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In the days of the prophet, Jeremiah, which was about 600 years before Christ, there lived a man by the name of Jonadab. He was a good, God-fearing man. He loved his children dearly, and his children loved him.

Now, for some reason best known to himself, he gave his children a commandment, that they should not drink any wine all the days of their life. Now this commandment was not contained in the ten commandments which God gave to Moses, to give to the children of Israel. Nevertheless, out of love to their father, these children did obey the voice of their father.

Now God, who is in heaven and sees all things, could see how faithful and obedient these children were to their father, and it pleased God. So God set these children up for an example to the house of Israel, and told Jeremiah to bring them to the house of the Lord, into one of the chambers, and give them wine to drink.

So Jeremiah set before them pots of wine and cups and said to them, "Drink ye wine". But they said, we will drink no wine: because our father Jonadab the son of Rechab commanded us never to drink any wine, neither our sons all our lives.

And we have always obeyed the voice of our father, Jonadab in all that he has charged us never to drink any wine.

Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Go and tell the men of Judah and the inhabitants of

WITH OUR HAND IN HIS, THE PERFECT IS DONE

"For, lo, I will command, and I will sift the house of Israel among all nations, like as corn is sifted in a sieve, yet shall not the least grain fall upon the earth." Amos 9:9

"Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and will gather the wheat into his garner;

From St. Luke 3:17

"... he will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness..."

From Romans 9:28

Jerusalem, Will ye not receive instruction to my words? . . . The words of Jonadab the son of Rechab, that he commanded his sons not to drink wine, are performed: for unto this day they . . . obey their father's command . . . thus said the LORD of hosts, the

God of Israel; Jonadab the son of Rechab shall not want a man to stand before me for ever."

And God's blessing rested upon them.

Now, to get the real benefit of this story to fit into our time, let us make a parable of Jonadab to the servants of God in our day and time. In our annual brother conference, the elders and ministers discuss such problems which they see and feel are harmful to the welfare of the children of God. Warnings and advice are given, sometimes about some things which are not spoken of word for word in the Bible.

There are many evils today which did not exist in former times, but in these latter days, Satan is offering many things which are trials and temptations to try and lead God's people back into the world. When the watchman sounds the trumpet, all the people should say "Amen." As the blessings for obedience were spoken to the children of Jonadab, so will the blessings come over all of God's children today, if we bring the fruits of true obedience, and give our wholehearted support to keep our church on the straight and narrow path, as taught by our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

" . . . the steps of that faith . . . "

Henry Souder, Jr.

"Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of

the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all;"

Great things of God reach across centuries.

At the most, we do not have to

go back far before we were not. No thoughts flashed across our brain. But God was.

When God speaks, it's with power. He has purpose.

One night, the same beautiful canopy overhead was glistening with stars. (They tell a wondrous story of God's work.) God and Abraham were there, together. God told Abraham to look and see if he could number the stars. God said that his seed would be like this. Abraham believed.

Now, God had a purpose in mind for His church.

"(As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were."

We should pause in praise often. Scripture reveals a marvellous God.

We have a seat beneath a canopy of time. Our race is in digits of minutes. God sees across the years, at one glance. Remember how it says, with Him a thousand years is as one day?

To Abraham, He declared the calling of His church. He views His family in sweet unity. His plans He had in mind then, He carries out today.

We work His plan.

When we get in rhythm with God, power is present. But we cannot inject our own conclusions. Things have to be as He calls them.

We can learn from Abraham . . . "Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations; according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be."

Reasons are there. Success or failure are built with deeds and habits that are apparent in the light of the word.

Now Abraham did not build on what seemed to be, but what God said. The mountains that surrounded Abraham moved with God's might.

It's true that the shadows of this

age are stretched out. Also, there is great plenty.

Sin is great and increasing. The sins of Sodom and Gomorrah are still the bait of Satan today. Our educational system is often schooled in atheism.

Abraham was an example. Those steps of our father Abraham were schooled by the great Teacher. Mountains moved. And they will today.

Mountains moved because he moved with God's spiritual scenery about him.

Abraham was obedient.

A secret of power is, letting His word be our action. "He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;"

God can do things with you. He can do marvellous things, things that are astounding.

Abraham was successful because he kept in the faith God gave him to the finish. What seemed greener, but would pull away, he did not enter.

Abraham did not let certain things color his thinking, and neither should we. He kept his distance from the cities of the vale. He breathed pure air.

He didn't let life up to this point—that part that showed no miracle,—influence him. He looked away to God's way of doing, letting that be His action for now, and the future.

"And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform."

We should thrift away our time and opportunities in His promises!

There is much hidden in these words . . . amazing action. Things happen; goals are reached. Lives are changed. The dead come to life.

Our conflict is with forces arranged against God. Before repentance, we were brought up in sin.

Sin is the misuse of what we have.

God has published instructions about the whole realm of the exercise of good. We may have meals, friendship, marriage . . . rest etc. To go beyond, to fall aside His clear marks is sin. Whatever is not of faith is sin.

Abraham kept his eyes on God's way of doing,

"And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness."

We are in the steps of that faith when we believe in our Lord Jesus. But, as to father Abraham, the magnitude of that faith was keenly felt in its depths in that mission to Moriah, where he was told to offer his son . . . so must that faith reach the vitals of our soul. As Abraham came out of the old haunts of sin at Ur, so must we have found true repentance.

God shows us the stars. Our thoughts broaden in the power of heaven. Our vision encompasses all that the gracious heart of the Master yearns over. Our faith walks with One who manifests His will and publishes His miracles, to the praise of His glory!

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NEWS

JAPAN

Reporter: Yoshio Yamazaki

We have a wonderful news here in Tokyo. The Ehnles have a wonderful baby boy. This baby boy was born on June 13, 7:55 P.M., at the Tokyo Sanatorium Hospital in Ogikubo, Suginami-Ku, Tokyo. Of course, mother and baby are both fine. We are surely thankful to our Creator in heaven. His name is

Thomas Roy Ehnle, which name Tony Ben Ehnle very much and his parents agreed to his opinion. So now the Ehnle family are all five, Willis, Lois, three children, Tony, Joy and Tommy.

