

THE SILVER LINING



Grabill, Indiana

October, 1960

. . . the latter days . . .

“Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say unto Gog, Thus saith the Lord God; In that day when my people of Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know it?”

And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts, thou, and many people with thee, all of them riding upon horses, a great company,

and a mighty army:

And thou shalt come up against my people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall be in the latter days, and I will bring thee against my land, that the heathen may know me, when I shall be sanctified in thee, O Gog, before their eyes.”

Ezekiel 38:14-16

Copy of a Letter Written by Brother Noter of Hungary, December 17, 1870

Submitted by Brother William Stettner, Elgin, Illinois

We wish to inform you, that in the Hungarischen Germeine Weserhely, it was recorded that a brother has been called to military service. This brother has a very nice gift from the Lord to preach the Gospel. He made a good confession of the truth in Christ during hard and troublesome trials. He was chained and thrown into prison, was punished with hunger, and was beaten 300 times minus a few. At another time, he was beaten three times in succession, sixty times each time, where six men were ordered to beat him. He afterwards told how the Lord had strengthened him. During this time, he knew nothing of himself, until they ordered him to stand up again. At another time, he was

badly mistreated and tormented by a parson. But he overcame all with faith, and would not take up weapons.

Then he was sent to Fortress Cowern, and there was sentenced to death. Everything was ready. Nine men stood abreast, with their guns ready to shoot him. Even the wagon, called the death wagon, which is used for conveying away the dead bodies, was there. The profest marshall, whose service it is to blindfold the men that are to be shot, said, “I have performed this service for twenty-six years now, but I feel very heavy to blindfold this righteous man.” The brother was called, and he saw everything. About him, and just at that moment, a dispatch came.

Ballog Begnadigt, Ballog pardoned; take him back.

Everyone was greatly astonished.

He was then delivered to the Fortress Ronische, where Brother Geistlich was. Here, he had to labor very hard, had to haul loads of dirt.

When the members found out where he was, a brother wrote a letter to him in a form of a parable about a garden and plants. The brother wrote, this is a very good year, and all the plants are doing well, and also those on which you labored. Many have buds, and many are blossoming, and some are already bearing fruit. Now just be loyal to your king. God will take care of you. Then his officers thought that he was a gardener, and transferred him to the chief gardener of the prison. After that, he became sick, and was taken to the hospital. The Lord turned the hearts of

his superiors, when they saw that they could do nothing with him. He bore everything with patience, so they released him. This took place on New Years, 1868.

I was present when he arrived home. You can imagine what great joy we had that God heard our prayer and plea for him. Many tears of joy flowed in our church house, by the thanksgiving to the Lord for his grace and help, his mercy and deliverance of our beloved Ballog.

At present, a friend is in the same circumstances. Pray for him. Up to now he has been faithful in all trials. Every heart is anew awakened to faithfulness and steadfastness. May the Lord grant this may be a blessing and joy for you all.

Your least brother,
Joseph Notter.

1384 Kaneko-Machi, Chofu-Shi,
Tokyo-To, Japan
September 8, 1960

Greetings,

"If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me."

Psalm 139:9,10.

On Friday, September 2, at about 7:40 in the morning, we arrived back in Japan, after having spent five months in the United States. Five of the young men from the churches here were on hand to meet us. Our plane was expected in at 5:30 in the morning, so they had gone to the airport the night before, and slept in a room provided by Northwest Airlines, as train service would not have been available early enough in the morning.

We had to spend quite a lot of time at the airport to apply for a different visa for Tony. He became an American citizen while in the United States,

and had only a temporary visa, good for 180 days. The rest of us have a visa good for three years.

Here at our home, many of our brethren and friends had gathered together, and had a meal prepared for us. They had cleaned our house and put everything in order for our arrival. The yard and all was nicely kept.

Brother Takeshita came in from the country on Saturday, the day after our arrival, and that night we had a meeting in the Utsuki home. On Sunday morning, Sunday School and worship services were held here at our church near Tokyo. Brother Takeshita had the service. In the afternoon, our family accompanied him to our Shioda Church in the country, a 4½ hour trip by train and bus. There, too, the folks had prepared a "welcome home" meal for us. I had the services there that evening.

The next day, I worked some, trimming trees and cutting weeds, and also visited the home of Brother

Kimio Akao, whose father has tuberculosis.

On Tuesday, our whole family visited the Saegusa home, and were warmly received. We were very surprised that Sister Saegusa had canned quite a number of jars of peaches for us, because we were absent and couldn't do it ourselves.

In the afternoon, we went by train and bus to Tamahata for a meeting, after which I talked to two ladies and a young man who desire to be baptized. There are also at least three young people here at our church who desire baptism. Most of them made up their minds to repent and follow Christ during the visit this summer of Brothers Fred Grimm and Ben Maibach, Jr.

The attendance at the adult services seem to be on the increase, with 21 present here Sunday morning at the Tsutsujiga-oka church and approximately 30 present at the Shioda Church in the evening. On the contrary, Sunday School attendance seems to have fallen off. There was hardly over 20 children in our Sunday School here.

We plan to take the Lord's Supper

at both of the churches in the next few weeks. I have already announced it at the Shioda Church.

Yesterday, I went to the American School and talked to the principal about a teaching position. He still needs a teacher or two, but the classes are not what I'm qualified to teach. He said he would call me if he needs me.

Both Brother Akira and Brother Yoshito are willing to continue to help in conducting adult services, as well as teach Sunday School, and Bro. Yoshito has said he is willing to continue as treasurer of the Mission Fund here and send the monthly financial reports to Brother Schrock. I appreciate it very much.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for all the kindness and hospitality shown to us during our visit in the States. May God help us all to cultivate an attitude of heart and mind which is "swift to hear, slow to speak," and which is not overcome of evil, but overcomes evil with good."

Lovingly in Christ,

Willis R. Ehnle

" . . . and of faith toward God . . . "

Henry Souder Jr.

The studied thoughts of man has long pondered the troubled and the twisted minds and hearts.

Psyche is the Greek word for soul. Clustered with it, the strivings of men have sought in their searchings. Psychology . . . psychiatry . . . the road twines around, attempting to understand, helping as they can. But, often, two learned scholars expound a teaching in direct conflict with each other. Much is mirage . . . much is hit or miss.

But the soul of man pains in vain,

while the philosophers search.

"My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings . . . For they are life unto those that find . . ."

The soul of faith finds fear is really being cast out . . . lies down to sweet sleep in pleasant peace . . . looks forward with joy to the wondrous world to come.

It's not hard to understand how to find God's Way.

Faith is the desire of a soul to do, to find, to keep what God says. Faith

is the upturned face of a heart in prayer . . . again, it is the step that obeys . . . it finds the heart that rejoices . . . and poise of the soul when in peril.

Faith is the answer of the soul to the words of God.

" . . . faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."

Faith is on a frontier that explores the beauties of eternity. Faith is a challenge of adventure. Faith finds enriching, with the answering from the deepest life. Faith finds a mutual tie of fellowship. Acquaintances of always draw together, and learn of each other in the beauty of God's love.

Faith is life's record of concrete ownership in eternity.

"But without faith it is impossible to please him; for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."

Regardless of mental fraught and fission, no unbeliever will stand in that great day of God . . . but each will see that what God said is so.

But now, regardless of the bars and holds, the barbed wire and festered encampments, no mental prison can hold when faith begins to stir.

Faith begins deeper than the mind, while the clutches still bar. It ends with the complete routing of all opposition . . . with the triumph that thrills with morning and glory.

This earth has told one harmonious testimony to God's Book.

The dark, stormy days of the flood have left pages and pages written in the journal of earth's layers. High on a mountain-side in the Canadian Rockies, the imprint of sea life has been found. Western Kansas has a grave-yard of fossil bones: huge sea tortoises, dinosaurs, rhinoceros . . . scattered in confusion, laid down in water action.

God has told about creatures (some that are huge and extinct) that roamed the earth and sea, recorded for our listening in Job, chapter 38, verse 39, through the 41st chapter.

" . . . a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works."

There must be true faith for the all-important acceptance in divine standards.

Faith is not something that can be shelved in mental compartments. That is futile faith. It is a fictitious facsimile, and deathly clutched.

Men may say they are missionaries. Men may say they are preachers. Men may say they are saved. But the test is . . . do their works yield that necessary proof of faith?

The holy scriptures throw their brilliant flood-light on the professing prophet, and plainly point out the truth. Any one that despises the government ordained of God in the church, God also rejects that one as unfit to carry the torch of the gospel, and that person is in danger of or on the Record as a false prophet. (See II Peter 2)

" . . . let us run with patience the race that is set before us, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith . . ."

The little child hurries, in the dim-light of wondrous Christmas morning, to the splendors provided to thrill and rejoice the happy heart.

What splendors await the faithful in the glorious morning!

Like the little child's colorful character, we will be wondrously pleased. Like the morning of their snow-white heart, it will be a dream of unthinkably exhilarating feeling. Like the little voices that make the fire-side friendly, warm and homey, so will we be satisfied and snug, safe in home.

Faith finds the friendly fire-side of forever!

Ye Must Be Born Again

Ben Sommer—Submitted by Noah Schrock

(Continued from last month)

EXPERIENCE

Not only is the confession of sins as an essential part of the cleansing of the heart in repentance thoroughly established in the doctrines of the Holy Scriptures, but the experience of those in our days who have found regeneration through repentance and faith confirms the absolute need of confession as a means of unburdening the heart, and of obtaining the strength to resist and throw off the power of sin.

To the soul in repentance who is not yet ready and willing to make confession of its sins, we can only say, the fruits of repentance are yet incomplete. Press forward, until you have grace to pour out all filth, be it much or little, of the old life.

