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Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, a l w a y s abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory.

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Child, Come Home

[Where can true pleasure be found? You can not say you have found happiness in the enjoyments of this world. They are empty and fleeting and leave a feeling of loneliness. "It shall even be as when an hungry MAN dreameth, and, behold, he eateth; but he awaketh, and his soul is empty: or as when a thirsty man dreameth, and, behold, he drinketh; but he awaketh, and, behold, HE IS faint, and his soul hath appetite". Much of this writing is from the heart of Elias Souder. Dear friend, please shake yourself from the mirage you are living in! Please listen before it will be forever too late.]

There was a woman which had been sick for years, spending all that she had for doctor bills, without any relief. She was travelling down towards the valley of the shadow of death and facing eternity. No doubt her span of life was short in her mind, but notice, she received the message of a Saviour that can cure all physical diseases. Right there she answered the great question, what shall I do with Jesus? She knew well if she could only get near enough to touch the hem of his garment she would be whole. Very well did he know who touched him even before he asked the question, "Who touched me?" He saw the woman in fear and trembling and heard her tell all the truth, and He said in the most tender words, "Daughter, thy faith hath made thee

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What Shall the Harvest Be?

[Dear friend, will you listen as one of God's servants, Henry J. Souder, of our Bremen church speaks to you through the printed word? If you really hear, the Lord will open your eyes to where solid contentment can be found. He can take you from work that is drudgery to His work that radiates with joy and peace and harmony!]

We again have approached the harvest time of another year. We see the fields of grain ripe for harvest. We can behold the blessing of the Lord—for man does sow, but God giveth the increase—without His blessings all our effort would be in vain.

Under His Wings!

Grace be to you and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God. For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also aboundeth by Christ.

"O blessed is he when the summer is gone
Who harvests the fruit from good
seed he has sown."

How true this is for one who toils and labors and hopes to have a good harvest. First of all he must properly prepare the soil. Then he takes the very best care to select good seed and

it is sown at the proper time. Let us take wheat for instance—it is one of the most essential grains, as bread is considered the staff of life. The wheat is sown in the fall; therefore, it is exposed to the severe tests of Winter—sometimes more severe than others. (Often the freezing and thawing in spring is harmful to the roots.) Then the farmer must patiently wait for sunshine and rain to make a good yield. Now the harvest time is here and he can enjoy the blessing and reap the reward of his labor. We are thankful for all the blessings our dear Lord bestows upon us both for body and soul.

In the beginning God created men. He said, "Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat." Such was the provision made for man in the beginning. God had placed him in the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. He commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die."

We find Satan entering into the picture and being successful with his temptations, bringing about the fall of man. Now because of sin, man was expelled from the garden of Eden and was told, "Because thou . . . hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life; . . . In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; . . . for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return."

"Tell me not in mournful numbers,
Life is but an empty dream,
For the soul is dead that slumbers,
And things are not what they seem.

"Life is real, life is earnest
And the grave is not its goal,
Dust thou art, to dust returneth
Was not spoken of the soul.

"Not enjoyment and not sorrow,
Is our destined end or way;
But to act that each tomorrow
Finds us nearer than today.

"Lives of great men all remind us,
We can make our lives sublime,
And departing, leave behind us,
Footprints on the sands of time.

Now as by one man's sin death came unto all, so by obedience of one the hope of life comes to all who believe. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

The Lord spoke to a great multitude from a ship at a certain place by parables, saying, "A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way side;" Others fell on stony ground, again others fell on thorny ground, and some fell on good ground. This condition is prevalent in the hearts of men. The seed mentioned here is God's Word, but the word has no effect when it falls by the wayside or on a heart of stone or where thorns and briars grow, except the conditions be changed through prayer. God's grace is sufficient to all who call unto Him in prayer. It is not His will that one soul should perish but that all should

come to repentance and be saved.

Now this is the great harvest of which the Lord spoke when He said, "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest."

At present we are enjoying a blessed harvest here, for which we are very thankful. Our prayers are that many more will come unto the Saviour and join in the blessed fellowship with those who have found their Lord and Saviour, as Paul writes, "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit."

May God grant grace that we may labor in the vineyard of our Lord faithfully to the end . . . then be gathered in as ripe fruit to His honor and to our eternal home.

"Faithful till death saith our Lord and Master,

A few more days to labor and wait,
Toil of the road will then seem as nothing

As we sweep through the beautiful gate."

CHILD, COME HOME

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whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague." What a merciful and wonderful Saviour!

We read of a father with a broken heart, looking the direction of a son's departure. Let us get this beautiful but solemn picture. This father perhaps was many hours not only looking for the return of the son, but looking heavenward in constant communion with his God. Then if we pass to a far country, we see the dear son coming to himself: "I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee . . . And he arose, and came to his father." Notice what a meeting here on earth—What must the meeting be in Heaven some day! "But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him . . . For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry."

The writer was conversing with his uncle, who has been a Christian for some sixty years. In the conversation he mentioned his children, how they would leave home and not return for some time, and how his wife and himself lay awake in the deep of the night praying for their children. How can it be possible that a mother and father can talk with their Jesus in the darkest night? He is always near in spirit, knowing our very conversations and prayers by day or night. Night after night of prayer there were no results. All this time without a doubt Jesus was knocking at the children's hearts, but the latch is on the inside. He cannot enter unless we fall down before him. God will go a long way; he will spare the children if possible, but He is not mocked. He will call and call, knock and knock, as long as there is hope. Uncle told me it went this way for some time, but finally his dear wife was taken to glory. Then the children came to Christ. Children, will your parents drink this bitter cup of death before you accept Christ? If there is no other way, they are willing to suffer it to awaken you.

Little do the children realize what their parents are enduring, untold sleepless hours, waiting for their child to come home. Untold prayers are sent before the throne of God for their safety, that God will be merciful unto them and not let them be hurled into eternity unprepared. Are these prayers unheard and unanswered? No, else there is a chance your life would have been snuffed out long ago.

Where is the one that can say God has not called them, or has not asked to enter their heart? Dear children, why are you delaying? Count the years of your life, how swiftly they are floating onward. Take a little time out and let Him in whose hands all destiny rests speak to us. What wonderful words he will speak to our souls! He will make us to lie down in green pastures and lead us beside the still waters. He will tell you, that He so loved you and me that He gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life. How glad he is to answer pray-

ers, if we only consecrate our lives to Him!

"What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?" This question of Pilate has resounded down through the ages for two thousand years. Every one must answer. Listen to what Thomas said after Jesus' resurrection: "Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe." He made a three-fold request; the very form of this speech betokens the strength of his unbelief. While Jesus was not present with them in person, remember, He was present in spirit and heard every word that Thomas uttered. Let us see how kindly he approached Thomas. "Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing." The very three requests that Thomas had asked for were granted unto him by the Saviour.