I visited in the country church last month, instead of Bro. Willis, and called at each member's home there. It is very unfortunate for our country churches' members, because they are awful busy growing the fruits, peaches and grapes

and so on. That's why some of them can not come to worship services as they would like.

Bro. Yoshito is in the hospital now, because he was complaining of headache and had trouble focusing his eyes, since a month ago. We church members and friends went to hospital, met him and encouraged him pretty often. However, fortunately, he is getting much better now, and he will probably be out from the hospital some time

this week, July 21-27. I ask all you brethren in the States to pray for him especially, and our Creator surely help and have mercy on him in His great power.

August 5 and 6, we will have a conference at Yamanashi-Ken, to meet together and gather with our three churches here in Japan and discuss about how we can serve the Lord better, and other problems, and so on.

August 11, we plan to have the baptismal service in Shioda church for Miss Suzuyo Hirose. She has been coming to our church since almost four years ago. She is very fine lady, and has good character and faith before the Lord and had spoken to Bro. Schrock and Bro. Graf when they were here last year. Also, we hope to have baptismal service here in Tokyo, too. Miss Hiroko Natori, Bro. Yoshito Inoue's cousin, and Miss Hiroko Utsuki, daughter of Mr. Saburo Utsuki. We hope they testify a wonderful faith before our loving Father in Heaven.

BAY CITY, MICHIGAN

Reporters: Faye Wackerle and Marlene Mosher

Our cup runneth over. How truly we can say this with all the wonderful words of love and truth from God's word spoken to us by these visiting ministers, who took the time to spend a day or so with us.

There was Elder Bro. Leroy Huber from Eureka; Bro. Lowell Stoller from Princeville, Bro. Eugene Bertschi from Roanoke, Bro. James Hoerr from Peoria, Bro. Joe Zimmerman from Roanoke, Bro. Ben Schaltter from Junction, Bro. Floyd Wieland from Detroit.

In one of the sermons, love was spoken of, the very great love that Jesus has for us, that He loved us before we even loved him, and how he suffered and died for us. If we only had more of that love for one another, surely our blessings would be even greater.

Here for a visit from Phoenix were Bro. and Sis. Herb and Johanna Knochel and family. Also, we had many other visitors from our various churches.

On the 13th of July, we had a chicken barbecue for all who wished to attend, and a singing in the church basement. About 150 turned out for the gathering. It certainly was enjoyed by all who came.

FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

Reporter: Florence Sutter

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

A picnic for old and young was held at the lake, Sunday, July 28. Several of our young men went hunting, and brought back a wild pig, which we all enjoyed roasting.

We now have our church building permit and plan to start construction, Monday, August 5. Several of our members and friends are at this time laboring for the completion of this church building. Much of this work will be done by our members and friends, in which even the children will play an active part.

We hope and believe God will bless all the efforts put forth in this worthy cause.

NEW MARTINSVILLE, W. VA.

Reporter: Mrs. Gus Weltz

Mrs. Emma Berger spent a week with her son, Clyde, and family in Moundsville, W. Va. She will be going back to St. Marys, W. Va., about the first week of September.

The annual Homecoming at the Limestone School will be held on Sunday, September 1, with a basket dinner at noon, a program, with a real get-together of the former pupils and teachers of the school.

Mrs. Wiley Steele (Ida Barth) is a patient in the Wetzel County Hospital, but will be able to go home in few days.

The annual Witschey reunion will be held here at City Park on Sunday, August 25, beginning with a basket dinner at noon.

Mrs. C. O. Wade, Mrs. Elza Ritz, Mrs. Gus Weltz and Albert Riggerbach attended the Riggerbach reunion on Saturday, July 20, at the Apostolic Christian Church at Sardis. It was good to meet so many people we knew.

Mrs. William Murdock was a patient in the local hospital for a week, recently. She was severely burned when a pot of hot coffee was spilled over her at a picnic. The table broke, throwing the coffee over the upper part of her body. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elza Ritz.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wade are the parents of a new baby boy, born to them on July 27. He was named John Edward. Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Wade are the paternal grand-

parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Witschey of Charleston, W. Va., spent the week-end of July 27 here with his grandfather, D. S. Witschey, and family.

The descendants of Henry and Ann Witschey Hassig held a family get-together in Weirton, W. Va., on Sunday, July 27, with many from here attending.

We have been blessed with heavy rains during the first few days of August, which will mean much to the farmers and those growing gardens locally. We have had a very hot, dry spell, but now that has been helped with the recent rains.

Lloyd A. Durig, son of Albert Durig, who has been very ill for five weeks in the University Hospital in Morgantown, W. Va., was returned to his home here on July 31. He is much improved, and was very happy to return to his home.

WINTHROP, MINNESOTA

Reporter: Marguerite Messner

Bro. Uriel Gehring of Burlington, Ia., ministered unto us, July 11. We enjoyed a very inspiring and helpful sermon. He was accompanied by his wife, Judy, their son, and others.

Bro. Allen Schrock of Congerville, who was at Camp Ripley, spent Sunday, the 14th, here with us.

Beverly Miller and her son of Gridley, Ill., spent two weeks with her parents, Bro. Elmer and Hazel Schmidt, while her husband, Terry, was in camp. He joined her here on their way home.

July 14, Bro. Arnold and Sis. Margie Gerst and family of Minneapolis have been transferred to Tulsa, Oklahoma. We had a potluck supper and singing for them at the Bro. Cornelius Messerli home on Sunday evening. We will miss them in our midst. May the Lord be with them and bless them.

July 21, Bro. and Sis. Ezra Feller and Bro. and Sis. George Feller of Cissna Park spent the day with us. We heard a very interesting sermon and enjoyed their visit.

Robert and Margie Messner and family of Georgia spent a couple weeks here with his parents, Walter Messners, and relatives.

Bro. and Sis. Gust Scheitlin of Burlington, Ia., spent a couple days with us. Elder Bro. George and Sis. Louise Gramm, their son, Bro.

Robert, and Sis. Nola Gramm of Gridley, Ill., spent the night here. We had evening services which were enjoyed by all.

