

THE SILVER LINING

Grabill, Indiana

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The Golden Glow Of God

HOME JOYS ARE BEAUTIFUL!

"And again he saith, Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with his people.

And again, Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles; and laud him, all ye people.

And again, Esaias saith, There shall be a root of Jesse, and he that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles;

in him shall the Gentiles trust.

Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost."

Romans 15:10-13

Journey To Calvary

Henry Souder Jr.

The gate opened into the highway . . . and folks and perhaps chariots would be coming and going.

The walls of the city rose to defensed heights . . . and behind them was the skyline of a city.

Near-by was a garden.

Here was Golgotha . . . warmed by His sunshine. . . Sometimes it was a pretty blue above . . . and sometimes fleecy, white clouds would softly sail. The sun would play its colorful rays, and sometimes shadows would come.

The walls cast a shadow. The countried horizon was away and beautiful, the way He meant it.

"And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the male-

factors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left."

We may see what the name carried to those who knew first-hand. The place, Calvary, means the place of a skull. Its description is heavy with the vivid picture of death.

Mid-morning. The sun is climbing, and strikes a shadow of the cross and the Saviour.

Gaze . . .

The arm is outstretched . . . the lines of love, the tender flesh, the fingered beauty . . . no artist could draw . . . there . . . the nail . . . through the lovely hand . . . struck, till it bit into the wood and held there. . . THINK OF IT!

The other hand is stretched out the other way . . . the crushing thud has

smashed through the screaming nerves, and now holds the hand to wood . . . there is blood . . .

Nailed . . . the feet have been pierced and fastened . . . and His human body is there . . . nailed! . . . crucified . . . on the wood.

"Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do."

How He always thought of others!

One day He came to a funeral procession. A heart-broken mother accompanied the remains of her only son, her treasure. The sad, resting place . . . there she must leave him. Loneliness stirred. Stunned grief showed. But Jesus cared. His lovely heart was touched. He spoke, and the poor mother's horizon gloried in the Light of His love. Now her boy would be in his own place, in the home again!

The lovely, lovely hands of Jesus . . . they tenderly embraced the little ones in His heavenly bosom . . . they brought the Father's blessing with their touch.

He touched and to the lonely, forsaken leper came healing health and happiness.

Now every move was in piercing agony. The lovely hands were nailed. The tiring body would find no where to rest. It would sink, but He had no pivot of power, but the nail through His feet.

Such unfathomable love . . . the face is beaten . . . the back is against the wood . . . the brow is thorn-torn . . . yet, such friendly, loveable, glowing, sweet compassion shines . . . for someone besides himself.

"And they parted his raiment, and cast lots."

That coat . . . how a catch of its color would bring gladness in the heart. How it must have warmed many a soul to see His dear form coming.

One day in Capernaum a daddy was worried and heartsick. His only little girl was deathly ill. She hovered so near death's door. Daddy

went to get Jesus to help his darling.

Dear Jesus would come.

But before He got there, she died. The lips would be silently silent. But Jesus cared. He is so kind. He told her daddy not to be afraid, only believe.

His dear feet walked to where the little form was resting. He talked, and her eyes opened! Jesus gave to them alive their own little darling again.

But now the cross . . . and close, the four, seeing who would take the coat.

Jesus was walking the long, last, lonely, weary mile . . . walking bravely for another . . . to wipe sorrow's tear away . . . to bring everlasting joy . . . to bring to the family circle.

"And the people stood beholding him. And the rulers also with them derided him, saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God."

A sinner once stole in, to where Jesus was. The poor thing was unbearably sin-scorched with anguish and guilt. His kindness struck a candle-glow of Something lovely. His Light shone into a dreary clutter.

The tears came. Behind Him, she silently washed His dear feet with her teardrops. Then she took her lovely flowing locks and dried them.

The words that Jesus spoke dreamlit the mists with beauty . . . she had never known . . . the world was distant . . . her fondest dream of peace was real.

All the prolongings and thoughts and cares can be stole away from . . . the chance is golden . . .

"And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst."

The shadow from the city wall is lost in the shadow from above. The country horizon is darkened . . . gloom rides over the garden.

Trace the cross and the form in the twilight of suffering . . . trace the outline of a suffering form . . .

Yet, there is only one great trag-

edy. If you miss life . . . the day comes when you stand alone and tragic. The great Accountant opens the book. It is a day that is of darkest despair. Then you know.

The scorch of bitter anguish sears the head with blistering heat . . . the heart is sick . . . the scream of the numberless terrifies . . . never counting out . . . and the black blackness . . . utterly dyed of death, the second . . . "Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched."

Jesus came, and was made sin for us, that we might be made right with God in Him.

"And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost."

There's quiet now. A soldier stands awed. The form from the cross hangs, still and silent. The awful plunge of the sword has reached its deepest mark.

He won it all for you and me.

Sound Teaching

"ETERNAL JUDGMENT"

Hours and days and years are constantly moving. We are not always distinctly aware of the movement of life. But . . . circle a date on the calendar . . . soon it is not only reached, but it is in the past.

It is a fact that the judgment will be real. It is circled on God's calendar. We move toward it now; after, we will move away.

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad." II Corinthians 5:10.

Heavenly bookkeeping balances to the last penny. No entry of what tongue on earth has said, no dark secret is passed.

Your name has been entered on heavenly ledger. It is astonishing how "our own" the record is. Accurately, and to the detailed point, it not only declares the action, but the thoughts and counsels inside that moved the action.

"So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God." Romans 14:12.

Solemn will be the moment. The record is there. The gain or the loss is but the reflection of what we do today.

Then your name is up. You hear its familiar sound. You stand before the great Judge. The evidence is carefully presented. The tested stands before the impartial bar. The answer is already in your heart. But to hear it, its tremendous gravity, its echo of result!

"And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?" I Peter 4:18

There is no appeal, nor reprieve, no parole from His sentence of doom!

Far off . . . away in the distant . . . will be remembered the scenes of light and home. Rejection is but time's photograph of the sinner of eternity. Better it would be if he had never been born.

The soul cannot cease to exist. It bears the impress of God. It was created in His image. He lives for ever.

But, to heedlessly disobey is to strangle the soul to the death, much much worse than passing away. Henceforth, the soul must ever remain aflutter . . . existent . . . and finally flung into outer darkness.

"And whoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." Revelation 20:15

To hear the horrible roar of those dashing waves of flame now . . . to put the ears to the scriptural sound-

piece, and hear their hot storm relentlessly enveloping . . . to picture the utter doom of no end . . . causes

us to flee to One who can shelter now in His sunshine and care.

Henry Souder, Jr.



NEWS



AKRON, OHIO

Reporter: Ruth Taylor

Mary Ann Zollinger, now living in Rittman, daughter of Forrest and Marie Ritzman, gave her testimony and was baptized the week end of March 6. We dismissed church at noon, as most of the congregation attended it.

Sister Lena Wright and some of her family visited her daughter-in-law and granddaughter in Florida.

