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He Is Able!

From Jeremiah 32

"... I prayed unto the LORD, saying,

Ah Lord God! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee:

Thou shewest lovingkindness unto thousands, and recompensest the iniquity of the fathers into the bosom

of their children after them: the Great, the Mighty God, the LORD of hosts, is his name,

Great in counsel, and mighty in work: for thine eyes are open upon all the ways of the sons of men: to give every one according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings:"

The Power of God

Aaron A. Sauder

Mansfield, Ohio

When we see and behold the magnitude and glory of God's creation, His Power and His All-might, and pause for a moment, and consider what a small part man is therein: We must agree with the Psalmist, when he says, what is man that thou art mindful of him, and has set him above all Thy works. God did consider man so highly, that He was willing to send His only begotten Son into this wicked and sinful

world to become a sacrifice and ransom, to reconcile fallen mankind with God. O that we could more fully grasp and realize the Wonderful Love of God, and our dear Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and become more loving and kind and willing to follow in the ways of our kind and loving Shepherd and Redeemer, who wishes to prepare us to be with Him in glory and Happiness for Ever and for Ever.

SOUTHLANDS

Henry Souder Jr.

We passed the great Ohio river.

At Russellville, Tennessee, we spent the night. Breakfast with waffles was in Nashville.

Then around 10:15 in the morning, Saturday, June 20, we rolled into Athens, Alabama.

Athens is the county seat of Limestone County. At the corner of its North Clinton and East Hobbs is the Athens Apostolic Christian Church.

Directly to the north is the home of John and Ann Wagler and family. They had gone North for a brief stay. Brother Otto Norr and I were in Alabama.

The church is the meeting place of delightful brethren.

We talked to Henry Perry that Saturday.

Henry Perry, humble, sincere . . . a heart of gold.

He had come all the way. Time was when he knew not the Lord. He had taken the hand, was baptized, but there was no change. He was a sinner.

Then there was the first meeting in his house. He wouldn't even go inside. Next time he was in the kitchen, but would not come into the room.

Then another meeting. Right in the middle of the speaking, he interrupted. What could he do to be saved? He was seeking, a true heart repenting. He followed on, and found the Lord.

" . . . in the place where it was said unto them, Ye are not my people, there it shall be said unto them, Ye are the sons of the living God."

The building at Athens was acquired in the spring of '52.

Brother George Kelly and Sister Kelly, Brother James and Sister Lois Goode, and others are lovely hearts in its membership.

You go out northerly to reach the Kellys'.

Its Tennessee country where they live. You leave the black-top for gravel, and soon you are there. A ravine is nearby and a spring with fresh-flowing water at its bottom.

The Way of Christian love is true luxury to the heart.

She came wandering up the road, a so very young woman, only a girl. At the fireside of Brother George and his wife she found a home. Now her little Joey is growing up.

George has a varied selection of gems. How His love is so beautiful in service. Some he calls his cripples. How those precious ones sparkle in the Saviour's rays!

There's John . . . he walks under great difficulty . . . but he can chop the wood. One of the girls churns the butter. Another we saw only sitting, but so patiently. There's the little sunbeam, a sweet little lad, who behaves so nicely and smiles so sweetly.

"And I will very gladly spend and be spent for you; . . ."

She packs the moments with God's sunshine in service . . . that's Miss Clara. She understands these Southland people. and loves them. Sister Clara Heiniger has the talent, the tender patience, to help and serve.

They need to be companied with. They need courage. They need to be shown sometimes the how of everyday duties.

Mileage is rolled up to meet dear hearts.

She helps for the day ahead both for herself and others.

It's a new station wagon now . . . one day three bushel of beans were loaded to be worked. Wild plums make good jam. Blackberries grow wild . . . they make good dessert. Water cress that grew in the spring at Georges' found ready market and

trade for things needed.

"I will be as the dew . . . his beauty shall be as the olive tree . . ."

The land drops away as pretty as a park over at Mountain Home Apostolic Christian Church. Pines are provided by a good Provider who has made all things beautiful.

This is the church known to some as Hillsboro. Sunday afternoon dawns in spiritual splendor for humble hearts.

Building was started in '40, finished in the spring of '41. The basement was roofed sometime after the fire of '43. Now you enter from the side away from the road, with the lovely view so near.

Inside, it is wonderful to hear those voices chorus in rich, beautiful songs. Oh, how they sing!

Southland charm is beautiful, as "The Old Rugged Cross" rings in music marvellous. From the heart the tones rise into the blue of afternoon worship service.

"And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels:"

Young Miss Carol had made a beginning toward the fragrant life. Her tender heart looked heavenward. Then she was influenced by some friend or friends. She did drape some things on that could only come from pride's empty stuffiness.

But that afternoon she knelt in prayer at Miss Clara's. Grace was there from above. The little toys were taken off. The little toys were taken off. The little toys were taken off. The little toys were taken off. The little toys were taken off.

"And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day."

He sat there in Mountain Home Church that Sunday afternoon, Brother Henry Stricklin. Some miles away was his boy, Clyde, stricken with cancer.

Some young lad gave the selection "Jesus Knows Thy Sorrow". Brother

Henry selected an appeal that read his heart, "I Need Thee Every Hour".

"In joy or pain . . . I need Thee, oh! I need Thee;"

After supper, we picked up Brother Henry and headed for Clydes'.

In a former day, Henry attended a certain group. One day the minister asked for a collection for a certain purpose. He didn't get much, and threw it back at the people. Henry gathered those who came with him. He never went back.

Still he had no religion. He prayed that he might find the old time religion. God heard his prayer.