It is no disgrace for a repentant person to confess sins, but an honor. It marks definitely the end of the old life of uncleanness, and the beginning of the new life in Christ, in righteousness and purity.

However, the doctrine of confession must not be confused with the Roman Catholic Confessional, where the believer, supposedly standing in grace, is permitted to come from time to time, to confess his sinfulness to a priest, who is supposed to have authority to forgive the sins of those who accept the penance he prescribes, which often consists at least in part of the payment of money, ostensibly at least, for a good cause.

Nowhere in the Scripture do we find a commandment to confess sins to a priest, or any officer of the church, but the Scripture says, "Confess **your** faults one to another",²¹ for all true believers, united in the Church, which is the body of Christ, are a part of the "royal priesthood",²² and they, being in union and communion with Christ, can intercede for each other with Christ and with the Father.

²¹ James 5:16

²² I Peter 2:9

NEWS

AKRON, OHIO

Reporter: Ruth Taylor

We welcome Alma (Metzger) and Harry Stauffer, who are attending services with us. Formerly of Cleveland, they have moved to 731 Monroe Avenue, Cuijahoga Falls, Ohio, and welcome us to call on them.

Brother Dan and Sister Ruth Knochel and family spent Labor Day week-end with their family here, and were with us for services September 4.

Sunday, September 4, Brother Ben and Sis. Dorothy Stavenik, their

daughter-Hope, Dianne Riggerbach, and Sister Tillie Bucher were with us. They are from Mansfield.

Brother Jesse and Sis. Caroline Emch, Brother Joe and Sis. Jessie Winkler were with us September 11.

The Richards Sauders of Mansfield, Ohio, visited us Sunday, September 18.

September 23, a son, Duane Henry, was born to Henry and Marjorie (Kaufman) Collins.

Our monthly song-service was held October 2 in our church at 7:30 P.M. There were visitors from Rittman,

and all are welcome to join with us the first Sunday of the month.

Sunday, September 25, Bob Ritzman was home with us for services.

Sister Ruth Bollinger spent some time with her family, the Robert Grafts, and attended services with us September 25.

Brother Rudolph and Sis. Bethie Graf, Brother Peter and Sis. Elizabeth Barna visited two churches in New York State. They brought Sis. Edith Schwartz from Croghan, to visit the Richard Messners.

Many from our congregation attended the testimony and baptisms of Kenneth and Marjorie (Graf) Laukhuf and Merrill Laukhuf.

Sister Lula Lude of Detroit visited her family, Russell and Maude Kauffman, for several weeks this fall.

ALTO, MICHIGAN

Carl and Aaron Steffen and Richard Schrenk were baptized by Brothers Aeschliman and Sinn. Alto is very thankful for these new brothers. The Herman Steffens of Bluffton, the Ruben Gerbers, and Hulda Fiechter were guests for the day.

Many have visited here this summer, the Christ Wiedmans, Godfrey Schlatter, Fred Feldman, Lewis Rumbold, Clara Klopfenstein, Mrs. Mary Schrenk and her daughter, also others, which we were happy to greet.

Fred Grawburg is home, after a few days at Grand Rapids Hospital.

Sister Lucy Oesch is weaker at this writing. The family has our prayer and hope.

Bro. Alex Stoller and his wife, also their daughter—Edna, were guests of the Harri sisters, visiting at the Philip Wingeier home and also Margaret Wingeier's.

The young Sunday School class has enjoyed singing at Latty, Ohio; Bay City, Michigan; also, attending at Camp Mack, of late.

Oct. 13 will be singing at the church; later, in honor of October birthdays, lunch will be served.

Bro. Philip Wingeier and his wife hope to be at church in Bay City, Sunday, Oct. 9.

Mrs. Mary Wingeier passed away Sept 3. Burial was in Lowell Cemetery on Labor Day. Brother Ben Maibach Jr. spoke to many. An inspiration to all her family and friends, she was a mother of eight, and the first to become a baptized member of Alto.

For 66 years she lived in America, coming from Switzerland at the age of 18. Her father, a brother and a sister also came to America.

In appreciation, the family, friends and members of Alto wish to thank Brother Ben Maibach for a well-given spiritual consolation. This mother's life lives on. The singing of hymns completed a beautiful memory.

Alfred Weigele will be stationed in Detroit soon. Ernest Weigele has completed his studies at M.S.U. Stan Wingeier is in Radio Service in Texas. Tom Schrenk is on an island near Honolulu. We truly miss them.

Philip Wingeier's brother, Anton Wingeier, is convalescing in Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids.

Bro. and Sister Loren Stoller and children visited Alto.

ATHENS, HILLSBORO, LANDERSVILLE, ALABAMA

Reporter: Clara Heiniger

Friday evening, Sept. 2, the Landersville church group met at the home of Chester and Barbara Simmons for worship and Sunday school service. We rejoice in the Lord, for them giving their hearts to the Lord recently.

Sister Bessie Drake has been ill for some time, and would appreciate letters or cards anytime. Her address is Mrs. Lester Drake, Route 1, Moulton, Alabama.

Brother and Sis. Aaron Bauer and family of Cissna Park, Ill., spent the week end of Sept. 4 visiting the Athens, Hillsboro, and Landersville churches.

Sister Bertha Harville of the

Landersville area enjoyed having the members and new converts in her home for a study of God's Word, Sept. 14.

Worship services were held at the home of Arthur Blankenship for all the friends and new converts of the Lester, Ala., area, the evening of Sept. 15.

Fri. evening, Sept. 16, Bible Study for young and old was held at the home of Mrs. Ollie Lee Rainey.

Buddy and Betty Chambers, who have recently given their hearts to the Lord, enjoyed having a Study of God's Word in their home, the evening of Sept. 20.

Bro. and Sis. Melvin Schrock of Elgin, Ill., spent Sept. 25 visiting the Alabama churches.

Sis. Kathryn Rother of Morton, Ill., spent several days visiting in the homes of Sis. Bertha Harville, Sis. Bessie Drake, Sis. Jewel Moss, and Sis. Ruby Moss, also attendnig the three Alabama churches.

Worship services was held at the home of Bro. and Sis. George Kelly for friends and members around the Prospect, Tenn., area, Wed. evening, Sept. 21.

Bro. Noah Bauman of Rittman, Ohio, and Bro. and Sis. Henry Kilgus of Forrest, Ill., spent a few days visiting families and the three churches of Alabama.

BLUFFTON, INDIANA

Reporter: Frieda Kipfer

Sunday School Services 10:30 A.M.,
Mid-Week Services 8:00 P.M.

(Additional to Sept. printing.)

Bro. and Sis. Joe Klopfenstein of Gridley, Ill., and Bro. and Sis. Theo Beer of Milford visited us on Sept. 4.

In the afternoon, funeral services were held for Mrs. Fred Schaefer of Vera Cruz. Bro. Beer officiated, and burial was in the church cemetery.

Bro. and Sister John Yergler and others went to Morton, Ill., on the 11th.

Karen Neuenschwander, daughter of Ellison Neuenschwander, and

Richard Kaehr, son of Bro. and Sis. Ezra Kaehr, were married Sept. 11. Bro. Sam Aeschliman officiated.

Bro. and Sis. Sam Aeschliman, Bro. and Sis. John Yergler, and others attended the funeral of Bro. Wm. Furrer and Sis. Stoller at Wolcott.

Bro. and Sis. Aeschliman also attended the funeral of Bro. Wm. Klopfenstein at Leo.

On Sat. evening, Sept. 17, Bro. Aeschliman assisted with provings in Latty, Ohio. Others from here also spent the evening there.

Bro. and Sis. Simon Wagenbach of Tremont, Bro. and Sis. Harry Bucher of La Crosse, and others from Elgin, Ill., and neighboring churches visited us on the 18th.

Mabel Steffen, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Obed Steffen, and Harry Geisel, son of Bro. and Sis. Olen Geisel, were united in marriage by Bro. Aeschliman at his home, Sept. 18.

Funeral services were held for Bro. Gideon Gerber, 86, who passed away in the Clinic Hospital on the 16th, after an illness of several weeks. Bro. Harry Bucher officiated, and burial was in the church cemetery.

Bro. and Sis. Carl Kipfer and family were at the church in Ft. Wayne on the 25th.

Bro. Ned Kipfer, who was home on leave, has returned to Ft. Lewis, Washington.

Bro. and Sis. Sam Aeschliman and others spent the week end in Junction, Ohio, where Ben and Carolyn Manz were baptized. Carolyn is the daughter of Sis. Aldula Steffen of Bluffton.

Sis. Ida Kaehr, 77, passed away in the Adams County Hospital in Decatur, after an illness of several weeks. Funeral services were on the 27th. Bro. Aeschliman officiated, and burial was in the church cemetery.

Sis. Lydia Conrad of Portland, Ore., has moved to Indiana, to be near her daughter and son-in-law, Bro. and Sis. Arthur Moser and family.

Mari Ann Snyder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Snyder, and De

Wayne Moser, son of Sis Mary Moser, were united in marriage by Bro. Aeschliman on Oct. 2.

Wm. Gerber, son of Bro. and Sis. David Gerber, who has been in Okinawa, is home on leave.

Bro. and Sis. Orville Ringger visited in Forest, Ill., on Oct. 9.

Funeral services were held here for Levi Frauhiger, who passed away on the 7th. Bro. John Yergler officiated, and burial was in the church cemetery.

A birth: To Bro. and Sis. Gerald Fiechter, a daughter, on Sept. 28.

BREMEN, INDIANA

Reporter: Lydia Heuberger

Births: A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Zimmer, South Bend; the date, September 12.

A son, Bryan Jay, to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Meister, Nappanee, Indiana. The date, October 1, 1960.

