceeded to go into all kinds of gyrations in the hallway. (No teacher would break it up, and the girls had to finally drag her back, into the locker room.) On a field trip from a physics class at a school in Michigan, while the students were staying at a motel, several students were engaging in promiscuous acts, while others were having a beer party. (When the teacher walked in, he only smiled and jokingly warned them not to lose too much sleep.)

The reason I have told you all of

the problems that Christian young people have to live through, while trying to get an education. Something must be done to eliminate these problems, so that we will have the right kind of leaders to continue our faith when the present generation has passed. As I see it, there are only two alternatives left to Christian people. Either we can change the awful condition of the public schools, or we can send our children to good, fundamental schools. Since the public schools have been on a downward trend, and have displayed a general immunity of improvement, then the only alternative left, is to send our children to Christian schools.

The morals of the Christian school are wholesome and God-honoring. To begin each class in prayer means something to the student. It reminds him of the fact that he is working for God's glory. At a school where there is a forgiving spirit instead of cursing and swearing, there is a love for fellow classmates that is God-approved. Truly, an environment like this nurtures and encourages learning as well as spiritual growth. There are not pressures to be as "cool" as the group, or to have more "nerve" than anyone else.

Now that we have seen the philosophy and the environment of both types of schools, let us look at the product each one produces.

From the public schools come the drop-outs, the prostitutes, and the drug addicts that are infesting our cities, and the hippies and freaks that live in the many communes of this land. Are these to be our next leaders? How many Christians have given in or compromised because the pressure was too great? How many good Christian parents have suffered from broken hearts because they many have seen their child "high" on heroin, or arrested for some felony? The rate increases every year. Who will it be next year? Will it be your child? Something must be done! More specifically, you must do something!

On the other hand, as a general rule, students coming from the Christian schools are well taught and capable of making a success of their lives. These people have the proper morals and values. They are the stable citizens who know how to depend on God and lead others. Children like these, make Christian parents hearts proud because their child has a true, undistorted picture of Christ in the center of their lives. In the long run it pays to know that your child is protected from their worst enemy, the Devil.

In conclusion, I plead with you, as parents of school-aged children, do not be influenced by the seemingly high cost for Christian education. There is no doubt that a sacrifice must be made. Do not be influenced by all of the beautiful, new and seemingly better facilities that the public schools have to offer. Do not be influenced by what your child wants to do. Do not be influenced by the Devil. Trust the leading of the Lord, and do what He tells you to do. He will supply the money, transportation, or whatever the problem may be.

I challenge you to visit your child's school. If you can say to the Lord that you have no guilty conscience, and that you are fulfilling your duty to your child, then consider yourself more fortunate than hundreds of Christian people. However, if you cannot say those things, I challenge you to do some careful praying and decide what you should do. Remember, the entire life of your child is at stake. Do not make the wrong move.

New Auditorium Dedicated



Faith Baptist Church, Perry, Ohio

Dedication of the new 800 - seat auditorium at the Faith Baptist Church in Perry, Ohio was held on October 7th.

Rev. Ronald C. Purkey, pastor of the Perry church, said that 566 attended Sunday School on that day. Many decisions were made for salvation and the dedication of lives to soul-winning and visitation. Speaker for the day was Dr. John R. Rice of Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

The church has grown from 25 charter members on December 13, 1959 to a recent Sunday School attendance of 638. The church set an attendance goal of 700 by November 11th.

Rev. Purkey came to Perry in February of this year from Hammond, Indiana where he was an associate pastor to Dr. Hyles at the First Baptist Church. He cited the tremendous dedication of the church officers and former pastor, Rev. Jordan R. Troutman, in the building program.

Present church officers are Hartsel Simons, Dale Protzman, Kelly Hall, Elmer Potter, Les Tinner, Harold Walborn, John Burnett, Dean Christian, Charles Burchett and Louis Potter. All are members of the Board of Deacons.

Associate Pastor At La Grange Church

The First Baptist Church of La-Grange, Ohio (Rev. Harry P. Ramsey, pastor) has recently called Brother William Lee McVey to serve as their Associate Pastor.

Brother McVey is a graduate of Cedarville College, Class of '68, and a graduate of Grace Theological Seminary. He completed his work at seminary in 1972. His wife, Cindy, also attended Cedarville College. They have a lovely four month old daughter, Diana Joy.

Brother McVey began his duties at the LaGrange church this past October.

Cornerstone Services Held

On November 18th, members and friends of the Southgate Baptist Church in Springfield, Ohio gathered for a special "Cornerstone Service". Those having a part in this service included Dr. Stanley Ballard, Chairman, Board of Deacons - Mr. Colby Goodridge, Chairman, Building Committee - Mr. Robin Morris, Foreman, Hoyal Masonary, Inc. and Rev. Joseph M. Stowell, III, Pastor. Two fitting hymns were sung. They were, "The Church's One Foundation" and "The Solid Rock".

Also, on this day, the church had their annual Thanksgiving In-Gathering. This offering was designated for special needs in the church.

Blind Pastor Honored

Rev. Wayne J. Shellenberger, former pastor of the Faith Baptist Church of Perry, was guest-of-honor at the church on Sunday, December 23. Rev. Shellenberger was the first pastor of the Perry church fourteen years ago. He is now blind and lives in New Castle, Pa. with his wife.

He visited the church during the morning services. At 4:30 p.m. a church dinner was held for both Rev. and Mrs. Shellenberger. Every person attending the dinner brought them a Christmas gift.

After dinner the old church auditorium was re-dedicated in Rev. Shellenberger's honor. It was named, "Shellenberger Hall." The first church building was built twelve years ago under his leadership.

Rev. Shellenberger conducted the 7:00 p.m. preaching service. Adults who were children when he was their pastor served as the choir for the special service. Rev. Shellenberger then preached the Christmas sermon.

Rev. Ronald C. Purkey is the pastor of the Faith Baptist Church. The church is located at 3003 Narrows Road in Perry.

Ambrose Church Remembered In Will

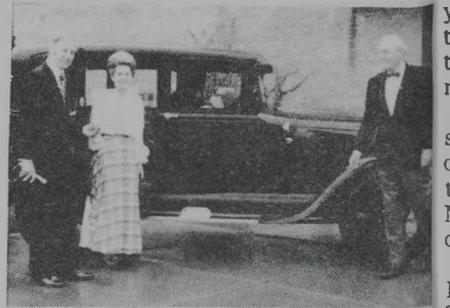
Because of a gift willed to the Ambrose Baptist Church, Fayette, Ohio by the late Mr. Samuel Miller, the pastor, Rev. Clyde Mathewson and his people, were able recently to send \$500 checks to the following: construction of a new church building in Savigny, France (Dan Ferryance - BMM); construction of a Bible School building at the Yila Station, Liberia (Albert Ostrander - BMM) and the purchase of church property (new church work in Montpelier - Larry Smith, pastor). In addition to this, five \$100 checks were sent to individual church-supported missionaries. The church was also able to install lovely new carpeting and to purchase a heavy-duty vacuum cleaner. Brother Sam Miller had been a faithful member of the church throughout his life.

