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DETERMINED TO WIN

On August 11, 1832, Froehlich made contact by letter with Christian Gerber, Langnau in Emmental, elder of a church there. The agreement of their views on baptism attracted him thither.

Ten days later, he himself traveled to Langnau and visited Christian Gerber, who then was nearly seventy years old.

Froehlich held daily meetings in the area, mostly accompanied by the elder of the church. The attendance grew larger and larger. On Sunday, Sept. 2, the number of hearers at Langnau was between four and five hundred. According to the custom of the time, he preached for three hours.

The word is not without fruit, but the foe senses the danger. On the following morning, the state church pastor raised his voice in a meeting of the citizens. Froehlich was haled before the magistrate, who decided after a brief hearing, that Froehlich was to leave the territory within twenty-four hours.

Back at Brugg, Froehlich could not, in spite of the prohibition, keep from visiting the persecuted churches in Aargau. In Leutwil, where there were 45 baptized souls, a penalty had been placed upon anyone who would permit the meeting in their homes.

He wrote on September 24, "We have a great cloud of witnesses before us, who for the sake of freedom in Christ, were ready to sacrifice goods and blood, whose im-

itators we should be in patience and faith.

In October, Froehlich began his activity in Zurich, where two of his sisters lived. They were, as yet, undecided to go the way, but they were no longer offended by him.

"lest . . . lest . . . lest"

"Again, think ye that we excuse ourselves unto you? we speak before God in Christ: but we do all things, dearly beloved, for your edifying.

For I fear, lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I would, and that I shall be found unto you such as ye would not: lest there be debates, envyings, wraths, strifes, backbitings, whisperings, swellings, tumults:

And lest, when I come again, my God will humble me among you, and that I shall bewail many which have sinned already, and have not repented of the uncleanness and fornication and lasciviousness which they have committed."

From II Corinthians 12

He found no hearing, however, with his former acquaintances.

In St. Gall, he met with opposition on account of baptism. He found many receptive hearts in Herisau. On November 21, he reached Wattwil.

A year before, a laborer who was active for the kingdom of God had worked. After his expulsion by the authorities, he had left many awakened ones behind. Here, Froehlich remained several weeks, in which he held meetings and strengthened the knowledge of the baptism of faith, and deepened it.

In Hauptwil (Thurgau), where he had never been, he learned to know the Brunschwiler family, who sought after divine truth, and who were deeply touched by the word and teaching about the baptism of faith.

(In 1836, he chose a daughter, Susette, of this family, as his life's partner.)

In midyear, 1833, Froehlich once more took up his work in his native city. During his absence, two brethren from Wuerttemberg, Germany, had directed the congregations in Aargau. One of these had been arrested at a meeting, the other during a visitation of the sick, and had been held for weeks in prison. In September, both were brought to the border. Their personal property was sold at public auction to defray the costs.

A Berne brother was banned from the canton, Aargau, and moved to Toggenburg. He sent an urgent call to Froehlich, as several souls longed for baptism. "Bitter experiences have taught me not to be too hasty in this matter," he wrote in September, 1833, in his diary, "for some whom we have baptized, have apostatized, when

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In Step With The Acts

Henry Souder Jr.

Our God does the impossible.

It is we who need faith and enthusiasm.

They who play the game contest for a withering crown. Yet, the enthusiasm rouses the rally . . . the athlete rebounds high in the air . . . and points are won in climaxing roar. All this ends with time which has an ending.

We have a lasting joy.

We are an unbeatable team, with faith in God. Our points are for ever.

"And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, Praising God . . ."

This is the setting for work. Victories in the vineyard are won at some time **before** they happen.

God is a superb handler of men. He knows how to pick and place. He knows how to mould into the beauty of oneness, if we work as He says.

God moves to make His children more and more acquainted, and smooth at team work. He moves to get rid of pride, envy, anger . . . and thus moving . . . He makes room for happiness.

He has His view on Tomorrow. Home is together. Home will go on and on, will know no end. The family of today is the family of Tomorrow. The love of today is the love of Tomorrow.

So, when we are in step with The Acts, we are in step with Tomorrow.

"And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness."

We need to block out the competitions to success.

The steps to success with God

are very simple: prayer, oneness, the word.

We can get stuck on ourself, and to this we have no right. Leaf through every page, every act of ourselves; we are yet unprofitable servants. The only grounds we have for asking are **His**.

The toddler that comes and wants something, just asks. But he has meaning.

We need expression in our soul. We need to tell our Father from a happy heart about His greatness. We need to just ask, with "please" in our tone.

In the steps of The Acts, also, there must be constant guarding, some correction, some "no's".

"Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears."

Yesterday was 24 hours . . . but it passed. Time is composed of equal, like parts. If part passes, the whole passes.

It is only a matter of time.

It's so nice to lie down and fall asleep in peace. To please God, rather than man, is very important for success.

In the steps of The Acts, we would, rather than have a house full of sin, have a handful with happiness.

The "no" is an essential ingredient in the recipe for success.

When we lag behind in something, we can pray for power. We can put push in, and do things we never dreamed possible!

We can rally, and hear God's cheer, giving courage to do.

"As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them."

The long victory list was done by

those who had the official stamp of approval of God though the church. Search as you may, this is the gospel way.

In The Acts, in the work of Paul, those who went out were few, but much was done. Others had a work, too. At each church, in each epistle, many shining lights were advised what to do, at their particular station.

"I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Gems and money come in small packages.

A fortune can be held in the hand.

This is the fortune of eternity. Golden duties are opportunities, in access to God's bank. His word is a treasure map that reaches in importance what we can only grasp in faith.

There is that maketh poorer, yet maketh rich.

So, in step with The Acts is in obedient steps to a joy for ever.

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NEWS


AKRON, OHIO**Reporter: Ruth Taylor****Assisted by Alice Graf**

Earl Ritzman and Diane Snellenberger were married July 28. They are making their home at 125½ Boyer St., Wadsworth, Ohio.

Sandor and Katlin Bako were welcomed into our fold as brother and sister in Christ. Katlin had attended the Apostolic Christian (Baptist) church in Hungary, and found our church to be the nearest to the ways she had known there.

We are thankful for the safe return of our Elder Brothers Rudolph Graf and Noah Schrock. Sunday, Sept. 9, Bro. Rudy told us briefly of his visit among our Japanese brethren. He found them to be sincere, earnest, and thorough in their conversion. He likened their situation to that of the apostles of old, who met with opposition from their fellow men. Though they are not bodily persecuted, it is difficult to live their life of faith, since they are few in number and misunderstood by relatives and countrymen.

We are sorry to have so much sickness to report at this time. Sis. Mary Zollinger underwent heart surgery Sept. 5, and is improving with each passing day. Her recovery has amazed all, as even the doctors had never before performed this operation. Sis. Elizabeth Gangel had surgery Aug. 31. At present, she seems improved, and plans to go home from the hospital Sept. 10. Bro. Pete Dockus has missed church some Sundays, due to failing health. The Edward Dockus' were with him Labor Day week end, and Forrest Hartzlers, Sept. 9.

Will Tschantz passed away in August. He was a brother of Sisters Lena Wright and Elizabeth Widmer.

Our friend, Margaret Graf, and Sis. Mary Ann Graf are graduating from nurse's training this September, and both plan to continue with this work. We hope they find much satisfaction in their service to the sick.

August 23, many enjoyed a picnic supper, when our Rittman neighbors brought their company

to us. They were Sisters Esther Schmid, Tremont; Marie Klaus, Eureka; Ella and Clara Thomas, Ruth and Mary Aberle of Peoria. Other Rittmanites joined us later, for the evening service.

We extend our sympathy to Janice Graf, for the sudden loss of her sister, Mrs. Norma Danesi, Sept. 2.

Friends Andrew and Mary Leidal have returned home, after spending four weeks in Hungary and one in Germany. It is 16 years since they left Hungary, and there have been many changes. In the church, there was nothing to restrict their worship, while their ministers must be seated to preach, but can stand to read the Bible. For a meagre sum, they work for the government, from sun up to sun down, and they are given a plot of ground to have a garden. Mary said we should never stop being thankful for the rich blessings we enjoy in our country.

Sept. 2, the Dan Knochels from Detroit—Sept. 3, from Rockville, Brothers Carlton Lanz, Ronald Luginbuhl, Sis. Evelyn Lanz, Mary and Irvagean Luginbuhl visited the Ernest Graf home.

ALTADENA, CALIFORNIA**Reporter: Doris Graf**

Elder Bros. Rudy Graf of Akron and Noah Schrock of Oakville visited here, on their way to Japan. Also visiting were Bro. and Sis. Ben Maibach and children, Kay, Ben, and Connie, Detroit; Jim Schrock, who lives here in Torrence; Bro. and Sis. Ernest Siegle, Oakville; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Polosej and sons, Rockville; Bro. and Sis. Fred Messner, Morris, Minnesota.

With the help of my father, Bro. Clarence Graf, we will try to give you a resume of our church:

(Part will appear later.)

The church is located on an acre of ground surrounded by many trees, including palm trees, evergreen, magnolia, and other shrubs, cactus, and flowers.

As our rains usually only come from November to May, we must continually water in summer, and a gardener cares for the flowers, grass, and shrubbery. The church is located about a mile and a half

south and below the foothills of the San Gabriel range of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Route 66 goes through Pasadena, and coming from the east, you turn off on Lake Ave., go about 3 miles north, toward the mountains. You turn west one block on Calaveras St., and our church is located on the S.W. corner of Calaveras and El Molino Sts. The address is 2243 No. El Molino.

Our members and friends work mostly in the surrounding cities. Altadena is mostly residential, and has about 40,000 people. We have members and friends coming from great distances, Lucerne Valley, 105 miles; Costa Mesa, 50 miles; Buena Park, 30 miles, Baldwin Park, 25 miles, and Los Angeles, 15 miles. But we need not worry about ice, sleet, or snow. Distances really don't mean so much here. But the majority of our members live in the Altadena-Pasadena area.

Our climate is moderate. We see snow on the mountain peaks, after heavy rains in winter, but very seldom does it reach to the foothills. Our average winter rainfall is 20 inches, up here by the mountains. We must go many miles to see crops grow, but have many citrus and fruit trees in our area.

California is not a paradise, but many of us are thankful for a moderate climate, where we can live more comfortably than in former years. Others move here by choice.

We always welcome visitors in our midst. Maywood is 17 miles from here, then Phoenix 400 miles, and Portland is over 1000 miles away, so our eastern visitors are always welcome.

BAY CITY, MICHIGAN**Reporter: Faye Wackerle**

The month of August brought us many blessings. We have had visiting ministers with us, who have proclaimed the word of God in true sincerity and simplicity. God truly spoke to our hearts. We were so reminded of the striving for those worldly possessions which seems to prevail in these times of prosperity. They are so very temporal, that it always

brings back to me the Bible verses in Luke, Chapter 12, verses 17-21. It would be well for us all to read that often, because it shows how nothing we really are, no matter how much worldly goods we claim as ours. For when God says, Tonight thy soul shall be required of thee, it is only what we have done for God that will count.

Our visiting ministers were Bro. Emanuel Gudeman from Cissna, Bro. Art Gudeman from La Crosse, Bro. Leo Moser from Lester and Bro. Robert Beer from Mansfield.

Visiting from Goodfield were Sis. Florence Bauman, Bro. and Sis. Ervin Bauman, Bro. and Sis. Eli Knapp; from Eureka, Sis. Irene Hartter; from Cissna, Sis. Cora Kaufmann, Bro. and Sis. Bert Gudeman, Bro. and Sis. Will Gudeman; from Elgin, Bro. and Sis. Elmer Getz, Bro. and Sis. Clarence Dietrich and Bro. and Sis. Adrian Kellenberger; from Lester, Bro. and Sis. Gus Knobloch; from Princeville, Bro. and Sis. Will Stahl; from Morton, Bro. and Sis. John Zimmerman, Bro. and Sis. Jack Zimmerman.

The 19th of August, Bro. Joe Ramseyer and Sis. Dorothy Bragiel were united in holy marriage. May God bless this union, that they may have a long and happy life together.

Sis. Marlene Mosher has had surgery. She is at home now, and we pray for returning health.

Something that never ceases to amaze me is traveling to our different churches. Many times, you are asked to share their home and food, and then you just become acquainted. I'm sure many wonderful friendships have developed from this hospitality.

Do we really appreciate this fellowship enough? I don't think we do. This is something of which the world knows nothing. I know, the first time we had someone stay overnight, I was quite nervous, but that soon left, and I never enjoyed an evening so much. It doesn't make any difference if the couple be young or old, we have the same thing in common, that we love our Lord. Anyone who has not had some brother and sister stay with them just doesn't know what they are missing. You don't need a house full of beautiful furniture; you just need a heart, full of love.

BERN, KANSAS

Reporter: Mrs. Lester Hartter

Sis. Lorene Stahm is back, and growing stronger, after an illness. Several of us visited aged Bro. Gottlieb Brunner at his home, and Hymn Singing was enjoyed.