Sis. Ida Miller is much improved and has been able to attend church for the past several Sundays, for which we are all thankful.

Sis. Donnabel Nelson and family of Crystal Lake, Ill., spent three weeks with her father, Bro. Fred Messner, and family. Her husband, Al Nelson, brought them here and then came after them.

RITTMAN, OHIO

Reporter: Ella Mae Trent

How many believing parents go to the grave, broken-hearted that their children could not share with them the joys of being prepared for heaven? In ministering to us the afternoon and evening of July 21, Bro. Leroy Huber, Eureka, and Bro. Lowell Stoller, Princeville, brought out that undoubtedly the greatest joy sons or daughters can bring their parents is to humbly confess their desire to serve the Lord. Parents in our congregation who have much reason to rejoice include:

Bro. Reuben and Sis. Velma Hartzler, whose son, Merle, has sought the Lord. They can truly say, "... as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD." Merle is the last of their six children to repent.

Bro. Carl and Sis. Mary Stoller, whose son, Andrew, is also repenting.

Bro. George and Sis. Minnie Rigenbach, whose twin daughters, Bonnie and Betty, have heeded God's call.

Bro. Raymond and Sis. Grace Marty, whose daughter, Joyce, is too seeking the Lord.

The desire of our converts could probably be expressed as follows:

Oh empty us of self, the world, and sin,
And then in all Thy fulness enter in;
Take full possession, Lord, and let each thought
Into obedience unto Thee be brought.
Thine is the power, and Thine the will that we
Be wholly sanctified, O Lord, to Thee.

Bro. Dale Stoller, son of Bro. Carl and Sis. Mary, and Sis.

Jeanette Imhoff, daughter of Sis. Naomi, joined hand and heart in marriage on July 21, May they be partakers of the blessings from on high for their lifetime.

Those privileged once again to experience the joys and responsibilities of parenthood include:

Bro. Robert and Sis. Betty Bauman, a second daughter, Betsy Jane, welcomed July 10.

Bro. Elmer and Sis. Lorene Blough, a second daughter, Ellen Lorene, welcomed July 16.

Bro. Edward and Sis. Shirley Zollinger, a second daughter, Susan Marie, welcomed July 16.

Bro. Joseph and Sis. Lucille Blough, happy parents of their first child, Verla Mae, born July 20.

David and Sis. Mary Ann Zollinger, visited with a new daughter, Ann Marie, July 22.

Bro. Harold and Sis. Carol Widmer welcomed their third son, Brent Allen, born July 27.

The Rittman congregation was honored host for the annual Fort Sam reunion. (Those who were at Ft. Sam in the period from Korean War to Jan. 1, 1956). We trust all who journeyed to our midst could enjoy the Christian fellowship and could depart spiritually refreshed. May God abide with all our visitors until we meet again.

Also, laboring for our congregation this past month were Bros. Robert Beer and Henry Sabo of Mansfield, and Bro. Ernest Gerber of Rockville. May God be your rich rewarder for so willingly serving us.

Sis. Martha Dotterer has been confined to the hospital. We commit her into the Great Physician's care.

EUREKA, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Cathryn Wettstein

Our visiting brothers who ministered to us the past month were Bro. Harvey Heiniger from Oakville and Bro. Fred Grimm from Taylor.

Those who have returned to their homes, after being in the hospitals, are Sis. Irene Hartter, Sis. Bertha Weutrich and Bro. Ed. Geiger. May God grant unto each one added strength and new courage to go further on this path way of life.

Sis. Christina Unzicker remains a patient in the hospital.

Sunday School has begun again, after a brief summer vacation.

Through the month of August, we will not have Wednesday evening services.

Mention should be made of two sisters who attend church in their wheel chairs, Sis. Wilhelmina Klaus and Sis. Lena Grusy. Sis. Klaus very seldom misses, and Sis. Grusy comes as often as she can. May God bless them in their affliction.

The zip code for Eureka mail is 61530.

Visit With A Shut-In

Sis. Anna Stoller was born near Eureka, Dec. 2, 1877, the daughter of Fred and Sis. Fannie (Baliman) Bradle. She had three sisters and three brothers. One sister and one brother still live. On Feb. 10, 1898, she married George Stoller, in Peoria. They were blessed with a family of nine children, all living. They are Floyd, Washington, Illinois; Lester, Peoria; Clarence, Toluca, Ill.; Bro. Willis and Melvin, Eureka; Bro. Vernon, Burlington, Iowa; Sis. Agnes (Mrs. Joe) Rocke, Roanoke; Sis. Stella (Mrs. Harvey) Zimmerman, Morton; and Sis. Edna, who lives with her mother. She has 26 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

She and her husband repented in the year 1916 and were baptized by Bros. Michael Mangold and J. W. Schmidt, at the Roanoke church.

In 1940, Bro. George suffered a stroke. He was an invalid for 11 years, before he went home to his reward. In 1952, one year later, Sis. Anna had a stroke. Then 5 years later, she fell and broke her hip and has been a wheel-chair patient and shut-in ever since.

She has a sincere longing and often wishes to go home to her Rest, and wonders why she has to wait so long.

She has a smile to welcome all visitors and enjoys company. However, her hearing isn't so good anymore.

She enjoys mail very much, so perhaps a note of cheer from anyone would help her.

Her address is—

Mrs. Anna Stoller

705 S. Main St.

Eureka Illinois 61530

May God ever be near her. And her daughter, who so faithfully cares and provides for her mother, may God grant a special blessing to her, too.

FORT SCOTT, KANSAS

Reporter: Marie Zaugg

We enjoyed the spiritual food served us by Bro. Sam Huber of Burlington, Kansas. His wife, Sis. Mary, and family were with him.

Visitors this month were Bro. and Sis. William Klein and daughters, Sisters Linda and Evelyn, of Peoria. They worshiped with us on Sunday, on their way to Phoenix.

Sis. Lena Eberle of Peoria, Leah Wirtz and sons, Lynn and Mark, Pekin, Ill., came to visit several days with Bro. and Sis. Fred Sinn.

July 21, our Sunday School entertained the two upper classes of Wichita and Bern Sunday Schools. There were 52 visitors. May God have directed the hearts and minds of the Sunday School teachers, that our youth will have much food for thought now and in future time.