A niece brought him the ad one day. It was in a paper, and it told about Bibles . . . an offer to provide to those who needed.

A letter went north to Amos Hartzler, asking for seventeen Bibles. Amos wrote back for more complete information, so he would have the names and addresses of each. Henry took note that Amos did not want to make merchandise.

Before the Bibles arrived, a car came with Brothers Noah and Amos Hartzler, Brother Bauman, and an other brother. That first meeting in the Southlands was attended by a large group.

Down in the ravine near Mountain Home Church and Henry's is a spring. Across the brooklet, a dam was built, giving waist-high depth. Here Henry was baptized.

It was the beginning of a wonderful work in the Southlands.

"Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me."

Road 33 strikes in a northerly way. As you near or are leaving hill-top Country, there is a scene of lovely, distant beauty. The waters and land meet in a triumph of loveliness.

Before long, we hit road 20, and then we were driving into Clydes'.

Henry went in first.

Then we.

Time was running out.

He lay on a bed with metal ends. Besides was his wife fanning him. He lay kind of doubled up, a sick boy. It was said he had no pain, but he didn't feel good. Cancer had grasped.

Forty years. Once he had been a boy at daddy's knee. Then the years of hard living.

We were told he had looked heavenward.

Clyde wanted to sit up. When he was sitting, he put his head down near or on his lap.

Otto read . . . "Let not your heart be troubled" . . . a few verses. Then he prayed. Henry was on one knee, praying beside his boy.

When tears come, hope leaves the near for the scene beyond. Coming down the rugged road into the Valley, there are glimpses of wondrous beauty. All is glorious delight.

" . . . speak, and hold not thy peace: For I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city."

A sweet little girl stood in the Muck Valley Apostolic Christian Church and recited, "When I get through with this old clay house of mine . . ." Her little brunette sister, standing beside her, helped with her whisper.

This is the church on Landersville route. In '53 the deed for the building was received. Opening services were exactly one year after opening services at Athens.

There's a fine class of teen-agers. A drive-in theatre is near-by, but that does not keep these young people from Sunday evening services. Surely the far off angels are near. Perhaps heaven whispers with hushed expectancy of hope to come.

There was John. He sat on the same bench as the teacher. Tommy was in the corner. Glen helped by taking the roll. Then there were Leon, Bob, Peggy, Elaine, another Peggy, and others.

For part, we followed Abram's

lonely journey to Moriah that night. Verses from the holy scriptures were read. Answers were filled in.

We looked to wondrous Calvary . . . and viewed the victory that won joy and peace.

"And the same man had four daughters . . . which did prophesy."

Sister Clara went to the window one night. The time was 3:00. She felt she should look out the window. She opened the shade, and looked.

The moon had a large red streak through it!

Then she opened her Bible. There was that verse spoken through Joel: "The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come."

Aunt Bertha is a lovely sister.

She can quote poems and scripture verses from memory. She had very wise counsel about sitting in on those whose works do not follow.

Aunt Bertha has that art of hospitality, shown plainly in friendliness, chicken, corn bread, and a table-board of delicious food-stuffs.

Sister Ruth Smith sat on a front porch. She was at her daughter's home, caring for the children. Three little girls, Debra, Esther, and Ginny sang "Jesus Loves Me". Then they sang a nice children's song; Sister Ruth can compose. Yes, there is talent in the Southlands.

Mrs. Henry Perry, a sister, and Zelma Young, a friend who was following on, were riding with us from Kellys'. In southern beauty of speech, they talked with one another. Sister Perry talked about hair, woman's uncut glory, in a way the angels appreciate it. Yes, there is wisdom in the Southlands.

"Till my raptured soul shall find Rest beyond the river."

Evening services were held on June 24, Wednesday, at the George Kellys'. By lamplight we sang "Near The Cross" and other hymns.

Brother George has a weak heart. Since we saw him on Sunday, he had been in the hospital at Pulaski.

Now he lay on the bed . . . as you sing, you look . . . the eyes of a saint are shut . . . he loves his Lord. Then he opened his eyes again.

The tiny tots had went through their own kind of a busy day and lay on the beds. A chorus of girls and women sang beautifully in that Southland charm. It was about the country church and how precious it

was.

"I beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God . . ."

With these words in Romans 12, Otto commenced the scripture reading. Then he spoke. Brother Henry Perry sincerely breathed an evening prayer . . . included Brother George, the visitors.

This is our Southlands, dawned with God's rainbow of promise.



NEWS



ALABAMA

Reporter: Clara Heiniger

Mrs. Junior Stricklin Hillsboro, Ala., Route 1, has been in ill health the past few months.

Sister Lois Goode, Route 7, Athens, Ala., has been on the sick list the past few months.

Sister Bessie Drake, Route 1. Moulton, Ala., has been in ill health the past eight months.

Sister Julia Kyle, Route 1, Tanner, Ala., is now recuperating, after a serious heart attack.

Brother George Kelly RR, Prospect, Tenn., has been in and out of hospital due to heart attacks.

Cards and letters would surely be appreciated to help cheer the sick.

June the 29th, we had a wonderful week of Vacation Bible School at the Athens church, and had an average of 130 attending every night. Then on July the 4th, finished with a program and a picnic dinner, which was enjoyed by all the classes. and was held at the home of Sister Retha Chambers at Tanner, Ala.

Our sympathy goes out to Brother Henry Stricklin and wife, due to the death of their son, Clyde Stricklin, who had been ill the past few months.

The wonderful, blessed fellowship of visitors, and helpers the past few months has been appreciated so

much, also those spending vacation with us giving us a real lift in the work of the mission field, and may God richly bless all that have been interested in His work, and we all do appreciate your prayers, that His will be done in all things.