Bro. Alpha Strahm Jr. was ordained to the ministry this past month. In a recent sermon, he spoke about the rise and fall of many civilizations in past history, and that only the kingdom of God will endure. The decline of former empires makes us wonder how much longer will God continue to bless our nation?

Vacation time is over, and back to school and work have come again. Many visitors have stopped here during this period, Mr. and Mrs. Rhinehard Tschopp among them. He was formerly from Switzerland.

A burial service was conducted by Bros. Harvey Grimm and Lester Hartter for Robert Paul Grimm, son of Bro. Paul and Sis. Katie Metzger Grimm, on Aug. 20. He was born at Sabetha, Feb. 15, 1947, and passed away at Winfield, Kansas. He is survived by his parents, two sisters, Mary and Martha, of the home. One brother, Keith, preceded him in death.

This reporter, with my husband, accompanied our daughter and husband, Bro. Leonard and Sis. Nancy Baumgartner to the Ozarks for a little retreat from everyday work while there. We very much enjoyed a cruise down the river, mostly by moonlight, and God seemed very near.

After having a recess from Sunday School for one month; teachers were elected. May God's word be taught in all truth and sincerity. Children are very good at spotting an untruth, even in our homes. I have four, and I know.

BREMEN, INDIANA

Reporter: Lydia Heuberger

Bro. Emil Meister, age 85, passed away on Aug. 11, following a stroke several days prior, and funeral services were held on the 14th, at the church, with Bro. Theo. Beer officiating. Many relatives and friends attended the services.

Visitors: Aug. 26, Bro. and Sis. Emmanuel and Elsie Sinn and daughters and Sis. Violet Koch from Tremont; Sept. 9, Bro. and Sis. Vernon Bucher and Bro. and

Sis. Charles Rinkenberger, La-Crosse.

Birth: A son, Thomas, to Bro. and Sis. Duane and Jo Laidig.

Bro. Robert Hueni, one of our ministers, has been confined to the Bremen Hospital since Sept. 4. His condition is much improved, and we hope to have him with us again soon.

Sis. Catherine VonBergen remains in the Bremen Hospital, but it is anticipated she will soon be able to go to her daughter's home for nursing care. Her condition is somewhat improved.

Janna Zeltwanger, little daughter of Bro. and Sis. Richard Zeltwanger, is suffering quite severely with rheumatoid arthritis. Her condition will not permit her going to school, so she will be receiving lessons in her home.

EUREKA, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Cathryn Wettstein

August 26, Bro. Robert Hueni from Bremen was our guest for the day. His family was with him also. In the evening was our monthly singing for everyone. When the singing was done, Bro. Robert gave a few closing remarks, and then a prayer ended the services.

Sept. 5, Wednesday evening, the Roanoke congregation gathered with us. Bro. Eugene Bertschi had the services. Bro. Dave Mangold, Bro. Joe Hodel, and Bro. Joe Zimmerman were also with us.

From now on, we will have our mid-week services each Wednesday evening again, beginning at 8 o'clock (D.S.T.)

Bro. and Sis. Ervin Kempf's daughter, Elaine, was married to Roger Hodel from Roanoke, on Aug. 26.

Here are a few things that might be of interest about our church and it's location, etc.

When traveling on Highway Route 24 through Eureka, it is the last street at the west end of town, called Walnut Street, where you turn off. Coming into Eureka from the west, it is the first street; turn right one block, and there it is . . . you can't miss it. We are about 20 miles east of Peoria.

The population of Eureka is about 2500 people. As for the general area, it is mostly farming, such as corn, oats, soy beans, sweet corn and pumpkins.

The climate goes by seasons, so

we have all kinds of weather during a year's time. Sometimes we have dry weather, as this past summer . . . have had severe dry spells; then, usually, we have some real good rains, which refresh everything again. Then we have to know that God sends His rain again as showers of blessings. Temperatures vary also, sometimes in the summer it gets very hot and humidity is very high. In winter, it gets cold and sometimes there are quite large amounts of snow.

The people who attend church here are town folks and quite a few farmers from each direction.

With these few words, it is also an invitation to any who would be traveling at any time of the year, to stop and visit our place of worship any Lord's day, and fellowship with us. It is always a blessing to meet people of the same faith and that have the same goal in mind; of some day meeting on yonder shore.

FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA Reporter: Florence Sutter

Most of our members and friends have gone on vacation and returned home safely, for which we are very thankful.

Sis. Vi Gerber is confined to her bed for several weeks. We wish her God's help and a speedy recovery.

Roger Bachtold has announced his engagement, and will be married in the near future to Miss Sherlene McCarthy of Hattiesburg, Mississippi. We wish them a happy, successful marriage.

Visitors for this month were Bro. Jim Winzler and family of New Haven, Indiana. Also, several of us enjoyed a pleasant evening with Christ Feucht of Peoria, Ill.

Walter Betz, who is stationed at Ft. Sam Houston, would enjoy mail from friends and relatives. His address is

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FORT SCOTT, KANSAS Reporter: Marie Zaugg

On August 12, Bro. and Sis. Frank Beyer of Gridley, Kansas, visited our congregation, and also visited with Sis. Rosa Beyer. Sis. Rosa has been unable to assemble with us for some time on account of illness. She is now feeling better, and we hope and pray that she

can worship with us soon again.

Bro. and Sis. Roy Schrock of Congerville were with us August 16.

We were all thankful to have with us an elder, Bro. Lester Hartter from Bern, on August 26. We received a rich blessing from God's holy word. May the inspiring message be brought to fall on fertile hearts and bring forth much fruit. With Bro. Lester were his wife and Bro. and Sis. Leonard Baumgartner, also from Bern. Bro. and Sis. John Schwind of Peoria were with us also on this day. Visiting us on August 23 were Bro. and Sis. Noah Gerber of Fort Wayne and Bro. and Sis. Herbert Bauman and family of Sterling, Ohio.

GRIDLEY, KANSAS Reporter: Dorene Strahm

Our dear friend, Jake Strahm, was baptized and taken into the fold on Aug. 19. He is the son of Bro. and Sis. Loren Strahm. May God grant him His rich blessings.

Scott Strahm, five, also a son of Bro. and Sis. Loren Strahm, was painfully injured in an oil-well pump jack recently. Scott had climbed on the jack to look for the family's cows. The jack is operated by a time clock, and while Scott was on top of it, the clock set the pump into action, causing him to fall between the shaft and the weights. His brother, Phill, 7, pull him out. Scott received a badly bruised right thigh and two blood clots. He is attending school, after two weeks in the doctor's care.

Bro. Sam Huber, one of our ministering brothers, spent several days in the Wesley Hospital in Wichita, this last month, for observation.

Bro. T. Winzeler had a stroke on Aug. 25. He is in the Coffey County Hospital in Burlington, Kansas. His right arm is still paralyzed, but his condition is somewhat improved at this writing.

Brian Bahr, young son of Bro. and Sis. Roy Bahr, was taken to the Asthma Clinic in Oklahoma by his parents, for observation. Brian has had asthma quite badly all his life.

Visitors the past month: Aug. 11, Bro. and Sis. Howard Warner and family, Arlington; Ungela Strahm, Wichita; and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bahr and family, Phoenix. Aug. 19, Bro. and Sis. Virgil Hartter, Bro. and Sis. Roy Wysong, Bro.

Eldon Metzger, Sisters Sally Wy-song, Dee and Carol Metzger, Jeanette Strahm, Diane Farney and Irma Esslinger, Bro. and Sis. Alvin Strahm, Sis. Cordelia Locher, Sis. Sarah Meyer, all of Sabetha; Sis. Waneta Sinn of Ft. Scott; Sisters Jackie Bowers and Roberta Farney, Bro. and Sis. Bruce Dopps and family of Wichita; and Mrs. Doris Norman and boys of Colorado. Aug. 26, Matt Strahm of Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Elsie Hemphill and boys of Lawrence, Ks.; and Mrs. Gladys Bothum of Kansas City, Missouri.

LATTY, OHIO Reporter: Roberta Stoller

Visiting ministers this month: On August 12, Bro. Edmund Kloter of Fairbury, and Bro. Philip Wing-eier of Alto. On Sept. 9, Bro. Joe A. Getz and Bro. Henry Grimm of Morton were with us; for evening services, Bro. Joel Souder of Leo and Bro. Andrew Dotterer and Henry Manz of Junction were here. We are always glad to have the brothers visit us, and are thankful for the messages they share with us. Their wives accompanied them.

On the sick list this month: Sis. Dolly Lauhuf was hospitalized, but is with us again. Sis. Mary Rager is confined to her home, and Sis. Rosie Guingrich is now in the Autumn Manor Rest Home in Paulding, Ohio. We are glad she has improved enough to leave the hospital.

We have had two engagements announced this month. They are Bro. Jess Kupersmith and Sis. Elizabeth Steffen of Junction and Bro. Otto Schlatter and Sis. Patricia Steffen of Alto. We wish them much happiness together.

Birth: This was not listed last month by error. A son, Byron Dean, was born to Dallas and Betty Stoller, on July 31.

HISTORY

Around March 1, 1913, several families moved to farms near Latty. A few families had moved here before. Since there was no church of the Apostolic Christian denomination at Latty, they attended church at Junction, which was 12 miles from Latty.

On Oct. 15, 1914, the church building was purchased for \$220.00. The frame of the building was in good condition, but needed a new

foundation, a new roof, and siding. This was done in the fall and winter of 1914-15. The cloak room and dining room were added, along with other general repairs to the inside of the church building, including a furnace, kitchen stove, and well. The total cost of the building, with improvements ready for services, came to \$2008.15.

Sometime in 1914, 6 other lots were bought. A long row of 26 stables for horses were built on four, with the other tow lots held as a possibility for a future church to be built on.

On Feb. 21, 1915, the church was dedicated, with Bro. Henry Souder of Leo officiating. From then on, throughout the year, brothers from Bluffton, Leo, and Junction would take turns holding services every Sunday.

Our first trustees were Bros. Dan Stoller, Gottlieb H. Eisenmann and Paul Gerber.

During the first year, we had 15 converts.

On Aug. 1915, land was purchased $\frac{3}{4}$ mile south of Latty, for a cemetery. The first death to occur in our congregation was on May 31, 1916, Raymond, the 9-mo-old son of Paul Gerber.

In the spring of 1916, Bro. Fred Rager and 16 other families moved here from different states. So Bro. Rager was the church's first minister. Later the same year, Bro. Fred Oberlander was appointed to the ministry, and on Oct. 21, 1917, Bro. Dan Stoller was also put in as minister. Brothers Godfrey Rauch of Bluffton and Henry Souder of Leo served as elders, until 1923. when Bro. Eli Dotterer of Junction was ordained elder. He served us until his death, on Feb. 15, 1952.

Our ministering brothers since, and who are presently serving, are Bro. Irvin Stoller, Bro. George Sinn, who is also our elder, and Bro. Loren Stoller.

Our congregation continued to grow, and the need for a larger assembly place was realized. Earlier plans for building were never visualized, due to the depression coming on.

On Nov. 8, 1949, ground breaking services were held at our new building site, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile south of Latty, just across from our cemetery. Construction was completed, and we moved into our new church Sept. 9, 1951. Dedication services

were held Sept. 30, with Bro. Sam Aeschliman holding services.

We have nearly 100 families attending church, and 157 members. The Sunday School attendance is at 130.

MAYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

Reporter: Christine Locher

August 5, our Elder Bro. Carl Kinsinger visited our congregation and ministered unto us. He reminded us of the necessity of prayer, which was most beneficial, as our annual election was held after the afternoon service. The new trustees are Bros. Ben Ammann, Andrew Locher, Leonard Locher; the song leader is Bro. Ora Sauder; Sunday School supt., Bro. Leonard Locher; teacher, Sis. Julia Ann Dapper.

Sis. Mary Schick fell and suffered a broken wrist. We pray she will be in our midst again soon.

Our Sunday morning, August 12, visitors were Elder Noah Schrock of Burlington and Elder Rudolph Graf of Akron, who were enroute to Japan. We were certainly blessed with their wonderful teachings. The afternoon visitors were Bro. Ben and Sis. Lorene Maibach of Detroit. Bro. Ben also ministered to us at our mid-week services, when he spoke on "Charity."

August 26, Bro. Fred and Sis. Linda Messner, Gibbon, Minnesota, were in our midst. They are visiting Bro. Fred's daughter and family, Bro. Ernest and Sis. Marcelle Dapper.

Bro. Ezra and Sis. Helen Gerber are grandparents for the second time. Mr. and Mrs. Don Barrow have adopted a baby girl, born August 25. Her name is Lisa Annette.

"Dear Bro. Ed,

Enclosed is my first attempt at reporting . . . I want to thank you for the nice "welcome" letter sent me recently — it certainly was a welcome to me, and the guide lines helped me very much.

I hope you will feel free to omit or change anything, and I welcome any advice . . . Thought you might be interested to know that we are trying something new, so that our church is covered and reported every month. There are two of us working together, or I should say I have an assistant, Sis. Julia Ann Dapper, —who is also my sister, so thought I should inform you, in

case she should send in the news in my absence.

Also thought you might like to know that my father is Bro. John Dapper . . .