Dianne Graf has completed five years of perfect Sunday School attendance.

On February 18, Theo and Naomi Beer and their grandson, Tommy Speicher, visited us, in spite of the stormy weather at that time.

Brother and Sister Barna visited in Florida and attended church services in Ft. Lauderdale.

Andrew Leidal has been in City Hospital for several weeks. Sister Eva Emery has been confined to her home. We wish them both a speedy recovery, and hope they will soon be back with us.

February 21, Forrest and Marie Ritzman were in Bluffton, Indiana, attending the funeral of Abe Stucky.

Elder Rudolph Graf held Holy Communion, February 14. They served Communion at home to those who were not able to attend.

Due to bad weather and heavy snow, we have not had Thursday night services for two weeks.

ALABAMA

Reporter: Clara Heiniger

A daughter, Martha Jeanette, was born to Betty and William Kelly, Feb. 25. He is the grandson of Bro. Henry Stricklin.

Bro. Henry Stricklin has been very sick, and is now able to be up and around again in his home.

Sister Bessie Drake and family and Linda Fuller enjoyed a birthday supper in honor of Maggie Fuller and Annette and Tommy Drake, at the home of Cleveland Drake, and all enjoyed a blessed evening of singing hymns.

Feb. 12, a large crowd gathered at the home of Tommy and Eva Craig, where we had services and Sunday School for the children. After the meeting, we were surprised to find unusual weather, a blizzard, and the snow already three inches deep, which made driving home a very dangerous one, over icy roads.

Feb. 14, the worst weather in history of Alabama, as the blizzard brought all traffic to a standstill, and the snow 16 inches deep, and drifts up to four feet, we had no church at Athens nor Landersville. Those that were walking distance to Hillsboro church were: Bro. Henry Stricklin, Bro. and Sis. Junior Hale and children, Tommy and Beverly; Carl Kelly, and Sis. Clara Heiniger, appreciated fellowshiping around God's Word.

Bro. and Sis. Noah Bauman, Bro. Orin Rufener and Robert Boltz of Rittman, Ohio, and Bro. and Sis. Henry Kilgus of Forrest spent the week end of Feb. 13, 14, and 15 with the three churches, and many families. We are thankful that God has called Brother Junior Hale of the Hillsboro church to the ministry. He and Bro. John Wagler will serve all three of the Alabama churches.

There is little or no transportation of the sisters and friends that attend

services on the Lord's Day, that we felt led to gather in different homes to visit and get better acquainted among one another with singing hymns and reading God's Word, to bring a closer walk and fellowship in our Lord Jesus Christ. At Athens, Feb. 22, sisters and friends spent the afternoon at the home of Mrs. Mary Pack; Feb. 23, the Hillsboro group spent the afternoon at the home of Mrs. Addie Stricklin; Feb. 24, the Landersville group visited at the home of Mrs. Louise LouAllen.

The Bible and Jr. Classes of the Landersville church enjoyed the evening of Feb. 22, bringing cheer and happiness to many homes of shut-ins, by good singing and the reading of God's Word.

We were happy to have Bro. and Sis. Henry Beer of Milford, Ind., with us at the Hillsboro church, where our Bible and Jr. Classes and many other children in the neighborhood gathered on Feb. 23, and were blessed with the precious Word of God.

A Landersville and Hillsboro group of about 75 met at the home of Sis. Clara Heimiger for Bible Study, and Sunday School classes were held for all the little children in the evening of Feb. 26. All enjoyed a good singing.

Feb. 28, Bro. and Sis. Ray Gerber, Sis. Margaret Meyer of Bluffton; Bro. and Sis. Fred Bauman and daughter, Lillian, of Rittman, Ohio; Sis. Anna Meyer and Sis. Caroline Meyer of Gridley, who visited at her daughter's home in Arkansas, and her grandsons, Bruce and Kenneth, and their mother, Mrs. Ed. Wreath, came to Athens and spent Saturday evening and Sunday visiting at the Athens and Hillsboro churches.

Friday evening of March 4, many gathered at the home of Leoman LouAllen, where Bro. Junior gave the message, and the children enjoyed their Sunday School classes.

Bro. John Zeug of New Jersey, Bro. and Sis. Bob Weyeneth, Bro. and Sis. Dick Aeschliman, Bro. and Sis.

Paul Meister and family and Bro. and Sis. Ed Meister and family of Peoria spent the week end of Mar. 6 visiting the three churches of Alabama.

BLUFFTON, INDIANA

Reporter: Freida Kipfer

Arlene Frauhiger, daughter of Brother and Sister Ivan Frauhiger, and Richard Stoller, son of Sister Clara Stoller of New Haven, were united in marriage on Feb. 14 by Brother Sam Aeschliman, at the home of the bride's parents. Relatives and friends from Latty and Ft. Wayne, who attended the wedding, spent the day visiting our congregation.

Song service was held in the evening.

Brother and Sister William Fiechter and Brother and Sister Ben Kipfer visited in Mansfield, Ohio, on the 14th.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Violet Baumgartner, daughter of Brother and Sister Cornelius Baumgartner, to Harold Meyer, son of Brother and Sister Jacob Meyer. No date has been set for the wedding.

Joel Gehring, 93, passed away Feb. 17 at the Clinic Hospital. Death was attributed to pneumonia. Surviving are the wife, Elizabeth; a son, Brother Homer Gehring; a daughter, Sister John (Mary) Baumgartner; fifteen grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

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Funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 21, for Lloyd (Abe) Stuckey, who passed away unexpectedly of a heart attack. Survivors are his mother, Sister Lena Stuckey, two daughters, a grandson, a brother and a sister. Brother Sam Aeschliman officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Announcement was made on the 21st of the engagement of Sister Delores Sauder, daughter of Brother

and Sister Louis Sauder, to Daniel Reinhard, son of Ezra and Sister Delphia Reinhard.

Brother and Sister Harry Bucher and Brother and Sister Albert Bucher of the LaCrosse church, Brother and Sister Ezra Feller of Cissna Park, Illinois, and others visited here on Feb. 28.

Song service was held in the evening.

Brother Ned Kipfer of Ft. Sam Houston arrived home on a fourteen-day leave.

Rosella Pfister, daughter of Brother and Sister Walter Pfister, and Donald Gramm, son of Brother and Sister George Gramm, of Gridley, were united in marriage by Brother Sam Aeschliman on Sunday morning, March 6.

Brother and Sister Gramm, Brother and Sister Elmer Witzig and other relatives of the groom were here for the day.

Births: To David and Maxine Keller Ringger, a daughter, on Feb. 24; to Wayne and Dorothy Meyer Fiechter, a daughter, on March 1.

To Brother Lester and Sister Caroline Meyer came a daughter by adoption.

BREMEN, INDIANA

Reporter: Don Klopfenstein

Brother Gary Klopfenstein is in the hospital. He was injured while at work. This required ten days of hospital care.

Bro. and Sis. Herman Hueni and Bro. and Sis. El and Mae Schumacher are back from Florida, after a two-week stay.