Our only hope to escape terrible destructive things that are coming is in Jesus Christ. If we have Jesus in our heart, we need not fear what is coming in this world. Why do you linger and tarry so long? What we have before us now is already war; this may be the forerunner of World War III. Christ said of the great tribulation, "... except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved..." This paints a very dark picture, and everyone should take solemn warning, for we can see the dark clouds rising from all directions.

A minister and elder for many years, Henry Souder, Sr., who is now in glory, often in his sermons gave the warning that when the Jews go back to Palestine and Jerusalem, then shall we know that the coming of the Lord is not too far distant. Strange as it seems, this very thing has transpired. Hardly a nation thought that this would or could happen. It happened almost overnight; a Jewish government was set up in Jerusalem—the first time for thousands of years. And to make it more impressive, it was told that with the war with the Arabs, the Jews have

not lost one battle!

We see perplexity of nations; people are becoming increasingly alarmed about the trend of world events. There is a glorious dawn coming, but first the world must pass through a terrible period of travail, with fleshly knees weak as water! What will transpire next?

In the last war, the United States dropped a bomb on a city of Japan. The reports at that time was that it killed about 100,000; the reports today are that directly and indirectly it killed 200,000 people. Now they are working, and may have already, on a bomb 100 times stronger, which is so terribly powerful that the reports are that one bomb would destroy Chicago and its suburbs. Thus we have a hint of the horror and consternation that will grip this earth. "Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it".

Seeing that the end is rapidly approaching, what manner of persons ought we to be? It remains a fact that every living soul must some day stand before their Creator to receive their verdict. Right now you are writing the court evidence that will sum up to the sentence. Why ever take a chance, my dear friend? Tomorrow you may face a dark, dark eternity, a hell where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth, where the worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched—a bitter punishment. Sunlight and moonlight will disappear. God will be the light for His redeemed, but on the outside it will be total darkness so terrible words have never been found to describe it. And you will serve your everlasting sentence just because you pushed the invitation of Christ away from you and would have none of Him!

Tomorrow's sun may never rise
To bless thy long deleted sight:
This is the time! Oh, then be wise!
Thou would'st be saved—Why not tonight?

NEWS

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and Lola Wittmer of Sabetha, Kansas, spent a few days with relatives and friends.

Several from our vicinity attended

the Metzger-Wys wedding at Lester, Iowa, June 25.

The same day a group attended the wedding of Lois Wuthrich and James Sutter at Pulaski, Iowa.

WICHITA

Brother and Sister Joseph Lorenz of Maywood, California, visited here May 28.

Sisters Arlene Knapp of Burlington and Dorothy Schwab of Madison are now working in Wichita.

Brother and Sister Clarence Yackley and family of Phoenix, Arizona, were visiting relatives and friends here May 30 to June 8.

Brother and Sister Joseph Aberle and family and Doris Miller of Burlington, Oklahoma, were here Sunday, June 25.

"For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe."

WOLCOTT

Our visitors, on June 11 were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bachtold and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Alph Bachtold and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bachtold, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Nussbaum, Mr. and Mrs. William Kupferschmidt, Mr. and Mrs. John Kyburz and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Steffen, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Leman and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Koehl and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Koehl, and Miss Betty Zimmerman, all of Forrest. They were supper and evening guests at the Ed Kyburz home.

Miss Ruth Hofstetter has returned home after spending several years in Salem, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Klopfenstein are the parents of a daughter, Millie Sue, born May 19.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Klopfenstein and son Georgie are spending a month's vacation with relatives in Silverton, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Miller and Juanita, and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Banker and sons spent their vacation with relatives in Kansas.

Mrs. John Anker was called to Burlington, Oklahoma, by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Maggie Zehr.

Beyond the Sunset Sunrise Tomorrow

"If a man die, shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come. Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee: thou wilt have a desire to the work of thine hands."

June 7 marked the passing of an older member of our Roanoke church, **Mrs. John Leman**, of Eureka. She was preceded in death by her husband. Funeral services were held on June 9, with Noah Schrock of Oakville, Iowa, officiating. Though our hearts may be bleeding and broken, yet we praise our Lord that He has safely guided another child to the haven of rest. Our hearts yearn for the day when we also can be stepping ashore, and find ourselves home, for "... we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body."

Samuel Keiffer of our Croghan and Naumburg congregations entered the gateway to heavenly life on June 3 at his home near New Bremen. Services were held June 6 at the Croghan church. Surviving are his wife, Sister Mary, and four children. Now for a brief duration, Brother Samuel waits until the resurrection morning, to come forth "In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed." Oh precious promise that wounded hearts can caress!

Jonathan Sommers passed away Tuesday morning, June 20. He had been in failing health for some time, although recently has been able to attend church services. Being a Christian, he is able to meet his Saviour. Are you looking forward to that great holiday when our soul, at last unfettered, wends its way to endless day? With eagerness we press through the corridor of time, awaiting with hopeful anticipation the day when we at last behold our Jesus! We have heard a lot about Him and we have experienced his glorious spiritual power,

but what sheer delight that will be to see him face to face. "For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known."

How shall it be, when we shall hear Him calling:

Come now, ye blessed of My Father's grace!

And worshipping, upon His footstool falling,

We look into that kind and smiling face?

The eyes which shed those bitter tears, well knowing

Man's wretchedness and hardness of his heart;

The wounds, with that pure, precious blood o'er flowing

Which saved us from death's dread and poisoned dart!

Caroline Gasser of our Girard church, having been quite ill at her home, was taken to the hospital. At first she seemed to improve, but later she grew worse, until the Lord called her home. She passed away May 22. Funeral services were held at the Weller Funeral Home in Youngstown on May 25. Brother Joseph Ramsier conducted the services and Brother Noah Bauman spoke a few words. May we also so live that when our summons come we may say, "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." If the dear friends would only have this comfort that when death's cold fingers touch them, they may snuggle under the warm loveliness of our precious Jesus!

George Sinn, Sr. of our Latty church passed away on Monday, May 15, at the Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne, following an illness of several weeks. He had reached the age of 80 years, 9 months, and 8 days. Funeral services were conducted by Andrew Dotterer on Thursday, May 18. Many friends and relatives of the departed

brother attended the funeral.

On Tuesday, May 16, Jacob and **Mina Schweitzer** were involved in an automobile accident, which resulted in the death of Mina a short time after the accident. Funeral services were held for her on Friday, May 19, by Samuel Aeschliman at the Latty church, with burial in the Leo cemetery.

"... the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes."