The past few months visitors are: Brother Otto Norr and Brother Henry Souder who spent several days visiting many dear families.

Miss Mabel Bahler, Remington, Ind., spent a week helping with the work here.

Emma Beckley, Anna Waibel, Marie Schieler, of Remington and Emma Blume of Wolcott, Ind., Evie Beer and Mary Stieglitz of Milford, Ind., Mary Kilgus, Remington, Ind., spent one week helping with the work.

Ethelyn Schlatter, and mother, Mildred Schlatter, Mrs. Helen Norr of Grabill and Leo, Ind., spent several days with us. Also Eleanor Steiglitz of Grabill and Mary Ann Stieglitz spent one week during our Vacation Bible school at Athens.

Laurine Kaufman, LaVerene Farney, Edna Hoffman, and Mabel Eisenman of Cissna Park, Ill., brought Clara Heiniger back to her home in Hillsboro, Ala., the week end of July 12.

Mrs. George Moser and daughters,

Lorene, and Erma of Valparaiso, Marie Neihauer of Francesville, spent the week end of July the 12 in Ala., Mrs. Lena Heiniger with them, where she is visiting her daughter, Clara, at Hillsboro for a few weeks.

Brother Junior Hale and family spent a 10-day trip to visit the northern brethren and relatives in Lafayette, Ind., and the Maburn Hale family in Ohio. They journeyed by car with Brother John Wagler and family, who spent 10 days with relatives and his mother in Iowa.

Clara Heiniger spent one week at the home of her mother Mrs. Lena Heiniger at Valparaiso, Ind., where she met her sister, Alice Heiniger of Phoenix, Arizona, who was visiting there for two weeks.

BLUFFTON

Sister Mary Dotterer was able to attend church services Sunday May 31 after a long illness.

Brother Theo Beer of Milford and Brothers — Harold Moser, Ray Gerber, Robert Meyer, Jack Gerber, Don Gerber, and Med Kipfer from our church motored to Addison, Michigan to assist in the funeral services held there for friend John Reimschisel.

A daughter was born to Bro. and Sis. True Baumgartner on June 3rd. A son was born to Bro. and Sister Richard Reinhard on Fri. June 5th. A daughter was born to Bro. and Sis. Wm. Troxel on Tues., June 16th.

We had the pleasure of having Bro. and Sis. Philip Weingeier of Alto, Mich., with us on Sunday June 21.

Bro. and Sister Orval Ringger visited the Latty Church on Sunday June 28th.

A girl was born to Bro. and Sister Thomas Pfister on July 2.

Bro. and Sister Theo Beer of Milford and Bro. and Sister Homer Reineck of Toledo visited our church on Sunday July 5th.

Bro. and Sister Orval Ringger visited the Milford Church on Sunday July 5.

Funeral Services were held for little Rickey Reinhard, age 29 days, on Monday, July 6. He was the son of Bro. and Sister Richard Reinhard.

A son was born to Bro. and Sis. George Ringger Jr. on July 7.

Bro. and Sister Theo Beer and Bro. and Sister Ezra Beer of Milford visited our church on Sunday July 12. Bro. Sam Aeschliman and Bro. Beer held baptismal services for friends Herman and Effie Bertsch and Danny Reinhard.

CHICAGO

Reporter: Mrs. Ernest Knecht

On July 12th, Bro. Will Furrer and many relatives and friends from Wolcott, Ind., visited the Chicago congregation. Bro. Will's sister, Ann, who has worked in Chicago for many years, had dinner in church for all.

Bro. and Sister Rich Schurter from here and Mrs. Schurter's sister and husband, Bro. and Sis. Dave Wingeier, from Alto, Mich., visited in Rockville on Sunday, July 12, also visited in Union City and Akron, Ohio.

We are happy to have Sister Helen Gerst from Oakville, & Sister Marge Knapp from Congerville in Chicago. Sister Gerst is working at Cook County Hospital and Sister Knapp is taking a year's course in Lab Tec.

Bro. William Knoblock and family from our congregation are vacationing in Lester Iowa, where Bro. Wilbur's mother and relatives live.

We are happy to have Bro. Virgil Funk in our midst again.

On July 10th Sisters Emma, Marty, and Elsie Diggelman and Norma, from Rockville, Conn. visited their relatives, The Ernest Knecht's here in Chicago for a few days. Bro. and Sister Ernie Diggelman, now from Eureka, a brother to the girls, spent Sunday, July 12th with us in Chicago. Emma and Elsie visited their brother and family in Eureka the following week, July 12th to July 19th.

On Sunday July 19, Bro. and Mrs. Edmund Kloter from Fairbury, Ill., Bro. and Sister Ralph Bahler, Bro. & Sister Vernon Hartman, visited the Chicago congregation, we had a blessed day.

CISSNA PARK

Reporter: Dale Eisenmann

Brother Don and Sister Gladys Kaufman became the parents of a son, Jim David, on May 17.

Funeral services were conducted on June 1 for Elaine Kaufman, daughter of Brother John and Sister Clara Kaufman.

On June 3 Sister Louise Hoffmann was laid to rest.

A son, Bradley Alan, was born to Brother Don and Sister Gloria Bauer on June 3.

Funeral services were held for Sister Mary Staub on June 5.

On June 21 we had as a visiting minister Brother Loren Stoller of Latty, Ohio. We appreciated his visit very much.

A daughter, Barbara Jean, was born to Brother Dale and Sister Dorothy Walder on June 22.

Brother William Egolf was laid to rest on July 6.

A son, Arthur Lou, was born to Brother Ervin and Sister Lucille Walder on July 13.