New Camp Director

The Board of Trustees of our Scioto Hills Camp has invited Brother Ken Nichols, Director of Student Activities at Cedarville College, to serve as Summer Camp Director at Scioto Hills. He has felt led of the Lord to accept this responsibility.

Also Rev. George Hattenfield, Clintonville Baptist Church in Columbus, has been elected Chairman of the Board. Rev. Wm. Broughton of Grace Baptist Church, Cedarville, Ohio is the new Vice-Chairman. Mr. Harold Guthrie is the Treasurer, Rev. Harry E. Cole of First Baptist Church, Gallipolis, Ohio is the Secretary and Brother Jack Brannon will serve as Camp Registrar.

Church Holds An Old Fashioned Sunday



Being welcomed to the church.

An "Old Fashioned Sunday" was held recently at the Euclid-Nottingham Baptist Church. Pastor Will Davis and his wife were driven to the church in a 1929 Ford.

Shown above, Pastor and Mrs. Davis are being welcomed by Sunday School Superintendent, Brother Ron Stromberg. They had been driven to the church by Mr. Waldin Garcia. A great deal of interest was created and there was a good attendance in Sunday School even though it was a rainy, dreary day!

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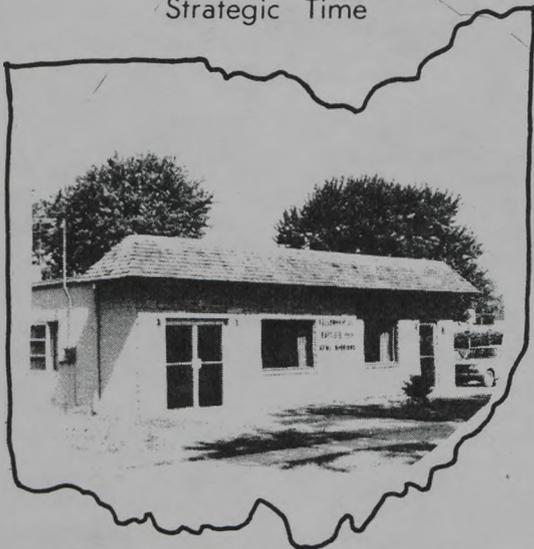
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New Faculty Members At BBC

Five members have been added to the faculty of Baptist Bible College this year. William McDonald and Gilbert Haglin have joined the music faculty to further strengthen that department. Dr. William Osborne has been added to the Language Department; Mr. Sam Fowler to the Bible Theology Department and Miss Linda Strain is our new Dean of Women.

Mr. McDonald comes to BBC from Hartsville, South Carolina, where he served as minister of music at Emmanuel Baptist Church. He is a graduate of BJU and has attended the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, to take work toward a doctoral degree in musicology. He was chairman of the Music Department of Piedmont Bible College and was on the music faculty of BJU.

Mr. Haglin is a graduate of Northwestern Schools and received his M. Mu. Education from the University of Kansas. He also holds the Education Specialist diploma with a major in Music Education Administration from the University of Kansas. He comes to BBC from Calvary Bible College, Kansas City, Missouri.

Dr. William Osborne, Jr. received his Th.B. from Eastern Nazarene, his Ed. M. from Bridgewater State College, and his Ph.D. from New York University. He has taught language at Boston University and came to BBC from Inter American University, Hato Rey, Puerto Rico.



New Faculty at BBC include (seated): Miss Linda Strain, Dr. William Osborne, (standing, L to R): Mr. William McDonald, Mr. Gilbert Haglin, and the Rev. Sam Fowler.

A Special Day Of Prayer

Baptist Bible College of Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania has long made a practice of setting aside each semester a full day which is devoted to prayer. With the growth of the student body it has become difficult to find sufficient space to conduct the smaller prayer groups that some of the older graduates may recall with such warm feelings. However, in spite of the space problem, this year every square inch (almost) of Jackson Hall plus a good portion of Buckingham Hall was utilized to make possible the smaller, more intimate groups which provide for wider participation.

The day of prayer began at 8 a.m. with personal prayer time; dormitory students remained in their dorm rooms and off campus students used some of the classrooms. At 8:45 a half-hour-long special chapel program was conducted in the chapel. Special musical groups, soloists, and Scripture reading contributed to directing attention to the Lord and preparing hearts for prayer.

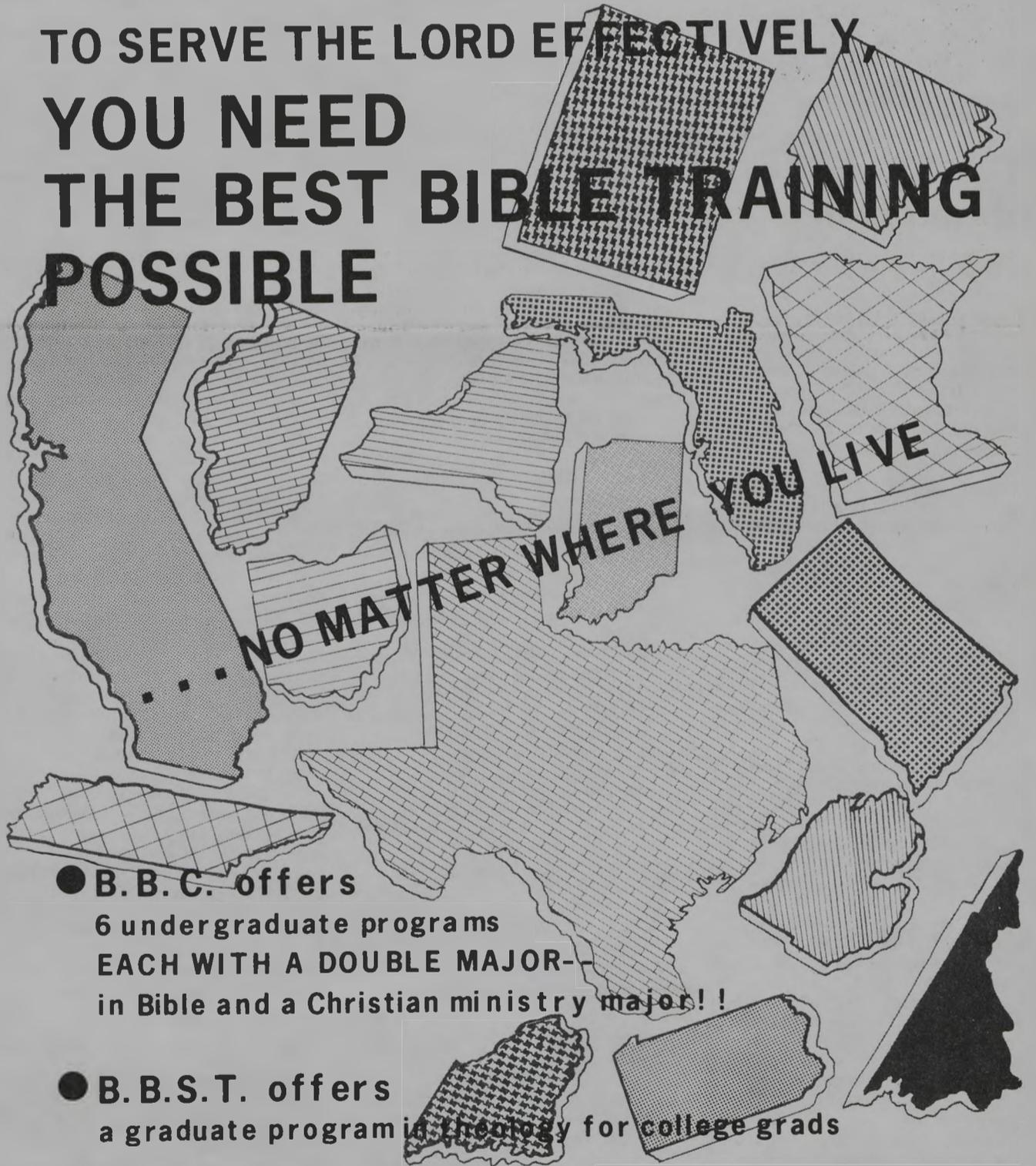
At 9:30 the small prayer groups met for a good time of fellowship and earnest prayer with about 15 in each group. The next session met in the chapel auditorium where Fred Barlow, an alumnus of BBC, brought a message on prayer. The students were dismissed from this session to go to suite prayer meetings in the dorms, the faculty to division prayer meetings and the staff to its prayer time in the lounge.