Sis. Ida Sinn underwent surgery, was in the hospital several days. She is now much improved.

Carol Jane and Cheryl Jean are the names chosen for the twin girls born to Bro. and Sis. Wayne Miller.

Bro. and Sis. Jim Bahr and family have moved into their new home. Their new address is 1325 Marblecrest Drive, Ft. Scott, Kansas.

Our zip code number is 66701.

HILLSBORO, ALABAMA

Reporter: Clara Heiniger

Is your life a shining witness,
With a testimony true?

Could the world be won to Jesus
Just by what they see in you?

We are thankful to the good Lord for the many blessings of rain, of sun—to produce the many lovely gardens, which are keeping every one busy, filling every jar available.

Visitors at the Bro. Junior Hale residence were the Silas Hale family and the Renne Letson family, of Lafayette, Ind., and the Francesville group.

Mon. night, July 29, a large crowd of young folks met in the home of Bro. and Sis. Junior Hale for a singing and hearing the Word of God. Refreshments were served before returning home.

The summer schools are now in sessions for about six weeks, and then will be let out during cotton-picking season for six weeks.

LANDERSVILLE, ALABAMA

Reporter: Clara Heiniger

Worship service was held at the home of Bro. Carl Nayler and family, Friday evening. All enjoyed the visitors, Bro. Dave Bertsch and family of Leo. Bro. Dave held the services.

John Fuller had open house, and all enjoyed a birthday supper, July 14, for many of the Landersville folks.

Vacation Bible School started July 15, and continued through the 19th with a large crowd attending every evening. It began at 7:30 p.m. The children all enjoyed their classes, with handcraft after their lessons. For the adults, preaching was held every night. Everyone enjoyed the blessed fellowship and singing of the Francesville group, with their children, on the last night of Vacation Bible School.

Worship service for young and old was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dyar Harville, Friday evening, July 26. We enjoyed the blessed fellowship of having Bro. and Sis. Dick Aeschliman and Bro. and Sis. Ron Stoller of Ft. Wayne.

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Reporter: Averil Stevig

The following little story holds a wonderful lesson for us:

For years, the baker and the farmer had traded with one another, a pound of butter for a loaf of bread. But now, the baker suspected that the farmer's "pound" of butter was getting smaller. To prove his hunch, he began weighing the butter the farmer was giving him. Sure enough, each time the "pound" of butter got less and less than a pound. Very angry, the baker took his case before the judge and demanded that the farmer explain. "I'm sorry for your trouble," said the farmer, "but you've caused it yourself. You see, I have always used a loaf of your bread, which you claim to be one pound, to weigh out my pound of butter."

Sis. Lillian Messner recently flew to Oakville for the funeral of her sister, Sis. Rose Massner. We extend our sympathy to her and her family.

Some of our little ones have had some misfortunes. Twenty-month-old Deanna Beery, daughter of Bro. Dick and Sis. Marie Beery, spilled some solvent on her, inhaling the strong fumes. She was rushed to

the hospital, and after many anxious hours was released. We are thankful to report she has recovered very well. Also, Jimmy Maurer, three-year-old son of Bro. Ervin and Sis. Dorothy Maurer, fractured a bone in his leg, while vacationing at his grandparents, Bro. and Sis. Henry Maurer, in Fairbury. Little Jim must carry a cast for three weeks, but fortunately his three brothers, Kim, Tom, and Lem, can help carry him.

Bro. and Sis. Paul Weiss and their three children from Elgin recently stopped in Phoenix. They journeyed west with the objective of finding a climate that would afford some relief for their son, Roger, who suffers from asthma. Unfortunately for them, we have been having some cloudy, humid weather, and Roger's condition was not relieved, so they had to leave. We pray that the Lord in His great wisdom will lead them so that Roger's health may be quickly improved.

We have enjoyed quite a few visitors in the last month. How marvellous the love of God is! That we can meet and greet with brothers and sisters whom we have never seen before, and still feel as if we have known them all our lives is truly a miracle. We can't be thankful enough for the blessing of fellowship. Think how our load is lightened and our journey made more cheerful when we can meet, pray, and sing praises to God with a brother or sister who carries in his or her heart the same hope and love that we have in our own. We truly must thank God more for fellowship, not only as we experience it with visitors, but as we experience it with the "home folk" members of our congregations.

Aug. 1, we enjoyed the visit, although it was rather short, of Bro. Richard Steffen and Bro. Norman and Sis. Sally Hoerr, who were returning to Ft. Sam Houston, where Bro. Richard and Bro. Norm are stationed. Also here were Bro. Norman's sisters, Sisters Laurette and Charolette Hoerr, returning to Taylor.

Aug. 4 we had a number of visitors from the Rittman and Latty churches. Bros. Ben Blough, Gary Maibach, Ronnie Gosser, and Glen Riegenbach visited from the Rittman church. These four brothers are cousins, and were on their way

home from a vacation here in the West. Also from Rittman were Sisters Laura Oppliger and Louise Spangler.

Visiting from Latty were Bro. Richard and Sis. Velta Laukhuf and son, Bro. Dean. They also are spending their vacation in the West.

We enjoyed all of our visitors, and thank God for each and every one, and pray that He will grant them all safe conveyance home.

As stated previously, it has been trying to rain (which we need badly) so many of our visitors have seen Phoenix at a rare time, for we generally have very little humidity. In conjunction with the weather, we would like to mention that early fall lettuce planting here in central Arizona is not far off. Normally, the earliest local plantings are started about the second week of August. Predictions on the extent of this fall's plantings vary, but limited water supply seems more of a crucial factor in some areas this summer. Therefore, irrigation priority between lettuce and cotton will be weighed rather critically, and there's little doubt that the going needs of the cotton crop will be satisfied first. However, this is not the story all over, and the amount of field preparation under way at the present time does not indicate much of a total cut-back in acreage, if any.