Two new souls were added to our flock on July 19. Brother Silas Leuthold of Princeville, Illinois assisted our Elder Brother Josh Broquard with the proving and baptizing of John and Clara Kaufman.

ELGIN, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Louise Steffen

We had the pleasure of having Bro. Robert Miller, his wife, Pearl and daughters Marlene, Linda and Carol of Portland, Oregon for evening services.

June 3rd, Sister Betty Haas of Elgin and Bro. John Klaus of Roanoke, Ill. were married by Bro. Al Fisher

of Chicago, on Wed. evening at 8:00 p.m.

June 14th: The Wedding day of Sister Lorraine Schambach of Elgin and Bro. Leland Zimmerman of Eureka, Ill. Bro. William Stettner of Elgin performed the ceremony.

Bro. Art Moser and wife Lorraine and daughter Rachel spent the day here. They are from Bluffton, Ind.

We held our Sunday School picnic June the 9th at the Lord's Park Pavilion. Over 250 attended, parents, and children and teachers.

Mrs. Casper Bruschinzky of Elgin passed away the 28th of June.

Some of the Ezra Steffen family left for Alabama the 27th of June for one week.

July 15th, two young sisters from Sabetha, Kansas were with us, Sally Wysong and Irma Isslinger.

The relatives of Bro. Eddie and Sister Elva Unsicker and children of Portland, Oregon, had a picnic for them at the park the 15th of July.

July 27th, the Sauder family is moving back to Bluffton, Ind.

ELGIN, IOWA

Reporter: Mrs. George Butikofer

Bro. and Sister Harvey Heiniger, Bro. and Sister Clem Heiniger, Sister Augusta Johnson from Oakville, Ia. visited over church Sunday, June 7.

Sister Esther Moor, Bro. and Sister Werner Moor and Marion, Bro. and Sister Reuben Butikofer visited the Lester, Iowa congregation on June 7.

Our Bible Sunday School class and part of our Junior class attended the picnic held at Winthrop, Minn. June 14. Bro. Uriel Gehring and his wife, Brothers Fred Marti, William Butikofer and Ira Farney accompanied them.

Bro. and Sister Paul Butikofer and son Timmy of Taylor, Missouri, Sis. Margaret Grimm and two children and Sister Phyllis Massner from Wapello, Iowa visited our church May 31st.

FAIRBURY

Reporter: Joyce Huber

We were happy to have as guest ministers: Bro. Al Fisher, Chicago, on May 31; Bro. Leroy Huber, Eureka, on June 14; Bro. Sam Anliker, Kans., on July 5; and Bro. Noah Shrock, Oakville, and Bro. Jim Hoerr, Peoria, on July 12. We thank God for their visits and inspiring messages.

Bro. Homer and Sis. Virginia Blunier are the happy parents of a new little daughter. Joy Lidee arrived Father's Day, June 21 to greet the joy of her sister, Gail and 2 brothers, Stanley and Scott.

Bro. Don and Sis. Ione Broquard have a new baby girl, Nancy Lou, born June 9. Nancy Lou has one brother, Sammy.

Two engagements were announced June 14: Sis. Madlyn Widmer and Bro. Bob. Zimmerman, and Sis. Margie Traub and Bro. Bruce Leman. Both sisters are from Fairbury and both brothers from Roanoke.

FORREST

Reporter: Ken Schneider

Recently visiting ministers were: Bro. Irvin Lehman from Wolcott and Bro. Sam Kilgus from Remington, Ind., spent May 24 with us. On July 5, Bro. Sam Anliker from Lamont, Kansas he'd the evening services here On July 12, Bro. Joe Hodel from Roanoke, Ill. spent the day with us, and Bro. Noah Schrock from Oakville was with us then in the evening.

Births: A daughter, Debbie Renee, was born to Bro. Bob and Sister Judy Zimmerman on June 13. A daughter, Diane Sue, was born to Bro. Leroy and Sister Janita Koehl on July 15.

Funeral services were conducted here on June 23 for the passing away of our dear brother William Bachtold.

We are happy for Lou Ida Kaisner, whom the Lord has called unto repentance. She has already received peace.

Two friends, Miss Juanita Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Miller of Wolcott, Ind. and Mr. Duane Schneider, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schneider of Strawn, Ill. were united in marriage on June 28 by Bro. Irvin Lehman of Wolcott, Ind.

Also two other friends, Marilyn Kyburz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kyburz of Forrest and Harold Scott of Graymont, Ind., were united in marriage on July 5 by Bro. Henry Kilgus of Forrest, Ill.

FRANCESVILLE

Reporter: Herman Wuethrichs

Sunday, June 28, we had a very blessed day when Marlene (Levy) Erb was proved and baptized by Bro. George Yergler. Many of Marlene's relatives also spent the day with us. Another blessing were the visits of Bro. Schrock of Congerville and Bro. Scheitlin of Elgin.

Other visiting ministers, of which we were so thankful to God for, were Bro. Robert Miller and his family, from Portland, Oregon, on May 23. On June 21, Bro. Phil Sauder, and many others, of Cissna Park, gave us a blessed day.

Perry Neihouser was painfully burned by an - hydrous ammonia, in his face and eyes on July 2. He is getting along well, but does not know yet if his eye-sight will be impaired.

June 23 Bro. and Sister Wally Buchers' three daughters received a brother named Van Lewis.

GIRARD

Reporter: Jess Emch

Sunday, June 7th, Bro. Robt. and Sister Kathryn Beer and Bro Alvin and Sister Elda Riggerbach of Mansfield, Ohio, visited us, and we enjoyed the day very much.