We rejoice reporting that the following have been announced as having peace in their hearts and are awaiting baptism at a later date: Sharon and Karen, twin daughters of Bro. Silas and Sister Pauline Laidig. Verdon Feldman, son of Sister Aldine and Willard Feldman.

We also have five more school-age boys and girls who have given their hearts to the Lord, and they will be mentioned at a later date. We praise the Lord and thank our Heavenly Father for the spiritual showers of blessing granted our congregation the past few months.

BURLINGTON, OKLAHOMA

Reporter: Mrs. Raymond Roth

Bro. and Sis. Eugene Schmidt of Winthrop, Minn.; Bros. Walter Sinn of Latty, Ohio; Robert Frank, Morton, Ill.; and Ray Haab of Milford, Ind., also Donald Tanner of Goodfield, who are all stationed at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, visited here Sept. 4.

Our congregation extends their

and Joe Stoller families of Wolcott, deepest sympathy to the Will Furrer Indiana. Bro. and Sis. Furrer and Bro. and Sis. Stoller visited here Sept. 8 and the morning of Sept. 9 Bro. Furrer held services here the evening of Sept. 8, which was his last sermon.

Bro. Noah Schrock of Burlington, Iowa, visited here Sept. 11.

Bro. John Stiager passed away at his home, Sept. 12, after a lingering illness. Funeral services were held Sept. 15, Bro. Eli Somerhalder and Bro. Roy Farney officiating.

Sis. Raymond Roth returned home Sept. 23, after spending three weeks with her daughter and family, Bro. and Sis. Glenn Moser of Roanoke, Ill., in helping care for her new granddaughter, Leanne Beth, born Sept. 1. Sis. Roth also attended the funerals of Bro. Wm. Furrer and Sis. Tillie Stoller at Wolcott, Ind., Sept. 13, and Sis. Martha Heinold at La Crosse, Ind., Sept. 22.

Sis. Ed (Sophia) Kircher has been in the Kiowa, Kansas, hospital for a gall bladder operation. She is now home, and doing well.

Bro. John Schupbach had major surgery at the Kiowa, Kansas, hospital Sept. 26. At last report, he was recovering nicely.

We have started Junior Chorus practice, with the 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades. These young folks meet twice a month to sing and enjoy fellowship with each other. We have approximately twenty-five Sunday School Students in this group.

A large group attended a farewell singing and fellowship at the church, Sunday evening, Oct. 2, in honor of Bro. and Sis. Roy Farney, who are leaving soon to make their home in Phoenix, Arizona.

Several from here attended the wedding of Esther Aberle and Lowell Novy at Sabetha, Kansas, Oct. 4. Bro. Roy Farney performed the marriage ceremony. Enroute home, Bro. and Sis. Roy Farney visited at Gridley and Lamont, Kansas.

CISSNA PARK, ILLINOIS**Reporter: Dale Eisenmann**

Bro. Joshua Broquard of Fairbury was with us Sept. 4 and Oct 2.

Bro. Herman and Sis. Katie Farney of Croghan, New York, spent a few days with us in the week of Sept. 4.

A son, Harry Alan, was born to Bro. Wilbert and Sis. Ann Gudeman on Sept. 6, and to Bro. William and Sis. Marjorie Rinkenberger was born a daughter, Karel Kay, on Sept. 10.

Grave-side services were held for the infant son of Bro. Sam and Sis. Beverly Bauer on Sept. 8.

Our dear Sister, Anna Zbinden, was laid to rest on Sept. 10.

A large number of friends and relatives from here attended the funeral services of Bro. Will Furrer and Sis. Tillie Stoller at Wolcott, Sis. Martha Heinold at La Crosse, and friend Silas Schlipf at Gridley.

Sis. Lena Feller had the misfortune of falling and breaking her wrist.

On Sept. 11, friends Karen Yergler of here and James Heinold of La-Crosse, Ind., were united in marriage.

Announcement was made on Sept. 25 of the approaching marriage of Sis. Beverly Anliker of Forrest and Bro. John Eisenmann of here.

Illinois State Normal University

September 15, 1960: Our first meeting of this school term began with a sermon by Bro. Joe Schrock. He brought out many interesting pieces of information concerning the Holy Land, where he recently visited. Twenty-four students and nine guests from Congerville and Roanoke were present.

September 22, 1960: At this meeting, Bro. Joe Schrock showed his movies of the Holy Land, instead of having the regular church services. We had a record crowd: 135 people registered, of which 25 were students. Guests were from Fairbury, Forrest, Gridley, Peoria, Congerville, Cissna Park, Morton, Goodfield, Eureka and

Roanoke.

September 29, 1960: This meeting was devoted to fellowship and singing. After eating supper together at a restaurant, we returned to the Student Union, where we usually have our meetings for the singing. Twenty-four students and three Congerville guests were present.

University of Illinois

Our first meeting for this school year was held on Sept. 21. Bro. Ed Hohulin of Goodfield had the service.

On October 5, Bro. Roy Sauder of Peoria held services. The efforts of our visiting brothers and our singing together after the sermons are truly appreciated and enjoyed by the students here.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

On August 7, Brothers and Sisters Dave and Ann Mangold, Lee and Emma Scherer, Roanoke; Willis and Lois Ehnle and family, Tokyo; and Henry and Alice Beer, Milford, visited our congregation. We are thankful for their inspiring messages.

Visitors to our congregation during the months of August and September are as follows:

August 12, Sis. Marie Neihouser, Francesville; Helen Gerst, Burlington; and Kathy Grimm, Quincy.

August 14, Brothers and Sisters Walt and Mina Anliker and family; Richard and Wilma Steiner, Rittman; Betty Baker, La Vone Kinsinger, Pasadena; Friend Rosemary Bowald, Champaign; and Friend Al Weigele, Alto.

August 15, Sisters Louise Aberle and Hilda A Hany, Richard and Peter Hany from Rockville.

August 19, Brother Noah and Sister Hattie and Eleanor Schrock, Sisters Bertha Lee Wagenbach, Burlington; Sisters Lydia and Margaret Broquard, Fairbury; and Sister Mariam Bachtold, from Forrest; Bro. Werner and Sis. Elizabeth Moore and family, Elgin.

August 24, Sisters La Verne Fischer, Roanoke; Doris Bowald, Secor; Marie Klaus, Eureka; Rose and Ida Hari, Marie and Edna Stoller, Fairbury.

August 27, Brother Ralph and Sis. Ellen Weber and family and Don Garrison, from Sterling.

September 4, Bro. Ben and Sis. Ruth Fischer and daughters, Sis. Maryanne, Millie, and Dorothy, and son-John-from Roanoke.

September 11, Bros. Phil Heinold, Elvin Neust, and Don Gudeman, Bro. Art and Sis. Mary Gudeman and family, La Crosse; Bro. Maurice and Sis. Lucille Frank and daughters, Chicago; Brother John Schrenk family, Bro. Otto and Sis. Elizabeth Ramseyer, Sis. Marlene Reeves, Leah Ramseyer, Helen Ramseyer, Brother Orville Ramseyer, Sis. Marlen Mosh-er, Myrna Pashak, Neola Wackerle, Rhoda Wieland, Bro. Henry and Sis. Ida Wackerle, Bro. Herb and Sis. Naomi Ramseyer, the Emery Molnars, Bro. Eli and Sis. Ella Schlatter and daughters, Bro. John and Sis. Helen Lambert, Bro. Joe and Sis. Clara Wackerle, Bro. Lawrence and Sis. Lena Wieland and family, Bro. Henry and Sis. Eunice Meylen, Bro. Arnold and Sis. Mary Meylen, Erwin Erisman and family, Bro. Joe Waibel and daughters, Sis. Emily Rechsteiner, Ella Rechsteiner, Millie Wieland, Bro. George and Sis. Marie Waibel and family, Bro. Art Meylen and family, Sis. Emma Waibel, JoAnn Stang, from Bay City.

Many came on Saturday to attend the graduation services of Sis. Ruth Ann Ramseyer, who has just finished her three years of nurses training at Ford Hospital. We are sorry to say that she has left us, to work in Bay City.

We welcome Sis. Maureen Frank, Mary Schlatter, and Nancy Schrenk, who are entering Ford Hospital for nurse's training.

We are very thankful for three souls who were added to the fold on Sept. 11. Paul and Esther Waibel and

Marilyn Krizan were proved and baptized by Bro. Joe Waibel.

A daughter, Sally Ann, was born to Bro. Ben and Sis. Lois Belsley.

A son, David Lee, was born to Bro. Harve and Sis. Fran Bertsch.

ELGIN, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Louise Steffen

Bro. Cleo Rinkenberger of the Pulaski, Iowa, church visited here Sept. 4.

Many brothers and friends offered their services in tearing down the old house next to the church on Sat., Sept. 10. Our plans are to build an extension on the east side, as we will be needing more space in the future.

A girl was born to Alvis and Gail Kellenberger, Sept. 23. Her name is Melinda Gail.

Sister Elizabeth Metzger is home from the hospital. Virgine Haas underwent an appendectomy. Paul-ette and her brother—Curtis—Leman are back to Sunday School, after having had operations.

Elder Brothers Dave Mangold and Frank Woertz visited us on October 2.

The funeral of Sam Schellenberger 75 years old, was held Oct. 3 at the Stout Funeral Home. He was a brother of Sister Rose Shellenberger Kaptain.

Sister Emma Merkle, 74 years old, passed away October 3.

ELGIN, IOWA

Reporter: Mrs. George Butikofer

Sister Esther Moor is visiting her son, Herman, and his family at Unionville, Maryland. She plans to remain for about three weeks.

Bro. Uriel and Sis. Judy Gehring and their son, Bradley, Bro. Carl and Sis. Norene Moser and son, Bryan, spent the Labor Day week end at Morris, Minnesota.