Your least in faith,
Christine Locher

MILFORD, INDIANA

Reporter: Arthur Haab

It was our pleasure to hear of the engagement of Bro. Ray Haab to Sis. Paula Sinn of Latty, on Aug. 5.

Our visiting ministers this month were Bro. Aberle, Tremont and Bro. Willis Ehrle, Normal. We thank them for the inspiring messages we heard.

Youth Fellowship Day was Aug. 26. The day started with registration, followed by a song service and Sunday School. Bro. Sam Aeschliman and Bro. Theo Beer meditated, for the afternoon worship service. Following this, the Bluffton church was in charge of the social hour. Milford was responsible for the Hillside program; Bro. Willis Ehnle spoke.

The evening service was held in the tabernacle, with each church choir singing two numbers. Bro. Earl Zeltwanger of Bremen had the evening meditation followed by singing by the massed choirs of the Indiana churches.

MORTON, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mrs. B. E. Getz

Funeral services were held August 15 for Sis. Dena Schoor Fehr, age 94. Bro. Joe A. Getz officiated.

John Dietrich, 95, who fell and broke his hip, is able to be home and in a wheel chair.

Andrew Streit is critically ill at the Methodist Hospital in Peoria.

Bro. George Gramm of Gridley was our visiting minister August 26.

Sis. Janet Pflederer, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Sam Pflederer, and Bro. Pete Meiss, son of Bro. and Sis. Elmer Meiss of Gridley, were married by Bro. J. A. Getz, on August 26.

We enjoyed meeting so many brothers and their wives August 12, when a reunion of the service men, who had been together at Fort Sam Houston, was held at Morton. We are always happy to have you come and worship with us.

Our Morton Church is located a block east of the Main and Jefferson Street corner, or on the corner of Third and Jefferson Streets.

There are many new highways being built at the present time, and some will by-pass our town, but at present, Route No. 150 from the east and west, Route No. 121 from the south, and Route No. 98 from the west will take you through town.

The sign at the entrance to Morton reads, "City of Beautiful Homes", but we also have a number of flourishing industries, and the town is growing rapidly.

PEORIA, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mrs. Michael Weyeneth

Our dear sister, Hannah Hohulin, was operated on, and was getting along nicely, when on Aug. 23, pneumonia set in. She grew steadily worse. Her brothers and sisters were called to her bedside, and could see the end was near. Her brother said to her, "The angels are beckoning you to come," and she nodded her head, "Yes." In a short while, she passed away, to be with her Lord. We will miss Hannah. It was a pleasure to visit with her. She always had a smile, and talked often of her Lord. She was always so grateful for all love, deeds and kindness shown to her, and even mentioned it while she was dying. We can take a lesson from it. She leaves to mourn, three brothers and three sisters, many neices and nephews. Her funeral was held Monday, Aug. 27, with Bros. Michael Weyeneth and Roy Sauder officiating.

Sis. Florence Sutter and family of Ft. Lauderdale spent two weeks with us. She lived here for many years, and everybody was glad to see them. They left for their home again Aug. 28.

Sis. Clara Heiniger of Alabama visited at the Bro. John Hoerr Sr. home, Sat., Aug. 18.

Kathy Ann Hoerr, 8 years old, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Wilbur Hoerr, is recovering nicely, after a hernia operation on Aug. 16.

A son was born to Bro. and Sis. George Hoerr, a son to Bro. and Sis. Robert Joos, and a daughter to Bro. and Sis. Curtis Zuerchr, the past month.

Our ministers held services at the Roanoke Nursing Home, Wed. evening, Aug. 15. Quite a number

went along to sing, with Bro. Richard Aeschleman leading.

The wedding of Sis. Judith Koehl and Bro. John Woerner was performed by Bro. Roy Sauder, on Aug. 26. A reception was held at the bride's home, following the ceremony. We wish them the blessings of God.

There were many visitors here from different churches the past month. We welcome them all.

Sis. Anna Kiefer, 95 years old, passed away at the Methodist Hospital, Tuesday, Aug. 28. She had been there since Aug. 3. She has been staying at the A. C. Home the past 1½ years. She formerly lived at Fairbury. Surviving is one sister, Mrs. Lydia Scharlach of Cissna Park. Services were held at Fairbury, Friday afternoon, Aug. 31.

At this writing, Sis. Lois Hamann is a patient at the hospital. John Roecker was a patient at the hospital last week, but is home again, convalescing. Sis. Katie Getz was also able to leave the hospital. Sis. Christiana Erkert, who has been a shut-in for a long time, was able to go to Mayo Brothers this week for a check-up. May God be ever near all the sick, ease the pain, and make all things bearable.

One Who Trusts

"Remember, God is with you,
Through all your shut-in days;
And He will grant you health and
strength
In His own loving way!"

TREMONT, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mrs. William H. Beutel

Sunday, August 12, was the wedding of Sis. Carol Wagenbach and Bro. John Steiner of Oakville, who is now stationed with the Army at Ft. Sam Houston. Bro. Getz married them.

August 19, a son, Curtis Paul, was born to Bro. and Sis. Jay Bol-liger. They have two girls, Susan and Judy. "Grandma" Harfter, our sister-in-faith of Sabetha, spent several weeks with them.

September 9, we were pleasantly surprised, when we had Bro. Albert Schietlein of Elgin, Illinois with us for the day. His wife and Bro. and Sis. Albert Schmidgall were with him. We are so thankful that there are brothers willing to speak the word of God.

We have one soul here in Tre-

mont who has repented recently—Mary Sauder, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Willis Sauder.

Sisters Doris Hutchison and Pauline Sauder have had surgery, and are getting along all right.

We have had some rain here in the past few days. We live in a community where there is general farming. We have a canning factory near, and there are quite a few acres put into sweet corn and pumpkins, for the factory. The sweet corn was finished about a week ago, and now the pumpkin harvest has begun. Also, the seed corn harvest has begun.

HISTORY

Bro. Michael Reuter was the first minister and elder of the church at Dillon, coming in 1854, and settling one and one-half miles north of Dillon. Before Brother Reuter and his wife came to America, they, with others, had withdrawn from the Evangelical-Protestant Church at Schweinfurt, Germany, and thereafter encountered many difficulties to worship as they believed.

The first Apostolic Christian in this vicinity was built in 1870, one mile north of Dillon and about 6 miles southwest of Tremont. It was a small, rectangular structure, which soon became inadequate for the fast-growing religious group.

Bro. Ludwig Getz came to America and to this vicinity in 1857. He also was minister and elder, starting his service in 1860. Also, Bro. Carl Knapp was here a short time as minister and elder, until his death, starting in 1876. In 1878, Bro. Theophile Winzeler was made minister. In the year 1881, a larger church was built. The old part was moved to a new site, one and one-half mile south of Tremont, and thereafter was used as the dining room and kitchen. A larger part was built on, for the auditorium (I was told at one time there was a wooden sidewalk from Tremont out to the church, for the people to walk out.)

In 1885, George Wenger, Philip Wenger and Gottlieb Maibach were made ministers. Elias Winzeler became a minister in 1889, and he was elder from 1909 until his death in 1939. Conrad Binkele and John Rassi were made ministers in 1895, Samuel Imthurn in 1896, also Christian Sinn in 1896, until his

death in 1939. In 1900, it was Gottlieb Hermann who became minister.

In 1909, Peter L. Getz bought and donated the land where the present church now stands. This was a much larger building, with seating capacity of about 275 in the assembly room, at a cost of \$9,000. First services were held on December 10, 1909. The first trustees were Fred Moser, Peter L. Getz and Adolph Herzog.

Remodeling has been done several times. There is now basement under all of the building. First, the heating system was put in — then rest rooms — the Sunday School rooms — the baby room on the second floor. The kitchen was also changed. In due time, the horse barns were enlarged for cars, then they were torn down, and the ground fixed for parking lot, and part of it was landscaped for cemetery plots, making our cemetery larger, which is just east of the church.

There are now 228 members, 152 Sunday School children, and 78 families serve dinner, besides the many friends, for which we are very thankful that they feel they can worship with us.

Here, Wm. Hermann started serving in 1914 continuing until about 1932. There was a need for some English sermons. The summer of 1926, there were 26 souls who repented, most of which were in the Bible class, with Joseph Sauder as teacher. On his 60th birthday, July 11, at Thursday evening services, Bro. Winzeler asked him to come on the pulpit — he obeyed — read that evening, and was our new minister, serving until his death, in December, 1944. Jacob Sinn went from in the Sunday School to minister in 1931, until the 8-months illness before his death, on November 14, 1940. August Bolliger is now serving, since 1939. Philip Sauder, son of Joseph Sauder, served from 1941 to March, 1946, when they moved to Cissna Park. The other two now serving are Simon Wagenbach, since 1946, and Albert Aberle, since 1952.

After Bro. Knapp's death, we had as elders Bros. Andrew Rapp, Morton, who died in 1911; Elias Winzeler, 1909-1939; Emil Schubert, Peoria; Carl Rassi, Morton, who died July 4, 1952; and Joe A.

Getz of Morton who is now our elder.

There are quite a number of brothers who started serving in Tremont, who must have died or moved away. I found no record other than this.

Our present Sunday School teachers are Bros. Earl Sauder, Noah Hermann, Dan Koch, Elton Rapp, David Beutel, with Arnold Rassi serving as superintendent. Sisters are Hanna and Violet Koch, Ella and Lucille Schwiegert, Lydia Brunner and Nancy Beutel.

The present trustees are Bros. Robert Getz, Harlan Bolliger, Clarence Hermann, David Beutel, John Sauder and Orville Rocke.

I certainly wish to thank all the dear brothers and sisters who helped me with this work.

UNION CITY, NEW JERSEY

Reporter: August Mueller

On Sunday, Aug. 19, we had visitors from five different states: from Gridley (Ill.), Bro. and Sis. Sam Witzig and family; from Wilmington, Delaware, Bro. and Sis. Ed. Aeschliman and family; from Lester, Bro. William Knobloch; from Maywood, Sis. Julia Dapper; and from New York, John M. Dapper. They are all invited to visit us again.

I deeply regret that I could not meet and greet them and be among them, but it so happened, that on Aug. 16, we received a telephone call, that one of my son-in-law's father passed away, and—since we have four married daughter in Pennsylvania—we decided to go to the funeral, and spend a week with our daughters. It also happened that on Wed. night, Aug. 22, I took sick, so that my wife decided to call a doctor, because the pain increased, and the breathing was very hard. The doctor came and told my wife to send me to the hospital for oxygen, but I refused. By Friday morning, I was somewhat better, so my daughter brought us home. Sunday morning, I tried to go to church, but could not get enough strength together, but I was not forgotten. Bro. John Diggelman, Sis. Ann Tschudin, Sis. Ida Knecht and her husband came to visit me. I received also a number of telephone calls. It is very heart-warming to know that there are members who are concerned about your welfare.

I am not altogether out of the woods yet, but if God is willing, I will attend next Sunday's services.

I also hear that Sis. Flo Kaiser was admitted to a hospital. We pray that the Lord, in whose hands we all are, will look down in mercy upon her, and will again bring her to us in good health. She needs the prayers of all the members. What is impossible with men is possible with God.

Also, Friend Farney was in the hospital six weeks for treatments, but was with us today. We were glad to have him with us.

Today, Sun., Sept. 2, we had Bro. and Sis. Aeschliman with us from Wilmington. We hope we see them often.

The Lord bless thee and keep thee. The Lord make his face shine upon thee and give thee peace. The Lord bless thy incoming and thy outgoing, now and forever more. Amen.

VALPARAISO, INDIANA

Reporter: Donna Bucher

For many years there has been a desire to have a church in Valparaiso. At last, this desire has been fulfilled.

A small group of members and friends, with the help of the Lord, have established a church at 805 Jefferson Street. The building was purchased from the Assembly of God congregation, in February of this year. The sanctuary has a seating capacity of 110 and space for 30 or 40 more additional seats.

Many hours of work, in love and devotion, were donated by members and friends in the cleaning, painting and remodeling of the building.

The first services were held on June 10, 1962. Harry Bucher, 903 Beech St., is our minister. We have a membership of sixteen and a Sunday School enrollment of twenty. Our average attendance has been approximately sixty persons.

We have had three visiting ministers since we began holding services. Ben Zimmerman from Congerville and Elmer Hartter from Milford visited us in July. Robert Hueini from Bremen was our guest speaker, one Sunday in August.

We have had visitors from Milford, Bremen, La Crosse, Remington and Bluffton, Elgin, Eureka and Peoria. Also, Sis. Clara Heiniger from Hillsboro and Alice Heini-



CHURCH BUILDING AT VALPARAISO

ger and Eunice Sladen from Phoenix have been our guests.

On July 29, we held our Sunday School picnic, with an attendance of approximately sixty persons.

A daughter, Diane Sue, was born to Rosy and Wayne Moser, on June 5. Donna and Cort Bucher were blessed with a daughter, Wendi Sue, on July 26.

Open House and Dedication services are planned for September.

We feel that the Lord has really blessed and helped us in this great undertaking, and we need the prayers of all faithful Christians, to help us in furthering the work of saving souls, which is our great concern, and a command of our Lord.