We had a blessed day June 28th when Bro. Rudolph Graf of Akron and Bro. Noah Bauman, Bro. Isaac Jr. and Sister Verna Rufner and Bro. Albert Jr. and Sis. Lucille Gasser of

Rittman were with us. Bro. Robt. Stoll was chosen to assist in the Ministry.

Bro. Paul and Sister Ida Froelich and Sisters Lulu & Esther Bachman of Rittman spent Sunday, July 12th with us. We enjoyed the day very much. The evening was spent singing hymns, as a goodly number were gathered at the home of Bro. Ray and Doris Riehl.

Bro. Harold and Sister Kathryn Emch and family spent Sunday, June 14th in Rittman Church and spent several days, including Sunday June 21st, in Milford, Ind. with Sister Kathryn's parents.

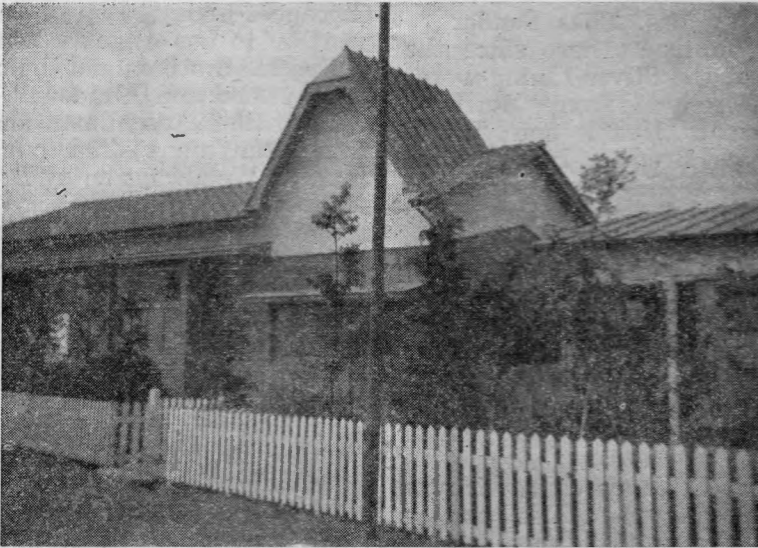
Sister Myrtle Bolinger was in the hospital for several days and is now home again, but her condition is not good. Sister Emma Tochtenhagen,

who had a stroke in March and has been in the hospital ever since, has now been taken to her brother Carl's home. She has made considerable improvement, for which we are all thankful.

Sister Ruth Bollinger is home again, after spending several weeks in Barberton taking care of her daughter, Mrs. Robt. Graf. They are the proud parents of a new son. Also a son was born to Mrs. Doris Anderson, who lives in Charleston, W. Va. Her Mother, Sister Mary Beard, was with them for several weeks and is home again.

Bro. Robt. and Sister Arlene Stoll and family spent several days vacationing at Virginia Beach, Oceana Air Base, where Bro. Robt. had been stationed while in Service.

JAPAN



The new Tsutsujiga Oka Apostolic Christian Church in Tokyo recently completed.

LACROSSE

Reporter: Bert Bucher

Sister Eunice Marti and Bro. Raymond Martin of Peoria, Ill. were united in marriage on June 17. Bro. George Yergler performed the ceremony.

Bro. Joe Shrock of Congerville was

our visiting minister on June 17.

A girl, Mary Ann, was born to Phil and Mary Troxel on May 2.

The annual Sunday School Picnic is to be held on July 26th.

Quite a number of our members visited the Roanoke congregation on Sunday June 21.

LAMAR, MISSOURI

We have 44 members at our little church here at Lamar and 2 new converts. They are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Braker. Fred is Lester Braker's brother.

LATTY

Reporter: Mrs. Ray Klopfenstein

Bro. Al Fisher spent Sun, June 7 with us. On June 21, Bro. Walter Rehklaue was here, and on Sunday June 28, Bro. Orville Ringger was here. We enjoyed their visits very much.

Our community was saddened July 23 when Gerald Stoller was killed suddenly in an accident with a tractor. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Stoller Jr.

LEO

Reporter: Mrs. Elias Souder

Visiting ministers here since the last issue of the Silver Lining were: William Fiechter from Bluffton, Ind., Herman Heuni and Henry Souder from Bremen, Ind., Arthur Gudeman from LaCross, Ind., and Maurice Frank from Chicago, Ill.

Bertha Blough, William Klopfenstein and Elmer Greuter are still shut-ins, not able to come to church.

Herman Bertsch and Mrs. Otto Bertsch both were in hospitals with major operations, but are better and able to be out again.

In June, two weeks of Bible School were conducted here.

The new Ft. Wayne church is now under cover, and some of the Leo congregation have been lending a helping hand.

Thursday evening, July 23, was a blessed evening at the Leo church. Lawrence Klopfenstein who had been very ill in Florida, has recuperated so he could give testimony of his conversion at his home church here at Leo. Samuel Aeschliman of Bluffton, Indiana conducted the baptismal services. Lawrence again

plans on returning to his home in Florida.

MANSFIELD

Reporter: Aaron A. Sauder

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Kipfer of Ft. Wayne spent Sunday, May 31 in our midst.

Monday evening, June 1, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Gutwein, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gutwein, Mr. Carl Gutwein, Mrs. Angela Von Tobel, Mr. and Mrs. Art Novotny and others of Francesville, Ind., Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Novotny of Cleveland visited our congregation. Bro. Philip conducted the services. We always enjoy his services.

Anna Miller, aged 79 years, died June 2, after an extended illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Sauder visited their son Eugene and family in Chicago Sunday, June 7 and then went on to Los Angeles, where they visited his brothers and the churches at Maywood and Altadena.