The community of our Bluffton church was saddened by the tragedy which occurred Saturday, June 3. **Ivan Moser**, 36 years old, was killed instantly and Ervin Moser, 27 years old, was seriously injured in a plane crash. They are both sons of Joseph Mosers. Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday, June 6, by Sam Aeschliman for Ivan. Surviving are his wife, Mary (Reimschisel), four children, his parents, two brothers and one sister. We are comforted and thankful over the fact that Brother Ivan had the blessed hope of an eternity with our wonderful Jesus and our heavenly Father. "And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God."

The funeral of Brother **LeRoy Meyer** was held at Sabetha, Kansas, on May 28. Another dear face gone from these temporary quarters, but what precious promises for our real home we have! Jesus said, "I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die."

At Home 'tis well! Then let us hasten thither

Through pain and death on to our homeland shore!

On, boldly on! When this short life is o'er

New life will bloom for us and never wither.

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Reasons for Rejoicing

"O sing unto the LORD a new song: sing unto the LORD, all the earth. Sing unto the LORD, bless his name; shew forth his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all people. For the LORD is great, and greatly to be praised: he is to be feared above all gods."

From our Bremen church we learn that on Sunday, May 28, Brother Eli Dotterer and Brother Sam Aeschliman visited them. Baptismal services were held and six new converts were added to the congregation. They are Richard and Betty Miller, Freeman and Mary Conrad, and James and Clara Zimmer. May God bless them in their new way of life. We are thankful from the bottom of our heart for our precious Lord, who opened our eyes to how trivial the enjoyments of this world are. He freely gave us the lasting gold that brings solid contentment! "Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ."

On May 28, the congregation of Burlington, Oklahoma, experienced a blessed day. Baptismal services were held for Doris Miller. Brother Noah Schrock was in the Burlington community that day.

"Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth." The members of Remington had opportunity to rejoice when they heard that Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clauss have accepted the invitation of our Lord Jesus Christ and are longing to journey onward in fellowship with Him. We wish them the grace and peace of God. In all the earth, there is no higher standing than that of following in the Saviour's ways.

Leona Nussbaum of the Fairbury and Forrest congregations was baptized on Sunday, June 18. We are happy to have this precious addition to the fold of Christ.

At the Princeville church, Harold Locker and Maurice Schafer were proved and baptized. Brother David Mangold, assisted by Brother Leuthold, conducted the services.

On this foundation I unshrinking Will stand, while I on earth remain; This shall engage my acting, thinking, While I the breath of life retain. Then I will sing eternally Unfathomed mercy, still of Thee!

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Feucht have reason to rejoice, as they have opened their heart so Christ could cleanse them of their sins. We wish them grace in abundance and believe God will add His richest blessings.

On Sunday evening, June 18, Eli Dotterer and Sam Aeschliman were with the congregation at Milford. Glen Price was added to the fold. We wish him God's blessings in his new life.

On Sunday, June 11, Edwin Beer was added to the fold at the Mansfield church. It was a blessed day. Rudolph Graf was there.

At the Wichita, Kansas, congregation: We heard the testimony and witnessed the baptism of another dear soul, Virgil Barth, Sunday, June 18. "Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." Visiting brethren were Noah Schrock of Oakville and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Aberle and family, Mrs. Godfrey Miller, Sr., Godfrey and Doris Miller, Rudolph Bahr, and Kathryn and Irma Miller of Burlington, Oklahoma.

On Sunday, June 18, Latty had many visitors. Four of our beloved friends were baptized and taken into the fold. They were Sam Laukhuf, Mrs. Mary Stoller, Eunice Stoller, and Marjorie Stoller. Among the visitors were Godfrey Schlatter of Toledo, Sam and Minnie Aeschliman of Bluffton, and Eli and Minnie Dotterer of Junction.

Frances Maibach of the Detroit congregation was baptized and added to the fold of Christ on Sunday, July 9. Brothers Otto Ramseyer, Godfrey Schlatter, and Fred Oesch visited us on that day, and through their messages the congregation received many rich blessings:

Ed Hall of the Leo congregation was proved and baptized on Sunday evening, July 2. Three other converts also have turned their eyes toward our wonderful Jesus. They are Emma Jean Anliker and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wiley. Mrs. Wiley is the daughter of Sam and Bertha Steiner.

Don and Marceil Zeltwanger of our Bremen church have received peace from God and are announced for baptism.

Do you also find yourself rejoicing as the angels in heaven do over precious souls whom the Lord calls to His heavenly kingdom? May our prayers be that we leave no stone unturned in carrying out the requests of the Lord of the harvest. How puny will seem the enjoyments of everyday life when viewed from eternity's distance! How can we even for a moment be satisfied with the ten cent store jewelry pleasures when we have the unequalled privilege of working for the Master?

BEYOND THE SUNSET SUNRISE TOMORROW

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Only three days after Mother's day, our Bremen church lost one of our very beloved mothers and sister-in-faith, Mary Margaret Laidig. Those left behind are her husband, John, eleven children, thirty-eight grandchildren, and twelve great grandchildren. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 20, with Brothers Herman Heuni and Harry Bucher officiating.

Mrs. Andrew Wenger of the Bremen congregation passed away Monday, June 5, after a long illness. She leaves to mourn her departure her husband, three children, and two grandchildren. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 7, with Herman Hueni officiating.

"Why should ye all be weeping
And break my very heart?
We're in the Saviour's keeping,
And shall not therefore part.
No time nor place can sever
The bonds which us have bound;
In Christ we'll abide forever
Who have in Him been found."

Sunshine for Shut-ins

and OTHER PILGRIMS

[If you were a shut-in, would you look forward to a bit of cheer through a card and note? Those little things of life . . . a gentle smile . . . a short visit . . . a firm greeting of fellowship . . . scatter beams of sunshine along life's pathway. The Master's will is for us to be going about doing good. Are we up to the task?]

A very dearly beloved sister of the Leo congregation, Mrs. James Robathan, 2027 Bayer, Ft. Wayne, Indiana, is experiencing the trials and siftings of suffering. The forenoon had been miserable and rugged, yet from her radiated the rich faith of a child of God that has entrusted soul and body to the Lord's keeping. According to her testimony, preparedness is the main thing. How terribly hard it would be for her to go through the seive of suffering, only to face the dull, black prospect of an eternity of separation from God! On the other hand, what glorious hues of hope and courage enlighten the pathway of the soul who has hearkened to the Master's voice.

The sufferer may never know which hour of the twenty-four pain will strike, but she believes and relies on what God hath promised. Oft on rugged roads of sadness, she feels the unfailing support of her Jesus. In the darkest hour, how she can literally walk in the garden of God's promises, carrying on a conversation with the Lord. With all the tenderness of pure love, he gently reminds her, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."

Though I meet with pain and sorrow,
Oft must feel how hard it be,
Though afflictions leave me struggle—
Yet my God shall faithful be.
Thou dost help my burden carry;
Should I comfortless then tarry?
Guided by Thy hand alone,
Thine, and not my will be done.