We should keep in mind that no matter how much work in planning, preparing and predicting man does, unless God gives the increase, man's work is in vain. That brings to mind the story of the farmer who complained that the weather was never right. The farmer said that if God would just give him power over the weather, then the rains would all come at the right time, etc. So God gave the farmer power to control the weather for one season. You can imagine the farmer's disappointment, when the time came to harvest his wheat and there was no grain. It seems the human farmer had forgot to have the wind blow to pollinate his crop! Man with all his "knowledge" is so weak, so completely nothing beside God, who created all things and who controls every breath of wind and every drop of rain. Truly, God's ways are as far above man's as the heavens are above the earth!

PORTLAND, OREGON

Reporter: Mrs. Paul N. Rumbold

We have had quite a few visitors from various churches this month, from Bluffton, Bro. Alvin and Sis. Helen Gerber and children; Mary Kay, Jeannie, Mark and Jay; and their mother, Sis. Katie Isch.

Bro. Earl and Sis. Esther Gerber and children; Wayne, Allen, Sandra and Kathy, from Rockville. Also, with them was their mother, Sis. Persida Metz, from Forrest.

From San Francisco, Bro. Joe and Sis. Connie Beer. Bro. Joe is stationed in the Army there, and will be discharged the latter part of August.

Sisters Louise and Anna Stoller and Sis. Kathryn Rapp of Morton who were with a group tour.

Bro. Harold and Sis. Dorothy Schladenhauffen and children, Mary, Dean, Susan and Joan, also their mother, Sis. Mary Kipfer, from Bluffton were visitors.

Kenny and Donnie, sons of Bro. Ray and Sis. Virginia Cooper, have been confined with tonsillectomies.

Adam Knapp, husband of Sis. Rose Knapp, passed away on Monday, Aug. 5. He had been a patient in a rest home for some time.

John and Mary Fritz of Kent, Washington, are parents of a new baby girl, born July 27. She has a sister, Lorie, to welcome her.

WICHITA, KANSAS

Reporter: Mrs. Harvey Smith

Bro. Joe Herman and family of Peoria spent the week-end here, on their way to Colorado for a vacation.

Sisters Mardell Grimm, Taylor, Nelda Kuntz, Nancy Hieniger, Oakville, and Sister Ellie Wagler of Cissna Park, spent a Sunday here on their way to Fort Sam, to visit Mardell's sister, Bro. Paul and Sis. Kathy Haab. Bro. Ernie and Sis. Sharon and Jan Herman of Tremont were also visitors here.

We are very happy to report that two friends have turned to the Lord in repentance, Larry and Judy Farney, son and daughter of Bro. and Sis. Harvey Farney. It is very encouraging to our small congregation here.

Ministering Bro. Roy Wernli and family of Lamont spent a Sunday with us. We enjoyed Bro. Roy's messages, and hope they will visit us again soon.

Mrs. Bonnie Adams and children, Lynn and Stuart, of Alaska, are

here to spend a short time with her parents, Bro. and Sis. Ernie Lambert. Her husband, Ges, is completing his time in service. Bonnie and George plan to make their home in Plainville, Indiana, where George is associated with the Eastern Airlines, and Bonnie will teach.

WOLCOTT, INDIANA

Reporter: Arles Kropf

Bros. Will Stettner and Herman Kellenburger of Elgin, Ill., spent June 21 with us and assisted in serving us the Lord's Supper. A blessed day was enjoyed by all.

The children of the Junior, Intermediate, & Bible classes, along with their teachers, enjoyed fellowship and a picnic at Jasper-Pulaski Game Preserve, Sunday afternoon, July 28.

A number of folks from various churches have visited us in recent weeks. It is always a blessing to have those of like faith assemble with us.

Our two sisters, Priscilla Anker and Edna Kyburz, who recently submitted to surgery, are home again and recovering nicely. May God be with all those who are shut-ins, grant them courage and, where it is His will, a complete recovery. Our friend, Levi Kyburz who has also been ill, was able to be with us one Sunday, recently.

CROGHAN-NAUMBURG, N. Y.

Reporters: Mrs. Laurence Farney and Mrs. David Schamback

On July 9 and 10th, we were blessed with a visit by Elder Bro. LeRoy Huber and family, accompanied by Bro. Lowell Stoller and wife. On July 24 and 25th, we were privileged to have Bro. Andy Virkler and family with us.

Sis. Katie Virkler has been moved from the Greystone Nursing Home to the Lowville Hospital. Also confined to the same hospital is Sis. Anna Virkler. Bro. Theodore Rohr has been in the Watertown Hospital for the past month. Sis. Nellie Riddlespraker has had a stroke and is confined to bed at the home of her neice, Mrs. Maurice Leviker.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nortz are the parents of a big boy, Timothy Owen, born on July 8. Mrs. Nortz is the former Barbara Sturtz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sturtz.

On Sunday, Aug. 4, due to the number of visiting guests here

from various churches, the Crogan congregation gathered with the Naumburg congregation for afternoon services, after which a covered-dish dinner was served in the dining room.

Annual church meetings for both churches were held July 29 and 30th, so our Elder Bro. John Widrick was able to attend both.

AKRON, OHIO

Reporters: Ruth Taylor
and Alice Graf

Joe and Anna Hanla have moved to 570 Fernwood Dr., Akron, Ohio 44320. Katherine Tooker is making her home with them, having left Robinson's, where she worked for 23 years.

Esther Dockus's new address is 282 Duane Drive, Akron, Ohio 444320.

Dan Emery's new address is 792 Valdes Ave., Akron, Ohio 44320.

The Charles Sauders and Homer Reinecks were with us July 14. Bro. Homer reminded us of the value of each member in making up a strong body in Christ.

The Lowell Stollers and LeRoy Hubers were with us for morning services, July 21. Their inspiring messages renewed us all. We were sorry for those who weren't there to hear it.

Andrew and Mary Leidal had an automobile accident this month. Andrew suffered a broken hip, and had to have an operation on it. He is in Akron General Hospital. We all join in wishing him a speedy recovery.

Albert Studer, brother of Bethi Graf, died suddenly in Switzerland, his home. Her many friends join in offering her their sincere sympathy.

Mark Graf, twin son of Janet and Leon, had a hernia operation this month.

Aug. 8, Elizabeth Gangel was admitted to City Hospital for observation.