Elder Sam Aeschliman and others from Bluffton visited our church June 14. We always enjoy Bro. Sam's services.

The Annual Sunday School Picnic was held June 7 at John Fuhrers farm.

Sunday, June 28 — a group of young married couples went to Milford: Mr. and Mrs. John Oesch, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sauder, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sauder, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sauder, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bird.

Sunday, July 5, we had a very welcome surprise. Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hartman of Peoria, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Oesch of Alto, Mich., Mr. and Mrs. Fred Messner of Winthrop, Minn., Mr. and Mrs. Eli Manz and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Kipfer visited us. We had a very blessed day. Services were conducted by Bro. Hartman and Bro. Oesch.

Robert Beer and family spent Sunday, July 5, in Milford.

Sunday, July 12, Elsworth Graf and family of Akron, and Kenneth Shafer of Bluffton were our visitors.

Helen and Mary Gilliom and Kathryn Morrisin spent Sunday July 12, in Milford.

John and Miriam Gilliom are vacationing in the West.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Sauder and little daughter spent a week with Eugene's parents and brothers and sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fuhrer spent a few weeks visiting in Paulding, Alto, Bay City and Detroit.

Our Sunday evening visitors July 19, were Mr. and Mrs. Simon Wagenbach of Tremont, Ill. several from Bluffton, Ind. and a number from Rittman, Ohio. Bro. Wagenbach conducted services, which we enjoyed very much. We wish to thank all who have visited us and invite them all back again.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Riggenbach and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beer spent Sunday, July 19, in Rittman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stavenik spent Sunday, July 19 in Toledo.

MAYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

Reporter: Ora and Dora Sauder

Brother and Sister Milinkovich have both been in poor health and unable to attend church for several Sundays.

Brother Theophil Schwing has been vacationing in northern California, visiting some of his children.

Dan and Sister Eva Fuhrer plan a trip to visit family and friends in Ohio.

Brother and Sister Aaron Sauder, of Mansfield, visited in California, attending both the Maywood and the Altadena Churches.

Brother and Sister Lewis Sauder and daughter, Sister Delores Sauder, of Elgin, Ill. also visited here at a later date.

As is our usual custom in Maywood, on the third Sunday of each month, we had a dinner at the

Church, followed by singing.

Brother Harry Roth of Forrest, Ill. visited Maywood church Sunday, July 19.

Brother Carl Kinsinger, of Altadena, visited the Phoenix Church, Sunday.

MORTON

Reporter: Mrs. B. E. Getz

Funeral services for William Grimm Sr., 90, were held May 28.

Born to the John E. Zimmermans May 26, a daughter.

Bro. Silas Leuthold of Princeville and Bro. Josh Broquard of Fairbury assisted Bro. Joe A. Getz with Communion services on May 31.

Bro. Lowell Stoller of Princeville was also with us May 31.

Sister Shirley Schmitgal and Bro. Jot Brecher of Minn. have announced their engagement.

Baptismal services for Henry Binkele and Keith Oberlander were held July 14.

A boy was born to the James Zimmermans June 28, and a girl to the Richard Teubels on July 15.

Funeral services were conducted by Bro. Herman Heuni, of Bremen, Ind. for Sis. Emma Hauter, 94, wife of the late Jos. Hauter Sr. on June 22.

Bro. Jim Hoerr of Peoria held services here June 21, and Bro. Mike Weyeneth of Peoria and Jos. Hodel of Roanoke were with us June 28.

Ed Hofmann of Sunny Land was buried here June 27.

PEORIA

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Meister, also a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Curtus Zurcher the past month, and a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Don Wagenbach.

Bro. and Mrs. Chris Koehl visited in West Bend, Iowa, Sunday, June 21. Bro. and Mrs. Michael Weyeneth were in Morton June 28. Bro. and

Mrs. Leroy Hartman were in Rockville, Conn. July 12. Bro. and Mrs. Roy Sauder were in Princeville June 28, and Bro. and Mrs. Jim Hoerr were in Forrest, Ill., July 12.

We had a large attendance at our vacation Bible School the first two weeks in June.

Our dear Sister, Lydia Woertz, passed away June 7, after a long illness. Her funeral was held June 9 at Princeville, Bro. Michael Weyeneth officiating.

Kenneth Sauder, Willis Triplet, Ida Otto are our new converts. They have found peace and are awaiting baptism.

Our visiting ministers the past month were Bro. Jess Schrock of Congerville, Bro. Clarence Yacklev of Phoenix, Arizona, Bro. Robert Miller of Portland Oregon, and Bro. Albert Fisher of Chicago.

Our Sunday School Choir spend Saturday and Sunday, June 27 and 28 at Milford, Indiana. They were accompanied by Bro. and Mrs. Robert Weyeneth and Bro. and Mrs. Richard Aeschleman.

Our monthly Hymn Sing was largely attended on June 7. We will discontinue now until Sept. 6.

Bro. and Mrs. Silas Leuthold spent Sunday, July 12 with us. They were supper guests at the Bro Henry Leman home. They also visited quite a number of the sick.

Bro. and Mrs. Theo Heafli and Bro. Peter Weber left Thurs., July 16, for Germany to be gone 3 weeks.

Bro. and Mrs. Pete Esslinger of Bern, Kansas have been visiting her brother Chris Leuthold. There was a large number gathered to be with them Wed., July 15.

Bro. and Mrs Ed Unsicker and family of Portland, Oregon, visited here the past month.

Bro. and Mrs. Lester Wagenbach are visiting her mother in Lester, Iowa.