Our prayer would be to the Lord that He would draw us nearer to Him, e'en though it be the pathway of suffering. What a priceless com-

munion when we experience the satisfaction of the flesh being trampled under, and the soul traversing the fresh, sweet pathway of God's love!

From our co-workers who report the news, we learn of others who have been shut-in and perhaps still are. Edward Huber, of the Fairbury and Forrest community, had been a patient at the Mennonite Hospital in Bloomington, is now at his home and improving slowly. Also Anna Gerber is unable to attend church services, but is confined to her home. Remington: Mrs. Henry Frey suffered a heart attack on Wednesday, May 10. Her condition is reported as improved.

Hancock and Morris: Mrs. Henry Nohl, Sr. was sick in bed during May, and we are glad to say at this writing she is getting better. "Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you."

Tell me, how do you fight your battles? Do you know that God has given you this day to be fought and conquered, just like this is the first day of your life? The very fact that you are still here proves there is something for you to carry out or perfect, for God never wastes anything. Yes, I know that you do not have many of the tools of younger and able-to-be-around people. But do you think the Lord would ask of you beyond your ability? So then come and spread some sunshine. Within, you have a young frame that has all the vim and vigor of robust youth. That person has endless life ahead of him!

From a dear brother of the Girard church, we learn that Louis Munz, who suffered a stroke some time ago, is now at the Rest Home at Churchill. He is getting along about the same as he has been. Minnie Muntz also suffered a stroke this spring and was taken to her daughter's home, Mrs. Joseph Emch. After nine weeks, she returned to her home and is slowly improving. Lorentz Emch and Lena Deislinger were confined to the hospital at the same time, having

their operations on Saturday, May 13. They both made rapid recovery and returned home. Eva Emch is confined at the time the news was written at the North Side Hospital in Youngstown. We hope she can soon come home.

Mrs. Joseph Emch had a major operation on Saturday, June 10. She made rapid recovery and was brought home from the hospital Saturday, June 24. We hope she continues to improve.

Lamar: Mrs. Sarah Braker is a patient in Lamar Memorial Hospital since June 18, when she suffered a stroke. She was recovering satisfactorily from that, when two days later she accidentally fell from her hospital bed and sustained a broken right arm.

Alabama: Bessie Drake, who was taken to the Sheffield Hospital for an operation, has returned hom again to her husband and six children. We wish her the needed health for the future to care for her household.

Croghan and Naumberg: We are sorry to report that the aged brother, Fred Stockburger, is not so well at this writing. Brother Stockburger is in his 90th year and has been able up to now to attend and assist in church services.

Francesville: Joseph Yaggie, who has suffered a heart ailment, has been at a Michigan City Hospital and is getting along nicely. Also, George Pfladder underwent an operation for appendicitis and is improving. May God bless them with a speedy recovery.

Cissna Park: Eliza Honegger has been ill with arthritis.

Every one who walks hand in hand with Jesus finds the joy of his salvation enabling him to gladly bear his cross. How sweetly that heavenly voice comes from his wonderful Record: "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."



NEWS



ALABAMA

When men speak ill of you, live so that no one will believe them.

Mrs. Baldwin, mother of ten children, died suddenly; she was well-known by some of our people.

"What is home without a mother?" We became acquainted with a Procter family, whose house burned down. The mother and three children were taken to the Decatur Hospital. Later one child died.

Sometimes we may have the blues, or feel discouraged. Then take a look to some who have such a hard road to travel.

Joseph Wheeler Hale has accepted a position with Jesse Gerber of Latty, Ohio. We will miss him in our Sunday and Wednesday evening gatherings. We wish him all that is good and needful in his new undertaking.

A new baby boy named Donnie Ellis came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Fosh. This is their third child. When these children grow up, we hope they will love the Lord like their parents do.

We can use clothing for needy families. Send them to 1405 Seventh Avenue E., Decatur, Alabama.

A true friend is one who knows all about us, and still loves us.

BLUFFTON

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baumgartner are the parents of a son, born June 4. Mrs. Baumgartner is the former Lula Schwartz.

Henry and Mary Dotterer, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Drayer, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kaehr visited the congregation in West Virginia over the week-end of June 4.

Sam and Minnie Aeschliman and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haab attended the wedding of Dorothy Haab and Walter Steffen in Milford, Indiana on June 4.

Margaret, Elizabeth and Joan Gerber and Diana Fae Steffen spent Sunday, June 4, in Milford, Indiana.

The engagement of Delores Geisel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Geisel, to Eugene Maller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Maller, was announced Sunday, May 21.

BREMEN

Those who were visiting our con-

gregation and their mothers on Mother's Day were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Knecht and children and Helen Shambach of Chicago, Illinois, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Pfister and children of Milford, Indiana, Mrs. Rose McGuire, Mrs. Art Marohn, George Laidig, and Elaine Schlatter of Toledo, Ohio. After church services, our Sunday School presented a brief program paying tribute to our Mothers. Many attended Milford's program in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Zimmer spent a week in Oklahoma visiting their daughter, Arlene, and her husband. The latter are the happy parents of a baby son.

Mr. and Mrs. David Lehman of Goodfield, Illinois, visited with relatives in this community and spent Sunday, June 4, in our congregation.

John Laidig, Sr., spent a week in Illinois visiting with relatives and friends there.

Several carloads from Remington, Indiana spent Sunday, June 18 in our midst. They were supper and evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Laidig, Jr.

A goodly number of young folks from Peoria, Illinois, and from Milford, Indiana spent the weekend of June 25 in our community.

BURLINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bahr and daughters, Emma and Lucille, of Gridley, Kansas visited the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and Millicent on May 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Miller of Fort Scott, Kansas, spent Memorial week-end with friends and relatives in this community and Harper, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Somerhalder, Mr. and Mrs. Issac Diel, and Mrs. Anna Miller attended the funeral of their aunt in Illinois recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lorenz of Altedena, California, were recent visitors in this community.

Mrs. Raymond Banwart and sons of Fort Scott, Kansas, spent Memorial week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Somerhalder and family.

Those visiting our community on

May 28 were: Mr. and Mrs. Tim Farney, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Farney and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sanders all of Wichita, Kansas, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gleichman and son, Miss Caroline Lehman, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Allenbach of Harper, Kansas, and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Frieden and family of Winfield, Kansas.

CHICAGO

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bucher, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bucher, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Bucher, Mrs. May Bucher, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hoerr all of LaCrosse, Mrs. Sam Bahr of Gridley, Kansas, and Mr. and Mrs. George Haas and family of Elgin, Illinois were with us on Sunday, May 7.

Our visitors on Sunday, May 14, included Mr. and Mrs. Joel Souder and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Troxel of Leo, Indiana, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Thomas and son, David, of Peoria.