ALTADENA, CALIFORNIA

Reporter: Doris Graf

Visiting this month were Bro. and Sis. Alvin Gerber, their children, Sis. Mary K., Sis. Jean, Mark and Jay, Bluffton; also Sis. John Ish, Bluffton, came with them.

Bro. and Sis. Earl Gerber and their children of Rockville and mother, Persida Metz for Forrest, spent several days here.

Home on leave from Ft. Sam Hou-

ston was Virgil Graf. Accompanying him was Bro. Richard Steffen, who is also stationed there. Bro. and Sis. Norman Haerr, from Ft. Sam Houston and Sisters Laurretta and Charlotte, Taylor, visited at the same time. We certainly enjoyed the company and fellowship of all those who came to see us.

Bro. John Paternoster had the misfortune of breaking his hip several weeks ago. We certainly hope and pray that he will make a speedy recovery.

BURLINGTON, IOWA

Reporter: Uriel Gehring

We enjoyed having Bro. Cleo Rinkenberger of Pulaski minister to us on Sunday, July 7; he was accompanied by his family. Berniece Rapp and children of Morton were with us, also. Mrs. Rapp is a sister of Bro. Cleo, and they are both children of Bro. and Sis. Chris Ringkenberger of our community.

On Tuesday afternoon, July 23, Bro. and Sis. Eli Reinick and Sisters Tena and Bertha Reinhard of Bluffton stopped at our house. We showed them our church in Burlington. They were on their homeward journey, after having visited some of our churches further north. How pleasant, when travelling, to meet loved ones of the same faith and be encouraged of the worthfulness of our precious fellowship in Christ Jesus.

Our annual Sunday School picnic was held in Crapo Park here in Burlington, on Sunday, July 21. About sixty persons were in attendance.

Our visitors Sunday, July 28, included Bro. and Sis. Arthur Foster, who attend church in Phoenix, and Bro. Dave Kellenberger of Elgin, Illinois.

Among our visitors Sunday Aug. 4 were Bro. and Sis. Wm. Klein, John Elaine and Rita and Sis. Ruth Klein and Sister Mary Hohulin from Peoria, and Mrs. Charles Drasil of El Cojan California. Mrs. Drasil is a daughter of Sis. Lydia Kupferschmidt of Oakville.

Sunday, August 4, was the last Sunday for Bro. Joel and Sis. Sonia Banwart to attend our church as regular attenders of the Burlington congregation. They are moving to Benson, Illinois; Bro. Joel will teach school in that community. They will attend church in Eureka. We will miss them, but wish them God's grace in their new home. We

hope they will come and visit us sometime.

Thursday evening, August 8, a number of members and friends gathered at the home of Bro. and Sis. Bob Pohl, where some songs were recorded to be sent to the brothers, sisters, and friends at Ft. Sam Houston.

Our sympathy goes to Sis. Esther Wagler, whose sister who lived in California passed away recently. Sis. Esther and her husband, Bro. Ben, visited in California last winter.

How quickly time passes; "We spend our years as a tale that is told." My living is earned by working with public school children. Just a few short months ago, I was anticipating the summer vacation—and now it is nearly all in the past.

Schools will soon be opening, bright-eyed youngsters will start their yearly trek back to school, and the soldiers of the cross must continue in their schooling, which never ends until the Lord determines to relieve us of our duties on this earth. How thankful that in the school of the cross we have the Holy Spirit as our guide and teacher. He is promised to everyone that asketh for Him, and He will direct us in all paths of righteousness.

Oh the depth of the love of God in His plan of salvation, which He presented to this world through His Son, Christ Jesus, our Saviour. May we never forget, "We love him, because he first loved us." May we strive to keep alive our first love, that God might preserve for us a church that can serve as a haven of refuge, a source of fellowship and encouragement, and a means of discipline, that we might keep ourselves in the grace of God.

BURLINGTON, OKLAHOMA

Reporter: Mrs. Raymond Roth

We had services at the Kiowa Rest Home on Sunday afternoon, July 21.

Our Sunday School students were guests of the Lamar church, the week end of July 20. Those driving cars were Bro. and Sis. Ronald Allenbach, Bro. and Sis. Arnold Ot, Bro. and Sis. Huber Farney and Bro. and Sis. Ronald Nelson.

Visiting ministers here this past month were Bro. Michael Weyeneth of Peoria and Bro. Joe

Aberle of Sabetha. Both were accompanied by their wives.

Bro. Richard Guthrie was appointed to serve on the board of trustees for the Apostolic Christian Home at Sabetha, replacing Bro. William Schrock, who resigned.

Sis. Frederika Schif, a shut in for some time, has taken up residence in the Apostolic Christian Home in Sabetha.

Bro. M. A. Kisling was a hospital patient this past month.

CONGERVILLE, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Ruth Schumacher

During July, we were blessed by a visit from Bro. Joe Zimmerman of Roanoke. Bro. Joe ministered at Congerville before moving to Roanoke, and we are glad to have him come back whenever he can come.

A new baby boy arrived July 14 to bless the home of Bro. and Sis. John and Mary Ellen Gudeman. He is their first child. They've named him "Matthew John".

Bro. and Sis. Jake and Marian Miller are the parents of a new baby girl, Marie Louise, who was born on July 18. The new baby has three sisters: Sandy, Barbara and Linda, and three brothers: Eddie, Marlin and Warren.

Bro. Carl Schieber went to Menonite Hospital on Wednesday, July 31, for surgery. He was able to return home after about a week's stay.

FAIRBURY, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Joyce Huber

Our elder, Bro. Josh Broquard, on Sun., July 7, announced the engagement of their daughter, Sis. Margaret, to Bro. Earl Feucht, son of Bro. and Sis. Dan Feucht of Princeville. We wish them the Lord's blessings, as they serve the Lord together.

"I can't go on this way any longer," were the words of Howard Leman, as he broke the news of his repentance to his parents, Bro. and Sis. Eli Leman. We rejoice with them for his conversion.

Bro. and Sis. Leroy Hartman and Bro. and Sis. Ray Martin of Peoria visited here Sun., July 21, with Bro. Leroy ministering to us. They were dinner guests of Bro. and Sis. Vernon Hartman.