Bro. and Mrs. Jos. Heinsman were

to Rochester, Minn. to Mayo Brothers for a physical check-up.

Bro. Wm. Schlipf, who has been ill for some time, is able to be out again.

Bro and Mrs. Wm. Erkert, also Bro. Alex Simon, spent a week in Morris Minnesota.

PRINCEVILLE

Reporter: Ruth Ricketts

More than three hundred attended the Sunday School picnic held June 28.

Friends and relatives from Peoria and Tremont were present June 28 when Adele Martin, daughter of Bro. Sam and Sister Louise Martin, was added to the fold.

We rejoice with our friend Mildred (Winzeler) Stichling, who has given her heart to the Lord and has found peace. We wish both Mildred and our new Sister, Adele, God's rich blessings.

Brother Glenn Martin, son of the Sam Martins, and Sister Josephine Reiman, daughter of the Joseph Reimans' of Wapello, Iowa, were united in marriage Sunday, July 19 at Oakville, Iowa by Brother Noah Schrock. A number of friends and relatives from Princeville attended the wedding and reception. The newly married couple will reside on a farm near Pulaski Iowa upon their return from a wedding trip.

Brother Ezra Knobloch, son of Brother and Sister Ernest Knobloch, of Lester, Iowa, and Sister Marie Rumbold, daughter of Brother and Sister Ezra Knobloch were united in marriage Sunday, July 26th by Bro. Silas Leuthold. Many friends and relatives were present from Lester, Iowa; Peoria, Morton and Tremont, Illinois. The young couple will reside on a farm near Lester, Iowa following a wedding trip.

Funeral services for Sister Lena Gehrig were held Wednesday, July 22. Although she had been in failing health the past few months, her

death came suddenly, following a stroke. She had attended church services Sunday, before being stricken early Monday morning.

REMINGTON

Reporter: Emily Kilgus

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bahler are the parents of a son Gerald Lynn, born May 20.

Bro. Clarence Kachelmuss and others of Forrest spent Sun. a.m., June 28th with our congregation.

Emma Blume of Wolcott, Emma Beckley, Marie Schieler, Anna Waibel and Mary Kilgus spent the week end of June 13 in Aalbama. Mary Kilgus remained there for 10 days.

Brother John Bollier and wife and a few others from Leo and Francesville spent Sun, July 5 with us.

The engagement of Esther Kilgus and Walter Bahler was announced on July 19.

Brothers Mike Weyeneth and Joe Zimmerman of Peoria and Roanoke and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Leman visited us July 19. We wish to thank all our visiting ministers for their visits.

At this writing, Libby Bahler, 6 yr. old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Bahler, is in the hospital with a severely fractured arm. We wish her a speedy recovery.

RITTMAN

Reporter: Mrs. Dale Hartzler

A son, Max Ralph, has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Miller.

Our dear friends, Everett and Marjorie Stoller, have been announced for proving.

Announcement has been made of the approaching marriage of Brother Lloyd Indermuhle and Sister Vera Zollinger, both of Rittman. August 16 is the date chosen for this event.

Recent visiting ministers have been Brother Philip Gutwein, who visited here on May 31, and Brother Simon Wagenbach, who visited us on July 19. We are thankful for the

blessings of these visits.

ROANOKE

Reporter: Sara Jean Aeschleman

"Use your cross as a crutch to help you on,"

and not as a stumblingblock to cast you down.

Births: A son, Richard Wayne was born to Bro. and Sis. Ralph Knepp June 23rd. A son, Michael Thomas was born to Bro. and Sis. Tom Leman July 11th. A daughter, Joyce Elaine was born to Bro. and Sis. Ray Hodel July 8th.

Death: A dear old Sis., Ella Beer, passed away June 29th. at her home in Roanoke. Funeral services were held Fri. morning, with Bro. Gene Bertschi officiating.

Engagement and approaching marriages: Sis. Sandra Martin and Bro. Sam Hohulin of Goodfield. Sis. Mabel Pfister and Bro. Grant Rauhaus of Peoria. Bro. Robert Zimmerman and Sis. Madeline Widmer of Fairbury. Bro. Bruce Leman and Sis. Marjorie Traub of Fairbury.

Bro. and Sis. Dave Mangold left for Europe Weds., July 8th. We wish them a safe trip.

Recent visiting ministers to our congregation were Bro. Robert Miller from Portland, Oregon, Bro. Uriel Gehring of Elgin, Iowa, Bro. Elmer Witzig of Gridley. Their visits were greatly enjoyed by all.

SABETHA. KANSAS

Reporter: Ed. H. Steiner

Bro. Emil Fritz and wife and daughter Mary spent a week with her mother, Mary Aberle, and family and other members and relatives and left for their home in Morton, Ill. Monday July 13th.

Simon Wiegand from Goodfield, Ill., came to visit the Aberle family Friday, July 10th. and stayed until Wed. the 15th., after the funeral of Bro. John Moser.

Bro. John Moser died at Hopedale, Ill. July 11, and funeral and burial

were at the Country church (Bern) July 14. Bro. Moser lived here most of his life, but since his wife died 12 years ago, he had been making his home between his children most of the time. John at Lester, Iowa, Sam at Oakville, Iowa, Bertha, (Heiniger) at Deer Creek, Ill., where he has been for some time, and Stella (Wenger) Sabetha, and Marime (Streit) Bern. All were at the funeral, including most of his grandchildren. His generation included great-great-grandchildren. He was over 91 years old, and was laid to rest beside his beloved wife in the Country Cemetery.

Bro. Silas Banwart and wife, West Bend Iowa, visited their daughter, Phylis Strahm, and members at Sabetha over Sunday, July 12th.