Our small congregation extends an open invitation to members and friends of all congregations to worship with us whenever it is convenient.

WEST BEND, IOWA

Reporter: Anna Schmidt

We had a Mogler reunion August 11. There were visitors from Winthrop, Minn.; Alexandria, Minn.;

Lester, Tipton, Elgin and Burlington, Iowa. Those staying over Sunday were Bro. and Sis. Henry and Pauline Mogler, Sis. Edna Mogler, Bro. and Sis. Andy and Frieda Mogler and sons, Jay and Randy, from Lester; Sis. Leah Shaer and four children from Tipton, Ia.; and Joe Mogler from Alexandria, Minnesota. Other visitors were Bro. and Sis. Pete and Louise Esslinger and daughter, Sis. Erma Esslinger, Bro. and Sis. Art and Marie Kellenberger and daughter, Joyce, Bro. and Sis. Elmer and Phyllis Strahm and daughter from Sabetha.

Sis. Lydia Jurgens and Sis. Elizabeth Marti are both improving, and can walk with the aid of a walker. We are happy to have Sis. Lydia assemble with us again, and hope Sis. Elizabeth will soon be able to come to church again, too.

Visitors for the week end of Aug. 19 were Bro. and Sis. Louis and Bertha Kieser and daughter, Bro. and Sis. Herman and Mariann Baer and family from Princeville, and Elvin Metzger, James Metzger, Eleanor and Barbara Metzger from Lester.

Visitors for the week end of Aug. 26 were Bro. and Sis. Fred and Katie Gerber and son, Bro. Charles, and daughter, Sis. Nancy, from Latty; Ella Cargill, her son, Lee, and daughter, Dixie, and Sue Freed from Gridley, Illinois.

Visitors the week end of Sept. 2 were Bro. and Sis. Peter and Mabel Weber and daughter from Peoria, Bro. and Sis. Joe and Anna Eisenman from Burlington; Sisters Lavonne and Diana Grimm, Sis. Frances Gerber, and Caroline Banwart from Princeville; also some young folks from Morris.

Bro. August Knobloch, from Rock Rapids, is staying with his daughter here. He suffered two strokes last Sunday. He is home with his daughter again, after being hospitalized for five days, and at this writing is getting along quite well.

Sis. Mary Fehr is quite low, at this writing.

Our West Bend Church is located one mile east of West Bend, and also one mile east of Highway 44. I live in the town of West Bend. A few families and several widows and widowers also live in West Bend. Most of the congregation live on farms around West Bend, Whittemore, Ottosen, Rodman and Mallard, Iowa.

We have an airport at Algona, Iowa. The farmers raise mostly beans, corn, and some small grain. The land is rolling, and is nice black soil. We don't have any mountains for a long distance.

WINTHROP, MINNESOTA

Reporter: Marguerite Messner

Visitors for the month of August were as follows: Bro. Sam and Sis. Lucille Keiser and daughter, Bonnie, of Princeville; Bro. John and Sis. Elizabeth Schick of Morton.

Bro. John and Sis. Lizzie Schmidgal of Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Don Esterling and children of Minneapolis; Bro. Roy and Sis. Donna Grimm and family from Taylor; and Bro. Dale and Sis. Mary Ellen Knobloch and family of Lester.

Tom Miller, son of Bro. and Sis. Noah Miller, Dick Schmidt, son of Bro. Elmer and Hazel Schmidt, all of Winthrop, were home on leave from Fort Orr, California. They came home Aug. 11 and returned Aug. 23. I will send in their permanent address as soon as we receive them. We had several gather-

ings for the boys, while they were home.

Those who have been ill are: Sis. Jerry Messner is home from the hospital and recovered nicely from her operation. Sam Miller was operated on for appendicitis Aug. 15, and is home and recovered nicely.

Births: Bro. Son and Sis. Bernadine have a new daughter, Beth Bernadine, born Aug. 15. She has a sister and a brother at home. Bro. Don and Sis. Viola Messner have a new daughter, born Aug. 28. She has two sisters and two brothers at home.

We again resumed Sunday School Aug. 26. We have six teachers: Bro. Elmer Schmidt (superintendent), Bro. Roland Messner, Bro. Jim Messner, Sis. Esther Messner, Sis. Georgia Messner and Sis. Bernadine Messner.

WOLCOTT, INDIANA **Reporter: Arles Kropf**

During the past month, we were richly blessed with many visitors, which we certainly did enjoy. Among them were ministering Brothers Lowell Stoller and Dave Keiser from Princeville; Merle Kaisner from Fairbury; Jack Bollier from Leo; Earl Kilgus from Remington; and Roy Wernli from Lamont. Bro. Wernli conducted services on Monday evening, Aug. 27.

Don Reel, son of Bro. and Sis. Dan Reel, has received his discharge from the Navy, and is attending school in Iowa. Others going to school are Emil Furrer, to Ball State at Muncie, Ind., and Diane Lehman entered nurses' training at Lafayette.

On Sept. 9, a group of members from Congerville spent the day with us.

Donald Furrer, stationed at Ft. Sam Houston, spent a furlough here, with his mother and family.

FORT WAYNE, INDIANA **Reporter: Mrs. Albert E. Kipfer**

We extend our sympathy to Sis. Mattie Clauss and Bro. Jake Unsicker, whose mother, Mrs. Eunice Unsicker, of Fairbury, was stricken with a heart attack and passed away quite suddenly.

Bro. and Sis. Dan Blume were both hospitalized for two weeks at the Lutheran Hospital. They are now convalescing at their home at

2625 Thompson Ave., Ft. Wayne.

Bro. Jim Gerber is confined to his home with a foot injury. We wish Bro. Jim a speedy recovery.

The engagement of Sis. Sharon Getz to Bro. David Pfister was announced Sunday, Sept. 9. Sharon is the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Oscar (Dick) Getz, and David is the son of Bro. and Sis. Levi and Lillian Pfister of Fairfax, Minnesota.

A Sunday School and Church picnic is being planned for Sunday afternoon, Sept. 23, at Lawton Park.

Phillip Pulver, son of Bro. and Sis. Lester Pulver, has returned home, after spending six months in the Service. He was stationed in Oklahoma.

Bro. and Sis. Joe Heinold of Phoenix; Bro. and Sis. Amos Steffen of Milford; Bro. and Sis. Elmer Gerber and Bro. and Sis. Sam Gerber of Bluffton visited our congregation Sunday, Sept. 9. Also, Bro. and Sis. Stanley Clauss and daughter of Oakwood (near Chicago) were with us.

The ministers who visited in the past month were: Bro. Henry Manz, Bro. Carl Kipfer, Bro. Earl Zeltwanger, and Bro. Otto Norr.

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

"I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth. . ." St. Luke 15:7. And we also rejoiced over the three souls who have repented and turned to God. On Saturday evening, August 18, they gave their testimonies and on Sunday, August 19, they were buried with Christ in baptism and, with Him, also arose to a new life. Our elder brothers, Noah Bauman and Theo Beer, were with us for the baptism of our new brother, Charles Beer, and our two sisters, Esther Gages Smith and her daughter, Coleen Smith Ireland. We wish them grace to grow in the wisdom and knowledge of our Heavenly Father, who sent his Son to be the ransom for our sins. How wonderful to know He is now sitting at the right hand of God and is our mediator and high priest.

There were many others who shared this blessed day with us. Among them were Sis. Naomi Beer, Bro. Henry Beer, Bro. and Sis. Ezra Beer, Bro. Otto Beer, Sister Hulda

Graff, Bro. and Sis. Frank Beer and children, and Sis. Evelyn Beer, all of Milford; Bro. and Sis. Ben Kipfer and Mr. and Mrs. Mayer and children of Bluffton; Bro. and Sis. Harold Emch and children of Girard. As the Beer family reunion was held in Mansfield on the same Sunday, most of our visitors also attended this gathering, to join in fellowship with their many relatives.

The Fuhrer family reunion was held in Mansfield, on August 11. We have enjoyed the visit of Sis. Eva Fuhrer of Maywood, who attended the reunion and has spent several weeks with us.

Sis. Julie Ann Dapper of Maywood visited with relatives and friends in Mansfield, the latter part of August.

The out-of-town guests who visited our church on Sunday, August 26, were Bro. and Sis. Lewis Sauder and Bro. and Sis. Dan Reinhardt and daughters of Bluffton; Bro. and Sis. Roger Sauder and daughter of Elgin, Illinois; and Clarence Sauder of Gallipolis, Ohio. They also attended the Amos J. Sauder family reunion, which was held Sunday afternoon at Liberty Park in Mansfield.

Our sincere thanks to all our visitors, even though the names are not all listed, and we extend a hearty welcome that each one will visit us, as the Lord opens the way. We enjoy the fellowship of kindred hearts and minds, to share the blessings which the Lord does bestow upon us.

NEW MARTINSVILLE, W. VA. **Reporter: Mrs. Gus Weltz**

We have been blessed with several good rains the past few weeks, and, while it came too late for many crops, it will still help in many ways. Farmers were hauling water from the Ohio River for their cattle, and had started to feed hay and fodder.

The annual Homecoming was held at Limestone on September 2, and many of the former teachers and pupils were in attendance.

The last service for the summer was held at the country church on August 26, with a nice number of persons present. Several visitors were also present.

Ray Witschey of Pittsburgh and John Witschey of Charleston, W. Va., visited recently with their fa-

ther, D. S. Witschey, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Williams of Akron and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Durig and son, Keith, of Girard spent the Labor Day week end here with the Barth families.

Mrs. Emma Berger of St. Marys, W. Va., is spending several weeks here with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Berger.

Mrs. Elizabeth Witschey Hawkins returned home on September 9 from the Ohio Valley Hospital in Wheeling, where she was a medical patient for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Frumm (Lucy Witschey) of Jeannette, Pa., accompanied Mr. Frumm's sister, Mrs. Myrta Gerby, home—the first of the month. She had spent several days with them in Jeannette.

C. O. Wade was a patient in the local hospital for several days the first of the month, and after taking an extra week of sick leave, has returned to work.

A. E. Riegenbach and several members of his family attended the Barth reunion at Wana, W. Va., on Sunday, September 9.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Durig, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Durig and son, Jerry, spent the Labor Day week end in Niles, O., the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Thomas.

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Marilyn Dotterer, Substitute Reporter

On August 19, we were blessed with a visit from Bro. Ben and Sis. Lorene Maibach and children, Kay, Ben, and Connie, from Detroit. We truly enjoyed the inspiring messages brought to us by Bro. Ben, that day and evening.

Bro. Joe and Sis. Helen Klotzle and Bro. John and Sis. Lois Klotzle and children, Tommy, Kathy, and Heidi, visited us from Altadena, on September 9. We enjoyed the services brought to us by both Bro. Joe and Bro. John.

Also on September 9, Bro. Fred and Sis. Linda Messner of Winthrop visited us, while on their honeymoon.

Aldo Yackley is visiting his parents, Bro. Clarence and Sis. Vera Yackley, while on leave from the Air Force.

PORTLAND, OREGON

Reporter: Mrs. Robert Miller

During the month of August, we had the following visitors: Bro.

Wayne and Sis. Lucille Unsicker and children, Louise and Barbara. They came to spend several days with Bro. Edward and Sis. Elva Unsicker and family. They are from Peoria.

Also, Sisters Frances, Frieda, Esther and Irene Kipfer, Bluffton; Sisters Lydia Meyer and Edna Steiner, Sabetha; Friends Elda and Lewis Woerner, Tremont; Sisters (Mrs. William Moser), Bluffton; Laura Gerber, Ft. Wayne; Mae Shrock, Congerville; (Mrs.) Helen Sorg, Milford; Bro. Fred and Sis. Linda Messner, Winthrop; Bro. Fred and Sis. Corrine Traub, Bro. and Sis. George Bruellman, West Bend; Bro. and Sis. William Metzger and daughter, Marjorie, Sabetha; Bro. Peter and Sis. Mabel Weber, Peoria; Bro. and Sis. Anna Eisenmann, Burlington.

Friend El Friede Baer from Germany is visiting with her sister, Irene. We are happy to have her with us.

On September 1, Bro. Ben and Sis. Marie Moser and daughter visited; also accompanying them was Sis. Miriam Fritz, Morton. Sis. Marie is a sister to Paul Rumbold, and Sis. Miriam came to visit her brother, John, who lives near Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Pfaffman and sons, Jack and Max from Peoria visited.

Our elder, Noah Schrock, and Elder Rudy Graf, who has accompanied him, visited with us several days, arriving from their trip to Japan. We were richly blessed during their visit! Services were held Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings (Tuesday at Silverton). We were reminded, how well for us to read the Love Chapter, I Cor. chapter 13, often. It was meditated on by our elder brother. We hope our elder brothers will visit us soon again.

Bro. Verlin Stoller, Ft. Wayne, while on a business trip, visited us on Wednesday evening, Sept. 5.

September 9, Bro. Al and Sis. Mary Ann Wiegele, Toledo, visited us.

We have enjoyed the many visitors this summer.