Mrs. J. C. Benninger of West Bend, Iowa, Mrs. Harold Matthews, and Mrs. Peter Lenart of Elgin, Illinois, visited us on Sunday, May 21.

Mr. and Mrs. David Steffen, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Steffen, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Weigand and others of Fairbury and Forrest and Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Werner of Peoria were in our midst on Sunday, May 28.

Louise Stoller, Anna Stoller, and Cora Stoller have started on a trip which will take them through many European countries. Mrs. Emily Lehman and daughter, Nancy, are also visiting relatives and friends in Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Meyer who have been residing in Chicago have recently moved to Edelstein, Illinois. We wish them well in their new location.

CISSNA PARK

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gudeman and Mrs. Anna Beer accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wackerle of Bay City, Michigan, returned June 13 from a trip which took them as far West as Salt Lake City, Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kaufmann are the parents of a baby boy, born June 14. Dale Edward is their second son and fourth child.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Moser and son, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Genzel and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Zimmerman, Mr. and Mrs. Orin Aeschli-

man, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Leman and family, Melba Bluner, and Nancy Sauder, all of Eureka, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Bauer, Sunday, June 11.

Sunday, June 4, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Sauder and son, Charles, of Mansfield, Ohio, were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kupferschmid.

Three cars of young folks of Leo, Indiana, were week-end guests here, June 11.

A group of ladies from Morton visited here on Thursday, June 8. They were guests of Miss Kathryn Merkle, Mr. and Mrs. Christ Sinn, and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Walder.

Henry Beer and many others from Milford, Indiana, visited our congregation Sunday, June 11. They were all supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Clauss. In the evening we all assembled in the church for a Children's Day Program.

Tuesday evening, June 13, a group of young folks from Remington and LaCrosse, and from here enjoyed a supper and singing at Albert Kaufmann's lake.

Sunday, June 18, Miss Arcelia Kaufmann and Mr. Herman Bauer were united in Holy Matrimony by Phil Aeschliman. When the newlyweds return from their wedding trip, they will be at home on his mother's farm. Guests attending the wedding were from Fairbury, Gridley, and LaCrosse.

Miss Evelyn Eggli was a week-end guest of Arlene Winger, June 18.

CROGHAN AND NAUMBURG

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Herzig of Beaver Falls on May 17, a daughter named Linda Marie. Mrs. Herzig was the former Gertrude Yost of Rockville, Connecticut.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Meier and sons and Mrs. Meier's mother, the aged Mother Treft, and Robert Knecht, of Syracuse, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brothers, and Mrs. Nellie Riddle-spraker of Skaneateles, New York, attended services at Naumburg, May 28.

Brother and Sister John Bahler and Brother and Sister William Schneider of Rockville, Connecticut were with us over the weekend of June 11. Brother Bahler assisted Brother Bey-er in Holy Communion Services.

Brother and Sister Louis Shambach and daughters, Clara, Gertrude and Laurene of Elgin, Illinois, have been spending a few days with their son and daughter-in-law, David and Lois Shambach, before attending the wedding of their son, George, to Gloria Lanz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lanz, of Rockville, Connecticut, to be solemnized June 25 at Rockville.

DETROIT

Visiting in our community the weekend of June 11 were Andrew Dotterer of Junction, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. George Stoller, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Stoller, Carol and Verlin Stoller of Fort Wayne, Indiana, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Schlatter and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clem Wieland and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Winninger, of Latty, Ohio. Several cars from Bay City were also with us.

We are happy to have Henry Lanz of Rockville, Connecticut, in our community while working here during his summer vacation from college.

On Sunday, July 2, services were held for the first time in our new church at 26741 Five Mile Road, Detroit 13, Mich., about two miles west of No. 24. Mr. and Mrs. Byron Rice and niece and Mrs. Ethel Cox and daughter of Mansfield, Ohio, were with us for these services.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Belsley of Morton, Illinois, visited relatives and friends in our community from July 1-11.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Belsley are the happy parents of a baby girl, Barbara Kay, born July 9.

FORREST

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Maurer have returned home from an extended trip to the West Coast. They visited our congregation at Maywood, California and Portland, Oregon.

Miss Eldora Koehl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Koehl, and Wilbur Hoerr of Chicago have announced their engagement to marry. Wilbur is a son of the John Hoerr's of Peoria. After the wedding in September, the young couple will make their home in Chicago. We wish them God's blessings.

FRANCESVILLE

"Therefore if any man be in Christ,

he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." II Cor. 5:17.

Several cars of Princeville young folks spent Sunday, May 7, with us. We all received a blessing from the Christian fellowship we could enjoy with one another.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Nussbaum, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bechtold, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Koehl, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Leman, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Honnégger and Mr. Robert Leman of Fairbury, and Forrest, Illinois spent Sunday, May 28, with us.

Al Fisher and family and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fisher and family of Chicago spent Sunday, June 4, here with our congregation.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Thomas and son, David, and Miss Lois Leman of Peoria, Illinois spent the week-end of June 11 here with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. David Wuethrich welcomed into their home a little baby girl Sunday, May 28. They named their daughter Deborah Kay.

Sunday evening, June 4, we had our program, in which the theme was "Promise." Has there ever been a book published with so many, precious promises in it as the Bible? Jesus said, "... him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out" and Jesus promises us that he will never leave nor forsake us and if we acknowledge him in all our ways, he will direct our paths. "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

Is your name written in "the book of life"?

We are happy and thankful to have Mrs. Margaret Albrecht, who has recovered after being in the hospital for a few weeks, back with us again.

Miss Maxine Gudeman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Gudeman, and Mr. Harold Gutwein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Gutwein, were married on Saturday, June 24. After a trip through the western states, Harold and Maxine will make their home in Francesville. May the blessings of the Lord be with them.

The engagement of Miss Adeline Novotny, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Novotny, to Mr. Nate Gutwein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gut-

wein, was announced on Sunday, June 4. We wish them God's richest blessings.

GIRARD

Sister Doris Beard went to Altadena, California, for her vacation. She was accompanied on her return home by Sister Mary Klotzle. Having lived in Girard until three years ago, she enjoyed visiting members in Girard, Akron and Wayne County. Upon Mary's return to California, May 14, her father, Brother Joseph Klotzle, announced her engagement to Brother Bill Witzig of California.

Brother Don Emch and family and, Sister Ida Emch from Rittman visited us May 28.

On Friday, June 2, Oscar Emch's had a fire destroying \$1,500.00 worth of clothing and part of the upstairs. Thursday, June 8, they bought about \$200.00 worth of new clothing, when on Friday, June 9, misfortune hit again. This time no one was home and before they could get help, their home, furniture, clothing, and all were burned up. The loss is estimated at \$12,000.00, believed to have been caused by defective wiring. The Emch family is now starting over again in a small home near Girard.