The morning concluded with class prayer groups. The afternoon and evening was devoted to special

prayer meetings on the part of the various student organizations.

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This year, these gifts were presented to Editor/Evangelist and Mrs. Don Moffat. On December 5th, "The Moffats" were invited to the church. After attending a noon luncheon, as guests of the Ladies Missionary Society, Brother Moffat spoke on the subject of "Prayer." He spoke again in the evening service and Mrs. Moffat played a piano solo.

Following the evening service, Brother Davis invited about 20 or more young men of the Boys Brigade to make their way down the aisle. Each boy was loaded down with bags filled with gifts. Your editor and his wife returned home to Xenia the next morning with their car heavily laden! It was a thrilling service.

Added to the gifts was an additional check of over \$200. "It is the Lord's doing and is marvelous in our eyes! The Lord is good!"

Related To GARBC National Representatives



At our recent OARBC conference which was held in the Maranatha Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio, it was noted there were four attending the meetings who were related to past and present National Representatives of our General Association of Regular Baptist Churches.

Seen in the above picture are Rev. Joseph M. Stowell, III, pastor of the Southgate Baptist Church, Springfield, Ohio and Mrs. William Wheeler (Margaret Stowell). She is the wife of Rev. William Wheeler, pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist Church, Xenia, Ohio. Brother Stowell and Mrs. Wheeler are the children of our present GARBC National Representative, Dr. Joseph M. Stowell.

Also shown above are Mrs. William Russell (Lois Jackson). Brother Russell is pastor of the Whipple Avenue Baptist Church, Canton, Ohio. (He just recently accepted a call to pastor the First Baptist Church, Medina, Ohio.) Mrs. Russell is the daughter of our beloved Dr. Paul Jackson who is now with the Lord. Mrs. Don Moffat (Lois Ketcham) is the daughter of (also beloved) Dr. Robert T. Ketcham. She is the wife of O.I.B. editor - Don Moffat.

Granted Leave To Visit Philippines

Dr. Don Callan, Professor and Chairman of the Physical Education Department at Cedarville College, will be taking a leave of absence from March to August of 1974.

Dr. Callan, with his family, will be visiting the Philippine Islands. While there they will locate in the capital city of Manila. This trip is definitely not a vacation. They will have a ministry which includes youth work and speaking in local churches and public schools.

There will be opportunities to minister at several Bible Schools including Baptist Bible Seminary in Manila. During the month of August, Brother Callan will work with the "Athletes for Christ" basketball team from Cedarville College which will be touring the Islands at that time.

"The Callans" plan to labor on several of the smaller islands among the more primitive people as well. Mrs. Callan is a registered nurse and has a special interest in the medical needs of these people. She will be privileged to assist some of the ABWE medical missionaries now there.

This trip is under the auspices of the Missionary Internship Service program of Cedarville College and has the full approval of the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism. "The Callan family" are looking to the Lord to lead as they prayerfully anticipate a rich ministry in the Islands.

Schedule For 'Youth For Truth'

The "Youth for Truth" rallies which are sponsored by the Xenia Area Pastor's Fellowship have set up the following schedule:

February 16 - First Baptist Church of Blanchester. A film will be presented. This meeting will be led by Cedarville College Sword-bearers.

March 23 - Emmanuel Baptist Church of Xenia. "Sports and the Bible." Bruce Foster, Coach, Tennessee Temple Schools will speak. There will also be a Karate Exhibition.

April 27 - Blessed Hope Baptist Church of Springfield. "What's Wrong With Rock Music?" The speaker will be Dr. Frank Garlock of Bob Jones University.

May (date to be selected) (Location to be decided) - Spring Banquet. Speaker - Dr. John Balyo, Grand Rapids Bible College Musical Team - Grand Rapids Bible College.

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1. RESOLVED: To live with all my might while I do live.--"Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave whither thou goest." (Eccles. 9:10).

2. RESOLVED: Never to lose one moment of time, but to improve it in the most profitable way I possibly can.--"For what is your life? It is even a vapor, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away." (James 4:14).

3. RESOLVED: Never to do anything out of revenge.--"Avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath; for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord." (Romans 12:19).

4. RESOLVED: Never to do anything which I should despise or think meanly of another.--"All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them. . . (Matthew 7:12).

Ordained To Baptist Ministry

We recently received a letter, dated October 2nd, from Pastor Garrison E. Rice, Bible Baptist Church, Bedford, Ohio. He writes as follows: "This is to notify you of the decision of the Examining Council for candidate Douglas E. Green to proceed with the ordination of this young man. The ordination service will be held Sunday evening, October 21, at the Cedar Hill Baptist Church, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

5. RESOLVED: Never to do anything which I should be afraid to do if it were the last hour of my life--"But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer." (1 Peter 4:7). Surely anyone who will adopt these resolutions and strive to follow them in his daily walk will be a more useful and more Christ-like person.

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'BLESSED ARE THE PURE IN HEART'

"Blessed are the pure in heart" —

God told Samuel that "man looketh on the outward appearance but God looketh on the heart". (I Samuel 16:7) The Psalmist also records that God "desireth truth in the inward parts". (Psalm 51:6) We have heard that there is a head belief, a hand belief and a heart belief. A true heart belief effects the head and the hand (works) but the head and hand can act without the heart, that is inward motivation.

The person who has humbled himself (poor in spirit); repented of sinfulness (mourned); yielded to the Lord (meekly come) and found forgiveness through faith in Christ has truly become pure in heart for "the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth us from all sin". (I John 1:7).