ATHENS, ALABAMA

Reporter: Clara Heiniger

Saturday, Aug. 4, a group of the Francesville choir: Bro. and Sis. Nate Gutwein, Bro. and Sis. Chris Lee Wuethrich, Bro. and Sis. Har-

old Gutwein, Bro. and Sis. Wendell Gudeman, Bro. and Sis. Wayne Huber, and Bro. and Sis. Bob Wuethrich, spent the week end bringing the gospel message in song at the Athens, Hillsboro, and Landersville churches. These were precious blessings to us all.

Friday, Aug. 10, a son was born to Pete and Sis. Reba Chambers. They have named him Jackie Daniel.

August 12, Bro. and Sis. James Winzeler and children of New Haven, Ind., visited us at Athens.

Worship service was held at the home of Bro. and Sis. George Kelly at Prospect, Wednesday evening, Aug. 15.

Lynn Klopfenstein of Leo spent several days visiting the churches and helping with the work.

BLUFFTON, INDIANA

Reporter: Frieda Kipfer

Sis. Martha Moser, 53, passed away at the Clinic Hospital, on Aug. 7. She had been ill for a year. She was the daughter of Henry and Bertha Kaehr Reinmchisel. Surviving are the husband, Bro. Mano; three daughters, Sis. Delutha, at home, Sis. J. C. (Patricia) Ebach of Fairbury, Sis. Kenneth (Caroline) Isch, of near Berne; and six grandchildren. Services were conducted by Bro. Aeschliman, and burial was in the church cemetery.

Announcement was made on August 12 of the engagement of Sis. Dixie Ringger, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Orval Ringger, and Bro. Ned Kipfer, son of Bro. and Sis. Herman Kipfer.

Bro. J. A. Getz and David Mangold visited here on the 18th and 19th, and assisted in proving eight friends: Anita and Godfrey Bertsch, Mary Ann and Vernon Kaehr, Lucille and Wren Borrer, and Lucille and Herman Baumgartner. Baptism was on Sunday, after regular services.

Ella Marie Aeschliman, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Ervin Aeschliman, was married to Arno Kent Sonnenburg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sonnenburg, on Saturday evening, Aug. 25.

Those in hospitals at this writing are Bro. Ervin Fiechter and Bro. Herman Gilliom, who is seriously ill.

Sisters Effie Bertsch and Martha Liechty have returned to their homes, and Bro. Joe Meyer has re-

covered from a cataract operation.

Visiting ministers, other than those mentioned, were Bros. Loren Stoller of Latty, on Aug. 5; Joe Klopfenstein of Gridley; Homer Reineck of Toledo, and Wendell Gerber of Ft. Lauderdale, on Aug. 12; Albert Wuthrich of Pulaski, on Aug. 19; Edwin Hohulin of Goodfield, on Sept. 2; and Ben Schlatter of Junction, on Sept. 9. Their wives and some of their families accompanied them.

Others who visited here were from Bay City, Cissna Park, Congerville, Fairbury, Forrest, Ft. Wayne, Maywood, Rittman, Toledo, and Junction.

Births: To Bro. and Sis. Richard Reinhard, a daughter, on Aug. 24, and to Bro. and Sis. Theodore Pfister, a son, on Aug. 28.

BURLINGTON, IOWA

Reporter: Mrs. Ernest Anliker

Bro. and Sis. Wm. Cottrell of Quincy, Ill., was our only visiting minister in the past few weeks. We thank Bro. Cottrell for the messages he shared with us.

Other visitors in the past weeks were:

Bro. and Sis. Bernard Schaer and children of Tipton, Iowa; Sis. Minnie Freidinger, who makes her home with them, and Vera J. Hayes, 522 Westwood Dr., Peoria, who has been a guest of the Schaer family; Mrs. Henry Rapp, Jr., and children, Philip and Sally, 200 East Adams, Morton, who visited her parents, Bro. and Sis. Chris Rinckenberger; Sis. Anna Lanz, Rockville, who has been visiting at the Bro. and Sis. Noah Schrock home. Sis. Anna is a sister of our Sis. Hattie Schrock;

Bro. and Sis. Raymond Kuntz and Sis. Rosella of the Gridley, Ill., congregation; Bro. and Sis. Ben Fischer and daughters, Sis. Milly and Sis. Mary Ann of Roanoke, Bro. and Sis. Eli Leman, Bro. Chris and Viola Leman of Fairbury were guests of Bro. and Sis. Ernie Anlikers.

Bro. and Sis. Arthur Foster of Camp Verde, Arizona, who had been visiting with friends and relatives, had to leave for home earlier than planned, because of our climate affecting Bro. Arthur's health.

Sis. Anna Schmidt, her son and his wife, Bro. and Sis. Jerry Schmidt, of West Bend, visited

Bro. and Sis. Uriel Gehring.

Sis. Hazel Anliker of West Bend visited her brother, Danny and his wife.

Sis. Sarah (Julius) Gerst is able to be in our midst again, after spending some time in the hospital. She still feels weak, but is happy to be back with us. Oh, how we miss each other's fellowship, when it is denied us in the house of God!

We are also happy to report, that Bro. Pete Mauer of Morning Sun is again able to assemble with us, after many weeks of shut-in days.

Sis. Lydia and John Kuntz are missed very much in our assembly. Sis. Lydia's health has not been good of late.

We are sorry that our brother, Otto Rauhaus, is leaving our community, for Sabetha, where he will enter the Apostolic Church Home. We shall all miss Bro. Otto very much, for wherever there was concern, he brought words of courage; if there was sorrow—words of comfort. He loved everyone, and I feel confident in saying, was loved by all. May God's rich blessings go with Bro. Otto.

Great joy was brought to our hearts, when four souls turned to the Lord in repentance. They are, Adolphus and Harold Massner, their sister, Dorothy Jaeger, and her husband, Dick. Bro. and Sis. Adolph Massner of Mediapolis, Iowa, are parents of these young people. We pray that many more will yet accept God's invitation—Matthew 11:28—"Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

We are all happy to have Bro. and Sis. Uriel Gehring back home. It seemed they were gone a long time.

Bro. Dave and Sis. Kay Eiseman and children have moved from our community to Remington. May they be blest in their new home.

Also, our friends, Jack and Marie Adams, and sons have moved to Bettendorf, Iowa. We also wish them well.

This little white church may be found in a residential district, with a few surrounding trees, in the city of Burlington—ofttimes called, the city of parks. By name, we have Crapo, Dankwart, Perkins and Mosquito Parks, also a few not so interesting. We can look down from the bluff in "Crapo and Mosquito

Parks," out over the Mississippi River, into Illinois. These parks have many beautiful trees, flowers, birds, bees . . . and mosquitoes—being so near the river.

You enter into our city by the highway, Route 34, crossing McArthur Bridge over the Mississippi (which separates Iowa from Illinois). You turn left onto Main St., about 17 blocks, then turn right on South Street until you get to the corner of South St. and Garfield.—We extend a hearty welcome to all.

BURLINGTON, OKLAHOMA

Reporter: Mrs. Raymond Roth

On Sunday, Aug. 12, Mrs. Floyd Schupbach was announced to have peace, and now awaits proving and baptism. We rejoice with her, and may she have many happy years of service for her Lord.

We appreciate the inspiring message brought to us by Bro. Ben Maibach of Detroit, Tuesday evening, Aug. 21. Bro. Ben was accompanied by his wife, Sis. Lorene, and three children. We truly thank Bro. Ben for paying us a visit, and invite him and other ministers to pay us a visit at any time.

A group of around twenty members and friends surprised Sis. Fredericka Schiff with a singing, for her eighty-fifth birthday, the evening of Aug. 19, at her sister's home, Sis. Lydia Ott, where she is now staying. Sis. Fredericka has been unable to attend church for over a year, because of arthritis, and has much suffering.

A daughter, Amy Lynne, was born to Bro. and Sis. Ronald Allenbach, Aug. 20. Bro. and Sis. Richard Guthrie are the maternal grandparents and Mr. and Mrs. Simon Allenbach the paternal grandparents.

Bro. John Kraft has been re-elected to serve on the board of trustees for the Apostolic Christian Home at Sabetha.

On Sunday, Sept. 2, we were happy to hear the announcement that our friend, Ed Farney, also has found peace with his Maker. We were sorry to hear he had to submit to surgery again Aug. 31, for the removal of another cancerous growth of his neck.

Thursday evening, Sept. 6, Ed Farney was proved, and on Sunday, Sept. 9, was baptized in the hospital in Wichita, by Elder Bro.

Sam Anliker of Lamont. . . Brings to my mind what a surgeon said to my aunt's family after surgery and found her full of cancer, "None of us are here on earth to live for ever, but I consider cancer a merciful death, as it never is sudden, and one has time to prepare oneself and ask for forgiveness. I consider a fatal heart attack . . . there is no time to make right." Let us all take heed, as none of us know whether we will be given a warning, as the word tells us, we have no promise of tomorrow.

CROGHAN-NAUMBURG, N. Y.

Reporter: Mrs. Clayton Virkler

Sammy Virkler, son of Bro. and Sis. Clifton and Charlotte, was hospitalized for treatment of a stomach disorder, and has now returned home. Sis. Pernal Virkler (Mrs. Howard) underwent surgery again at Watertown and is now at home recuperating. Sis. Clara Steiner is in critical condition in the Lowville hospital. She has suffered a relapse, after an intestinal operation performed earlier this year. Sis. Anna Lehman of Croghan suffered a heart attack at church, and was taken to the Watertown Hospital by ambulance. At this writing, she has been taken out of the oxygen tent, and we hope she will improve steadily. Bro. Joe Ebersol had surgery at Watertown two days ago, and his condition is as good as can be expected. We covet everyone's prayers for those who are sick and hospitalized.

During the month of Aug. both churches have had their Sunday School picnics — Naumburg's at Whittaker Falls and Croghan at Boonville Park. Both were well attended—Croghan had about 100 present. The park facilities and the moments were enjoyed by all.

The Evangelical Baptist (Apostolic Christian) Sewing Society had their regular meeting, and the following officers were elected for the oncoming year: Chairman, Cora Farney; Vice-Chairman and Sec., Rita Petzoldt; Treasurer, Doris Steiner; Gift Committee, Lucille Farney and Loretta Graves. They did mending for Bender's Nursing Home and worked on a quilt for the Alabama church.

On the week end of August 19, we had three carfuls of visitors from Rockville, and also Bro. Frederick Pohl from West Point. A

number of the new converts from Rockville were represented. We enjoyed their fellowship very much, and a lovely covered-dish picnic was held Sunday afternoon at Wittaker Falls, attended by about 100 people.

The following week, Bro. Kenneth and Sis. Lois Schulz and family of Rockville visited here, visiting their relatives. The week end of September 3, we had with us Bro. Kenneth and Sis. Christine Virkler and family of Rockville, who were former residents.

On September 8 and 9th, our churches were visited by Bro. Willis and Lois Ehle and family and her father, Bro. Henry Beer of Milford. I believe I can speak for everyone when I say that all were greatly inspired by the messages brought to us. Many of us, I fear, take our blessings here in America for granted, and should be ashamed for ever being discontented. All of us should take up the challenge to devote our lives more fully to Christ! May God bless these people for coming to us and sharing with us their experiences.

FAIRBURY, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Joyce Huber

Joan Zehr, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Sam Zehr, has repented, for which we praise the Lord. This makes six girls at this time.

Bro. and Sis. Ralph Bahler have adopted a second child, a baby girl born Aug. 15, and have named her Bethany Ann. Danny is fond of the family's new addition, who was born close to his second birthday.

We were happy to have two visiting ministers, who are brothers-in-law, on Sunday evening, Aug. 26: Bros. Roy Wernli of Lamont and Vernon Schwab of Wolcott. Their wives are Knapp sisters, previously of Forrest.

Sis. Anna Kiefer passed away in Peoria at the age of 95 years, and funeral services were held here on Aug. 31.

Bro. and Sis. Phil Sauder and Sharon, Bro. and Sis. Ezra Feller and Joan, Bro. and Sis. Fred Knapp, Bro. and Sis. Walter Vogel, Bro. and Sis. Gene Hauptli, of Cissna Park, were guests of Bro. John and Sis. Katharine Fehr, on Sunday, Sept. 9. Bros. Feller and Sauder brought us inspiring messages, imparting to us that we who have been enlightened in the simple plan

of salvation, should be rooted deeper in the Lord, take the opportunity of sharing it with others; and if we encounter persecution, they reminded us of the persecution Jesus, the apostle Paul, etc., suffered.

Description

We cordially invite anyone to come to our church any Sunday, or all the time. It is easily accessible, by turning from Route 24 on 5th St., north 2 blocks, and one-half block west. We are centrally located in Illinois, between many of our Illinois churches and the Indiana churches, and thus, are close, and can have fellowship with our churches in all directions.

Our church is large enough to offer Christian fellowship, but small enough for togetherness. The city of Fairbury is large enough to offer a variance of occupations, but small enough to avoid traffic congestions.

God's promise of seedtime and harvest is prominent here in this flat, fertile land, where farming is significant, as it is important not only to the farmer, but to the metropolitan. Farmers need God's wisdom to plant their corn, oats, wheat, beans, and raise livestock, poultry, etc., and it is God who gives the increase for the golden harvest.