Bro. Phil Metzger spent a few days in the hospital afflicted with sciatic rheumatism which has troubled him for several weeks.

Bro. Herman Kellenberger and wife, Bro. Henry and wife from Elgin, Ill., came to attend the funeral of Bro. John Moser, and to visit relatives and members until Thurs. Bro. Herman held services Wed. evening, which was well attended and much appreciated.

Bro. Levi Messner of Winthrop, Minn. also came to attend the Moser funeral.

Bro. Lewis Bahr and wife Fannie went to Chicago July 15th to join a group of 14 which left on the 16th by plane for Switzerland, which took them 12 hours. Brother Willard Bahr called his folks by phone the next day. They reported a delightful trip and safe arrival at Zurich. They hope to meet the Elder Bro.'s Mangold and Bahler who left by ship a week earlier. We wish them God Speed and much grace on their mission.

TAYLOR, MISSOURI

Reporter: Mrs. Eli Sutter

Bro. Clarence Yackley, with his wife and family, visited us on Sun-

day, June 7th. We enjoyed their visit very much and were especially glad that Sister Vera was able to be with us after her long illness.

On June 28th we had our Sunday School picnic. We enjoyed having the Bible Class from Fort Scott, Kansas, accompanied by some of the teachers and their minister, Bro. Jim Bahr and Sister Bahr; also the Sunday School pupils from Pulaski, Iowa with their teachers and Bro. Cleo Rinkenberger and Sister Rinkenberger.

On Wed. evening, July 8, Bro. Noah Schrock came to hold communion services with us: he was accompanied by his wife, Sister Hattie. We enjoyed a blessed evening.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Sutter on June 4th.

TOLEDO

Reporter: Emily Frautschi

We welcome Jack and Wilma Stewart and their sons Mark and John, who recently moved to Toledo from Columbus, Ohio. Wilma was formerly of Francesville, Indiana.

We also welcome Charles and Carol Quick and their three little boys—Gregg, Jeff, and Billy—who have moved back to Toledo from Gary, Indiana. Charles was just discharged from the Army.

On May 17 we enjoyed a day of fellowship with a group from the Bremen, Indiana Sunday School.

On July 23 Elder Brother Noah Schrock of Oakville, Iowa visited us; also the Ministering Brothers from Junction, Ohio (Bro. Manz and Bro. Schlatter) and those who came with them. We enjoyed the Church services that evening and the fellowship with those of kindred mind.

WICHITA, KANSAS

Reporter: Ann Greiner

Brother and Sister Art Yergler of Danvers, Ill. visited her parents, Bro. and Sister Geo. Lambert, and spent Sunday, June 7 here.

Brother and Sister Clarence Yackley and family of Phoenix, Arizona, visited relatives here and spent Sunday, June 14 with our congregation.

Funeral Services were conducted by Bro. Roy Farney and Bro. Sam Anliker for our dear old Brother John Barth on June 24. Burial was at Harper, Kansas.

We are all happy to hear Sister Marie Riedel is able to be released from the hospital.

Visiting ministers here recently included Bro. Roy Farney, Kiowa; Bro. Sam Anliker, Lamont; Bro. Pete Fankhauser, Lamont; Bro. Loren Strahm, Gridley; Bro. P. J. Allenbach, Harper and Bro. Eli Somerhalder, Burlington, Okla.

WOLCOTT

Reporter: Arles Kropf

Funeral services were held on May 29 for Sister Katharine (Kiefer) Farney. Bro. Joshua Broquard conducted services.

Sister Sophia Farney recently submitted to surgery, but is improving at her home.

Our friends, Juanita Miller, daughter of the Ben Millers, and Duane Schneider, son of the Oscar Schneiders of Forrest, were united in marriage on Sunday, June 28 at the home of the brides parents. Bro. Irvin Lehman performed the ceremony. The couple is making their home in Fairbury.

Bro. Ed Kyburz is improving, after a fall from a bridge while at his work.

Bro. Henry Kilgus of Forrest was with us for mid-week services on July 15.

Sister Lvdia Lou Leman of Roanoke church and Brother Bill Hohulin of Goodfield were married on Sunday, July 26. Brother Frank Woertz of Goodfield officiated.

The one who seeks will find, and the one who knocks will be given an entrance.

BE NOT AFRAID

When the sea of life is raging,
Angry waves around me roll;
It is then I flee for refuge,
To the Captain of my soul.

He who stilled the mighty tempest,
Calms my fears and lends me aid;
In His word I read the promise,
"It is I; be not afraid."

When my burdens seem too heavy,
And my head bowed low with grief;
If I go to him for comfort,
I will surely find relief.

He'll not leave me nor forsake me;
On His word my hope is stayed.
He's the Captain of salvation,
And He bids be not afraid.

When upon the chilling waters,
I embark for my last sail,
As the rolling waves engulf me,
Christ my Saviour will not fail.

He my hand will then be holding,
That my soul be not dismayed;
I shall hear his gentle whisper,
"It is I; be not afraid."

—Ollie Heath Ballou.

Depend on Him, thou canst not fail,
Make all thy wants and wishes
known;
Fear not, his merits must prevail,
Ask but in faith, it shall be done.

You cannot live successfully with-
out friends; make all the friends you
can.

Always be on guard; the enemy
may be near to deceive. Say yes, to
the things that are right, no, to the
things that are wrong.

The way, though hard to travel,
the road be rough and dim; the Lord
will gladly lead you; just put your
trust in Him.



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A meeting is held here every Sunday afternoon.

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This church was bought in the year 1952.

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Church,
R.R., Landersville, Ala.**

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May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with our Alabama Brothers and Sisters.