Bluffton was here the week end of Feb. 6 and 7. We all had a wonderful time.

CISSNA PARK, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Dale Eisenman

A daughter, Kim Elaine, was born to Curt and Elaine Sauder on February 11.

Brother Louie and Sister Nettie

have both been admitted to hospitals recently. We wish them much courage and grace in their illness.

We are thankful for another couple who have turned to the Lord in repentance. They are Lester and Dorothy Walder.

Our Elder Brothers, John Bahler of Rockville, Conn.; Joe A. Getz of Morton; Noah Shrock of Oakville, Iowa; Silas Leuthold of Princeville; and Josh Broquard of Fairbury, visited us during the week of March 6.

Announcement was made on March 6 of the approaching marriage of Brother John Gudeman and Sister Mary Ellen Brenner, both of here.

Special Item—Ill. State Normal U. and U. of Illinois

For the past few years, there have been church services held at the Illinois State Normal University, and here at the University of Illinois at Champaign during the week. Brother Ed Hohulin of Goodfield has been in charge of the meetings here, and Brother Joe Shrock at Normal, and there are quite often visiting ministers and elders attending. These meetings have been greatly appreciated by the students at college and have a very important purpose.

This past week, on March 2, we had as visiting ministers here (U. of Illinois) Brother Dave Kieser of Princeville, Brother Lowell Stoller of Princeville and Brother Ed Hohulin of Goodfield.

EUREKA, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Cathryn Wettstein

A fellow pilgrim, Joshua Kempf, suffered a heart attack as he was leaving church Feb. 21, and he passed away about ten minutes later. His funeral was Wednesday, the 24th, conducted by Bro. Joe Zimmerman of Roanoke and Bro. Leroy Huber. Our sympathy goes to his family, and may God comfort their hearts.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Martin, a boy, Wesley Allen. Feb. 8; Bro. and Sister Sam Schmidgall, a boy, Robert Samuel, Feb. 12; and Mr. and

Mrs. Melvin Miller, a boy, Keith, Feb. 22.

February 28 was the monthly singing at the church, in the evening. A large group from the Peoria Church sang three numbers; also, the seventh and eighth grade Sunday School children sang a few songs.

FAIRBURY, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Joyce Huber

A blessed day of rejoicing was Sunday, Feb. 14, when Dolores Meiss, Margaret Broquard, Doris Widmer and Warren Zehr gave their testimonies of peace with God, and were added into the fold, taking the precious standing of children of God. We also enjoyed having Bro. Sam Anliker of Kansas, Bro. Joe Klopfenstein of Gridley and a number of other visitors.

Bro. Gene Bertschi of Roanoke and Bro. Henry Sabo of Mansfield gave inspiring messages Feb. 28. Also here were their wives and Bro. and Sis. Richard Bowald, Bro. and Sis. Ben Hodel, Bro. and Sis. Melvin Rocke, Bro. and Sis. Ray Hodel, Bro. and Sis. Stanley Hodel, Bro. and Sis. Ben Fehr, Bro. and Sis. Bill Leman, Bro. and Sis. Bob Scherer and Bro. and Sis. Maurice Wiegand.

Bro. Melvin and Sis. Katherine Huber, who are in Brazil, are the happy parents of a new baby boy, Melvin Abraham, born Sunday, Feb. 7.

Sis. Mary Traub is spending a few weeks in Oklahoma with her daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Martin, who have a new baby girl, Susan Clare.

Born to Bro. Earl and Sis. Lorene Roth on Feb. 28, a new baby boy, Todd Joseph.

FORREST, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Ken Schneider

Bro. Henry and Sister Lydia Kilgus spent Sunday, Feb. 14, with the churches in Alabama.

Sister Ethel Mae Waibel spent the week end of February 14 with her parents, Bro. and Sis. Carl Waibel.

Bro. and Sis. Ed. Stoller and family of Gridley, Ill., Bro. and Sister Richard Leman and family of Remington, Ind., and Friend DeVon Yoder, a new convert, also of Remington, spent Sunday, February 14, with us.

February 14, Friend Marion Meiss from Fairbury and Bro. Ken Schneider from Forrest attended the wedding of Bro. Jerry Kieser of Princeville and Sister Wilma Moser of Elgin, at the Elgin church.

Bro. and Sister Emil Anliker, Bro. and Sis. Clarence Kachelmuss, also Bro. and Sis. Sidney Leman attended the funeral of Joshua Kemp at Eureka on February 23.

Bro. and Sis. Frederick Fisher and family of Eureka spent Sunday, February 28, with us.

Our newly-elected Sunday school teachers are Sister Doris Koehl and Sister Ruth Metz. We wish them God's Grace and Guidance.

Our friends, Maribeth Ebach and Brenda Honegger, have been announced for proving and baptism in the near future.

Born on February 29 was a daughter, Rita Kay, to Bro. Harvey and Sister Leona Leman. Rita was welcomed by her parents, two sisters and one brother.

FRANCESVILLE, INDIANA

Reporter: Mrs. Willis Wuethrich

"A merry heart doeth good like a medicine," from Proverbs 17:22, was the theme for a Valentine gathering, held for the high school Sunday School Class at the Willis Wuethrich home on February 11. Before lunch, a short message was given by Brother Paul Von Tobel. Lunch was served to forty-eight young folks and 17 adults. It was then revealed, each had a number on their Bible verse favors. Groups were given certain clean-up jobs, so dishes and all were done in no time. It seemed to be more fun than the work it involved.

Several of us were quite shocked Sunday, February 14, as we saw our

local ambulance parked by the church front doors. It seems the two flights of stairs were too strenuous for the weak heart of Romeo Gudeman. A doctor was summoned, and Romeo was removed to the Little Company of Mary Hospital, San Pierre, Indiana, and placed under oxygen. For several days, he was in critical condition, but we're glad to report he's much improved, although still in the hospital. "My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest." From Exodus 33:14.

Miss Ann Gutwein, daughter of Harvey and Madeline Gutwein, has been named 1960 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow in the Francesville senior class.

Some time ago, Joe Pelsey was afflicted with severe nose-bleeding, and since then has been in failing health, causing him to be confined to home. February 16, he was taken to the rest home section of Little Co. of Mary hospital, San Pierre, as his wife, Ella became ill and required surgery. She is home again, recuperating nicely, but is restricted in activities. ". . . I am the LORD that healeth thee."

The Elmer Bucher family has moved into their new home in town. Elmer has taken employment at the Gutwein Milling Co., following his decision to discontinue farming. His brother, Kenneth, and his wife have moved onto the farm.

Sister Catherine Pelsy quietly observed her 99th birthday February 19. She is in fair health, and attends church when able. She has eight children, thirty grandchildren, 113 great-grandchildren and ten great-great-grandchildren.

Our Teenage Youth Group met at the Elmer Anliker home, with Linda and Shirley being hostesses to about 20 girls. The evening was spent making Valentine favors for the Little Company of Mary Hospital.