Bro. Al Schietlin from Elgin, Illinois, was a recent visitor at the Carl Moser home at Spring Valley, Minnesota.

Sister Ida Pulfer spent about three

weeks in August visiting relatives in Iowa and Illinois.

At Remsen, Ia., she spent some time at the Jack Jacobs home. Mrs. Jacobs is Helen, one of Ida's daughters. At Pekin, Illinois, she visited at her son, Leslie's home; at Gridley, Ill., her daughters' Ruth and Bertha (Mrs. Lynn Rinkinberger and Mrs. Roy Funk). Then, at Burlington, Iowa, she was a guest of her sister, Nettie, Mrs. Leo Rothlisberger; at Oakville, she visited at her sister's home, Mrs. Bill Cordill, and at Mediapolis, Ia., she was a guest of her sister, Marie, Mrs. Jim Mulcrone.

We are happy with our accordion-type door in Sunday School. This was a recent purchase. It serves as a divider between the Bible Class and the balance of our Sunday School, giving us somewhat a quieter place to study the Word of God.

Some of the folks of like faith who visited us since our last report were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Massner and Cindy, Mr. and Mrs. Orel Steiner and Janet, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Gerst and sons of Oakville, Iowa.

Sister Louisa Metzger, who has been bed-fast for over a year, has been moved from her home in Elgin to the Fayette County Hospital.

Sister Fanny Frieden is visiting friends and relatives at West Bend, Iowa. Sister Rose Zaugg and her daughter, Sister Louisa, and her son, Brother Ed, and his wife, who visited here with relatives a few days, took Fanny with them on their way home to West Bend.

EUREKA, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Cathryn Wettstein

Visiting ministers have been as follows: Sept. 11—Bro. Chris Koehl and Bro. Roy Sauder of Peoria; Sept. 18—Bro. Elmer Witzig and Bro. Edwin Ringger of Gridley; Sept. 25—Bro. Sam Kilgus of Remington, Ind., and Bro. Joe Kaisner of Forrest; Oct. 2—Bro. Joe Hodel of Roanoke, a morning service visitor.

Sept. 7, we resumed our Wednesday

evening services, after a few weeks vacation during the hot weather. Bro. Gene Bertschi was our guest and speaker.

The Sunday of the 18th, we had a large group of visitors from various churches. It was the get-together of a group of brothers who met in London during the war years. So now, with their wives and families, they get together once a year. They all enjoyed a supper at the Roanoke Builder's basement in Roanoke. A few more than 100 attended.

Sept. 25, the Bible Class went to Fairbury today, and also took part in the singing in the evening.

A son was born to Bro. and Sister Ellsworth Stoller Sept. 8. The name chosen is David John.

FAIRBURY, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Joyce Huber

Our Church times of service are: 10:00 A.M. and 12:30 P.M.

We rejoiced to have Carol Broquard give her testimony, be baptized, and arise to a new life in Christ Jesus, from whom we can receive strength to live for His glory.

Bro. and Sis. Don Broquard have a new baby girl, Jane Marie, born Sept. 9.

The Forrest Sunday School visited us on Sunday, Sept. 11.

The Bible Classes of Eureka and Tremont Sunday Schools spent all day Sunday, Sept. 25, with us, and after the Bar-B-Que, sang praises to God at the Christian Endeavor here, of which also Princeville, Gridley, Congerville, Goodfield, and our local Sunday Schools took part.

Fairbury was also host to the Peoria, Morton, Roanoke, and Forrest Sunday Schools at a Christian Endeavor, Sunday, Oct. 2. They all were very inspiring, and may it be to the glory of God.

Bro. and Sis. Edw. Huber, Sis. Joyce, and Sis. Katharine Fehr, along with others from Congerville and Morton, returned home from their

European, Egypt, and Holy Land Tour, which had been quite a blessing and enlightening.

Sis. Amanda Bingham has moved to live with Mary Kilgus, whose address is 527 S. Fourth St., Fairbury, Illinois.

FORREST, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Ken Schneider

Visiting ministers were Bro. Lowell Stoller of Princeville and Bro. Leroy Hartman of Peoria on September 25. Also, Bro. Robert Hueni of Bremen, Ind., was here for the funeral of Emil Herberick.

We laid to rest friend Emil Herberick on Sept. 26; the infant daughter "Joy Annette" of Bro. Roy and Sis. Ann Maurer on Sept. 27; and friend Earl Martin, the husband of Jean (Koehl) Martin, on September 28.

Our Elder Bro. Henry Kilgus is attending the churches in Alabama.

An announcement on September 25 revealed the engagement of Sis. Beverly Anliker of Forrest to Bro. John Eisenmann of Cissna Park. We wish them God's blessings and guidance.

The Bible Class accepted the invitation from Fairbury to partake in the Christian Endeavor on October 2.

On October 5, our friend, Duane Schneider, was called to serve in the armed forces of our country. We wish him and all the other friends and brothers who are called God's richest blessing and guidance.

FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

Reporter: Delores Stoller

Church Services:

Morning Singing—10:00 to 10:30 A.M.

Services and Sunday School—10:30 A.M.

Sunday Evening Singing and Services—7:30 P.M.

Several weeks ago, a Sunday School picnic was held at the Plantation

Park for all the Sunday School children and parents.

We had visitors from Bluffton and Fort Wayne, Ind., Bro. Walter Aeschliman, Bro. Sy Fulkerson, Bro. James Winzeler, Bro. Vernon Gerber; also from St. Louis, Mo., Jack and Barbara Kotsjk and son Danny; from Rockville, Conn., Sisters Esther M. Luginbill, Bertha and Leah Schneider, LaVina Kloter, and Emma Beckley.

Mrs. Louise Betz and her son, Walter, have just returned home from a trip to Denver, Colorado, and visiting friends and relatives in Francesville, Indiana.

Bro. Matt and Sis. Aldian Wackerle are leaving for Alabama, and then on to Cissna Park, Ill., for the Brother Meeting, then for a couple of weeks in Bay City, Mich., visiting family and friends.

FORT WAYNE, INDIANA

Reporter: Mrs. Albert E. Kipfer

The young people of the Sunday School held a program Sept. 11, on the theme "Faith."

We were happy to have Neil Stoller, 4-year-old son of Bro. and Sis. Norman Stoller, back in our midst again Sunday, Oct. 2, after being confined to the hospital and his home since June 18.

Sis. Elizabeth Poe, who has been confined at the Lutheran Hospital for the past ten days, is now convalescing at her home, 3223½ S. Calhoun St., Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Carol Levy, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Wm. Levy, is teaching "Speech Therapy" at four schools in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Her mailing address is in care of Marie Oppe, 910 Dartmouth, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Our visiting ministers during the past month were: Bros. Harry Bucher and Henry Beer, Sept. 4; Bros. Andrew Dotterer and Emanuel Gude-man, Sept. 11; Bros. Philip Gutwein and Otto Norr, Sept. 18; Bros. Herman Hueni and Carl Kipfer, Sept. 25;

Bros. Arthur Gudeman and Elmer Harter, Oct. 2.

FRANCESVILLE, INDIANA

Reporter: Mrs. Willis Wuethrich

Our Promotion Day program was held Sept. 25. Each child in the individual classes is required to learn the following: 4 yrs.—John 3:16, 5 yrs.—The Lord's Prayer, 6 yrs.—then ten commandments, 7 yrs.—Books of the Bible, 8 yrs.—the 23rd Psalm, 9 yrs.—the Beatitudes, 10 yrs.—the 100th Psalm.

Again we praise Him for goodness and mercy, as we tell of new converts for Christ, Betty Wuethrich, Aex Gutwein, John Mark Von Tobel, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shidler, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Gutwein Jr.

Mrs. Perry Neihouser is improving from recent surgery.

A son, Nicholas Allen, was born Oct 1 to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gutwein Junior. He has two brothers.

GIRARD, OHIO

Reporter: Jesse Emch

Church Services:

Sunday School, 9:30 A.M.

Morning Services, 10:30 A.M.

Afternoon Services, 12:30 P.M.

Sister Elizabeth Games spent several weeks visiting friends and relatives in New Martinsville, West Virginia.

Sister Anna Enyeart, her son—Don, and her daughter—Barbara, returned from California Oct. 2, from a visit with (Anna's) son, Paul and grandson, also brethren and friends. They attended church in Altadena, California.

Sister Ruth Bollinger has been visiting her daughter and family, the Robt. Grafts, in Barberton, Ohio. She attended church in Akron, Sunday, Sept. 25, and Rittman Church, Sunday, Oct. 2. She came home Monday, Oct. 3, and has left again to visit a sister, who lives near St. Louis, Mo., and then to visit another sister, who lives near Port Charlotte, Florida.

On Wednesday, Oct. 5, Lydia Klotzle and her granddaughter, Naris Klotzle, left by plane from Cleveland, Ohio, for California, where they will spend some time with relatives and brethren.

We wish all God's protection and a safe return.

Bro. Lorentz and Sister Caroline Emch were in Rittman, O., Sunday, Sept. 25.

We were happy to have the Robt. Gasser family as our guests on Sunday, Sept. 25.

Sister Elizabeth Games is home, after a few days in the hospital for surgery. Sister Ethel Hafely is also home convalescing, after being in the hospital for a few days. She had an attack of pleurisy, which brought on a heart attack. We wish them both well, and hope they can soon attend church.

Sister Louisa had a fall, causing great discomfort of body, but luckily no bones were broken.

We had our mid-week services at the home of Carl Tochtenhagen, where Sister Emma Tochtenhagen has been making her home since she has been ill.

GOODFIELD, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Marian Wiegand

Twyla Bauman and Pat Myers of Lester, Iowa, were united in marriage, September 4, at the home of her parents, Bro. Louis and Sister Norma Bauman.