This past month, we took a "Solemn Journey to Calvary", as expressed by Bro. Josh Broquard, as-

sisted by Bro. Herman Kellenberger of Elgin, in serving the sacred sacrament of Holy Communion.

Bro. and Sis. Irvin Maurer and boys were home on vacation, visiting their parents and others, after having moved to Phoenix a year ago.

Bro. Vernon Leman and Bro. Walter Anliker interestingly brought out in sermons, while visiting here, of how grateful we are that the apostles went about setting up churches, and that the Word spread abroad; and that if we are fruitful, it will also be to our gain. Several others from Eureka accompanied the ministers and were guests of Bro. and Sis. Edward Huber.

Bro. Sam Kilgus of Remington ministered to us, Sun., Aug. 4, and then attended the Kilgus reunion.

Fairbury Zip Code number is 61739.

FORREST, ILLINOIS

Reporters: Nancy Honegger
Martha Stoller

Sis. Lena Bach, 88, wife of our late elder, Bro. Pete Bach, has returned to Forrest, after spending a year with her daughter, Sis. Louise Joos, and family at Princeville. We are happy to have Sis. Lena assemble with us every Sunday again. Although she has advanced in age and has become somewhat frail in body, her mind is alert to the happenings and people about her. She especially enjoys the visits and the fellowship of those of kindred mind. To see her join in hymn singing with whole heart and soul is uplifting to all. It is only by the grace of God we can hold fast to our faith through the years, trusting that He will never leave us alone.

Our annual Sunday School picnic was enjoyed by all, on July 8, at Marsh Park in Fairbury.

Bro. Noah Schrock and his wife were with us on July 21, making our Sunday a very blessed day. Bro. Noah stated that, when we once find ourselves leading a Christian life with reluctance and hesitation, we have lost something. It is high time to pray for grace, to freely give of ourselves in appreciation for what Christ has done for us.

Carl and Sis. Dorothy Bachtold of Ft. Lauderdale, with Sam and Gloria, are here for an indefinite stay with their children, Sis.

Miriam, Roberta, and Herb. Sis. Dorothy is helping in the kitchen at Fairview Haven at the present time. We enjoy having the Bachtold family with us, and would encourage them to again make their home here permanently.

Bro. Wayne Honegger and Sis. Lorene Geyer have both been patients at the Fairbury Hospital recently. Both are again at their homes and improving nicely.

Bro. William Kupferschmid is hospitalized at this writing.

Funeral services for Bro. Carl Sohn, age 60, who had been ill for several months, were held on Aug. 1. He leaves his wife, Sis. Lydia (Hari) Sohn, a daughter, Sis. Lucille, and two sons, Leroy and Harry. Our sympathy goes out to the family, as he will be greatly missed.

Sis. Bertha Maurer was a surgical patient at the Fairbury Hospital, but has since returned to her home.

LA CROSSE, INDIANA

Reporter: Martha Rinkenberger

Our annual Sunday School picnic was held July 28. We all enjoyed the fellowship.

Bro. Edwin Ringger of Gridley, Ill., was with us Aug. 4. We enjoyed having him.

Even as the angels rejoice, so we are rejoicing over our dear friend, Peggy Heinold, who is coming to the Lord in repentance. We hope and pray that many of our friends will turn to the Lord for help.

Jim and Karen Heinold have a baby girl.

LESTER, IOWA

Reporter: Emelie Knobloch

Among the ill:

Allen Leuthold, son of Bro. and Sis. Alvin Leuthold, had the misfortune of cracking a bone in his arm.

Bro. August Knobloch is much improved, after a few days in the Algona Hospital.

Births: To Bro. and Sis. Gilbert Knobloch, a son, July 3, James D.; and to Bro. and Sis. John Gerber, a son, July 9, David James.

Word was received here of the passing of Adam Knapp, at Portland. His wife was the former Rose Feucht of this community. Several folks from here flew to Portland to be with her.

An announcement was made

known on July 21 of the approaching marriage of Bro. William Gerber and Sis. Erma Eslinger of Bern. We wish them God's blessings in their future step in life.

The week end of August 4, a dear soul (Sis. Lena Maurer) gave her testimony and was baptized. Elder Brothers Paul Banwart and Henry Koehl and Bro. Cleo Ringenberger spent the day with us.

We have had many visitors and many folks on vacation this time of the year.

We praise the Lord for the two souls who have answered the call and given their hearts to the Lord, Nancy (daughter of Walter and Sis. Iola Knobloch) and Connie (daughter of Bro. and Sis. Nathan Knobloch).

Many folks from here attended the funeral services for two departed sisters at Morris, Sisters Lillian Zeltwanger and Minnie Luthi. We wish their families God's words of comfort, during their bereavement.

MAYWOOD, CALIFORNIA Reporter: Christine Locher

Visitors for the month included Bro. Harold and Sis. Dorothy Schladenhauffen, and Sis. Mary Kipfer of Bluffton, Edythe Gargel, Lake Worth, Florida, and Bro. Donald and Sis. Miriam Bird and Jerry of Mansfield.

Our annual business meeting was held Sunday, August 4. Our trustees for the next year are Bros. Ben Ammann, Leonard Locher, Andy Locher; Song Leader, Dale Dapper; Sunday School Superintendent, Bro. Leonard Locher; and Teacher, Sis. Julia Ann Dapper.

Plans for a Sunday School room addition were presented to the members and were approved. After sufficient finances are obtained, we hope to proceed with the building. This will be an improvement and an asset to our future church.

MORTON, ILLINOIS Reporter: Mrs. B. E. Getz

Funeral services for Sis. Minnie Huette, age 82, were held July 8. She was the daughter of Henry and Magdalena Claudin Huette. Bro. Joe A. Getz and Bro. LeRoy Hartman of Peoria officiated. Surviving are two brothers, Henry and Sam, and a sister, Sarah.

The two daughters of Bro. and Sis. Earl Farney, Phyllis and Janet, were baptized July 21, while

Bro. and Sis. Paul Rumboldt of Portland were here. Bros. Silas Leuthold of Princeville assisted Bro. Getz with the proving.