Mrs. Ola Froelich left home June 10 for a visit with her sister at Hannibal, Ohio, Monroe County. Also visiting at Hannibal was her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Riggensbach of Chicago. After visiting friends and relatives, Sister Froelich returned to Chicago with her brother, June 19. She visited with friends and relatives there and returned home to Girard, June 24.

Sister Marian Klotzle left Girard, Ohio, Sunday, June 11, for a visit with her brother and family, Brother and Sister Joseph Klotzle of Altadena, California. While there she enjoyed visiting members and especially the church at Maywood, California, where she could see all the members and friends together. She then returned home Saturday, June 24.

Brother and Sister Larry Reis, Brother and Sister Ellsworth Graf and their families, from Akron, Ohio, visited the Girard congregation Sunday, June 25. If it is the Lord's will, we hope they can visit us often. We enjoyed their visit very much.

HANCOCK AND MORRIS

We were happy to have two visiting ministers with us Sunday, May 16, when we also had evening services. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Knobloch and Mrs. Pauline Feucht of Lester, Iowa, and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Pfister and Mr. and Mrs. William Reber of Fort Scott, Kansas, were our visitors over that weekend.

We were happy to have so many visitors in our community on May 28 and over Memorial Holiday.

Visiting from Illinois were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Moser and Jean of Eureka, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Knapp and Gene of Deer Creek, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schmidgall, Mrs. Emma Moser, Mrs. Rose Goll, and Mrs. Robert Schietlui and Kay of Elgin.

Visiting from Oakville, Iowa, were Sarah Messner, Mrs. William Frank, and Miss Majora Frank. Majora spent a couple weeks visiting relatives and friends. Hartzell Schmidgall came to visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schmidgall.

Mrs. George Messner and son, Mrs. Corrine Messner and Mrs. Noah Miller and children visited us May 28. They are from Winthrop, Minnesota.

Mrs. Clara Moser, Benjamin, and Corrinne were at Lester, Iowa, May 31 and spent a week with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Wulf.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rapp, Mary Martin and Mrs. Rose Barth of Peoria, Illinois, came June 2 and visited a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Wulf, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kellenberger and son, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Moser, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Metzger and son of Lester, Iowa, visited with us June 18.

Coming from Fort Scott, Kansas, June 10 were Mr. and Mrs. Ben Reber and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Vern Banwart, who spent a week visiting with Mr. Reber's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Messner.

Mrs. William Zeltwanger, and Vila, Mr. and Mrs. John Schaefer, Nola Schmidgall, and Martha Schaefer attended the wedding of Verna Honegger and Antone Schaefer, Sunday, May 21, in Forrest, Illinois. They are making their home in Hancock, where the groom is engaged in farming. A shower for Verna and Antone was

held at the William Zeltwanger home, where they were presented a lovely gift from the group.

Everyone loves to sing hymns of praise and during the summer months we have singings at church every other Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Koehl and daughters of Peoria, Illinois, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nohl, Sr. Mr. Koehl left June 23, but the family will stay a few weeks to visit relatives and friends.

Visiting from West Bend, Iowa, Sunday, June 11, were Mable and Betty Banwart, Phyllis Metzger, Bernard and Elmer Metzger and Arlow Grimm.

Several from our community visited the Winthrop, Minnesota, congregation on June 18. They were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fehr, Miss Mary Luthi, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schmidgall, Mr. and Mrs. Eph Koehl and Jacob, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Nohl, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moser and Chris and Raymond Luthi.

We have had three new arrivals in our community during May. They are: Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wulf's son, Dennis Alan, born May 2; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Messner's son, Beirne Lee, born May 11; and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Feucht's daughter, Laura, born May 16.

LAMAR

John Wagenbach and wife of Oakville, Iowa, visited our church Sunday, May 7. While here, they were guests in the home of Fred Marti and family. In the evening they went to Fort Scott, Kansas, where other visiting ministers and many members and friends from other churches had congregated.

Louis Meyer and wife and his sister, Mrs. Ben Hartter, of Sabetha, Kansas, spent May 6 and 7 visiting their aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth Cordill, and other relatives and friends here and at Fort Scott, Kansas.

Misses Eunice and Betty Marti of LaCrosse, Indiana, Leonard Hitz of Detroit, Michigan, and Pearl Marti, of Fort Scott spent the weekend of May 13 in the home of the girls' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Marti. Other guests in the Marti home that evening included Mr. and Mrs. Lester Kaiser of Morton, Illinois, Mrs. Jo-

soph Banwart and Glen and Ruth, from Hiattville, Kansas, and Walter Cordill of Kansas City, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Brosseau and their two children of Pittsburg, Kansas, visited our church May 21. In the evening they were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Christ Remm.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cordill, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Marti, and son, Charles, and Anna Frieden attended the funeral of LeRoy Meyer at Sabetha, Kansas, May 28.

The mumps, which have been prevalent in our community for the past three months, are subsiding.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Somerhalder and their two children from Gridley, Kansas, spent the weekend of May 27 with Mrs. Somerhalder's mother, Mrs. Sarah Braker, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Remm left for New York May 27 to meet a relative who is coming to this country from Switzerland.

Ben Banwart and wife and son Arthur and Fred Marti and wife spent the weekend of June 3 at Oakville, Ia.

We welcome Robert Peter to our community. He arrived recently from Europe. He is a cousin to Mrs. Chris Remm and makes his home with them.

Jacob Pfister served as our minister June 4 in the absence of our two ministers, who were spending the day in Oakville, Iowa. Brother Pfister was accompanied by his wife and Pearl Marti.

Kenneth Stoller of Latty, Ohio, who is taking a short course in Ames Iowa Agricultural College visited our church June 11 and was a guest in the Lou Marti home that evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Fankhauser of Madison, Kansas, spent the weekend of June 11 visiting in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Leslie Frieden and family.

Announcement was made, June 18, of the engagement of Roy Schrock of Congerville, Illinois, and Pearl Marti, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Marti.

The Ray Frieden family of West Bend, Iowa, spent the latter part of June in our community visiting Ray's brothers and sisters and their families and other relatives and friends.

LAMONT

Brother and Sister Robert Young of Wichita were here for our mid-week church services, May 4. Brother Young held services.

Brother Gus Dornes of Sabetha visited relatives and friends here Sunday, May 14.

Visiting on May 21 were Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bahr, Mrs. Elizabeth Marti, Evelyn and Mamie of Sabetha, Mrs. Sam Braker, Raymond Braker, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Frieden of Lamar, Missouri, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Somerhalder and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Loren Strahm and children of Gridley. When we have fellowship with those of like faith it is indeed a blessing already on this earth. Think how much more blessed on yonder shore around Jesus' feet!

LATTY

Jesse, Mary, and Catherine Gerber visited with the Fort Wayne group on Wednesday, May 3, attending the church services there.