Mrs. Chris Wuethrich, Sr., has been confined to her home for several weeks, after returning from

Mayo Clinic. A foot infection was found, which has been slow in healing, due to a diabetic condition.

Elder George Yergler and co-elder Irvin Lehman spent the day with us Sunday, February 28.

In the evening, our "Youth Program" was presented, with the theme, "All for Jesus."

On February 26, a group of girls gathered at the home of Adeline Gutwein to make handkerchief folders for Alabama. There is always joy in doing for others.

Miss Karen Wuethrich, daughter of Herman and Loretta Wuethrich, will graduate from Ft. Wayne International College on March 10, and take employment at Brotherhood Mutual Life Insurance Company.

As we heard of the great earthquake in Morocco, which took some 3,000 lives, we can't help but refer to Matthew 24:4-33. Think, loved ones; think and pray.

GIRARD, OHIO

Reporter: Jesse Emch

We enjoyed having the John Steiners of Rittman and the Robert Grafs of Akron with us on Sunday, Feb. 21.

Bro. Carl and Sister Frieda Gasser are home again from their trip to Florida. They encountered very bad weather and roads on their way home.

Bro. Lorentz and Sister Caroline Emch enjoyed a blessed day in Rittman on Sunday, Feb. 28.

The Frank Emchs left for Florida Wednesday, March 2, where they will vacation for several weeks.

Sister Sadie Schladen has not been in church for several weeks, due to illness; we miss her very much.

Sister Eva Emch has not been able to attend church for quite a long time, due to illness.

Also, Sister Emma Tochtenhagen has been taken to the hospital again for treatment. We hope she can soon be home again.

GOODFIELD, ILLINOIS**Reporter: Marian Wiegand**

Death came suddenly to our dear Sister, Mollie (Roth) Knapp, February 25. She was 71 years old. Funeral services were held Sunday, February 28. She is survived by her husband, Bro. Will; five sons, George, Chris, William J., Elmer and Albert; and three daughters, Mrs. Wm. Joos, Mrs. Fred Joos and Alice.

Phyllis Tanner and Kenneth Rokey exchanged their wedding vows February 28 at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Tanner. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Rokey.

Bro. Frank Woertz performed the ceremony. After a trip to Texas, their address will be Route 2, Eureka, Ill.

Out-of-town wedding guests included Sister Louise Rokey, grandmother of the groom, Mayme Rokey, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Rokey and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rokey and Allen Rokey, all of Sabetha; and Mr. and Mrs. Orvie Knobloch, Alvord, Iowa.

Our friend, Charlene Hohulin, returned home recently, after spending several weeks at the State Farm Insurance Company office at Columbia, Missouri.

Four sisters from Morton visited our congregation on March 6. They were: Alice Rinkenberger, Christine Herman, Eunice Albers and Emma Menold.

The Bible Classes of Eureka, Forrest, Morton and Tremont will be guests of the Goodfield and Congerville Sunday Schools at Congerville for Youth Fellowship on March 13. Fairbury, Gridley, Peoria, Roanoke and Princeville will be their guests on March 20.

GRIDLEY, KANSAS**Reporter: Mrs. Rudy Bahr**

All enjoyed the services of Bro. Jake Pfister, Ft. Scott, when they spent Sunday, February 14, with us.

Bro. Dan and Sis. Dorothy Sinn,

Ft. Scott, and Mr. and Mrs. Thurman (Louise) Caudell and daughters of Neosho, Missouri, spent Sunday, February 14, with their parents, Bro. and Sis. Dan Kraft.

Bro. and Sis. George Greiner and Franklin of Wichita also visited with us on Sunday, Feb. 14.

Bro. and Sis. George Kuntz, Oakville, Iowa, visited over the week end of February 21 with Bro. and Sis. John Somerhalder and family and friends.

Our elder Bro. Sam Anliker spent Sunday afternoon, February 28, with us and held the annual church and Sunday School election.

Sister Emma Bahr accompanied Bro. and Sis. Lewis Bahr of Sabetha, on a several weeks visit with friends and relatives at Phoenix, Arizona.

Bro. Rudy and Sister Eileen Bahr are the parents of a son, born March 6. Sam Alan has a brother, Jeff, age two, and a sister, Paula Sue, age four.

LA CROSSE, INDIANA**Reporter: Bert Bucher**

Bro. and Sis. John Heinold are spending a month in Florida with Alice Heinold, who has been there since December.

Bro. and Sis. Lynn Feller and daughters left Feb. 29 for Phoenix, Ariz., to spend some time with Mary Ann's parents, Bro. and Sis. Joe Heinold.

The A. C. Youth had their gathering at Bro. and Sis. Vernon Bucher on Sunday evening, Feb. 14.

The Sunday School teachers are having their annual meeting on Mar. 7 at the home of Bro. and Sis. Merle Bucher.

Our Sunday School teachers report a very good attendance in their Bible class.

Sister Ida Yergler has been able to assemble with us again after several weeks of illness.

Bro. Sam Frank has been in Morton the last while, where he fell and injured his arm. We hope he will soon be able to return home.

LEO, INDIANA**Reporter: Mrs. Elias Souder**

Brother Joel and Sister Mary Souder spent Sunday, Feb. 19, with our loved ones in the service of our government (at Fort Sam Houston, Texas). They returned home safely Feb. 16, and reported an enjoyable and blessed time.

Wesley Otto Norr, son of Herman and Helen Norr, died Feb. 19. Funeral services were held Feb. 22, with Bro. Samuel Aeschliman of Bluffton, Ind., and Bro. Theo. Beer of Milford, Indiana, conducting services.

Church services for our brother, Wm. Klopfenstein, Sr., have been held at his home on the Sunday afternoons of Feb. 28 and March 6. He has been ill and unable to attend church services.

A number of members from here have been going to Butler, Indiana, to the nursing home to hold church services there.

We are happy to welcome Diane Conrad back home, who had been residing in California.

We are also happy to have the Ephraim Kipfers back home, who spent several weeks in Florida; also, Aaron Schwartz, who spent some time at Exelsior Springs, Missouri.

Our next Sunday School program is planned for Sunday evening, March 13, at the church.

MANSFIELD, OHIO**Reporter: Aaron A. Sauder**

Our visitors Sunday, February 14, were Brother and Sister William Fiechter and Brother and Sister Ben Kipfer of Bluffton, Indiana.

Brother and Sister William Sauder and Frank and Sister Alice Grazi returned home after their western visit on February 15.

On Sunday, February 21, Brother and Sister Emanuel Gudeman of Cissna Park and several members from Rittman were with us. We enjoyed their visit very much.

Sister Mary Steffen of Milford visited Brother and Sister Charles Sau-

der and family several days. Brother Charles had pneumonia. He has fully recovered and is able to assume his duties again.

Our elder, Rudolph Graf, spent Sunday, February 28, in our midst.

Brother and Sister Henry Sabo have returned home, after a two-month visit in the West.