True lovers have a pure heart for each other, thoughts of another do not invade. Song of Solomon 2:16, "My beloved is mine, and I am His." "Pure in heart" implies inward purity. Is our heart grieved over sins of omission (fruits of the Spirit) as well as outward acts? Is our soul grieved over a filthy story, a shameful act, a slur against God and His people? A sinful thought that passes through our mind? Even the imaginations of the heart can be

brought into subjection by the indwelling Holy Spirit. Zechariah 7:10 says "Let none of you imagine evil against his brother in his heart". Of Daniel it is written - "An excellent spirit was found in him". (Daniel 6:3)

"For they shall see God" —

There are many things I would like to see. I suppose that is why I love to travel. I enjoyed seeing the painted desert at sunrise; the Grand Canyon in its vastness; the Mississippi River in its broad wanderings; the desert with its strange vegetation; Jerusalem with its sacred antiquity; the Acropolis in its massiveness; my flower garden blooming in color; the hustle, bustle of the big city of Chicago; sunset over the Gulf of Mexico, a leisure stroll through the woods in the Spring; Mexico and its aboriginal civilization and Spanish customs. I enjoy seeing my loved ones and often my heart yearns to see them who have gone on to be with Christ. . .but most of all, I WANT TO SEE GOD!

We can only see Him through the eyes of the heart now. Jesus said, "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father". (John 14:9) The Pharisees and others saw Him but they did not see Him as God. They could not believe. But to the disciples there was both present and future fulfillment here. I Corinthians 13:12 - "For now we see through a glass darkly; but then face to face." To see is to be brought nigh. We see distinctly only objects that are near. Isaiah recorded "Your iniquities have separated between you and your God". (Isaiah 59:2) Therefore we confess our iniquities and draw near with a pure heart. The pure in heart possess spiritual discernment and with eyes of understanding can obtain clearly spiritual views of God even now.

To see God is to enjoy Him. "I have set the Lord always before me. . .therefore my heart is glad." (Psalm 16:8,9) Those who "see God" in this way in the present world will all the more enjoy Him in a more intimate fellowship in

eternity. Psalm 17:15 - "As for me I will behold thy face in righteousness; I shall be satisfied, when I awake with thy likeness." Then and not until then, will the full meaning of these words be fully understood - "the pure in heart shall see God". (J. Brown)

Northeast Women's Fellowship Meeting

The Northeast Ohio Women's Missionary Fellowship met October 30, at the Huntsburg Baptist Church with Mrs. Warren Crow, Ashtabula, presiding. Their theme: "Pray without ceasing" was emphasized throughout the day. Mrs. Ben Garlich, gave a hearty welcome and Mrs. Ellen Werbeach from North Jackson favored us with special music. Mr. Ed. Messerall, North Madison led in devotions. Mrs. Marilyn Johnson was the song leader for the day. They chose as their project \$300 to supply equipment for Shalom Lake Camp.

Mrs. Earl Umbaugh, Editor of the Women's Page of the O.I.B. was the speaker for the day and the ladies gave her enough money to purchase a Polaroid Camera.

Cedarville Women's Fellowship Meeting

The Cedarville College Women's Fellowship enjoyed their October meeting which was entitled - "Around the World with Cedarville Alumni." Those participating were Rev. Lynn Rogers (Class of '54) and Rev. Robert Rogers (Class of '54) who furnished special music. Brother Lynn is pastor of the Northfield Baptist Church and Brother Bob serves as an FBHM missionary at the Berlin Heights Baptist Church. Dr. and Mrs. Jim Entner (Class of '61), and missionaries under ABWE to the Philippines spoke to the Fellowship. Mrs. Sam Canine (Class of '63) was the pianist for the day. Mr. Stan SeEVERS (Class of '64), Director of Cedarville Alumni, also spoke. Cedarville College Alumni has 43 serving in missions around the world, as well as, many who are serving as teachers in Christian Day Schools.

Ladies Urged To Save For Project

The Women's Missionary Union of our OARBC Fellowship is looking forward to completing their State project by April 16th. This is the date of their Spring meetings which is to be held at the Berea Baptist Church, Berea, Ohio. They are using their dime bank offerings to purchase a new car for our State Missionary - Rev. Earl Umbaugh.

For over ten years, Rev. and Mrs. Umbaugh have worked faithfully in the State of Ohio. Through Brother Umbaugh's ministry, many new churches have been established and are now a part of our OARBC. Too, our Women's work - the Women's Retreats and the like - have greatly profited through the efforts of Mrs. Umbaugh.

The ladies are encouraged to KEEP SAVING! There is a long way to go if the goal is to be reached by April - a goal of \$4,000. Please send all checks to our Ladies' State Treasurer - Mrs. Bernard Flanagan, 328 East 320th Street, Willowick, Ohio - 44094.

'Welcome To Israel!'



Our own Earl Umbaugh, along with a select group of United States and Canadian men and women were greeted in Tel Aviv as they arrived from New York via El Al Air Lines. They were there Thanksgiving week at the invitation and courtesy of the Israeli government.

They were greeted at the Tower of David Hotel by the Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Teddy Kollek, who presented each of them a replica of the jar and scroll found in the Dead Sea area cave. They were taken to many of the historical sites and had an interview with Mr. Michael Shashar, of the Israel Defense Forces. They were entertained at a Banquet and singer, Tamar Rosenfeld, who had just returned from the Suez area where she and been entertaining the troops, sang for them. Mr. Pinchas Eliav of the Foreign Office gave them a lecture and he, as did the Mayor of Jerusalem, assured them that Israel was grateful to the United States for their aid and friendship.

Mr. Moshe Kal, Minister of Tourism, met with them and assured them that touring was safe and desirable. In fact, tour groups had continued throughout the time of the actual fighting (which was hundreds of miles away).

They had a visit in the home of one of the ministers at St. George Cathedral, Rev. Najob S. Houry. They were also taken to the Hadasah Hospital in Jerusalem where they went from bed to bed visiting the wounded soldiers back from the front.

It was indeed a whirl of exciting activity and praise is given to the Lord for this opportunity.

Earl and Sergie Umbaugh will be hosting a tour to Israel and Rome February 11-20, 1974 along with several Ohio and area Pastors as Co-Hosts. COME - JOIN US !!

Bethel Association of the Ohio Association of Regular Baptist Churches were invited. Reverend John Greening, Bowling Green, was elected Moderator and Rev. Dallas Gillespie, Stryker, was elected clerk.

A brief history of the church was given by Pastor Laurence E. Smith. The confession of Faith, Constitution and Church Covenant of the Montpelier Baptist Church were examined and voted upon. There was a unanimous vote to recognize this church as a duly organized Baptist Church.

Revival Rally In Finney Chapel

Some 1500 people, young and old alike, recently attended a REVIVAL RALLY which was held in Finney Chapel at Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio.

This special meeting was sponsored by the churches of our Hebron Association. Dr. Ernest Pickering, President of Baptist Bible College and Seminary, Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania was the guest speaker. His message concerning the Person and the Work of the Holy Spirit was both inspiring and challenging.