Not only the farmers, but we all depend upon God's showers and sunshine, and pray that we might be more useful, that we could be "Bringing in the Sheaves."

FORREST, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Nancy Honegger

Funeral services were held August 21 for Sis. Eliza Bollier, who was 93 years old. She had been living with her son in Maryland for four years.

Bro. Robert and Sis. Delores Kiefer and two children have moved to our community recently. Bro. Robert is employed for Honeggers' and Co. We welcome them to our congregation.

Bro. Andy Lehman is recovering very well from a cerebral hemorrhage, and has been able to attend church again.

Sis. Ida Bachtold, who has been unable to attend church since February, was admitted to the hospital on August 28.

Bro. Carl Sohn has underwent surgery, and is recovering nicely.

We are thankful that Janice

Honegger, daughter of Bro. William and Sis. Esther Honegger, has been drawn to repentance. We wish her much grace from above.

FRANCESVILLE, INDIANA
Reporter: Mrs. Elmer Bucher

This past week end, Sept. 9, was another blessed one for the Francesville church, as five dear souls gave their testimonies and were taken into the fold: Benny, Morris and Glenda Huber and Shirley and Ronald Anliker. It was so uplifting to hear their experiences . . . so humble and sincere. If we could always all be like that, what a godly church we would have. May God be with them and bless them. We were happy to have with us, Elders George Yergler, Sam Aeschliman, Joe Waibel and John Bahler.

During the past month, our visiting ministers were Walter Anliker, Edwin Ringger, Loren Stoller and Willis Ehnle. We always enjoy having them with us.

Bro. and Sis. Pierre Niehouser are visiting relatives and friends in France.

Bro. Perry Niehouser has undergone surgery once more on his eye. May we do our part, by remembering him in our prayers, that sight might once more be restored to his eye that was burned several years ago.

On Aug. 13, a baby boy was born to Otto and Sis. Donna Wuethrich, and on Sept. 8, a boy was born to Bro. and Sis. Jim Gutwein.

This past month, James Culp and Diane Smith and Edwin Gutwein and Mary B. Wuethrich were married. We wish these two couples God's richest blessings.

GOODFIELD, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Marian Wiegand

On Saturday evening, September 1, Harold and Carol Hohulin gave their testimonies of repentance and peace with God. The next day, they were baptized by Bro. Silas Leuthold and Bro. Frank Woertz.

On September 3, God called our dear oldest sister, Emma Helderle, to her eternal rest. In the evening, she retired as usual, but in the morning she was no longer numbered among the living. Her sudden passing is a sermon in itself. She had reached the age of 88 years, and is survived by a sister, Hulda. Bro. Josh Broquard held the funeral services.

GRIDLEY, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mary Alyce Witzig

Bro. Bob Hueni and his family of Bremen were with us for Wednesday evening services, August 29. His message was certainly a blessing to all. He reminded us that, though we live in a pressure-filled world, "It matters not how great the pressures, but where the pressures lie." He said we must make certain that the pressures are not between God and us, but rather on the outside, pushing us toward God.

We had many other visitors that evening, including some from Rockville,—Bro. Carlton Lanz, Sis. Evelyn and Bro. Ronald and Mary Luginbuhl. Following the services, a fellowship hour was held in the church dining room, so that we might all get better acquainted.

Our elder, Bro. Joe Klopfenstein, has been in the hospital, and is now convalescing at home. We wish him God's blessings for a speedy recovery, so that he may soon gather with us again.

HILLSBORO, ALABAMA

Reporter: Clara Heiniger

Summer school has ended, and the children are helping the grown-ups pick cotton for the next six weeks, for the fields are white unto harvest, waiting to be gathered in; so it is with the spiritual field, gathering souls to enter the one and only Door of the fold of God, for Jesus said ". . . I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." John 14:6.

Wednesday evening, Aug. 22, worship service was held in the home of Mrs. Carrie Hale, for friends and neighbors across the Sinking Creek area.

Mrs. Ruth Wade has suffered several heart attacks at the Trinity Rest Home, and would appreciate your prayers. She is Bro. Henry Stricklin's and Sis. Martha Evan's sister.

LAMAR, MISSOURI

Reporter: Marie Marti

Dutch, Minnie and Larry Schlupp have moved from Lamar to Morris. We miss them in our community, and hope they enjoy their new home. Larry Schlupp will return to Fargo, North Dakota, where he will attend school. Janice Frieden will enter school at Spring-

field, Missouri, on Sept. 24.

We have been richly blessed this month, and have sincerely enjoyed the privilege of Christian fellowship, when visitors from various churches visited and worshiped with us. Our guests were: Ed & Sis. Gladys Widmer, their two children, Neal and Laurel, from Wolcott; Bro. Roy and Sis. Pearl Schrock, Charles and Cheryl from Congerville; Bill and Martha Schoff and two daughters from Mansfield; Bro. and Sis. Noah Gerber, Ft. Wayne; Bro. Herb and Sis. Bernice Bauman, Steve and Vick, Rittman; Sis. Judie Bittner, Sis. LaVerne Fisher, and Sis. Betty Schlipf, Roanoke; Bro. Dale Schumacher, Eureka; Sis. Rosemary Marti, Sis. Ruth Schumacher and Bro. Byron Schrock, Congerville; Sis. Ruth Banwart, Ft. Scott; Don and Eileen Braker, Columbia; Billy Schlupp, Topeka; and Reba Pfander and son, Mike, from Springfield, Missouri.

PRINCEVILLE, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Ruth Ricketts

We have been indeed blessed the past few Sundays, with visiting ministers who so willingly shared their talents with us. So thankful are we for these brothers who find it worth their while to give us spiritual food for thought. Bro. Walter Koehl of Fairbury and Bro. Chris Koehl of Peoria were with us August 12. On August 26, Bro. Walter Rehklau of Toledo ministered unto us; September 2, Bro. Henry Sabo of Mansfield was here; and September 9, Bro. James Hoerr and Bro. LeRoy Hartman of Peoria spent the day with us. We are so thankful for the messages of these brothers and for their visit, as well as those who accompanied them, as there were many who came with them.

Sunday School classes were resumed again September 2, after a few weeks vacation during the summer months. We are happy to see how eager the young people are to come to learn of the way of truth, and pray the teachers may have the grace to teach them in all truth and sincerity in these trying times.

Dan Endress is a patient in the hospital, suffering from painful injuries to his hand, received when he caught it in a chain in a corn dryer. May the Lord be near him, and help him to bear the pain he

must suffer.

A daughter, Debra Ann, was born August 12 to Bro. James and Sis. Helen Knobloch. She had a brother to welcome her home. August 24, a son, Russell Lee, was born to Bro. LeRoy and Sis. Verla Ehnle. They now have three sons.

Sis. Sharol Stoller, daughter of Floren and Sis. Dorothy Stoller, is teaching in the high school at El Paso, Illinois.

Robert Herrmann, son of Bro. Robert and Sis. Esther Herrmann, spent a short furlough with his family, before being sent to Germany, where he will be stationed with the armed forces.

Gerold Martin and Jordan Elsasser have sent word to their families that they have arrived safely in Korea. Although the two cousins are not together, they are only a few miles apart.

Following are addresses of the boys who are in the armed services, serving overseas:

PFC Wayne Guingrich
US 55722806
8th Med C Ambulance
APO 164 New York New York

PVT Gerold E Martin US 55721517
Hq Btry 5th HOW BM 31st Arty
APO 24 San Francisco California

PFC Jordan C Elsasser
US 55721510
HE 1st BG 5th CAV
APO 24 San Francisco California

Pvt Robert L Herrmann
US 55743918
86th Med Det Den SBC
APO 169 New York New York

SARDIS, OHIO

Reporter: Mrs. Ruth Headley

This town of perhaps 500 people was settled before the 19th Century, being only 40 miles north of Marietta, along the Ohio River. At that time, the river was the main source of transportation. Products were also shipped out that way. For about 150 years, the area knew only mixed farming.

Just as the river led people here in the past, a few years ago it came to our rescue and industry moved in. We have the world's largest aluminum plant and several chemical plants.

Elevation of Monroe County is about 1000 ft., but our church sets

on one of the many rugged hills that are about 500 feet. From the church we can view the River Valley, and also into the neighboring state of West Virginia.

Normally, our hills are green, from our excellent rainfall of about 35 inches. However, this summer, we have had less than 5 inches, and lawns were not mowed for six weeks. Within the past week, we have had abundant rain, and to our amazement, everything is green again.

The fall is our most beautiful season, as the hills, which are covered with trees, turn into what seems like hundreds of colors.

The temperature ranges from 90 degrees in the summer to sometimes several degrees below zero in the winter. We have an unusual blue and clear sky, with very few dark days.

If you're coming for a visit, you could take a plane to Wood County airport, which is approximately 30 miles southwest of Sardis, take a bus to Sardis, or drive. Our church is located ½ mile off State Route 255, 3 miles north of Sardis.

TAYLOR, MISSOURI

Reporter: Mrs. Eli Sutter

In last month's report, I forgot to tell of the birth of a son, Steven George, to Bro. Marvin and Sis. Joann Wiegand, on July 16. He is their first child, and the first grandchild of Bro. George and Sis. Betty Hoerr.

On Sunday, Aug. 19, Sis. Nancy Hodel and Bro. Kieth Oberlander were united in marriage by Elder Fred Grimm. We had many visitors from Oakville and the Illinois churches, including ministering Bro. Phil Sauder, Cissna Park. Bro. and Sis. Oberlander are making their home in Elgin, Ill., where they are both teaching.

Connie and Bonnie Plank, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Plank, had their tonsils removed the past month. Mrs. Plank is the former Barbara Hoerr.

Bro. Clarence Kolthoff was in the hospital several days for tests, and we are glad to know that nothing serious was found. At present, his mother is hospitalized with a heart ailment.

Vicky Sue, daughter of Bro. James and Sis. Lois Sutter, has been very ill at the hospital, but has shown some improvement at

this writing.

We were glad to have Bro. Arnold and Sis. Marjorie Gerst and children visit us, after having moved to Minneapolis several weeks ago.

We have again been blessed with a good crop, and harvesting of the corn was started the last of August, on a few farms. This is earlier than usual, due in part to the dry, hot weather of the last few weeks.

After receiving your letter (the news letter to reporters) this month, I was led to tell you about some visitors we had the past month, hoping it will be of some interest to you. These visitors were friends from Quincy, Mrs. D. C. McConnell and Mrs. C. B. Potter, who are both accomplished musicians. Mrs. McConnell has visited our church several times, but it was the first visit for Mrs. Potter, who is a music teacher and organist and pianist at one of the larger Quincy churches. From some of her pupils, she learned that we did not use musical instruments in our church. She often asked questions, and wondered how we could sing without them, so she was invited to come and assemble with us.

She said she could hardly express in words how much she enjoyed the beautiful singing (which, I'm sure would be true in any of our churches), and especially the male voices, which she said was lacking in most churches. She said, we do not need musical instruments, and thought it would rather be a hindrance, as they were needed only where people didn't sing out, as we are used to doing. We received her praise in humble appreciation, knowing all good gifts come from the Lord. It has often been said in the Silver Lining that our song service is an important part of our worship.

WICHITA, KANSAS

Reporter: Dave Hangartner

Ministering brother Ed Hohulin and his wife, Sis. Esther, of the Goodfield church, spent the week-end of August 19 with us. We enjoyed listening to Bro. Ed and his inspiring messages. On Saturday evening, he gave us an interesting account of our church history. Also here to spend the Sunday with us was Sis. Emma Hartman of the Peoria church.

On August 26, Bro. Arthur

Gramm and his wife, Sis. Ruth, of the Gridley, Illinois, church spent the day with us.

On 9th of September, we heard the testimony and witnessed the baptizing of our friend, Fred Dopps. We rejoice to have another soul added to our fold. Our elder, Bro. Sam Anliker, conducted the services. We were also privileged to have ministering Bro. Ronnie Nelson of the Burlington, Oklahoma, church with us.

Our sister, Ruth Yackley, wife of Bro. Roy Yackley, has been confined to the Wesley Hospital, here.

CISSNA PARK, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mrs. Jeff Young

On Aug. 12, the marriage of Sis. Joyce Hodel and Bro. Jon Bauer was performed. Bro. Fred Grimm was present for the occasion.

Bro. Albert Kaufman Jr. met with an accident at his home, when he came in contact with a high-line wire, which caused him to fall from a load of hay, breaking both arms. May the comforting Spirit be at his side at all times in these trying moments.

Announcement was made on Aug. 19 of the engagement of Sis. Joy Rae Yergler and Bro. Roger Hari.

On Aug. 28, Bro. Melvin Huber and Sis. Kathryn spent the evening with us.

Bro. and Sis. Earl Knapp are the parents of a daughter, born Aug. 27. She was named Sue Ann.

On Sunday, Sept. 2, we were richly blessed by the visiting ministers, who have passed on to us some very inspiring messages, through God's Holy Word. We thank Bro. George Yergler, Bro. John Yergler, Bro. Ben Zimmerman and Bro. Henry Wackerle. We kindly invite them and those accompanying them to come again.