Brother and Sister Ben Stavenik were in Leo, Indiana, February 22, where they attended the funeral of their nephew, the son of Brother and Sister Herman Norr.

A number of our members were in Rittman, Sunday, March 6, to be present at baptismal services for a number of converts.

Brother Albert Pfister is critically ill at this writing.

Sister Ruth Weis is in the hospital, where she underwent surgery.

MORRIS, MINNESOTA**Reporter: Mrs. Louie Messner**

We extend a warm welcome to Bro. and Sister Harold and Ila (Zeltwanger) Gramm and children of Gridley, Ill., and Bro. and Sister Robert and Carol (Joos) Haas and children of Elgin, Illinois. They moved to our community this month.

Arthur Nohl and Sandra Rose were united in marriage February 20.

Three babies, all boys, were born during February: Stanley Everett, to Bro. and Sister Antone and Verna Schaefer; Dale Douglas, to Mr. and Mrs. Vernard Brown; and Everett Lee, to Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Fehr.

Jake Koehl has given his heart to the Lord.

Sister Gloria Koehl underwent surgery March 4, and must be in the hospital a couple months. We hope she can come home in between, but since she is away from family and friends, a card or letter would help pass the time. Her address is Gillette Hospital, 1003 E. Ivy Ave., St. Paul, Minnesota.

Feb. 7, ministering Bro. Noah Miller and family were with us. Other visitors this past month were from

Lester and West Bend, Iowa; Winthrop, Minn.; and Peoria, Morton, Washington and Elgin, Illinois.

Sister Eunice Koehl and Jake, Bro. and Sister Charles and Esther Koehl, and Bro. and Sister Wayne Schmidgall went to Ft. Scott, Kansas, Feb. 6, to be with their parents, Bro. and Sister Jake and Anna Pfister, as it was their 50th wedding anniversary.

Bro. and Sister John and Esther Schaefer were to Lamar, Missouri, the Feb. 6 week end.

Brother and Sister Edward and Lillian Koehl attended their uncle's funeral, Joshua Koehl, in Eureka, Illinois, March 1.

Brother and Sister David and Norene Kempf and Mike visited her parents, February 27, in Eureka, Illinois.

Brother and Sister William and Minnie Luthi and Donnie spent a couple weeks in Gridley, Illinois, in February, visiting Brother and Sister Clyde and Wilma Kuntz.

MORTON, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mrs. B. E. Getz

Brother and Sis. Joe A. Getz and Bro. and Sis. Henry Grimm have returned from their vacation in Florida.

Miss Roberta Stieglitz and Cliff Schweigert of Tremont were united in marriage Feb. 14 by Bro. J. A. Getz.

Our visiting ministers were Bro. Joseph Rocke of Eureka, Bro. Ben Maibach of Detroit and Bro. August Bolliger of Tremont.

Announcement has been made of the coming marriage of Bro. Albert Sauder and Sister Frances Meiss of Gridley, Ill.

Funeral services for Bro. John Welk, 99, Morton's oldest resident, were held March 1

Work is progressing nicely on our church building. Sunday School has been resumed again, after having discontinued classes for several weeks, while work was being done in those rooms.

The Bible Class will join the Christian Endeavor group singing at Congerville March 20.

PEORIA, ILLINOIS

Sister Carrier Herman, a resident of the Apostolic Christian Home for many years, passed away. Her funeral was held February 21, Roy Sauder officiating.

Brothers Kenneth Sauder, Irvin Hodel and John Woerner were in Athens, Alabama, the past month, over a week end.

Many prayers went out for our brother, Michael Weyeneth, who has been in the Methodist Hospital the past month. He is improving, and able to be out again. Thank God for prayer.

The past month, a daughter was born to Brother and Sister John Hoerr, a daughter to Brother and Sister Vernon Hohulin, a daughter to the Kenny Plattners, and a son to Norman Buttricks.

Our visiting ministers the past month were Brothers Ed. Hohulin and Frank Woertz of Goodfield and Brother Ben Zimmerman of Congerville.

Our Peoria singing group sang at Christian Endeavor in Eureka, Sunday, January 28.

Sister Anna Stohl died of a heart attack, while visiting in Princeville. She passed away Tuesday forenoon. The funeral was held at Princeville on Friday, Brother Joe Zimmerman of Roanoke, Illinois, officiating. Quite a number from here attended.

Sister Martha Langjohr is spending some time in California.

Brother Emil Hoerr and his wife, also her mother, Mrs. Emma Binkele, are visiting in Tucson and Phoenix, Arizona.

Ed and Paul Meister, Richard Aeschleman and Robert Weyeneth spent Saturday and Sunday, March 6 and 7, with the Brother John Wagners at Alabama. Their wives accompanied them.

Sister Rose Schurch was able to be

home, after a stay in the hospital. Sister Lena Rapp is still quite ill, but has returned home from the hospital also.

Quite a gathering met at the home of Brother and Sister Chris Leutholds Friday evening for a housewarming. They have recently moved to town from Washington, Illinois.

Our monthly Hymn-sing was held Sunday, March 6. There was a large crowd. The Eureka group sang several numbers.

Brother and Mrs. George Gudeman and family of Champaign, Illinois, spent Sunday, March 6, with us, and visited their son, Ralph, who is a patient at the Methodist Hospital.

On Sunday, March 6, the home of Jacob and Pauline Meir was burned. Brother Lewis Herman and also many relatives and friends are looking after their needs.

REMINGTON, INDIANA

Reporter: Emily Kilgus

Brother Al Fisher and his wife spent Sunday, Feb. 21, with us. They were overnight guests at Henry Freys, and, on Sunday evening, a gathering was held at the Sam Kilgus home.

Bro. and Sis. Gus Knochel have returned home, after spending several weeks in Phoenix, Ariz.

A baby girl was born to the Al Knochels on March 8. She is welcomed by three brothers and three sisters.

Our community has had extremely heavy snowfall, and some of our members have been unable to attend church.

RITTMAN, OHIO

Reporter: Mrs. Dale Hartzler

Sister Anna Rupp and Sister Ruth Taylor of Akron spent several weeks in Florida, visiting friends and relatives.

On Feb. 14, announcement was made of the approaching marriage of Sister Tilas Indermuhle, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Edwin Indermuhle to

Brother Joe Rufener, son of Bro. Isaac Rufener.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Stoller have a new son, whom they call Edward John.

Our friend, Dale Stoller, had the misfortune of having an auto accident and spent several days in the hospital, but we are happy to report he made a speedy recovery, and is home again.

Five of our converts were proved on Saturday, March 5, and taken into the fold Sunday, March 6. They are Bro. Chester Rufener, Bro. Arthur Greenbank, Sis. Carole Beery, Sis. Carol Kaiser and Sis. Mary Ann Zollinger. Brother Theo Beer of Milford, Ind., and Brother Rudy Graf of Akron assisted our Elder Brother Noah Bauman in this important work.

Other visiting ministers this month have been Bro. Henry Kilgus of Forrest, Illinois; Bro. Lorentz Emch of Girard; Bro. Robert Beer of Mansfield; Bro. Ernie Graf of Akron and Bro. Forrest Ritzman, also of Akron.