Special music included Rev. George Zinn, Gospel vocalist and Dr. Bob Monroe, trombonist and Professor of Music at Cedarville College. There was a fine choir of young men and women from the Hebron Association churches. This was under the direction of Buddy McNeice, Assistant Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Elyria, Ohio. He also led the congregation in spirited singing.

It was thrilling to hold a meeting in the very place where Evangelist Finney had at one time held forth! Today, with the extreme liberal position of Oberlin College, such events as this REVIVAL RALLY are a rarity indeed! One could wish (and we do!) a true REVIVAL would break out on the Oberlin campus again!

Montpelier Church Duly Recognized

A Recognition Council was called on October 1, 1973, in Kenton, Ohio, to consider the propriety of recognizing the Montpelier Baptist Church of Montpelier, Ohio, as a duly organized Baptist Church. Messengers from the North

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ACROSS THE STATE

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH ASHLAND—

Editor/Evangelist Don Moffat was with us for special meetings November 25 through 30. His ministry was one of blessing. We praise the Lord for the fine spirit in our church. Many improvements have been made on our church building.

AVON BAPTIST CHURCH—

Our Junior and Junior High young people—"The Light Bearers"—held a King and Pauper Dinner. Some of our ladies took part in the Hebron Ladies Fall Rally which was held at Trinity Baptist Church in Lorain.

BEREA BAPTIST CHURCH—

We had a blessed conference with Dr. Hall Dautel as our guest Bible teacher. Rev. Leigh Adams (BMM—Campus Bible Fellowship) was with us to help in our college ministry. Also, Rev. Warren Simmons (FBHM—Joy Clubs) spoke to us on the topic "Motivating Pupil Participation". This was at our November S.S. Teachers and Officers meeting. We've begun a "Tape Extension Ministry". Our Sunday services are recorded on tape and then shared with our shut-ins, as well as those who might be sick or hospitalized. Dr. James Entner (ABWE—Philippines) ministered here.

BERLIN HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH—

We are happy to report a continued growth in our work. Recently Brother Ken DuBois and Dr. Paul Wehman spoke here. These both are Christian business men. We voted to purchase a 1966 G.M.C. school bus. Our pastor, Rev. Robert Rogers, spoke at Cedarville College chapel.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BLANCHESTER—

Recently we showed two very effective films in our church. The one was entitled "Flip Side" and the other "The Occult". We praise the Lord for His blessing on this work in Blanchester. Dr. Arthur Williams of Xenia, Ohio spoke at our Annual Christmas Banquet.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BOWLING GREEN—

The Lord blessed hearts through our Annual Missionary Conference. Pastor and Mrs. Greening's son, John R. Greening (a student at Baptist Bible Seminary) spoke here in November. We anticipate blessing January 14-20 when we will have Evangelist Paul Dixon for evangelistic services. Our pastor and his wife have been invited to visit Natal, Brazil in February. Pastor will be speaking at the All South America Missionary Conference of A.B.W.E. missionaries.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH BUCYRUS—

In September we were led in evangelistic meetings by Evangelist Harry Trover. Other recent guest speakers include Robert and Sandra Hedrick (Hong Kong), Dr. James and Esther Entner (ABWE—Philippines), Rev. Harold Amstutz (Home Office—ABWE), Dennis and Ruth Oatley (Appointees to Colombia), Verne and Helen Kirby (BMM—Alaska), and the Cedarville College Choir presented an evening of music.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH CAMBRIDGE—

Rev. and Mrs. Wes Petro, missionaries to the Philippines, told us of their work. We held a special Christmas service and also a Watch Night service.

WHIPPLE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH CANTON—

It was a delight to have Rev. Ben Jennings minister the Word to us. On November 11th we took a special offering for our missionaries. We called this our "Harvest Sunday". Evangelistic services were held with Carl J. Schultz (a graduate of Faith Baptist Bible College, Ankeny, Iowa) as guest speaker. The Lord blessed.

CLINTONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH COLUMBUS—

We had a delightful time at our annual Thanksgiving turkey dinner. Pastor George Hattenfield is teaching a course in Old

Testament Survey each Sunday evening prior to the evening service.

IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH COLUMBUS—

A "Children For Christ Workshop" was held on November 2nd. Miss Czechowitz from Hong Kong, China spoke and showed slides. The ministry of Dr. Reginald Matthews, Field Representative of our GARBC was one of blessing. The emphasis of this conference was "The True New Testament Church in an Age of Apostasy". Our choir presented the cantata "Born A King". Missionary William Stoner (ABWE) was with us in December.

MARANATHA BAPTIST CHURCH COLUMBUS—

A Four-Day Missionary Conference was held November 15 through 18. Guest speakers included Rev. and Mrs. G. Jordan (Radio Station HCJB, Quito, Ecuador), Dr. James Entner, (ABWE—Philippine Islands) and Miss L. Gullette (Missionary Appointee to Brazil, S.A.). The Lord is blessing in our Christian Day School and our AWANA program.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH COLUMBUS—

Our pastor attended the International Congress of Fundamental Baptists which met in London, England. More than 2000 were there from across the world. During the month of October there was an increase in attendance over the previous year. Pastor Winters held evangelistic meetings at the First Baptist Church in Rittman, Ohio—November 12 through 18. Recent guest speakers here include State Missionary Earl Umbaugh and Brother Lee Turner of Cedarville College.

PINE HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH COLUMBUS—

On December 2nd we began a Sunday School contest that will continue for 12 weeks. Missionary Donald Hare (ABWE—Brazil) ministered here. Mrs. Hare spoke at our Women's Missionary Christmas banquet, and Rev. Euler attended the International Fundamental Baptist Fellowship which was held in London. We also appreciated the ministry of Rev. Gary Forney. Sunday, December 16, our choir presented the cantata "The Story Of Christmas".

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH COSHOCTON—

We held a covered dish dinner honoring those of our church who were 60 years or older. Rev. Harry E. Cole, former pastor, spoke at our Homecoming service. A special Dedication Service was held at 2:00 P.M. on November 25th. Guests included Mr. Everett Fox, builder of our new edifice and our pastor's father, Professor Austin D. Elmore of Cedarville College.

EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH DAYTON—

We voted, as a church, to send \$1,000 to the Heath Bobbetts for relief work in the Niger Republic. Also, it was recommended that we give our missionaries double their allotment for the month of December. Rev. Everett Bramblet of the Tillicum Baptist Church which is near Tacoma, Washington ministered to us recently. Our pastor spoke at the Sovereign Grace Bible Conference which was held at the Berean Baptist Church in Flint, Michigan. We will be having Evangelist Paul Dixon with us for special meetings February 25 through March 3.

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH DEFIANCE—

It was nice having Missionary Richard Rich (BMM—Japan) and his family with us recently. They are now in Japan studying the language. Miss Beverly Curtiss, missionary appointee to Hawaii presented her field to our people. We held our very first Sunday services in our new building on November 4th.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ELYRIA—

The ministry of the LIFE ACTION team proved both a blessing and a challenge. We thank the Lord for Dr. Ed Hindson and Evangelist Del Fehsenfeld. Our pastor, Rev. Willis Hull, spoke recently at Cedarville College chapel. Former pastor, Rev. Robert Reynhout, spoke at our Adult Christmas banquet. Dr. Ernest Pickering, President of

Baptist Bible College, Clarks Summit, ministered here on November 25th.