The Cissna Park congregation feels the loss of Bro. John and Sis. Anna Hodel, who have left to make their future home at the Fairview Haven at Fairbury.

We can all sympathize with the daughters of our Bro. Louis Knapp, who passed away at the Veteran's Hospital at Dwight.

Funeral services were held Sat., August 25.

ELGIN, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Louise Steffen

Aug. 19, Bro. Earl Banwart of

West Bend visited here; also, there were many other visitors. We welcome them, and enjoy having visiting ministers.

One of our Sunday School pupils, Dale Heininger, was in Sherman Hospital for an ulcer. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Sis. Nettie Shurterer has been on the sick list. We hope she is improving. Also, Sister Ann Holliday underwent surgery. Dennis Schambach, 4 years old, son of Bro. Ed and Sis. Jennie, fell and broke his arm, and is in traction at St. Joseph Hospital.

Aug. 26, we had the voting for two Sunday School teachers. Both Bro. William Gudeman and Bro. Elmer Getz were re-elected.

The Wed. night of Aug. 22, Bro. Leo Moser and family of Lester were here. Bro. Leo had a very inspiring message.

Sept. 8, Sis. Jeanne Steffen left, to go into nurse's training at the Mennonite Hospital in Bloomington, Illinois. A farewell was held at Schiller Park in Chicago on Aug. 31., both Elgin and Chicago young folks attending. There were about 25.

Sisters Marie Foell and Lydia Reber left for a visit out east.

Our Church is located one block west of Lord's Park, which is a pretty park. Our Sunday School picnics are held there annually, and also reunions. The church is centrally located for lots of the members, who live on the east side of town.

FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS

Reporter: Juanita Schneider

During the month of August, the people of San Antonio have been using their air-conditioners and ice cube trays more extensively than in the past . . . Because, during that month, the number of rainless days stretched to 56, and another new record was set—21 straight days of over 100 degree temperature. However, it is now somewhat cooler, and the area has received several showers. It is wonderful to see the things green up, after being dry and brown for so long. Even though the area hadn't received rain, the ranchers didn't suffer too much. There are many more deep wells and a lot more water-saving structures (such as ponds) on which the ranchers depend.

However, even the heat did not prevent the Ft. Sam group from receiving visitors, for which we are thankful. On the week end of Aug. 12, Bro. John and Sis. Charlene Somerhalder, John II and Mary Ann of Burlington, Okla., were with us. One thought that is still with me from Bro. John's sermon is: "We all set goals and horizons that we want to reach. Why not set our goal high? As a matter of fact, why not set our goal as high as we can possibly attain—to obtain eternal life; that we may be with our loved ones throughout eternity."

On Aug. 26, the group was fortunate enough to hear the word spoken by Elder Bro. George Yergler of La Crosse. We truly appreciate the effort put forth by the ministers of the various churches. Not only do the members appreciate it, but the friends, as well. They are also eager to hear the Word, and we all like to get together and sing. We are like one big family, and are continually doing things as a group.

During the month, several of the boys' relatives were here, also. Bro. and Sis. Leslie Gerst and Edra of Oakville visited Bro. Conrad and Sis. Roletta Gerst. Bro. Orel and Sis. Rose Steiner, Janet and Tommy, also of Oakville, were down, and then Bro. John Steiner accompanied them home for a two-weeks' leave. Bro. Roy and Sis. Evelyn Wysong, Sis. Sally Wysong, Bro. Jack and Sis. Janet Wysong, Shelley, Nick and Lexia Lee were down visiting Bro. Ben Wysong, who has since been sent to Ft. Hood, Texas. Also to leave the San Antonio area is Bob Hermann, who went to Europe.

Bro. John and Sis. Carol Steiner, who were recently married at Tremont, have returned here, and are at home at 115B Pershing, San Antonio 9, Texas.

The other address changes are:

Pvt David Teubel US 55743511
Hq & Hq Co USAMTC
Ft Sam Houston Texas

Pvt Jerry Vogel
Co B 1st Bn USAMTC
Ft Sam Houston Texas

The following is a schedule of visiting ministers: Taylor on Oct.

14 and Bern on Oct. 28. As before, please contact Conrad Gerst, 115 Pershing, or John Steiner, 115B Pershing, San Antonio 9, Texas.

As this will be my last time to write for the Silver Lining, I wish to take this opportunity to thank all those who gave me such wonderful encouragement and support, especially Bro. Norman Haerr, who has helped me so faithfully.

GIRARD, OHIO

Reporter: Jesse C. Emch

Sis. Louisa Lance of Canfield, O., has gone to be with her son, Geo. Lance, who lives in Iowa City, Iowa. George and his mother had visited the church at Oakville earlier in the season, and, while there, was shown around the flood control system by Bro. Noah Schrock. This proved to be of great interest to George.

Our guests on August 19 were the Ellsworth Graf family of Akron; John Jardine family of Dover; and George Lance of Iowa City; Aug. 26, Dale Provance of McDonald, O.; Sept. 9, Bro. Paul and Sis. Ida Froelich, the Robert Gasser family, the Wm. Gasser family, the Dave Emch family, all of Rittman, and the Robert Graf family of Barberton, Ohio.

Sunday, Sept. 9 was somewhat of a home gathering for those who used to live here at Girard. We had a very blessed day, worshipping together. For the late afternoon and the evening, we were all invited to the home of the Robert Stolls. There, in the beautiful surroundings in their picnic ground, which is separated from their home by beautiful flowers and a wonderful garden, we—who were about 90 in number—enjoyed a wonderful picnic dinner, and then sang many of the inspiring hymns, to praise God. We hope all will come again.

The Abraham and Mary Emch family held their annual reunion at the Boardman Park, on Aug. 19. There were 92 present. Many were not able to come, due to sickness, or distance being too far.

At this writing, the following are not able to attend church, due to illness: Sisters Emma Tochtenhagen, Eva Emch, Blanch Baun and Bro. Ernest and Sis. Ethel Hafely. We long to see the faces of all, and to be able to greet each other in the assembly.

LA CROSSE, INDIANA

Reporter: Mrs. Chas. Rinckenberger

Our visiting ministers in the past month were Bro. Leroy Huber of Eureka, Bro. Ernest Graf of Akron, and Bro. Sam Aeschliman of Bluffton. We enjoyed them very much. May God bless them, and encourage them in their work for the Lord.

Our dear friend, Bertha Spiess, passed away, at the age of 87 years.

Sis. Ruth Heinold underwent surgery, Aug. 28, Bro. Don Gudeman, Aug. 27. Marion Heinold also had surgery.

Our Sunday School started Sept. 12, after a month of vacation.

Bro. Nile Bucher went back to school at Ind. University. Willard and Raymond Yergler are at Purdue, Glenn Phieffer at the university at Valparaiso. Denny Bucher is in the National Guard. Frank Gudeman is also going to school. His address is DeVry Technical Institute, 4141 Belmont Avenue, Chicago 41, Illinois.

Our church is located at the south end of La Crosse, on Route 421.

We gather from about 20 miles around, as a good number of our members and friends are grain farmers.

LEO, INDIANA

Reporter: Mrs. Elias Souder

Visitors to the Silver Lining this month were Bro. Carlton Lanz, our reporter from Rockville, with those accompanying him Sat., Aug. 25.

Brothers John Bahler, Joe Waibel, Samuel Aeschliman, and George Yergler were at church Mon. evening. Services were held.

On Tues., Sept. 11, Bros. Aeschliman from Bluffton, John Bahler from Rockville, Joe Waibel and Fred Knochel from Bay City looked over our Silver Lining room. We welcome all to come who are interested. We have passed over the 3100 mark, in sending out subscriptions now.

About 200 of us enjoyed our Fellowship Center, Sept. 2. Several carloads of people were here from the Bluffton church and other places for the day. They were entertained with a dinner there and Hymn singing. Also, it was the last Sunday for Bro. and Sister Harry Jo Stoller and their two little sons. They are now in Bloomington,

where he is entering pre-med school. Their address is Banta Apts., F-116, Bloomington, Ind.

Sept. 9, a group was here from Chicago, were entertained at the Fellowship Center.

The engagement of Sis. Henrietta Klopfenstein of Leo and Bro. Sam Heiniger of La Crosse was announced Sun., Sept. 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Lantz and little son from Maryland, where he is in service for the U.S. Navy, spent several days with his parents, David and Mary Lantz. It was nice to have our friends in Sunday School and church. Mary Lantz, his mother is spending several days in the hospital for tests and observation.

Cora Levy and Leah Schwartz are much improved at this writing.

Mamie Schlatter is quite ill, and confined to her home.

We rejoice with Sis. Maude Greuter and her daughter, Ruth Garman. Ruth has found peace with the Lord and wishes to become one of the church.

SPECIAL REPORT

On the banks of a pleasant body of water at Cedarville is Fellowship Center. It is only a rather short drive from the church. Here, brothers, sisters, friends, and children have invested working hours and money. Today, there stands a building of pleasant proportions, spacious room, and lovely view.

Not too long ago, the site, which was donated, had an old barn on it. The building was razed by cooperative efforts, to the foundation. A high, hip roof now caps the building, with the old foundation and its comely array of old brick blended with new.

The higher ground to the west leads directly to the well-designed entrance of the second floor. Inside, a line of picture windows gives the view, over the waters. Out across is the farther shore. A few colored panes chime in with cedar and fir. This is our auditorium. Its peak is high, its roof steep.

Downstairs is the large dining area. Again, on the east is the pleasant access to the look of waters. On the north end is the stone fireplace. On its mantel is a picture called "Grace".

To forge all the rules for quiet running yet remains. Already, the

working together and the getting together has started our order. It is our hope that the order so pleasantly enjoyed in church circles will continue in Fellowship Center.

This hospitality house has already proven its merit. The saints have feasted around heavenly word. Tables laden with good things have served aged and youth, and have had the beauty of little ones, chiming in their joys.

We hope that Fellowship Center will be a place that points the way to those palaces of eternity, and may echo to those joys now.

the editor

MORRIS, MINNESOTA

Reporter: Mrs. Louie Messner

We are back on Standard Time. School has started, with some going to college. It brings a close to our many, many summer visitors. Pot-luck suppers were had at Pomme de Terre State Park on Sundays, so all could gather and visit one with another. May they have received a blessing, while visiting our congregation. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Luthi have a daughter, Charlene Louise, born Aug. 29.

Little Gregory Gramm fell from a haystack and broke his arm.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Dutch Schlupp and Larry, of Lamar. Their address is 301 W. 6th Street, Morris, Minnesota.

Sis. Sophie Luthi, who has been sick, was able to attend church Sunday, Sept. 2, her 88th birthday.

Our friends, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Feuchtenberger and Nancy Fehr were announced as having found peace with God.

We thank Bro. and Sis. Joe Schrock for showing his pictures and telling of their trip to the Holy Land, Saturday evening, Sept. 8. Again on Sunday, we received a blessing from his sermons.

OAKVILLE, IOWA

Reporter: Mrs. Ezra Gerst

Bro. Herman Kellenberger ministered at our church on August 12. His wife accompanied him.

Bro. Wm. Rauhaus is home again, and was able to attend afternoon services for the first time in ten weeks. We rejoice with him.

Sis. Rose Massner submitted to surgery the past month. We are happy to say, she is home again, although she has not yet been able to come to church.

We are back to Standard Time again. Church services are at 10:30 and 12:45.

There have been several reunions the past month, among them the Schrock and Scheitlin reunions. On both occasions, there were a number who stayed for Sunday services, including Bro. Al Scheitlin from Elgin, who ministered for us.

The 16th annual soldiers reunion (the Londonians) was held at Oakville this year. About 60 came on Sat. evening and they, along with others, had supper at Bro. and Sis. Jess Grimms. On Sunday, some more came, and about 100 in all, from far and near, attended church services. There were about 16 different churches represented. Among them were Bros. Edwin Ringger and Elmer Witzig from Gridley and Norman Stoller from Ft. Wayne, who brought us the message on that day. The brothers from here who were stationed in London were John Schrock, Robert Frank, and Jess Grimm. How wonderful to meet and greet so many, all of one mind. May we look forward to the day when there will be no more parting.

Sis. Hattie Eberhard has been relieved of her earthly life and suffering, and has gone to her eternal reward, at the age of 70 years. She passed away Sept. 8. Her husband, Tony, preceded her in death, in 1948. Survivors include two daughters, Sis. Leona Messner and Sis. Ann, both of Burlington. Bro. Noah Schrock had the funeral services.

We are happy to have our Elder Bro. Noah Schrock back with us again, after his trip to Japan. May God bless their efforts.

Song Leaders

Our song leaders in the Oakville congregation at present are Bro. George Kuntz, Orel Steiner, and Edwin Banwart.

Bro. Kuntz, who has charge in regular assembly, was elected to that position about fifteen years ago, as Bro. John Heiniger asked to be relieved.