Misses Ethelyn and Joan Schlatter, Dorothy Winzeler, Elaine Norr, Colleen and Melba Jean Schlatter, all of Leo, visited in Latty, May 7. Also visiting us that day were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gudeman and son, Alan, of Wolcott, who spent the week-end with their daughters, Mrs. Joan Stoller and Miss Mary Ellen Gudeman.

Emil and Anna Stoller, Lillian Stoller, and Catherine Gerber visited in Cissna Park, and Lloyd and Malinda Gerber, James Gerber, and Verlin Stoller visited in Roanoke the week-end of May 13, 14.

A number of the Latty girls spent the afternoon in Junction, May 14.

Misses Melba Mangold, Annabelle Martin, and Edith Fisher visited with friends in Fort Wayne, Indiana and Latty, Ohio on May 19, 20, 21.

A singing was held at the home of Elmer and Clara Lanz on Friday, May 26, in honor of Miss Gloria Lanz, of Rockville, Connecticut, and her friends from Elgin, Illinois.

The engagement of Delmar Stoller, son of Jacob and Bertha Stoller of Van Wert, and Marguerite Gerber, daughter of Fred and Katie Gerber of Latty, was announced May 28. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mrs. Julia Grant and son, Frank,

of Toledo, visited with Mrs. Grant's son and daughter-in-law, Thomas and Delores Grant, May 28. Also visiting us that day were Tillie Laukhuf, Minnie Zeltwanger, and Sylvia Jewell, all of Toledo, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stevig, of Gridley, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Meyer of Bluffton.

Florn and Mary Ella Klopfenstein held a singing at their home May 28 in honor of Daphne and Margeurite Lanz, of Rockville, Connecticut. A number of young folks from Bluffton spent the evening with us.

A number of the young people from here had a picnic in Fort Wayne and a singing at the home of Lloyd and Malinda Gerber in the evening of Memorial Day.

Miss Anna Marie Stoller, daughter of Mike and Lena Stoller of Latty, and Rex Plummer, of Grover Hill, were married Sunday, June 4. A reception was held in their honor at the home of the bride's parents.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gerber, June 4.

Mrs. Madie Laukhuf honored Miss Lila Riggerbach with a bridal shower at her home on Tuesday evening, June 6. She was married the following Saturday to Ralph Miller. A reception was held at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Riggerbach, that evening.

Clemens and Elizabeth Wieland, Herman and Viola Schlatter, Maurice and Alberta Stoller, George and Lenora Stoller, Verlin Stoller, and Carol Stoller visited in Detroit over Saturday and Sunday, June 10 and 11.

Noah and Hulda Gerber, Lloyd and Malinda Gerber, and Jim Gerber visited in Rittman, June 11.

Mrs. Ed. Gudeman of Wolcott and Miss Imogene Gudeman of Fort Wayne visited in Latty, June 11.

Many of the Latty members spent the evening with the members from Junction attending a singing at the home of Herman Manz in Junction.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Krouter, Milford, Indiana, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Schlatter, June 25.

Clemens and Elizabeth Wieland, Herman and Viola Schlatter, Donald and Josephine Wenninger, Maurice and Alberta Stoller, and George and Lenora Stoller visited in LaCrosse, Indiana, June 25.

LEO

Albert and Wanda Norr have a baby girl, Maryann Kay, born on July 10.

Our minister, Joel Souder, is better again and able to attend church services. He spent several days in the Methodist Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Gutwein, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Von Tobel spent Sunday, June 18, here. Brother Philip held services.

John Trachsel of Wolcott visited the Leo congregation.

Two weeks Bible School was held in June. A program was given on Friday evening, with Henry Beer as guest speaker.

Edward and Irma Souder have a baby boy named Mark Edward.

MANSFIELD

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Sauder and son, Charles, visited in Fort Scott, Kansas, Lamar, Missouri, and Cissna Park, Illinois.

Brother Philip Gutwein was with us Sunday, June 4. We enjoyed his visit very much and hope he will soon come again.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sabo were in Bremen Sunday, May 8, attending the baptism of their daughter, Clara, and her husband, James Zimmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hartzler and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beer spent Sunday, June 18, at Milford, Indiana.

Albert Gasser of Rittman visited his daughter, Mrs. Emil Bocko, Sunday, June 25.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Beery and children of Rittman visited Mrs. Beery's mother, Mrs. Hazel Domka, Sunday, June 25.

MILFORD

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Beer are the parents of a son, Bruce Edward, born May 27. Mrs. Beer was the former Dorothy Gutwein from Francesville.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Kammerer are the parents of a son, born May 28. His name is Larry Andrew. We wish them both God's richest blessings.

Miss Dorothy Haab of Milford and Walter Steffen of Elgin, Illinois, were united in marriage, June 4.

The Milford Young People's Class attended church services at Cissna Park, Illinois, June 11. They also took part in the Children's Day Program in the evening.

Mr. Theo Beer, Martha Ruch, Mary Ann Stieglitz and Mrs. Anna Clayton attended the funeral of Mrs. Clayton's nephew at Gridley, Illinois.

A son, Samuel Andrew II, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Beer Monday, June 19.

PEORIA

Miss Charlene Reuter of Cissna Park, Illinois, has come to Peoria recently and has found employment at the offices of the Peoria Cartage Company.

On June 18, the engagement of Mrs. Elizabeth Altorfer of Peoria and Mr. William Herbst of Roanoke was revealed. A July wedding is planned.

Miss Nettie Zimmerman of Los Angeles, California, visited friends and relatives here recently.

Our Brother and elder, David Mangold, visited our congregation on June 11.

PHOENIX

Regular church services are held at 1738 West Van Buren, Phoenix, Arizona, now and have been since February 1950. Brother Clarence Yackley, formerly of Wichita, Kansas, has moved to Phoenix. Everyone is welcome to visit our church. We rent a hall and have two services, 10:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

PRINCEVILLE

Will Feucht and wife and George Wagenbach visited the Oakville, Iowa, congregation Sunday, April 30.

Silas Leuthold and wife spent several days in Lester, Iowa, the first of May.

A number from Gridley, including George Grimm and Elmer Witzig were with us Sunday, May 14.

Misses Nina, Mary, and Lizzie Hieber of Elgin visited their cousin, Lena Gehrig, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kieser, and Mr. and Mrs. David Kieser visited in Quincy, May 28.

REMINGTON

We enjoyed having Kay Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Miller of Portland, Oregon, with us at our weekly singing, May 3.

Those home for Mother's Day, May 14, who visited our congregation were Mr. and Mrs. Dean Bahler of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Anliker of Francesville, Indiana, Mr. and Mrs.

Ivan Pelsy of Francesville, Indiana, Mrs. Bill Kiefer of Chicago; Miss Marjorie Knochel of Toledo, Ohio, and Mrs. Marion Gudeman of Winamac, Indiana.