EUCLID—NOTTINGHAM BAPTIST CHURCH EUCLID—

We held a special "Ingathering" for Editor/Evangelist and Mrs. Don Moffat on December 5th. Also on that day Brother Moffat spoke both to our Ladies Missionary Group and at our Wednesday evening service. We held an Old Fashioned Day one Sunday in November. It proved a blessing to many. Missionary Don Trott spoke at our Sr. High/College Holiday banquet.

AMBROSE BAPTIST CHURCH FAYETTE—

A special gift given to our church made it possible to send "extra" money to our missionaries. Dr. Roy Hamman of Howe, Indiana recently conducted a Prophetic Bible Conference here. He showed slides of Turkey, Rome, Mesopotamia, Israel and Egypt revealing the accuracy of fulfilled Bible prophecy.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH GALION—

We received as a gift from an anonymous donor a lovely new Gestetner duplicating machine and an electric typewriter. We continue to broadcast "The Regular Baptist Hour" each day at 12:30.

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH GALLIPOLIS—

We praise the Lord for His continued blessing on our work. We have outgrown our facilities in just three years. We are now making plans to increase our building in order that we might accommodate 475 people. We have seen steady growth in our Sunday School.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH GALLIPOLIS—

Pastor Wahl ministered recently to the Cedarville students at two of their chapel services. Phil McDonald, a student at Cedarville college, spoke here telling of his missionary intern work in Africa. In December we were privileged to hear Rev. and Mrs. Harry Thibideau of Baptist Mid-Missions. Our choir presented "Born A King" on Sunday, December 23rd. We have plans to purchase a new \$10,000 bus.

MIDVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH GRAFTON—

The ministry of Brother Hugh Horner was one of blessing to our people. Missionary Verne Kirby (BMM—Alaska) was with us in November. We were privileged to view the prophetic film—"The Return".

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH KENTON—

For a period of six Sundays we held something special. Each Sunday was given a special name, such as "Double Day", "You Asked For It Sunday", etc. We had a fine Gestetner mimeograph given to the church recently by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hofmann of Lakeview. We recently were received into the Ohio Association of Regular Baptist Churches. Our Pastor's wife recently suffered a heart attack. As of this writing she is improving slowly.

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH LANCASTER—

Missionary Robert Horne (BMM—Liberia) spoke at one of our Mid-week services. We dedicated our new church property on Thanksgiving Day at a special Dedication Service. We ask for prayer as we seek help in making a loan to begin our building program.

GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH LONDON—

We were happy to have the "Gordon Finleys" with us recently. They have been accepted by ABWE to serve the Lord in the Philippine Islands. Brother Don Hare (ABWE—Brazil) told of his work in the Seminary in Sao Paulo. Mrs. Hare spoke to our Women's Missionary Society. Our Pastor, Rev. David Morris spoke on the London Court-house steps at a Veterans Day Service.

EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH LORAIN—

We just recently purchased some lovely new hymnals. We extended an invitation to Evangelist Bob Sumner to hold a meeting here in April. We had a great time during our recent Missionary Conference. We were privileged to hear Dr. Jim Entner (ABWE—Philippines) and missionary appointees—Miss Beverly Curtis (BMM—Brazil) and Rev. Terry Stuick (FBHM). Brother Ron Edwards is now serving as our Christian Education Director.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MEDINA—

Recent speakers here include Rev. William Russell of Canton, Ohio and Rev. Paul Tidball of the Cleveland Hebrew Mission. Hearts were stirred during our 22nd Annual Global Missionary Conference. Guest speakers were Rev. Robert Savage of Muskegon, Michigan, Rev. Richard O'Neill

(BMM), Rev. William Stoner (ABWE), Rev. David Gerhardt (FBHM) and Rev. Travis Gowan (World Radio Missionary Fellowship). Also in October we were blessed through the Bible teaching of Rev. Ben Jennings.

GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH MINFORD—

Our Ladies Missionary Group sponsored a "Christmas In August". This was a blessed time of fellowship. A gift was given to our missionaries—Rev. and Mrs. Lou Nicholes. We were blessed, too, during our "Spirit and Tongues" Conference. The Word of God was clearly presented by Brother B. F. Cate. We would recommend him to our OARB churches. He is the author of the "The Nine Gifts of the Spirit ARE NOT in the Church Today". (Regular Baptist Press)

HARMONY HILL BAPTIST CHURCH NEW MATAMORAS—

Missionary Ken Transeau (BMM—Mexico) and his family ministered here recently. We had a good attendance at this service. Slowly, as a church, we are growing.

NORTH OLMSTED BAPTIST CHURCH

We were delighted in having Dr. Reginald Matthews (GARBC Representative) minister here. Also, Pastor and Mrs. James Belias (FBHM) told of their work in Eastern Pennsylvania. Rev. Earl Willetts spoke at our Annual Thanksgiving Service. Rev. L. W. Beckley ministered to us while Pastor and Mrs. Good were in Florida.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH NORTH MADISON—

Rev. Paul Friederichsen (ABWE—Philippines) was with us for our Missionary Conference. He is now serving here at home as a Representative (Mid-Western) for the ABWE. His ministry was most informative and challenging. We now have our lovely new Dodge Sportsman Van. The steeple for our church is in place and it looks lovely! At our Watch Night Service we viewed the film "A Thief In The Night".

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH OBERLIN—

Our Missionary Conference this year was one of our very best. We were privileged to sit under the ministry of Rev. Robert Hedrick (ABWE—Hong Kong), Miss Joy Spiehl (BMM—Brazil), Dr. Kenneth Muck (FBHM) and Rev. Gerald Smelser (Cleveland Hebrew Mission). Our church is a product of FBHM and our pastor, Rev. Joseph C. Fritz has served here since its inception.

CAMDEN BAPTIST CHURCH OBERLIN—

The ministry of Evangelist Bill Tipton from Pontiac, Michigan proved a blessing. We thank the Lord for these days spent under our brother's ministry. Missionary Beverly Curtis (Missionary appointee to Hawaii) told us of her conversion to Christ in a Joy Club meeting.

BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH OREGON—

Dr. Fred Barlow (RBP—Sunday School Consultant) held special meetings here December 9 through 16. He brought strong Bible messages that were soul searching. Our new Music Director, Mr. Dan Orr, is now serving with us.

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH PERRY—

We held a "Good Shepherd Campaign" as a part of our effort to increase the attendance in our Sunday School. We recently viewed the film "A Thief In The Night".

TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH PORTSMOUTH—

We rejoice in the blessings realized through the LIFE ACTION CRUSADE held here in early November.

BIBLE MISSION BAPTIST CHURCH REYNOLDSBURG—

Recent speakers include Brother Kenneth Reign of Phoenixville, Penna., Brother Kenneth Updyke (BMM—Ghana), Rev. Lee Turner (Cedarville College), Rev. Edward Spencer (Cedarville College), Brother Don Kinzer (Word of Life) and Dr. James Entner (ABWE—Philippine Islands).