SABETHA, KANSAS

Reporter: Ed. H. Steiner

Brother Carl Hartman and wife, Louise, and Brother Nathan Grimm and wife, Lois, visited at Wichita, Sunday, Feb. 14.

Brother and Sister Ben Aberle, their daughter, Janice, and Sister Alma Aberle spent the week end of Feb. 21 at Morton, Ill., visiting their sisters, Martha Fritz and Mary Wiegand, and their families.

Brother Lewis Bahr and his wife, Fanny, went to Gridley, Kans., Feb. 14, where they were joined by Sister Emma Bahr, for a visit to Phoenix, Ariz., with members.

Sister Mary Voltz died Feb. 22, at the age of 92 years. She had been in a convalescent home for several years. She had many nephews and nieces here and elsewhere, but only a few from a distance could attend the funeral, because of bad weather and roads. Brother and Sister John Moser from Lester, Iowa, were present.

Bro. and Sister Roy Wysong and son, Benny, went to Leo, Indiana, to attend the funeral of Wesley Norr, a nephew, February 22.

Sisters Sally Wysong, Delores Metzger and Irma Esslinger spent Sunday, Feb. 21, at Burlington, Okla.

There has been a lot of sickness around Sabetha this winter. Sister Verna Strahm spent two weeks in the hospital with pneumonia. She was able to return home Sunday, Feb. 28. Among others in the hospital were Bro. Gus Dornes, Sister Anna Dornes, Brother Will Strahm and Eldon Metzger. They are all improving.

Bro. and Sister Lewis Wenger spent a few days at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, over the week end of Feb. 20.

Bro. Christ Grimm was taken to the hospital Saturday night, March 5, where he was operated for a serious gall bladder infection. Monday, he was reported as doing as good as could be expected. We hope he will soon be safely on the way of recovery. Sister Elsie Hess of Peoria, Illinois, came to be with her father and mother.

Brother and Sister Lewis Bahr returned home from their visit at Phoenix, March 4, feeling fine.

SHIODA, JAPAN

Reporter: Akiko Hatsuumi

We had Communion service on Feb. 21. Sister Junko Hatsuumi from Tsutsujiga-oka Church attended the Communion service.

Brother Noah Schrock's sermon, which came with the Service men's list, was translated by Brother Yoshito Inoue and printed by friend Hamako Nozawa and friend Yoshio Yamazaki. The copies will be handed to all members and friends next Sunday.

TOLFO, OHIO

Reporter: Emily Frautschi

On January 17, Brother Ben Maibach, Jr., and some of his family from Detroit visited in Toledo. On January 31, Brother Floyd Wieland

and his family and Brother Guy Wieland and his family from Detroit visited us in Toledo. We enjoyed their visits very much, and especially the services of the ministering brothers.

On January 18, Sister Lydia Rehk-lau died at the age of 78 years. Surviving are her daughter, Josephine, and two sons, Walter and David, all of Toledo; also one sister, Mary Frautschi, and two brothers, John and Emil Frautschi, also all of Toledo. She lived in Toledo all her life, with the exception of the first 20 years of her married life, when they lived in Archbold, Ohio.

TREMONT, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Esther Schmid

We are happy to report fourteen dear souls who have found grace to repent, and wish them God's blessings and grace. They are as follows: Joy Mae Plattner, Charles Sauder, Joe Steiner, Mahlon Frank, Marvin Frank, Glenn Dill, Paul Michel, James Koch, Josephine Schaefer, Jay and Alma Bolliger, Ernest and Freda Aberle and Elmer Rowell.

Sister Rose Knapp, who has been ill and at the hospital, is now recovering nicely at home.

Bro. and Sister Philip Sauder and daughter, Sharon, also Bro. and Sister Ronald Anderson of Cissna Park, spent Sunday, Feb. 14, with our congregation. We always enjoy Bro. Philip's services.

Sunday, Feb. 14, the marriage of Roberta Stieglitz and Clifford Schweigert was solemnized by Bro. Joe A. Getz at the home of the bride's parents in Morton. The couple, after their return from California, will reside on a farm near Tremont.

Wednesday, Feb. 17, Bro. and Sis. Ed Sauder observed their Silver Wedding Anniversary with open house, held at their home.

Bro. Joe A. Getz of Morton and Bro. Art Gudeman of LaCrosse, Ind., held evening services here on Feb. 18.

Bro. Lee and Sister Mary Eise-
mann and family of Fort Wayne,
Ind., spent the week end of Feb. 21
visiting at the home of Sister Mary's
parents, Bro. and Sister Will Beutel.

Bro. Melvin and Sister Marlene
Kaiser are the parents of a baby boy,
Don Eric, born March 3. A brother,
Jerry Joe, and a sister, Marjorie, at
home, welcome their brother.

Bro. John C. and Sister Mary
Schweigert observed their 50th wed-
ding anniversary Sunday, March 6.
They held open house, at their home.

TSUTSUJIGA-OKA, JAPAN

Reporter: Yoshito Inoue

Brother Takeshita visited us on
Feb. 7 and preached in the Sunday
morning service.

The member meeting held on Feb.
14 elected Brother Akira Utsuki the
sub-minister, and Brother Yoshito
Inoue the temporary trustee. They
will be in their positions until Brother
Willis comes back from the U.S.A.

The new budget of our church was
made by Brother Akira, and it was
agreed to by the member meeting.

At the member meeting, we decid-
ed the details as to how we should
keep the minister's house, which is
beside the church house, after Brother
and Sister Ehnle and their child-
ren leave for the U.S.A.

Brother Tetsuhiro Ono, Brother
Kimio Akao and friend Akito Inoue,
Brother Yoshito's younger brother,
visited us on Feb. 29. They came to
Tokyo to take entrance examinations
of universities.

Brother and Sister Ehnle and their
children are going to leave Haneda
Air Port for the U.S.A. by J.A.L.
on March 31. It is requested that no
mail be sent which would reach here
after March 31. They will be with
Brother Henry Beer, Milford, Indi-
ana, until Easter. After Easter, they
will be with Brother Wm. Ehnle,
Princeville, Illinois. They will leave
the U.S.A. in the early part of Sep-
tember.

WICHITA, KANSAS

Reporter: Ann Greiner

Brother and Sister Nathan Grim
and Brother and Sister Carl Hart-
man of Sabetha spent Sunday, Feb.
14, with us.

Brother and Sister Sam Huber and
family of Burlington,, Kansas, spent
the week end with Brother and Sis-
ter Harvey Smith, and attended serv-
ices here Feb. 21.

Brother and Sister Herman Stoller
of the Elgin, Ill., congregation spent
Sunday, Feb. 28, visiting with Broth-
er and Sister Ernest Lambert. They
were enroute home from Colorado
and California.