Wednesday evening services have been resumed. Services commence at 7:30 P.M.

Bro. Howard and Sister Phyllis Zobrist are the parents of a son, born September 15. He has been named Phillip Howard.

GRIDLEY, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Miss Marilyn Schieler

Our church services are as follows:

Morning Services—10:30 A.M. ---

Morning Sunday School—10:30 A.M.

Afternoon Services—12:30 P.M.

Afternoon Sunday School—12:30 P.M.

Mid-Week Services—8:00 P.M.
(Wed. eve.)

Singing at the church the third Sunday of each month—7:00 P.M.

A son, David Lee, was born to Bro. and Sis. Floyd Meiss, on September 12. David has a sister, Linda Jo.

A sudden heart attack claimed the life of our friend, Silas Schlipf, on Sunday, September 25, at his home. He was 65 years of age. Bro. Emanuel Gudeman of Cissna Park conducted the funeral services, which were held September 28.

Sis. Esther Yergler and Sis. Matilda Stortz recently returned from a three-week trip to Silverton, Oregon, where they attended the wedding of their niece, Sharon Bolliger. While there, they attended church at the Silverton and Portland congregations. They also visited at the home of Bro. and Sis. Guy Miller.

GRIDLEY, KANSAS

Reporter: Mrs. Rudy Bahr

A Sunday School picnic and hymn-singing was held at Kelley Park in Burlington, the evening of October 2. We enjoyed the fellowship of several families of the Lamont congregation, who met with us.

Sister Dorothy Young is now home from the hospital, after a week's illness there. We hope she will soon be back with us at church.

On September 18, Bro. Lloyd Kraft's Junior Sunday School Class invited the Junior class of Ft. Scott for the day. Those attending from Ft. Scott were Connie Miller, Tommy Sinn, Charles Sinn, Ronnie and Lonnie Banwart, Ruby Sinn, Bro. and Sis. Lyle Fischer and sons, and Bro. and Sis. Raymond Banwart.

Bro. John Somerhalder had major surgery on September 17, at the Kansas University Medical Center, Kansas City, Kansas. He is to undergo further surgery soon, and would enjoy hearing from friends. His room

number is 47A.

Our congregation was inspired by the services of Bro. Roy Farney, Burlington, Okla., at Lamont, Tuesday evening, October 4. We shall miss him, but wish him and his family well with his move to Arizona.

Visitors: September 4—Mr. and Mrs. Glen Young and family, Turon; Bro. and Sis. Howard Warner and family, Arlington; Ungela Strahm, Wichita; Matt Strahm, Minnesota; Bro. and Sis. Harold Kraft and family, Wichita. October 2—Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Beyer and family, Wichita; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Schifferer, Elgin, Illinois.

LA CROSSE, INDIANA

Reporter: Bert Bucher

Bro. Otto Norr of Leo was our visiting minister on Sunday, August 28.

Sunday School classes were begun again on Sept. 11, after a month's vacation.

Eula Mae Heinold, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Aaron Heinold, and Joan Heiniger, daughter of Bro. and Sis. John Heiniger, have turned to the Lord. We wish them God's blessings.

Funeral services for Sister Martha Heinold, who passed away at Phoenix, Ariz., Sept. 19, were held here in LaCrosse on September 22. Bro. Geo. Yergler conducted the services, assisted by Bro. Henry Sabo of Mansfield and Bro. Philip Gutwein of Francesville.

Karen Yergler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Yergler of Cissna Park and Jim Heinold, son of Bro. and Sis. Virgil Heinold, were united in marriage on September 11.

Doreen Stewart, daughter of Bro. Doyne and Dorothy Stewart, and Paul Kuehl were united in marriage on October 2.

Bro. Joe Heinold has returned to his home in Phoenix.

LATTY, OHIO

Reporter: Roberta Stoller

On Saturday evening, Sept. 17, we had the provings of our eight friends.

Baptism was held on Sunday. They were: Janice and Gary Stoller, Merrill Laukhuf, Bill Laukhuf, Kenneth and Marge Laukhuf, Otto and Joe Schlatter. The following ministers were here: Bros. Sam Aeschliman, Wm. Fiechter and Carl Kipfer of Bluffton; Bros. Theo Beer and Elmer Hartter of Milford; Bro. Henry Wackerle of Bay City; Bros. Andrew Dotterer, Henry Manz and Ben Schlatter of Junction; Bro. John Bollier of Leo; and Bro. Walter Rehklaw of Toledo. Many other relatives and friends were here from Bay City, Akron, Rittman, Eureka, Bluffton, Leo, Toledo, Junction, Alto, Francesville, Milford and Detroit.

Bro. Earl and Sister Anna Lou Grimm spent Labor Day week end with her folks, the Emil Stollers. Bro. Earl has received his discharge from the service, and they have just returned from Ft. Lewis, Wash., where they have been stationed. They will now make their home in Princeville.

Our friend, Iris Laukhuf, had the misfortune of hurting her leg in a lawn-mower accident.

Bro. Robert Beer, his wife, and his daughter of Mansfield, O., visited us Sept. 11.

Births: A daughter, Janell Frances, to Bob and Aldine Price, born Sept. 2. A daughter, Kimberly Kay, to John and Lillian Schlatter, born Sept. 1. A daughter, Betty Jo, to Bro. Raymond and Sister Catherine Klopfenstein, born Sept. 24.

Quite a number from here attended the funeral in Wolcott of Bro. Will Furrer and Sister Stoller. Our deepest sympathy is extended to both families. Sister Dorothy Stoller of here is a daughter of Bro. Furrer.

We are glad to see that Bo. Gus Rager is again able to assemble with us, after missing for some time.

On September 24 and 25, the Rittman young member group was here. We enjoyed their visit very much.

Saturday evening, Sept. 24, several from here attended the proving, in Junction, of Ben and Carolyn Manz.

Sept. 24 was the wedding day of Janet Laukhuf and Robert Williamson.

Brother Walter Sinn is home now from Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, on leave.

On October 2, our visiting ministers were Bro. LeRoy Huber of Eureka and Bro. Edmund Kloter of Fairbury. Their wives and families, Bro. and Sister Harry Rocke, and Bro. and Sister Vernon Blunier and families of Eureka were also here. Communion Services were held, with Bro. Huber assisting our Elder Bro. George Sinn.

A group of the young members from Milford were also here October 2. In the afternoon, we visited Sister Christine Kupersmith, and sang several songs for her. She has been unable to attend services for some time. In the evening, others came from Fort Wayne and Bluffton for a singing.

FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS

Reporters: Edwin and Carol Baurer
On the week end of September 17, we had visitors from Illinois and Iowa. With us then were Brother and Sister Adolph Tanner and their daughter, Madolyn, from Goodfield, Illinois, and Orvie and Loretta Knobloch, from Lester, Iowa.

Bob Geisel, a friend from Bluffton, Indiana, has arrived here at Fort Sam for Medical Training.

We were blessed with visitors from Indiana on the week end of October 9. Elder brother Theo Beer and his wife, Naoma, from Milford, Indiana, were with us. Also, Brother and Sister Bob Wuethrich and daughter, Becky, were with us then from Francesville, Indiana.

LESTER, IOWA

Reporter: Emelie Knobloch

Several cars from here attended the wedding of Swyla Baumann, daughter of Bro. and Sister Lou Baumann of Goodfield, Ill., and Raymond Meyer, son of Bro. and Sister Alvia Meyer at Goodfield, Sept. 4. Bro. Frank

Woertz of Goodfield performed the ceremony, in the home of the bride's parents. A reception was held here Sept. 18.

Clyde Knobloch of Chicago, Ill., had a few days leave, to be with his sister, Esther Knobloch, while she was hospitalized for serious injuries she suffered, following a car accident Sept. 4. At the time of this writing, she is convalescing at her home. Lois Doornweerd broke her arm recently. Stanley Leuthold broke his thumb. Ben Feucht suffered painful injuries to his right arm, in a silo-filling mishap. Bro. Ernst Knobloch has been improving nicely, although he has been unable to attend church yet.

The young folks from here and Rittman, Ohio, were invited to Tremont, Ill., over Labor Day. Several cars from here attended.

Bro. and Sister Wilhelm Wulf and family were at Morris, Minn., Sept. 18.

Sister Bertha Feucht, Peoria, Ill., is spending some time here with her brother, Paul Nester, who is hospitalized.

Bro. and Sister Andy Mogler, Fred and Sister Carrie Metzger spent a few days at West Bend, Ia.; Pulaski, Ia.; Eureka and Princeville, Illinois, with members of their family.

Bro. and Sister Henry Mogler spent Sept. 25 at Winthrop, Minn., with their daughter and son-in-law, Bro. and Sister Roland Messner and family.

Bro. and Sister Ernst Metzger, Dela, Ida, Art, Rodney and Virgil and three cars of young folks spent Sept. 25 at Morris, Minn.

Visitors: Bro. and Sister Lou Baumann and Elaine of Goodfield, Ill.; Bob and Carolyn Banwart, Marcella Gerber, Lowell Fehr, Leonard Anliker, and Charlotte Banwart, West Bend; Bro. and Sister Ernest Kellenberger and family, Morris, Minn.; Doreen Meyer, Peoria, Ill.; Bro. and Sister Andrew Martin and Sister Verma Martin of Eureka, Ill.; Bro. and Sister Elwin Rumbold, Princeville,

Ill.; Sister Tillie Luthi and Mrs. Bill Veach, Peoria, Ill.; Bro. and Sister Chris Luthi, West Bend, Ia.; Bro. and Sister Silas Metzger and family, West Bend, Ia.; Bro. and Sister Albert Schietlin of Elgin, Illinois.