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH RITTMAN—

We thank the Lord for the excellent ministry of Rev. Don Winters (Memorial Baptist Church Columbus, Ohio), during our recent evangelistic meetings. Also, we were privileged to have State Missionary—Rev. Earl Umbaugh speak to us.

BLESSED HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH SPRINGFIELD—

Mrs. Peggy Bush, recording artist from Bellefontaine, Ohio gave us a special service in song. We were recently shown the film—"A Thief In The Night". We had a 1961 International bus given to the church. This meets a real need and we praise the Lord for it.

**SOUTHGATE BAPTIST CHURCH
SPRINGFIELD-**

Work on our new building is moving right along. Cornerstone laying was held on November 18th. We were privileged to hear Dr. Reginald Matthews (GARBC-Field Representative) on Sunday, December 2nd. Pastor Stowell attended the First International Baptist Congress in London. Our seasons had a "Deacons' Retreat" November 30 and December 1. Our choir sang at the Upper Valley Mall on December 15th.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
STRYKER-**

Our people enjoyed a week of meetings featuring the Hal Webb team. Hearts were stirred through the ministry of these men. Our church has "mothered" a new work in Montpelier, Ohio. Latest report is that the work is growing. It began with only 12 people, but now they number in the sixties. This new work is pastored by Rev. Lawrence Smith.

**GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH
SUNBURY-**

Our brother, Rev. Gene Bryant, missionary to the Jews in Columbus, Ohio told us of his work. Two of our men, Brother Vernor Gallogly and Brother John Lenegar ministered here while Pastor Martin Holmes was away. A special offering was taken for the "Gideons" and a Love Offering was sent to Brother Don Moffat. Our Saturday morning Men's Prayer Fellowship observed their ninth birthday recently. Nine years and nary a Saturday without meeting for prayer!

**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH
TOLEDO-**

Our bus ministry continues to grow. We had over 90 recently in our Junior Church. This is a most effective ministry among our children.

**EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH
TOLEDO-**

Evangelist Bill Compton was used of the Lord in our recent evangelistic meetings. "Tea For Concerned Parents" was something special for our people with Brother Mel Johnson of "Tips for Teens" as guest speaker. The Lord blessed our annual Holiday Musicale under the direction of our Minister of Music-Brother Don Krueger.

**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH
WARREN-**

Folk here rejoiced in the blessings received during our special Evangelistic Crusade. Rev. Joseph Bower of Lapeer, Michigan did the preaching and the Holy Spirit truly moved in lives.

**GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH
WESTLAKE-**

We are most thankful to Mr. Robert Cope for his generous gift of new office equipment-a new IBM electric typewriter and a new Gestetner mimeograph and folding machine. Brother Gerald Smelser (The Cleveland Hebrew Mission) is to be with us on January 20th.

WHEELERSBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

A Thanksgiving Revival was held November 19 through 26 with Evangelist Bob Sumner. We plan on having Evangelist Bob Kelley for our Winter Revival. These dates are to be February 4 through 10. The ministry of Missionary Bob Davis and his family (Japan) proved a blessing to our people. We purchased a new piano which has been placed in our Fellowship Room.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
WILLOWICK-**

Once again, this year we held a Veterans Service. The church was filled to capacity. It was a thrilling meeting. The ministry of Missionary Mel Cuthbert (ABWE-Brazil) was challenging to young and old alike. "The Cuthberts" have spent some twenty years in southern Brazil. We thank the Lord for the improvements made around our church. We have a lovely new piano in our church auditorium. We hope soon to have a new public address system.

**EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH
XENIA-**

We thank the Lord for the privilege of hearing Dr. James Entner (ABWE-Philippine Islands). The Lord richly blessed during our Paul Dixon Evangelistic Meetings. Our pastor, Rev. William Wheeler, attended the First International Fundamental Baptist Congress which was held in London, England. The pastors of the Xenia Area Fellowship and their wives met at our Pastor's home on December 3rd for a Christmas Party.

**GLIMPSES of
TRUTH from the
by
DR. GEORGE L.
LAWLOR**



**WHAT DYING MEANT FOR PAUL
Phil. 1:21-23**

It is customary for us to emphasize what living meant to Paul, and to draw attention to Phil. 1:21a, "For me to live is Christ," pointing out the intensity of the Apostle's consuming desire and drive, as set forth in this great statement. By comparison, not nearly so much attention is given to v.21b, the second clause of the passage, "and to die is gain." But this clause is fully as significant and important as the first. Most Christians are not afraid to face the reality of living, with all that life involves, because the Lord is our Helper, and we know that He will never fail His own. We recognize the truth of Psalm 23:1, "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want." However, it may be that not so many Christians are prepared to

face the fact of dying. On the one hand, the event of physical death is often grim indeed. On the other hand, the earthly life has been rewarding in many ways, and the blessings of God have been abundant. We dislike to think of our service for the Lord as coming to an end. Our families are dear to us and it is somewhat difficult to resign ourselves to the inevitable separation from them.

While we are certain of our family-home in heaven, and are fully aware that dying ushers us into that place of supreme blessedness - still, death is mysterious, and there is a great deal that we do not know about it. What then does dying mean to us? Let us note briefly what it meant for Paul, as he expresses it in vs. 21 and 23. And let us lay deeply to heart what he says, and appropriate it for ourselves, so that it may mean for us what it meant for him.

1. For Paul, dying meant separation, v. 21b.

Paul says, "To die. . ." The subjunctive infinitive, *to apothanein*, with its article, points to the fact of dying. Paul writes, "the factual reality of dying" - this is gain. Death is a reality, a fact which must be accepted - it must be faced by every individual. The world, for the most part, looks on death as the end, the termination of existence. A man dies, and is no more; it is all over. But actually death brings to an end certain relationships here, yet does not mean the cessation of existence and being. One goes on living - in one of two realms that are just as real as the present earthly sphere of this age is real - in heaven, or in hell.

So, for Paul, the fact of dying meant the end of present earthly relationships, but not the end of living. To him, it was a separation from this earth-wise realm of existence, but a graduation to a greater far more blessed realm of being just as real as this one. All believers must look at death in this way, for this is precisely what it means for all of us. Separation from those whom we love is painful and it projects sorrow and sadness into an otherwise happy scene. Still, it is not like the sorrow of the unsaved, and it will be over some day and there will be no more of it. But separation from the evils of this age, from the weaknesses and frailties of the human frame, and from the imperfections, impurities, and infirmities of this body and this life - is all a part of the blessed hope for the Lord's own. Separation from transitoriness, sinfulness, and mortal corruption - to perfection and the

reality of a new body and a new life, is welcome and blessed indeed.