Bro. John was our song leader for many years, beginning in 1931, when he moved here from Bern. He was also leader there. He loved singing so much, and one of the hardest things for him was when he had to quit on account of a heart

condition. He often told his children, "Don't ever quit singing, even after I am gone". Others who assisted him then were Bros. Joe Eisenman and Herman Rauhaus. Both Bros. Heiniger and Rauhaus have since passed on.

Bro. George Kuntz was born in 1910, the son of Bro. John and Sis. Lydia Kuntz. In 1929, he answered the call of the Lord to repentance. He was united in marriage to Sis. Hazel Kuebler of Gridley, Kans., in 1937. They were blessed with two children, Bro. Leon, who was recently married to Sis. Doris Moser, and Sis. Nelda at home. Bro. George loves to sing and he said, "Many an evening is spent with the hymn book. Bro. George stated, "Just to be with a group, singing praises to God, has always held a blessing for me."

Bro. Steiner had charge of the singing in the Sunday School for over fifteen years, as well as directing the singing for funerals. Bro. Banwart was given charge of the Sunday School singing a few years ago. Bro. Orel is still in charge of the singing for funerals. He said, "He feels that singing is a very important part of our church worship, and the most wonderful part is that every one can exercise themselves in it. We are so thankful that until the present time we have congregational singing in our churches. We read in the scriptures that we have gifts differing from one another, some to prophecy, some ministry, and still others to leading, etc. Often, we feel perhaps that we have nothing to offer to our congregation, and do so little in the household of God. But here is a very important place, where everyone can give praise to God. Even though we may not feel that we have a gift to sing, just to sit in the congregation and hum the tune along with others who are singing is uplifting and pleasing to God."

May God grant that we never lose this precious order in our church, for the worldly order of selected chorus and instrumental music allows only a few to take part.

ROANOKE, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Irene Hodel

We can all sympathize with the family of our dear Sister Sadie

Schumacher, 58, who passed away at the Eureka Hospital August 9. Sister Sadie was very loving and kind, always had a pleasant smile, even during her days of sickness. She has been a good example to all of us.

Bro. Dave Mangold officiated at the funeral services of Sis. Sadie Schumacher. She leaves to mourn, her husband, Brother Walter, two daughters, Joyce Crawford of Eureka and Sis. Mary Jane at home. Three sons, Jerry of Eureka, Bob and Samuel at home; one sister, Miss Emma Hartman, Peoria; Two brothers, Magnus Hartman of Washington, Alpha Hartman, Mapleto; One foster sister, Mrs. Lucille Ulrich, Columbia, S. C. and three grandchildren.

We pray the Dear Lord will be with them in their lonely hours.

Little Wayne Richard was certainly welcome in the home of his parents, Bro. and Sis. Richard Leman. He is the first son and fourth child. His maternal grandmother is Sis. Marie Blunier, and his paternal grandparents are Bro. Joe and Sis. Minnie Leman of Eureka.

On August 12, our visitors were Bro. and Sis. Walter Bahler of Remington, visiting his sister, the Bill Zimmermans — and Bro. and Sis. Bert Gudeman of Cissna Park and the Walter Gottiers of Rockville, guests of Bro. and Sis. Louis Zimmerman and family.

Mrs. Sophia Gleason and grandson, Michael Flanagan, from Albany, New York, were guests of her brother and his wife, Bro. and Sis. Henry Heiligenstein, for several weeks.

Brothers Alden and Ronnie Metzger of Sabetha were visiting here with Bro. and Sis. Fred Siebenthal. They enjoyed meeting many young folks, at a group singing in the home of Bro. Clarence Aeschlemans.

Bro. and Sis. Noah Gerber of Ft. Wayne and Bro. and Sis. Herb Bauman and family of Rittman were here to see their son and brother, Lloyd Gerber, and family.

We enjoyed seeing Bro. and Sis. Jesse Gerber and Bro. Jackie of Latty, who were guests of Bro. and Sis. Joe Zimmerman, Friday night, the 17th.

We are always glad to see our young folks come home for services. On the 19th, Bro. and Sis. Bob Blunier of Hillsboro were with us.

Bob is the son of Sis. Marie Blunier, and Marilyn is the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Joe Martin. Bro. and Sis. Fred Ringger of Gridley were visiting her parents, Bro. and Sis. Fred Leman. Bro. and Sis. Bob Simpson of Champaign were also here visiting her parents, Bro. and Sis. Lee Scherer.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Palozej (Faith Lanz) of Rockville were guests of their aunt, Bro. and Sis. Glen Hodel, the Joe D. Lemans and the Carl Fehrs.

Bro. and Sis. Fred Gerber and children, Sis. Nancy and Bro. Charles, of Latty were guests of the Silas Hodels and Emil Fishers on Thurs., the 23rd, and Friday.

Bro. Pete Pfister celebrated his 87th birthday on August 25, receiving many cards.

Our friends, Roger Hodel and Elaine Kempf, were married Sunday, August 26. Elaine is the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Ervin Kempf and Roger is the son of Bro. and Sis. Ralph Hodel.

On Tuesday night, the 28th, Bro. Bob Hueni of Bremen, gave us a very inspiring message. He was accompanied by his wife, Letty, and family, her folks, Bro. and Sis. Henry Frey and her sister and family, the Don Bucks. They were all visiting their sister, Betty, and her husband, the Lloyd Schumachers.

Bro. Carl. Lantz and Sis. Evelyn, Bro. Ronny Lugenhuhl and Mary were here visiting the Herman Lugenhuhls, Louis Zimmerman and relatives.

Sis. Norma Bowald, who was in the hospital several days, is home, improving again.

We are sorry to hear Bro. Jack Leman, who had been home from the Eureka Hospital for several weeks, is now in the Methodist Hospital in Peoria.

Sis. Hannah Zimmerman, in the Eureka Hospital, is very sick. Her sister, Mary, is also a patient in the hospital there for some time. We wish them God's grace and blessings.

Sis. Julia Dapper of Maywood has been with us several days, staying with Bro. and Sis. Mary Ellen and Walt Schwind. We all enjoyed her visit with us.

On Sept. 2, Bro. and Sis. Elsworth Stoller of Princesville were with us: Also, Bro. and Sis. Elsworth Pelsy of Francesville visiting

her parents, the Herman Lugenhuhls.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Weyeneth of Clinton, Iowa, were visiting his parents, Bro. and Sis. Jim Weyeneth and family.

We are very happy to see our friends, Nelma Jean Eastman and Mary Jane Schlipf, repenting. Nelma is the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Orié Aeschleman. Mary is the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Ezra Schlipf. We certainly wish God's blessings in their undertaking. It really is a big encouragement to the church to see souls repenting. We do hope and pray there will be more.

Sunday, Sept. 9, we had Bro. and Sis. John Moser and Bro. Douglas of Rockville, with us.

ROCKVILLE, CONNECTICUT

Reporter: Carlton J. Lanz

It was our privilege to have Elder Bro. Joe Waibel and his wife of Bay City spend Sunday, Aug. 26, here with us. Their son and daughter were also present.

We welcome the return of Bro. Ted Scheitlin from a visit of several weeks to Switzerland and Denmark. His wife and son accompanied him on his extended tour.

Our guest register lists visitors here are as follows: Bro. Edwin Lanz and family of Minn., Bro. Elmer Lanz and family of Latty, Bro. Donald Farney and family of Croghan, Sisters Mary Traub, Maribeth Ebach, Brenda Honneger and her sister, Joni, of Fairbury and Forrest, also Bro. Alvin and Carol Beutel of Tremont.

On Sunday, Sept. 2, the solemnizing of the marriage of Bro. Lee Bahler and Sis. Maxine Webb was completed. Our elder, Bro. John Bahler, officiated.

Recently, several of us from Rockville visited Grabill, Ind., the home office of the Silver Lining. We were pleased to see how this church organ was set up, and the efforts which are being made to encourage the gathering of items of interest that can be wholesome and beneficial to the church. We thank the brethren Souders, Elias, Henry Jr. and Ed, for the courtesy and warm reception given us while there. Those visiting were: Evelyn Lanz, Mary, Erva Jean and Ronald Luginhuhl, Robert Gudeman and myself.

RITTMAN, OHIO**Reporter: Lucille Hartzler**

On August 29, a son, Rex Dale, was born to Bro. and Sis. Robert Boltz; and a daughter, Rose Marie, was born to Bro. and Sis. Herbert Hilty, on September 4. A daughter, Deboria, was born to Bro. and Sis. Robert Steiner on September 11.

We rejoice that God continues to call souls to repentance. Our latest friends who have given their hearts to the Lord are Kenneth and Jane Hartzler, son of Bro. and Sis. Ernest Hartzler and daughter of Bro. and Sis. Robert Gasser, and Glenn Riggenbach, son of Bro. and Sis. George Riggenbach. Linda Zollinger, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Elmer Zollinger, has repented and been announced for proving at a later date. Beside Linda, we have three others awaiting proving and baptism: Fred Stoller and Ruth and Edith Gasser.

Funeral services were held for Sis. Elizabeth Steiner on August 27, with Bro. Henry Sabo of Mansfield conducting the services. Elizabeth had lived in the Mansfield Church Home a number of years prior to her death.

PULASKI, IOWA**Reporter: Mrs. Ray Martin**

On August 12, our visitors were Bro. Lester and Sis. Anna Nuest of La Crosse, Bro. and Sis. Floren Stoller and family of Princeville, Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Perdelwitz and Mr. and Mrs. William Perdelwitz of Peoria.

Bros. Dale Martin, Richard Streitmatter, Verle Kieser, Ed Knoblock Jr. and Charles Kieser of Princeville visited us on Sunday, August 19.

On the week end of the 26, Bro. Reuben Stoller brought a bus-load of friends and members from the Gridley congregation out to visit us. Bro. Edwin Ringger was with them and ministered unto us that weekend. We were richly blessed by his inspiring messages.

We enjoy having visitors here at Pulaski, and we welcome everyone, to come visit us.

CONGERVILLE, ILLINOIS**Reporter: Marjorie Knapp**

Our regular Sunday School term began September 2, with approximately 100 children attending. The two new Sunday School teachers elected by the congregation

were Bros. Don Schrock and Ed Steffen Jr.

Bro. and Sis. Art Wettstein are the parents of a baby boy, Daniel, born September 4. A baby boy, Randall, was born to Bro. and Sis. Bob Knapp, on September 8.

Mary V. Sides and William Jones were united in marriage, August 11. Mary is the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Ed Sides. On August 19, the marriage of Janet Rokey and Terry Klaus was solemnized. Janet is the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Irvin Rokey, and Terry's parents are the Cesear Klaus II, Eureka.

Sis. Ida Rocke was hospitalized for a week, but is now home again. On August 17, Bro. Jake Miller fell from a farm elevator and suffered a broken back. He underwent surgery at St. Luke's Hospital in Chicago, and is now at Methodist Hospital in Peoria. His condition is said to be slowly improving.

The funeral of Alonzo Sides was held August 25, with Bro. Frank Woertz officiating. Mr. Sides is survived by his wife, Gladys, and two children, and was the son of Bro. and Sis. Edgar Sides. He was killed when his car was struck by a train.

"The Saviour"

He is a path, if any be mis-led;
He is a robe, if any naked be;
If any chance to hunger, He is
bread;

If any be a bondman, He is free;
If any be but weak, how strong is
He!

To dead men, life He is, to sick
men health,
To blind men, sight, and to the
needy, wealth,
A pleasure without loss,
A treasure without stealth.

Forward With Froehlich

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Satan started to rage. Everyone who permits himself to be baptized must be ready, not alone to receive the blessings of the cross of Christ, but also to take up the cross of

Christ."

Bravely, he started out on a journey through Aargau, to Suhr, Rupperswil, Hunzenschwil, Schafisheim, Aesch, and Teufental. He held meetings everywhere, despite the persecutions that followed him at every step. "As long as I kept silent, I was left alone; as soon as I began to testify of Christ, persecution came."

For the first time, three elders were ordained to serve the churches in Aargau.

In Hauptwil (Thurgau), also, where Froehlich continued the work which had been begun, the word found response. The meetings were attended by 200 persons, and by the beginning of the year 1834, the number of baptisms had risen to 60.

This development was bound to bring opponents to the fore. There were public warnings from the pulpits, threats, and the newspapers descried. The participants at the meetings were manhandled, to the shedding of blood with stones and sticks. Twelve pastors demanded the removal of Froehlich out of Hauptwil. At the end of February, a mob of several hundred people destroyed a house, the inhabitants of which barely saved their lives.

Now the storm broke loose generally. All newspapers brought reports, so that Froehlich became known, and was reviled throughout Switzerland. He had to flee from Thurgau, and on his passport, it was noted that he had been expelled as a sectarian. Now, the police watched him wherever he went.

In October, 1832, Froehlich came to Zurich to his sisters, where he could remain a week.

In Zurich, the truth began to find a way. The movement spread farther and farther, through Froehlich's tireless activity, and reached over into other areas.

Even the newspapers could not stop this, though they agitated. In Appenzell, believers were beaten till blood flowed, and fined up to 100 gold pieces.

It is suggested that, for every home into which the Silver Lining goes, there should be given \$2.00 per year, where it works no hardship.

the editor