CONGERVILLE, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Don Schrock

Elder Bros. Frank Woertz and Le-
roy Huber were with us February 21,
and we had Communion Services.
Bro. Simon Wagenbach from Tre-
mont has also been a recent visitor.
We enjoyed their visits very much.

We are happy to announce the fol-
lowing births: Bro. and Sis. Gerald
and Nancy Knapp are the parents of
Debra Catherine, who was born Feb-
ruary 12; James Frederick, born Feb-
ruary 20, is the son of Bro. Eugene
and Sis. Carrie Lou Hartman; on
February 21, Keith and Pauline Roth
had a new son, Allen Keith.

Our friend, Vernon Wettstein, son
of the John Wettsteins', is now sta-
tioned at Ft. Campbell, Kentucky.
Marie Eglin is again with us, after
vacationing in Arizona. Mae and Ni-
ma Schrock have returned from a
trip to California.

We wish to thank the visitors from
Eureka and Gridley, who attended
our Hymn-sing, which is held the last
Sunday of the month.

ELGIN, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Louise Steffen

Feb. 11, a baby girl, Mary Eliza-
beth, was born to Bro. Nathan and
Sister Marilyn Steffen.

Feb. 14, Sister Wilma Moser of El-
gin and Bro. Jerry Kieser of Prince-

ville, Ill., were united in marriage. Bro. Silas Leuthold had the ceremony. Bro. Dave Kieser was here also. We enjoyed a very blessed day.

Feb. 28, Bro. Al Fisher was here on Feb. 27 to perform the marriage of one of our friends, Lenora Haas and Larry Leveen. Bro. Al stayed Sunday and had the services.

The young folks had a progressive supper for Bro. Dale Schurter, who is to leave for service. Twelve of Chicago's young folks came for it.

The married couples had a pot-luck supper for Bro. Bob Haas and his wife, Sister Carol, who are leaving here to make their home on a farm at Morris, Minn. A singing was held in the evening at church.

March 4, our elder, Bro. William Stettner, and his wife, Sister Emma, left for a visit in California for three weeks.

LATTY, OHIO

Reporter: Roberta Stoller

On Feb. 28, Jesse Kupfersmith was baptized. We wish him the Lord's blessings always.

Brother and Sister Jacob Stoller and Sister Nettie and Albert Stoller are spending some time in Florida. Also Sister Minnie Stoller is visiting her son, Victor, and family in Ft. Lauderdale.

Brother and Sister Richard Laukhuf and son, Dean, have returned home from Florida, after spending the winter there.

Sister Lillian Stoller is with us again, after an operation. At this writing, Albert Laukhuf is in the hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Bro. Henry Manz of Junction was with us for Wednesday evening church, March 2. We thank him for coming and for his services.

Bro. Irvin Stoller was in Alto, Michigan, Sunday, Feb. 21.

Bro. Loren Stoller and others from here visited the Ft. Wayne Church March 6.

MAYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

Reporters: Ora and Dora Sauder

Brother and Sister Lydia Wiedman were visitors in the Altadena and Maywood churches.

Brother and Sister Fred Luthi of Lamont, Kansas, were recent visitors.

Brother and Sister Albert Kaisner and son, Brother Harvey, with Sister Esther Kiefer visited in Phoenix.

We are sorry to report Sister Julia Dapper is back in the hospital.

Sister Eva Fuhrer and Sister Julia Ann Dapper were recent Phoenix visitors.

Brother and Sister John Joos and Brother Albert Herrman and daughter, Sister Margaret of Princeville visited in Maywood and Altadena. The Herrmans returned to Phoenix to spend a few weeks, and the Joos returned to their home.

Elder Brother Noah and Sister Schrock visited in Altadena and Maywood. Elder Brother Carl Kinsinger accompanied them to Oregon.

Elder Brother Will and Sister Stettner are spending a couple of weeks in Southern California.

MILFORD, INDIANA

Reporter: Irma Haab

Bro. Henry and Sis. Alice Beer are vacationing in Florida.

Bro. Philip and Sis. Millie Beer became the parents of a baby boy, Mar. 1. The little boy has four sisters, and was named John Philip.

Jim and Joyce Warren became the parents of their first child, Feb. 27. The baby was named Todd Allen.

OAKVILLE, IOWA

Reporter: John L. Steiner

Brother Edward Owens, son of Sister Nettie Owens, was discharged from the Army, and arrived home February 10.

Brother Fred and Sisters Louise, Kathy and Mardell Grimm of Taylor, Mo., visited our congregation on February 14.

Brother Leonard and Sister Eve-

lyn Marti of Lamar, Mo., visited relatives here for a few days around February 21.

Brother William and Sister Ruth Cottrell of Taylor, Mo., and Brother Uriel and Sister Judy Gehring of Elgin, Iowa, visited us on February 28.

The Sunday School Class enjoyed Sunday evening, February 14, at Brother Robert Schrocks. They also were guests in the home of Brother Orttie Rocke, February 28.

A boy, James Bradley, was born on February 9 to Brother Herbert and Cleo Gerst. Brother Kenneth and Sister Charity Scheitlin are also parents of a boy, Bruce Alan, born February 13.

TAYLOR, MISSOURI

Reporter: Mrs. Eli Sutter

A son, Kevin John, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hodel on Feb. 19.

Patients at the hospital the past month were: Sis. Marjorie Gerst, wife of Bro. Arnold Gerst; Jimmy Sutter, son of Bro. James Sutters; and Brent, son of Bro. Robert Hoerrs. We are glad they are all at home again, and doing nicely.

Bros. Fred Grimm and Perry Yackley went to Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, on Sunday afternoon to see John Dilts, who has been seriously ill. His wife was the former Kathryn Yackley. They found him considerably improved.

We had an explosion in the furnace at our church during the night of March 5, but was not discovered until Sunday morning. There was considerable smoke and soot damage, but are thankful that no fire resulted. It will have to be redecorated. Services were held at Bro. Eli Sutters, and Sunday School at Bro. Dick Sutter's.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mrs. Ernest Knecht

Several weeks ago Elder Theo Beer and his wife and Bro. Flmer Hartter and his wife from Milford

and Elder George Yergler visited Chicago. We had a blessed day.

Elder and Mrs. Henry Kilgus visited their daughter, Alice, here in Chicago on Feb. 7.

Several Sundays ago, Bro. Sam Pflederer and wife from Morton, Ill., visited their son, Bob Pflederer, and his wife, Eleanor.

Sister Corinne Roth has returned to work at Presbyterian St. Luke's Hospital, until June.

Sister Anna Gerber from Bremen, Ind., spent a Sunday several weeks ago with her daughter and family, Mrs. Ernest Knecht. Sister Gerber's son, Louis, and wife, Doris, drove her to Chicago.

Sister Mae Kuntz, who lives with two of her children near the church, has been forced to move, due to fire in their apartment.

Bro. Will Wagler has had a slight stroke, and is in Elmhurst hospital.

On Feb. 28, Bro. and Sister Lynn Rinkenberger and Bro. and Sister Dick Keifer from Gridley, Ill., visited in Chicago. They visited Bro. and Sister Fred Meyer. Sister Meyer is a sister of Lynn Rinkenberger.