2. For Paul, dying meant a crisis, v. 21b.

The infinitive "to die", *apothanein*, is in the aorist tense, and thus points to a crisis separation. It is a point of crisis in one's experience, and not a process of dying, although disease may take its toll in the human body over a protracted period of time before the actual event of death. One's dying may involve a long period of time, during which illness, or confinement, may linger and be extended. But the point here is the final, crisis act of dying. The dying itself is a crisis event, that is: the fact of the spirit moving from the old body into the new realm while the physical remains are placed in the grave - is a crisis act, not a long process.

It is that turning-point in the progress of life and human relationships which every individual must prepare to meet. It is that lasting, decisive change. It may, and often does, come suddenly, unexpectedly, with no warning at all. Paul was prepared for such a crisis, ready for its demands, eager and expectant for the fulness of the victory in which death has been swallowed up. Let us be moved and impelled to the same readiness and expectancy.

3. For Paul dying meant a departure to be with Christ, v. 23.

"Having a desire to depart and to be with Christ" -

Living is called "tenting, tabernacling" (Jno. 1:14). Dying is the breaking up of that camp, or tenting - that earthly tabernacling which has been our experience. "Depart" is the articular infinitive used with the preposition "into". Paul uses the noun form of the word in II Tim. 4:6 (*analuseos*), in describing his approaching death. The classical use of this word denotes the launching of a ship into the sea for a voyage - a departure from its home port. The interesting composition of the word stresses its unique significance as characterizing what dying means for believers. The preposition, *ana*, "up", and the verb *lusei*, "loose" - i.e. loose upward - designates the direction of our voyage when death takes us: we are loosed upward "to be with Christ," *sun Christo einai*. And the present tense of the infinitive *einai*, shows this "being with Christ" to be a state of being, i.e. in a real form, and in a continued, never-ending life and experience. What a glorious departure from this earthly life!

4. For Paul dying meant a far surpassing life, vs. 21, 23.

Paul states in v. 21, that dying is "gain" (*kerdos*), which has a banking sense of "interest accrued." Dying means extra, added, accumulated blessing. To be with the Lord, in the family-home in heaven, actually, visibly, eternally, gloriously, is beyond measure. The new home, the new life, the new body, the new experience, the new things we cannot even conceive - which God has prepared for all who love Him - all this is gain - what we cash in at the end.

And Paul adds that departing to be with Christ is "far better" (*pollo gar mallon kreisson*). The three descriptive words, *pollo*, *mallon*, *kreisson*, means quite literally: "much more better," - almost impossible to express in the English, with the comparative and superlative degrees of emphasis and the third word. Perhaps one might state it like this: "Better - much better - very much better - - - than living." It all adds up to indescribable blessedness, inexpressible joy, incomprehensible glory. And it should mean for us all that it meant for Paul. Let us all re-examine our attitude toward dying, as well as living - and see it through Paul's eyes - which means that we shall have a much more appreciative understanding of what these verses of the Holy Scriptures tell us about death.

Family Sunday At Niles Church



Mothers received corsages and fathers boutonnières at the special "Family Sunday" held by the Sunday School of the First Baptist Church, Niles, Ohio. Pastor-Rev. Richard Sparling, S.S. Superintendent-Dr. Merle Hammack and Assistant S.S. Superintendent-Mr. John Palmer.

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Counseling Services

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Mr. Ken Nichols, Director of Counseling Services, views this service as "a total, vital ministry". A graduate of Cedarville College, Mr. Nichols received his masters degree in personnel counseling from Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio.

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Success is difficult to measure but easy to recognize in the lives of those students availing themselves of the services of a total Bible ministry through counseling. "Man's basic problems and God's basic solutions remain unchanged."

Three Cedarville Professors Receive Doctorates

Cedarville College added three doctorates to its staff as fall quarter drew to a close. The additions came in the Physical Education Department and the Education Department.

Miss June Kearney, Associate Professor of Physical Education, and Miss Maryalce Jeremiah, Assistant Professor of Physical Education completed doctoral studies at The Ohio State University.

Miss Kearney began her doctoral studies in 1966 and finished this past summer. Her dissertation was entitled, "History of Women's Intercollegiate Sports in Ohio 1945-1972." She received her Bachelor of Science degree from Taylor University in 1962 and her Master of Science degree from Wittenberg University in 1965. Carrying a full-time teaching load,

Dr. Kearney also coaches women's volleyball. She is also the Chairman of the Coordinating Officiating Service of Ohio.

Miss Jeremiah received her Masters degree from Ohio State University in 1967 and began her doctoral studies. She graduated with a Ph.D. in Physical Education on December 14th. Her dissertation was entitled: "The Ohio School Health Education Study: The Status of School Health Instructional Practices in Ohio's Public Secondary Schools." Dr. Jeremiah, along with her classroom responsibilities, is coach of women's tennis, field hockey, and basketball. She is also the newly elected Commissioner-at-Large for the Ohio Association of Intercollegiate Sports for Women.

Associate Professor of Education, Dr. Dwayne Frank, began his doctoral studies at the University of Oregon. From 1969-71, he concentrated his studies at the University of Idaho. Dr. Frank's dissertation concerned the attitudes of high school United States history teachers towards the treatment of Oriental-Americans and the Far East in United States history texts.

In 1960, Dr. Frank received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Cedarville College and the B.S. degree from Central State University. He completed work for the Masters degree from the College of Idaho in 1965.

Dr. Frank teaches courses in secondary education and in the field of Oriental history.

Gamma Chapter Of C.C.W.F.

The Gamma Chapter of the Cedarville College Women's Fellowship met at the Suburban Heights Baptist Church, Garfield Heights, Ohio on November 8th for a "Thanksgiving for Twenty Years of God's Blessing" on the school. Rev. Paul Schenck a graduate of the first class and Carl Rogers a graduate of last year's class presented slides and memories of the school (Cedarville College) then and now.

Soccer Team Does Well

The Cedarville College soccer team is to be congratulated on completing its most successful regular season in the ten-year history of this sport. They climaxed their season with a 4-1 win over the University of Dayton. The Cedarville "Jackets" participated in the NAIA district 22 playoffs.

Cedarville posted a 10 and 1 win-loss record as the Jackets rolled over the University of Cincinnati, Wittenberg, Miami, Malone, Urbana, Walsh, Bluffton, Ohio Northern, Wilmington and Dayton. Their lone defeat came at the hands of Denison 3-1.

Once again Cedarville was led by All-American Larry Bollback, who scored 20 goals and assisted in 5 goals. Bollback, a junior, for the second time was voted All-American by the National Soccer Coaches Association.

Cedarville College's future in soccer is still bright as six starters this season are freshmen and sophomores. Seniors playing their final season at Cedarville are Phil McMillen, Terry Holley, Rich Proffant, Tom Knowles and Dan Estes.

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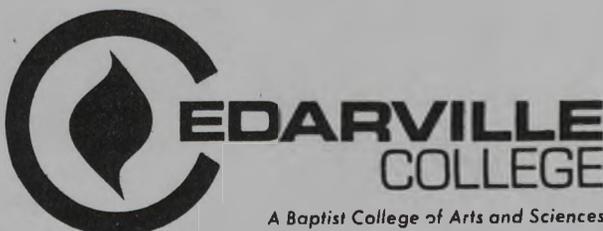
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