MANSFIELD, OHIO

Reporter: Aaron A. Sauder

Church Services:

Singing—9:45 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.

Services—10:00 A.M. — — — —

Singing: 12:00 Noon to 12:30 P.M.

Services—12:30 P.M.

Thursday Evening, Singing—7:30

P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Services—8:00 P.M.

The Charles Sauder family spent Sunday, Sept. 18, in Bluffton.

Saturday evening, Sept. 24, we had the pleasure of having Elders Rudolf Graf and Noah Bauman with us for the proving of friends Loretta Bocka and Dave and Shirley Roberts. On Sunday, Sept. 25, they were baptized and added to the fold. We wish our new brother and sisters much joy in the Lord. We also had visitors from Toledo, Rittman and Grabill.

Sister Reiter, who has been visiting with her son and family at Cissna Park, is back again, and is making her home at the Apostolic Christian Home. We welcome her back in our midst again.

MAYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

Reporters: Ora and Dora Sauder

Sunday Morning Services:

Bible Class—10:00-10:45

Church Service—11:00-12:00

Sunday School—11:00-12:00

Sunday Afternoon Service—1:15-2:15.

Sister Elizabeth Kaisner suffered severe shock and bruises in a fall at her home. She was hospitalized a week, but is now at home and able to attend church services.

Brother Mike Richardt had a heart attack a couple of weeks ago. We are happy to report that he is recovering at home.

Brother Theophil Schwing is in

poor health and confined to his home.

After reporting the illness in our little flock, it is a pleasure to say—on a happier note—that many of our congregation have had vacations in other states, and all have returned safe to their homes. The Lord has kept his guiding hand on the travelers, and we are thankful.

MILFORD, INDIANA

Reporter: Irma Haab

A son, Blaine Thomas, was born to John and Carol Hurd. Te is their first child.

Davy Armbruster is in Indianapolis in the hospital. We wish him aspeedy recovery. He is the son of Elmer and Doris Armbruster.

Bro. Theo and Sis. Naomi Beer will be in Texas at Aan Antonio, the week-end of Oct. 15 and 16. They went with Bro. Bob and Sis. Phyllis Wuethrich from Francesville.

MORRIS, MINNESOTA

Reporter: Mrs. Louie Messner

Visiting Ministers this month were: Sept. 4, Bro. and Sister Erill Gehring and son, Elgin, Iowa; Bro. and Sister John Wagenbach, Oakville, Iowa; Bro. and Sister Jake Pfister, Ft. Scott, Kansas; Sept 11, Bro. and Sister Noah Gerber and children, West Bend, Iowa; Sept. 25, Bro. and Sister Al Scheitlin, Elgin, Illinois; Oct. 2, Bro. and Sister Harold Messner, Gaylord, Minnesoat.

Elder Bro. Paul Banwart, West Bend, Iowa, wasalso here the Sept. 11 week end, when our dear friends, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Joos, gave their testimony on Saturday evening, and was baptized Sunday, after church services. We wish them God's blessings.

Bro. and Sister Pfister spent three weeks in our community with their daughters and families. E. O. Koehl, Charles Koehl, and Wayne Schmidgall.

Other visitors were:

Sept. 4, Bro. and Sister Jake Wuef and children, Lester, Iowa; Bro. and

Sister Carl Moser and Brian, Spring Valley, Ia.; Bro. and Sister Ernie Frank and Tom, Oakville, Iowa.

Sept. 11, Bro. and Sister Farney and her father, Bro. Rumbold, Morton, Ill.; Lecter Recka Sauer, Peoria Ill.; Bro. and Sister Fritz Messner, Winthrop, Minn.; Bro. and Sister George Messner, Gibbon, Minn.; Bro. and Sister Adolph Hossner, Bro. and Sister Virgil Mossner, Iakville, Iowa; Bro. and Sister Bill Wulf and children, Lester, Iowa; Sisters Dena and Clara Banwart, West Bend, Iowa; Bro. and Sister Albert Steiner, Bro. and Sister Chris Eisenman of Cissna Park, Illinois.

Sept. 25, Bro. and Sister Chris Luthi, Bro. and Sister Elmer Fehr, Ruth and Danny, Sister Nima Fehr and Kathy, West Bend, Iowa; Sister Tillie Luthi, Mrs. Clara Veatch, Peoria, Ill.; Bro. and Sister Albert Scheitlin Jr. and children, Elgin, Ill.; Ben and Sister Arene Traub, Forrest, Ill.; Sisters Gladys, Naomi, Eunice, Betty, Violet, Emelie, Pauline Knobloch, Brother Art and Bill Knobloch, Sister Marge Mogler, Sister Pauline and Bro. Wayne Gerber, Brother Laurence Wulf, Alfred Feucht, Eugene Nester, Bro. and Sister Ernest Metzger and Ella, Sister Viola Knobloch, all of Lester, Iowa.

Oct. 2, Bro. and Sister Don Messner and Mary, Winthrop, Minn.; Bro. and Elmer and Hazel Schmidt, Lafayette, Minnesota.

Little Laurence Luthi, five-year-old son of Bro. and Sister Ray Luthi, is now able to walk around some, having rheumatic fever since about Aug. 15.

I forgot to mention, we also have singing in church the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month from 7:30 to 8:30 P.M. We are on Standard Time again.

MORTON, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mrs. B. E. Getz

Correct time of Church Services, 10:00 A.M., 12:15 noon and 7:30 Wed. evening, Daylight Saving Time,

until the last Sunday in October.

Accompanying our visiting minister, Bro. John Yergler and wife from Bluffton, Ind., Sept. 11 were Bro. and Sis. John Baumgartner, John Frank, Joe Isch, John Moser and Eli Gerber.

Twin sons were born to Bro. and Sis. Henry Grimm Jr., Sept. 4.

Bro. Albert Fisher and his wife spent Sun., Oct. 2, with us.

Bro. Wm. Getz Sr. is a patient at the Hopedale Hospital, Hopedale, Ill.

Forty-two of the Bible Class participated in the Christian Endeavor group singing at Fairbury, Sun., Oct. 2.

Six new Sunday School rooms are being used since September.

OAKVILLE, IOWA

Reporter: John L. Steiner

On September 4, the Bluffton young members visited here. Also, visitors from Morton and Sabetha were with us.

Bro. Hartzell and Sis. Marian Schmidtgall are parents of a daughter, Janet Kay, born this past month. She is welcomed by two sets of twins, consisting of three brothers and a sister.

Bros. Herman Kellenberger of Elgin, Ill., and Phil Sauder of Cessina Park visited here on September 4.

Bro. Ralph and Sis. Lillian Ramseyer of Bay City, Mich., visited her parents, the John Franks.

Bro. Fred Grimm of Taylor, Mo., ministered to the congregations at Oakville and Burlington on Sept. 18.

PEORIA, ILLINOIS

Sister Anna Manschott of the A.C. Home passed away Sept. 29. Her funeral was held Sat., Oct. 1, Bro. Ray Sauder officiating.

Our Sunday evening Hymn sing started Sept. 4, with a large attendance. Also, we had a Hymn sing Oct. 2. Many were here from Princeville and Morton.

Ministers from here visiting other places the past month were, Bros. Le Roy Hartman to Forrest, Ray

Sauder and Chris Koehl to Eureka, Mike Weyeneth to the Old Folks Home in Eureka.

Bros. John Woermer and Irvin Hodel are attending college at Champaign. Bro. Ray Sauder conducted the Bible Class there Wed., Oct. 5. Sis. Joy Sauder is attending college at Normal, and Sis. Roberta Plattner is in Nurse's Training at Brokan Hospital in Normal.

Sis. Rise Heinsman and Sis. Emma Seibenthal are patients at the St. Francis Hospital. Bros. Sarl Baer and Kenneth Schhafer are also on the sick list.

Bro. Simon Bahler and his wife Clare, of Altodena, Calif., who used to live here for many years, spent some time with us the last week. We were glad to see them again.

Bro. Chris Hoerr and his wife are spending some time at Hot Springs.

We welcome Bro. and Sis. Paul Schmbach, who moved back to Peoria.

Our Sunday School Classes began Sunday, Sept. 4, after the summer vacation, with an enrollment of 276.

Our visiting ministers the past month were, Bro. Joe Getz of Morton, Bro. Joe Kaisner of Forrest, Bro. Noah Schrock of Oakville, Bro. Earl Kaisner of Fairbury, Bro. Silas Leuthold of Princeville, Bro. Paul Von Tobel and Bro. Conrad Gutwein of Francesville, Bro. Jess Schrock of Congerville, and Bro. Dave Mangold of Roanoke.

The Roanoke Sunday School Bible Class visited our Bible Class on Sept. 25. The teachers that accompanying them were Bros. Stanley Hodel, Ralph Knepp, Ed Moser and Don Sauder.

A daughter was born to Bro. and Sis. George Hoerr the past month.

Sister Hannah Messerli, a resident of the A.C. Home, passed away Sept. 13. Her funeral was held on Friday, Sept. 16, Bro. Michael Weyeneth officiating. Many friends and relatives attended.

Sister Bena Broquard, who has lived here for many years, has moved to Fairbury, Illinois.

Our Sunday School Bible Class teachers accompanied the class to Fairbury on Sunday, Oct. 2, for Christian Endeavor.

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Reporter: Alice Heiniger

Sunday Services:

Adult Sunday School—9:45 A.M.

Church Services—10:30 A.M.

Afternoon Services—12:30 P.M.

Mid-Week Services—Wed. 7:30 P.M.

On September 19, Sister Martha Heinold passed away. She was 70 years old. Funeral services were held here in Phoenix Sept. 19, 8 P.M., by our ministers, Bro. Clarence Yockley and Bro. Richard Schupbach. Our sympathy is extended to Bro. Joe Heinold and family. Funeral services and burial were in LaCrosse, Indiana.