A singing was held at the home of Sam Kilgus, Sunday evening, May 21, for Mr. and Mrs. Richard Leman who have just recently been married. Mrs. Leman is formerly Edna Kilgus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kilgus.

On June 4 we enjoyed having Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Feller and Lynn, Dona and Jerry, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kaufman, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rinckenberger, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bower, Mr. and Mrs. Wally Bucher, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bower, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Clauss, all of Cissna Park, Illinois. They were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Bahler.

Also on June 4, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bowman and family of Rittman, Ohio, visited our congregation.

We enjoyed blessed fellowship Sunday, June 11, with many visitors in our congregation from Morton, Illinois. The ministering brethren, Joseph A. Getz and Henry Grimm were with us. They were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Beckley.

Miss Eldora Schini spent a three week's vacation with her family and friends before being transferred from the St. Elizabeth Hospital School of Nursing, at Lafayette, Indiana, to the Veterans Administration Hospital at Downing, Illinois.

An enjoyable evening was spent June 22 when many of us gathered for a picnic. Each year one is given for the Sunday School, parents and friends.

Mrs. Bob Clauss visited her sister, Emma Jean Anliker, at Fort Wayne on Thursday, July 13.

ROANOKE

Mrs. Vincent Hodel of Roanoke underwent major surgery this month and is reported to be making a quick recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Curt Sauder of Roanoke have adopted a son. He has been named Leslie Dale.

On April 30, Glenn Stoller and Roger Gerber visited here.

On May 6, Barbara Fluickiger, Mar-

garet Gerber, and Earl Gerber, all of Rockville, Connecticut, stopped on their way home from California to visit friends and relatives living here. They were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mangold and in the evening Melba Mangold entertained with a singing in their honor.

Several carloads of young members from Elgin, Illinois, visited with us on May 14. They were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Fehr. We hope they will come back again soon.

A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Klaus of Eureka, on May 15. She has been named Mary Jean.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Schumacher, Mr. and Mrs. John Mangold, and Mrs. Vernon Schumacher attended the funeral of Mrs. Laidig on May 20.

A group of young members from Roanoke visited in Milford the weekend of May 27. We were Saturday evening guests of Art Moser and on Sunday evening of Evelyn Beer. We enjoyed it very much and hope they will return the visit soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Fisher of Eureka announced the engagement of their daughter, Blanche, to Eldon Steffen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Steffen of Congerville, on May 28. The couple plan an early winter wedding.

On May 27, Mrs. Sam Schumacher of Roanoke, Mrs. Ben Leman of Fairbury, and Miss Mabel Anliker of Elgin visited friends and relatives in West Bend, Iowa. They returned home on Memorial Day.

On Sunday, June 4, Mr. and Mrs. David Mangold, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Pfau, and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Scherer, all of Roanoke, visited in Gridley, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Hoffman of Roanoke are the parents of a son, born on June 6. He has been named Richard Lee. The mother is the former Mary Hodel of Roanoke.

Several carloads of young members from Cissna Park and Peoria visited us on Sunday, June 11. Also visiting us on that day was Melvin Gutwein and Wayne Huber of Francesville, Indiana. They were all supper guests of Mayme and Carolee Leman.

Many from here attended the funeral of A. B. Roecker in Morton,

June 18.

Visiting in Roanoke on June 18 were two carloads of young members from Bluffton, Indiana. They were supper guests of the Silas Hodels in Roanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kupferschmidt are the parents of a daughter, born on June 25. She has been named Wanda Mae. The mother is the former Jean Sauder of Eureka.

On June 26, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Hodel became the parents of a son, Andrew Lee. The mother is the former Ruth Ann Roecker of Morton.

TREMONT

On Sunday, May 7, we had Mr. and Mrs. David Mangold and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hodel with us, also Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Leman, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sauder, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lugenbill, Mr. and Mrs. Will Bucher, Mr. and Mrs. Bittner, Mr. and Mrs. Fehr, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Leman, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Leman, Mr. and Mrs. Silas Hodel, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Pfau, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hodel and Mrs. John Shumaker.

On May 14, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Sauder and family from Cissna Park were here and in the evening we had with us, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Somerhalder from Kiowa, Kansas, and their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Rassi from Morton, also Joseph A. Getz and others from Morton.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Leuthold, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Martin, Mr. and Mrs. George Kieser, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Keiser, Mr. and Mrs. David Kieser, Mr. and Mrs. Will Elsaser, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Seidel, Mr. and Mrs. Louie Rumbold, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Knobloch, and Mrs. Eli Martin, all of Princeville, Illinois, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Weyneth and children from Peoria spent the day with us in Tremont on June 4.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sauder on May 23. They have given him the name Richard Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Sinn, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Laidig, Gus Laidig, and Mrs. Mary Koch and daughter, Violet, attended the funeral services of their aunt, Mrs. John Laidig, at Bremen, Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Zeltwanger and John Laidig of Bremen, Indiana vis-

ited their relatives here over the weekend of June 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rocke, his father, Jeff Rocke, and others from Roanoke visited here on Sunday, June 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Leman and children visited here on Sunday, June 25.

WEST BEND

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Metzger, Barbara, Ronald, and Cheryl, and Miss Emma Strahm, Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Strahm and two boys, Mrs. Paul Strahm and son, and Esther Mae Eslinger all of Sabetha, Kansas, spent April 30 with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Leuthold and Fred Feucht of Princeville, Illinois, were with us the evening of May 11.

Lyle, Merlin, James, Florence, Mary, and Eleanor Steiner, Ruth, Carl, and Velma Strahm, and Verda Kellenberger of Sabetha, Kansas, spent the weekend of May 21 here.

Miss Clara Banwart of Elgin, Illinois plans to spend several weeks at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Banwart, and with other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Grimm are the parents of a boy, Wayne Clifford. Mrs. George Miller and Alice Martin of Edelstein, Illinois, spent a week at the Grimm home.

June 4 visitors were Mary Ellen and Clayton Metzger of Sabetha Kansas; Marjorie, Howard, and Verena Møgler, Robert Gerber, Violet, Betty, Dale, Ed, Naomi, and Alfred Knobloch, and Laurence Wulf of Lester, Iowa.

Bernard and Wilma Metzger, Arlo Grimm and Betty, Phyllis, and Mabel Banwart spent June 11 at Morris, Minnesota.

Sunday, June 11 we had many visitors from various churches. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. Mike Miller and many others from the Winthrop congregation. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Banwart of Detroit, Michigan, and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Knobloch of Lester, Iowa, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Anliker and Edna and Minnie Martin of Roanoke, Illinois, DeLores and James Metzger of Sabetha, Kansas, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Affolter of Portland, Oregon.

Evelyn, Mamie, and LuEtta Marti

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