Bro. Carl Leman fell on the ice on Monday, March 7, and broke his leg in several places. It was a very serious accident. Carl is in Resurrection hospital for two weeks. He will no doubt be laid up at his home for several months. We all wish him God's grace and a speedy recovery.

Friend Ernie Schambach, son of Ernest and Sister Pauline Schambach, left last week for services in the Army.

FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS

Reporters: Edwin and Carol Baurer

Ministering Brother Joel Souder and his wife were with us on the week end of January 15. They were from Leo, Indiana. Also on that week end, we had visitors from Princeville, Illinois: Brother and Sister Richard and Marie Seidel, their family and Janet Elsasser.

Gary Ringger, a friend from Bluff-

ton, Indiana, arrived here for Basic Training on January 19.

Earl Feucht, a brother from Princeville, Illinois, left here on January 27, after being here for Basic and Medical Training. Earl found grace for repentance while here at Ft. Sam, and was taken into the fold at Princeville, while enroute to his new station at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland. We wish him the Lord's blessings in his new duty assignment and in his new walk of life.

Harold Massner, a friend from Oakville, Iowa, left here for Hawaii on the 27th of February, after completing Basic and Medical Training.

The family of Brother Robert Frank, who is in training here at Ft. Sam, was with us on the week end of March 6. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Frank; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Byrd; and Donna Frank were our visitors that week end, all from Morton, Illinois.

PRINCEVILLE, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Ruth Ricketts

We have had several weddings in the past few weeks. February 14, Brother Jerry Kieser, son of Brother Sam and Sister Lucille Kieser of our congregation, and Sister Wilma Moser, daughter of Sister Emma Moser of Elgin, Illinois, were united in marriage by our Elder Brother Silas Leuthold. A large number from our congregation attended.

February 21, our friends, Gisela Nonnemacker and James Stogsdill, were united in marriage by Brother Silas Leuthold, at the home of the bride's parents, Brother Eugene and Sister Elsa Christ.

Sister Arlene Streitmatter, daughter of Brother Harold and Sister Anna Streitmatter, and Brother Robert Scholl, son of Sister Mary Scholl, were united in Holy Matrimony March 6, by our Brother Silas Leuthold.

Brother Elwyn and Sister Loretta Rumbold have a daughter, born February 17. A little sister, Marjory, welcomed her coming.

Friends Roy and Laura (Leuthold) Massner are the parents of a daughter, born March 5.

Brother Richard and Sister Marie Seidel and daughters spent the week end of February 14 in Texas at Fort Sam Houston, visiting the boys who are stationed there.

We are glad that Sister Edith Stahl is able to be with us again, after being hospitalized for a few days.

A very blessed week end was enjoyed by many relatives and friends who were present for the provings and baptisms of LeRoy Streitmatter, Dale Martin, Earl Feucht, Bernice Stahl and Sharol Stoller. Brother Joe Getz of Morton assisted Brother Silas Leuthold. On Sunday afternoon, Brother Roy Sauder of Peoria was also with us.

Brother Earl Feucht left late Sunday afternoon, February 28, for his new assignment at Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland. It was a privilege for him to be able to have two short days at home, on his way from Fort Sam Houston, Texas, to Maryland, to give his testimony and be baptized.

Funeral services for Sister Anna Stahl were held March 4, here in Princeville, with Brother Joe Zimmerman assisting Brother Silas Leuthold. She is survived by a brother, D. Emil Stahl, of near Princeville; a brother, George, and Sister, Lisete of Germany. For the past year, she has made her home in the Buehler Home in Peoria, and had been with us Sunday. She passed away at the home of a nephew near Princeville. Many nieces and nephews, who dearly loved her, as we all, were present to pay their last respects. She had lived a quiet life, doing for others, and all were happy the dear Lord took her home so gently.

BURLINGTON, OKLAHOMA

Reporter: Mrs. Raymond Roth

Although this section of the country is somewhat classed in the arid section, and in past years we have experienced severe periods of drought, we have been richly blessed this past fall and winter with moisture, both by rain and snow.

So far this spring, we have also been spared the terrible dust storms, which usually are so frequent this time of year, not only by local blowing dust, but by clouds of dust coming in from the Oklahoma Panhandle, West Texas and New Mexico. For such we are very grateful and thankful.

Bob Farney, son of Bro. and Sister Roy Farney, and Janet Weaver were married at Harper, Kansas, Feb. 13. The couple will make their home, for the present at Biloxie, Miss., where Bob is stationed with the U.S. Air Force.

Mrs. Roy Yergler and Debra of Cissna Park visited her parents, Bro. and Sister Raymond Roth, from Feb. 11 to Feb. 19, and Mrs. Yergler also attended the wedding of her cousin, Bob Farney, at Harper, Kansas.

Visitors here Feb. 14 were Bro. and Sis. Dan Sauder of Congerville, Ill., and Bro. and Sis. Stanley Hodel of Roanoke, Ill. They had been to Phoenix, Arizona, and stopped off on their way home to Illinois.

A number of young folks from Peoria, Ill., Oakville, Iowa; Lamar, Mo.; Ft. Scott, Kansas; Sabetha, Kansas; and Wichita, Kansas, spent Feb. 21 with us. They were Sunday dinner guests of Bro. and Sister Richard Guthrie and family.

Alfred Farney, who formerly lived in Kiowa, Kansas, passed away with a heart attack in Huntington Park, Calif. Those from here attending the funeral were: Pete and Ed Farney, Bro. Rueben Farney, Sister Martha Roth and Bro. and Sis. Raymond Roth. Bro. Rueben Farney will spend some time with his daughter in Winters, Calif., and the rest visited rela-

tives and friends in Mesa and Phoenix, Arizona, enroute home.

HIS PRAISES I WILL SING

I've learn'd to sing a glad new song
Of praise unto our King!
And now with all my ransom'd pow'rs
His praises I will sing.

I've learn'd to sing the song of peace,
'Tis sweeter ev'ry day,
Since Jesus calmed my troubled soul,
And bore my sins away.

I sing the song of perfect love,
It casteth out all fear!
O breadth, O length, O depth, O
height!
O love so full of cheer!

I've learn'd to sing the song of joy,
My cup is running o'er
With blessings full of peace and love,
And still there's more and more!

Hiding in the shadow
Of Thy shelt'ring wings,
I shall rest confiding
In the King of kings.
Then, whate'er Thou sendest,
Happy shall I be,
Jesus, my Redeemer,
Looking unto Thee.

CASTING ALL YOUR CARE UPON HIM

It is Thy will that I should cast
My ev'ry care on Thee;
To Thee refer each rising grief,
Each new perplexity;

That I should trust Thy loving care,
And look to Thee alone,
To calm each troubled thought to
rest,
In prayer before Thy throne.

How sweet, my Saviour, to repose
On Thine almighty pow'r!
To feel Thy strength upholding me,
Thro' ev'ry passing hour!