Those visiting the Phoenix congregation the month of September were: Sisters Dorothy and Anna Pfister of Roanoke, Ill.; Bro. John and Sis. Lydia Hassig of Mansfield, Ohio; Bro. Carl and Sister Elsie Waibel of Forrest, Illinois. Their daughter, Sister Ethel Waibel, has moved here this past month, and we welcome her to our congregation.

Bro. Raymond Heinold, Bro. Harold Heinold, and Sister Mary Ann Feller visited their mother here in Phoenix, just before she passed away.

Births:

A boy, Dale Arthur, was born to Herb and Shirley Mohrman on August 31.

A girl, Gloria Lynn, was born to Robert and Susan Lemons on September 29.

On our convalescing list is Sister Ann Rieger, who has been in the hospital the past week.

PORTLAND, OREGON

Reporter: Mrs. Robert Miller

Sunday School—10:30

Morning Worship—10:30

Song-Service—12:30

Afternoon Worship—1:00

Thursday Evening Service—7:30

We have elected a new Sunday School teacher, Bro. Garth Steffen. May the Lord guide him to teach our children of His great love, that they may some day have the joy of being a child of God also. The Sunday School teachers have a great responsibility.

September 6, a forewell was given by Bro. Guy and Sis. Rose Miller for Sisters Lydia (Mrs. Theo Conrad) and Martha Conrad, who have moved to Bloomington, Indiana, near Sis. Lydia's children, Bro. Art and Sis. Lorraine Moser. They are greatly missed!

Sister Matilda (Mrs. Matt Stotz) and Sis. Esther Yergler have visited the Silverton and Portland churches, spending two weeks with their sister, Mrs. Elmer Bolliger. Their niece, Sharon, was united in marriage on Sept. 10.

Sept. 16, Bro. Paul and Sister Ann Rumbold and children and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Knecht drove to Morton, Ill., to visit the church and close relatives. They arrived home safely Oct. 1, and have reported a blessed trip.

Bro. Ned Kipfer arrived back, after spending a week's furlough with his folks and the beloved members at Bluffton, Indiana.

Sister Dena Woerner from Morton, Illinois, visited the Portland Church Oct. 2.

On September 18 and 25, Herman and Signe Hackenjoes from Los Angeles, Calif., visited the Portland Church and relatives.

Bro. Ben Ammann, from Maywood, California, visited the Portland Church on September 18.

We welcome our visitors heartily. It's a blessing to us to meet with our loved ones from the other churches.

PRINCEVILLE, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Ruth Ricketts

Sunday School classes were resumed again the first Sunday in September, after a few weeks vacation during the summer months.

The Bible Class enjoyed an evening of singing and fellowship in Fairbury,

September 15.

Brother Loris and Sister Martha (Leuthold) Kieser are the parents of a son, born September 5. Mark has a sister, Martha. Brother Ellsworth and Sister Donna (Sauder Martin are the parents of their first child, a daughter—Brenda, born September 8.

Sunday, September 11, was a blessed day, when we had visiting ministers, Brothers William Cottrell and Gerald Sutter and their families of Taylor Missouri, with us,

Brother Earl Grimm has been discharged from the Army, and he and his wife, Sister Anna Lou (Stoller), are now at home on a farm near Princeville.

We are happy to have five more young folks who have given their hearts to the Lord: Mary Lou Joos, daughter of Brother John and Sister Louise Joos; Jean Seidel, daughter of Brother and Sister Marie Seidel; Jane Kieser, daughter of Brother Sam and Sister Lucille Kieser; Delores Kieser, daughter of Brother George and Sister Esther Kieser; and Elda Martin, daughter of Brother Sam and Sister Louise Martin.

Sister Edith Stahl, who had been seriously ill, worshipped with us Sunday morning, October 2.

Sister Mary Streitmatter is seriously ill, and is receiving treatments in a hospital. We hope she may soon return home and have her health restored again.

PULASKI, IOWA

Reporter: Miss Eloise Wagler

Morning Service and Sunday School 10:30 A. M.; Afternoon Service 12:45 P.M.

Visitors to our congregation during the month of September were:

September 11, Ministering Bro. David Eisenman and family and Sis. Alice Rinkenberger of Burlington, Iowa; Bro. George and Sis. Betty Hoerr, Bro. John and Sis. Rose Hoerr and daughter—Cindy, Bro. Bill Heimer and family, and Bro. James Sutter and family of Taylor, Mo.;

Bro. Roger Moser and family of Oakville, Iowa. A singing was enjoyed in the evening at the Bro. Harry Wagler home.

September 18, Ministering Bro. Gus Scheitlin, his wife and daughter—Sis. Mildred of Burlington, Iowa; Bro. Pat Kinsinger and his wife and Bro. Henry Kellenberger and his wife of Elgin, Illinois. A singing was enjoyed at the home of Bro. Albert Wuthrich.

September 25, Bro. Edwin Banwart and family of Oakville, Iowa.

Our three young converts: Mary Jo Wagler, Joan Beer, and Nancy Rinkenberger have given their hearts to the Lord. May God bless them is our prayer.

REMINGTON, INDIANA

Reporter: Emily Kilgus

Bro. Robert Hueni and family visited our congregation on Aug. 28.

Funeral services were held for Bro. Joe Schneider on Sept. 5, with Bros. Robert Hueni and Philip Gutwein conducting services.

Bro. Devon and Sister Laveille Yoder are now at home on a farm near here, after their marriage at Roanoke on Sept. 28.

Lowell Bahler, son of Bro. and Sis. Jake Bahler, has been released from military service.

Sunday, Oct. 3, was Promotion Day in our Sunday School.

RITTMAN, OHIO

Reporter: Mrs. Dale Hartzler

Time Schedule:

Sunday School 9:30, Easter to Christmas. Morning Service 10:30.

Afternoon Service 1:00.

Mid Week, October to April 8:00. (Wed. eve.) May to September 8:30. Song Service: Second and Fourth Sundays in Month 8:00.

A son, David Alan, was born to the Mr. and Mrs. John Dotterers. A son, Marvin Wayne, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Indermuhle.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Stoller had the misfortune of losing their second

premature daughter, Rose Marie. The little girl lived about eight hours after birth.

Proving and baptism were held on August 28 for our new Sister-in-faith, Dorothy Zollinger.

Sons were born to Mr. and Mrs. John Calame and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hilty.

On September 11, friend Joe Blough was announced for proving; and we are happy to report two new converts, Don and Elma Stoller, son and daughter of Bro. and Sister Carl Stoller.

Our visiting ministers have been Bro. Lawrence Emch on September 25, and Bro. Andrew Dotterer, for mid-week services, on September 27.

ROANOKE, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Sara Aeschleman

Communion services were held here Sun., Sept. 11, with Bro. Dave Mangold officiating, and Bro. LeRoy Huber of Eureka assisting him.

Le Ann is the new little daughter of Bro. and Sis. Glenn Moser, born Sept. 1.

Sis. Lavielle Fehr and Bro. De Von Yoder of Remington, Ind., were united in holy matrimony, Wed. evening, Sept. 28, with Bro. Dave Mangold officiating.

The Sunday School class attended Christian Endeavor at Fairbury, Oct. 2.

Our friend, Shirley Bowald, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Arthur Bowald, is engaged to Ee Zimmerman of Fairbury, son of Bro. and Sis. Ed Zimmerman.

SABETHA, KANSAS

Reporter: Ed. H. Steiner

Our Church Services: Morning Services: 10:00 A.M.; Song Service: 12:00; Afternoon Service: 1:30. One hour song-service every other Sunday evening at 7:00.

September 9, Friend George Bauman and son, Eugene, of Manzanola, Colo., spent a few days visiting the Kinsfolks and members at Sabetha

and Bern, the Steiners, Grimms and Leutholds.

September 11, Bro. Joe Stoller, Bro. Harlan Stoller, and several others left for Wolcott, Ind., to attend the funeral of Bro. Will Furrer and Sister Tillie Stoller, who died in an auto accident, enroute to Texas.

September 4, Bro. Roy Wysong and family spent Sunday at Lester, Iowa, with their daughter, Nancy, and members there.

September 4, Bro. and Sister Ben Aberle and Sister Alina Aberle spent Sunday at Oakville, Iowa.

Sister Leota Grimm spent a few days in the hospital, but we are glad that she is much better, and at home again.

September 18, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Strahm are the parents of a baby boy, born Sept. 18. Bro. and Sister Joe Strahm are the grandparents.

Bro. Chas. Sauder returned to his studies at the Kansas University at Manhattan, Sept. 5. His home is Tremont, Illinois; he attends services at Sabetha.

September 18, Bro. and Sister Frank Woertz of Goodfield, Ill., visited the Sabetha and Bern churches on Sunday. Bro. Frank conducted services at both churches.

Bro. Chas. Metzger spent a few days in the hospital, threatened with pneumonia, but was released and returned home after a week there.

September 27, Sister Louisa Lehman died at the home of Sister Mary Maurer, her niece, where she has been for three years, after having a stroke. On the 19th of September, she had a second stroke, from which she died, at the age of 81 years. Survivors are: Jake Lehman of near Kansas City; Ed and Andy Lehman, Sabetha; Marie Plattner and Lena Edleman, Sabetha; Golda Kipfer of Omaha, Nebr.; Frieda Bauman and a brother, Fred Lehman, of Bern, Kans.; and many other relatives and friends.

October 2, we are glad for Roger Aberle, son of Bro. and Sister Alpha

Aberle, who has found grace to turn to the Saviour and repented, and wish him God's rich grace, light and help.

October 2, Sisters Martha (Emil) Fritz; her daughter—Mirriam; Mary (Simon) Wiegand and her son; and John Fritz came Saturday from Morton, Ill., to visit their mother—Mary Aberle, their sister—Alma, and brothers—Joe, Ben and Alpha; also, to attend the wedding of Esther Aberle, daughter of Bro. and Sister Joe Aberle, to Lowell Lee Novy on Oct. 4. After a few days, Mr. and Mrs. Novy will go to England, where Lieutenant Novy is assigned in the Service of the Air Force.

October 5, Elder Bro. Joe Wittmer was reported quite sick the last week and was in the hospital, but at this writing is reported much better.

Bro. Sam Anliker and Bro. Henry Koehl held Communion with the members of the Country Church, Sunday, Sept. 25.

TAYLOR, MISSOURI

Reporter: Mrs. Eli Sutter

Several of our young people have gone back to college: Bro. Norman and Sisters Lourella and Charlotte Hoerr are students at the University of Missouri, Sis. Nancy Hodel at Ill. State Normal University, and Ron Hodel at the University of Illinois at Champaign.

The Junior Bible Class of the Oakville church and their teacher, Bro. Earl Stoller, were guests of our Junior Bible Class and their teacher, Bro. James Sutter. They were accompanied by some of the other teachers and their families and parents of the students. We all enjoyed their visit very much.

Evelyn Yackley, daughter of Bro. Perry and Sis. Clara Yackley, is a patient at the hospital. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

Many from here attended the funeral of Anna Gudeman at Hampshire, Illinois. Besides the ones mentioned in the last issue, she is sur-

vived by two sisters, Sis. Rose Steffen of Elgin, Illinois, and Sis. Sarah Gust of Oookville, Iowa, also a brother, Leo Grimm of Chicago.

TSUTSUJI GAOKA, JAPAN

Reporter: Yoshito Inoue

Church service schedule:

9:15-10:15 Sunday School, Sunday Morning

10:30-12:00 Adult Sunday Services. Sunday Morning

7:30-9:00 Bible Class, Wednesday Night

7:30-9:00 Bible Class, Fri. Night at Bro. Akira's

Bro. and Sis. Willis Ehnle and their children came back from a five-month, home-visiting journey on Sept. 2, by North West Air Line.

We had a member meeting on Sept. 11. Many things were decided, and Bro. Akira Utsuki and Bro. Yoshito Inoue were elected ministers.

Holy Communion was held on Sept. 12, Monday. Monday was chosen for Bro. Shuhe: Ono, who could not take holyday from his company, but Monday.

New converts' names were announced on Sept. 25. They are Mr. Yoshio Yamazaki, Mr. Akito Inoue, Miss Yoshiko Utsuki, Miss Shizuko Kobayashi.

SHIODA, JAPAN

Reporter: Yoshito Inoue

Church service schedule:

8:00-9:00 Sunday School, Sunday Morning

8:00-9:30 Adult Sunday Service, (at night)

8:00-9:30 Bible Class, Wednesday Night

We had a welcome service on Sept. 4 for the Bro. and Sis. Ehnle family.

New converts' names were announced on Sept. 25. They were Mr. Tabao Shinkai, Miss Hamako Nozawa, Mrs. Tamino Inoue, Mrs. Hisayo Shinkai. The baptism is expected next Christmas for those at Shioda church, and also at Tsu Tsuji ga oka church if God willing.

Holy Communion was held on Oct. 2.

TOLEDO, OHIO

On September 4, Bro. and Sis. Noah Gerber of Ft. Wayne and Sis. Kathryn Rager of Latty visited us.

On September 18, Bro. and Sis. Emmanuel Manz and family and Bro. and Sis. Fred Wahl of Paulding visited in Toledo. Bro. and Sis. Chris Wuethrich Sr., Bro. and Sis. Lee Overmyer and family from Francesville, Indiana, Bro. and Sis. John Schambach and family and Bro. and Sis. Ed Schambach and family, both of Elgin, Illinois, all visited their relatives - the Jack Stewart family in Toledo.

On October 2, Bro. and Sis. Henry Stoller and Brother and Sister Levi Schwartz of Bluffton, Indiana, visited in Toledo.

TREMONT, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Esther Schmid

Bro. Ed Kohler suffered an heart attack on Sept. 2. He was a patient at Methodist Hospital, Peoria, Ill., for several weeks, but is now convalescing at home.

A group of brethren from Rittman, Ohio, and Lester, Iowa, spent the Labor Day week end at Tremont.

Bro. Charles Sauder has returned to Kansas State College at Manhattan, Kansas, to resume his studies there.

On Sept. 17, Virginia Frank, Tremont, & Robert Lockwood of Bloomington, Ill., were united in marriage. Virginia is the only daughter of Bro. George and Sis. Ruth Frank.

Births the past month:— A son; Stanley Louis, to Bro. Ray and Sis. Barbara Moser, Sept. 4; a son, Dewayne Edward, to Bro. Henry and Sis. Barbara Dill, Sept. 25; a son, John Edward, to Bro. George and Sis. Phyllis Lang, Sept. 24; a daughter, Esther Elizabeth, to Bro. Clarence and Sis. Emma Herman, Sept. 29.

Hospitalized this month were Sis. Rachel Getz, who is now home; Sis. Rose Beutel at Pekin Public Hospital; and Sis. Eunice Schupbach at Methodist Hospital in Peoria. We wish them all a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. William Davies of Rock Island, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. Nels Sabo of Slater, Iowa, spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Sauder and family, They are Mrs. Sauder's parents and grandparents.

Sunday, Oct. 9, is the wedding date for Karen Schaefer, Tremont, and Kaywin Martin, Benson, Illinois. Karen is the daughter of Bro. Ernest and Sis. Freda Schaefer.

Our Sunday school classes have moved on to the next grade. May God bless our teachers in their worthwhile work, teaching our dear children.

NEW MARTINSVILLE, WEST VA.

Reporter: Mrs. Gus Weltz

The scheduled services for the West Virginia church were not held on Sunday, September 10, because of a steady downpour of rain all day. There will not be another service there until good weather next spring.

Services are held at the Monroe church each Sunday, two Sundays in the month: All-day service, and two Sundays: half-day service.

Mrs. Emma Berger will be leaving soon for St. Marys, W. Va., where she will spend the winter months with her daughter.

Mrs. Fanny Schupbach remains about the same, a bed-patient in the home of her son, Harry Burton, in New Martinsville.

On Sunday, September 4, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Stoller and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Klopfenstein and family of Latty, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Lorentz Emch of Girard, O., Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Klotzle and family of Rittman, Ohio, visited the Monroe church for all-day services.

On Saturday, September 11, Mrs. Ella Dieslinger and nephews of Girard, O., Ida and Ruth Ingold of Rittman, O., Pauline and Charles Marty of Sterling, O., attended the Baumgartner reunion, which was held at the Monroe church.

Mrs. Emma Berger (Mrs. Chris) is very good, and able to visit with her sister occasionally.

Mrs. Emma Riggenbach of Monroe who makes her home with an invalid lady, is very well and happy as usual. This reporter visited with her recently, and had a nice chat with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Weltz, Mrs. Elza Ritz, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Wade spent Sunday, September 18, with their brother, Frank Barth, and family in Vienna, West Virginia.

LEO, INDIANA

Reporter: Mrs. Elias Souder

Martha Conrad who formerly lived here many years ago moved from Portland, Oregon, to Indiana. She has been visiting here in our midst. It is nice to meet one another again.

Janice Winzeler, daughter of Raymond Winzeler is taking some training at the Elkhart Hospital, Elkhart, Indiana.

Harry Bucher of LaCrosse, Indiana, conducted our church services on Oct. 2. He was also present in our service at the Butler Nursing Home.

John Bollier is still ill and confined to his home at Harlan, Indiana.

Louis Getz is convalescing from his recent illness at his home at 1314 Fourth Street, Fort Wayne, Indiana. Ida Getz Stuart of Elkhart, Indiana, has spent several days with her brothers, Louis and John who is still on the critical ill list at the Lutheran Hospital, Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

Sunday evening, Oct. 9, the young people and Sunday School children presented a program at the church which was well attended.

About 12 of our members attended the Brother Meeting held at Cissna Park, Illinois.

WOLCOTT, INDIANA

Reporter: Arles Kropf

(Brother Irvin Lehman has contributed much of the following.)

God, for reasons known to Himself only, has taken from us our beloved minister and dear Brother, Will Furrer and our dear Sister, Tillie Stoller. This has caused great sorrow in their homes and in our congregation; in fact, in all our churches. We have felt the love and sympathy of all in our sorrow.

These dear ones met death in an auto accident at Mineral Well, Texas, on Sept. 9, while enroute to Ft. Sam Houston, where Bro. Will intended to conduct services on Sunday. Sis. Emma Furrer and Bro. Joe Stoller were injured, but were able to return home for the double-funeral services on Sept. 13, conducted by Bros. George Yergler, Sam Aeschliman, and Dave Mangold.

We will have many precious memories and teachings from Bro. Will and Sis. Tillie throughout life. Bro. Will, during his 27 years as a faithful minister, taught us many times that death is the last enemy. Together, they met this enemy as soldiers of the Cross. Now, they have laid down their armor and their cross, and we believe will receive a starry crown.

We would ask the prayers of all, first for the bereft families and also for our congregation, that the vacancy left by the passing of Bro. Will might be filled.

Funeral services for Bro. Harvey Klopfenstein were held on September 16 by Bros. George Yergler and Sam Kilgus.

Ministering Brothers who visited us the past month were Bro. Harry Bucher, Bro. Phil Sauder, Bro. John Bollier, and Bro. Ben Schlatter. We thank them and all who remembered us during our sorrow.

A son, Samuel William, was born Sept. 20 to Bro. and Sis. Kenneth Furrer.