Other visiting ministers were Bro. Jim Hoerr of Peoria, Bro. Joe Aupperle of Sabetha, Bro. Robert Grimm of Goodfield and Bro. Albert Aberle of Tremont.

Bro. Ben Freidinger and Sis. Anna Rassi have announced their engagement.

The furnishings of the Apostolic Christian Home were sold at auction, as operation of the home has been discontinued.

Bro. Carl Kaiser is a surgical patient at the Methodist Hospital in Peoria; also, Bro. Wm. J. Roecker and Sis. Anna Rapp are patients, too.

Sis. Anna Kaiser fell in her home, fracturing some ribs.

The Sunday School teachers and pupils are having a few weeks vacation.

A Shut-In Feature

Sis. Anna Rassi, who supervises the A.C. Home and also nurses part-time at the Restmor Home, went with me to call on Sis. Mary Alt (who after a two-year stay at the A. C. Home was moved to Restmor) and Bro. John Kaufman.

In our visit with Sis. Mary, we learned she is 84 years old, and has had arthritis about 20 years. She was in her own home as long as she was able to be, then lived with her children in Fairbury, Cissna Park and Morton. She had 14 children, five living in California, Oregon and Nevada, and the others live in Illinois and Indiana. Nadine, the youngest, passed away a year ago. She was sick and poor. Mary prayed constantly for her, and when her end came, she could feel she was saved.

Mary repented 14 years ago. It was what she always wanted. She received peace when she was 70. Truly God answers prayers. The memory of her sister, Anna Baurer, who passed away late in 1962 is very precious to her. Anna came to see her every week, or even more often, and cheered her with stories of the people they both knew.

Mary feels her faith is very weak, but she has always been helped in one way or another when in great need, through prayer. She was in the hospital four months, and felt so blue and depressed and

in need of help, when one day, Sis. Mary Knapp walked in the room. She felt God sent her to comfort her. Her sickness and affliction requires much patience, and prayers find her source of joy and comfort. No matter how much she suffers, she knows Jesus suffered too, which helps to make life bearable.

The cards, letters and gifts from relatives and friends, also the recording of church services which are brought to the home each week mean so much. She especially enjoys the singing.

Bro. Joe Getz visits her every week—his prayers mean so much; also, she enjoys the Silver Lining and reading the Testament and Psalms.

She related an interesting story from long ago. Her step sister, Mary Grimm, and she took a trip to Cissna Park by train. No one was at the depot to meet them.

Soon, a lady came driving with a horse and buggy and said she would take them to their destination.

The young lady was Lizzie Sutter. She had a goose in the back of the buggy, and was getting things ready for her wedding, the next day. She married Theo Haab; they lived in Milford. This must have happened over 60 years ago.

Bro. John Kaufman, 88, is also a shut-in for the last six years. He had a brother, Sam, and seven sisters — Sis. Lucy Freidinger, Lydia Maibach, Sara Getz, Carrie Gingrich, Amelia Frintz, Anna Yoder and Bena Welk of Peoria, who is the only sister living.

He married Lydia Welk in 1901. She passed away a year ago.

John is so patient and longsuffering, and the nurses find it a pleasure to care for him. His six children visit him every day, and nieces, nephews and grandchildren call often.

He loves company and mail. He likes the Silver Lining, but is unable to read much. He spoke of one niece, Sis. Ida Hasselbring, who brings him much joy, with her weekly visit when in Morton, and a letter each Monday when she is in Linwood, Michigan.

Bro. Joe Getz comes in every Friday, and usually Bro. Joe Hoffman and Bro. George Giesel, who also live at Restmor, come into John's room, and Bro. Getz has a prayer for them.

He enjoys the recordings of church services. Different ones come in their walkers or wheel chairs and congregate in John's room, while they play the hymns and services. It is next best to being in church.

His salvation means much to him, and he tries to look on the brighter side.

Truly the blessing of contentment is one to be desired.

PEORIA, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mrs. Michael Weyeneth

Communion services were held Sunday, July 28. Services were also held for some of the sick, who could not attend church. At a later day, communion will be held at the A. C. Home, for the patients there and those that were on vacation or gone elsewhere. Bros. Silas Leuthold, Joe Getz and LeRoy Huber were here for the occasion. It was a blessed day, and we hope we can continue with these blessings.

The engagement of Sis. Clara Thomas and Bro. Joe Steiner of Sabetha was made known, Sunday, July 28.

We welcome Sis. Lillian Hartter, who moved here from Milford. Sis. Lillian used to work here many years ago. Her new address is 815 Seneca Place. We also welcome Bro. and Sis. Edward Herman and family, originally from Morton. Bro. Edward has been attending college in Normal. He will teach school in East Peoria. His address is 1205 E. Nebraska, Peoria, Ill.

The Sunday School Bible Class, 30 in all, with their teachers, Bros. Paul Meister, Robert Weyeneth, Francis Maier, and Harold Thomas, spent Sunday afternoon, July 28, singing for the shut-ins at the A.C. Home. It was greatly appreciated. They hope to do this from time to time. How important it is to teach the youth to take time off to bring joy to others and do good where ever they can. A lunch was served later, at the Bro. Harold Thomas home, for the group.

The zip code is 61604.

Some time ago, we mentioned of Sis. Mollie Perdilitz's illness. Her address was put in the Silver Lining. Her wish is to thank the many friends who send cards and letters to her. Sis. Mollie has been coming to church a half day, the last two Sundays. We are glad she is able to be out again, and hope she continues to improve.

Mr. and Mrs. Maynord Fehr and family of Tuscon, Arizona, have been spending part of the summer with his mother, Sis. Kathryn Fehr.

Anna Kipfer, who has been ill with heart trouble, had visitors from Bluffton. They were Sisters Frieda and Esther Kipfer and Martha Kipfer.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dini and son, Michael, of Denver, Colorado, were also visitors of Anna. Mrs. Dini is a daughter of Anna.

Sis. Bertha Feucht is a patient at St. Francis Hospital. Sis. Emma Schafer is at Methodist Hospital, quite ill at this writing. Our prayers go out for her, as well as all the sick.

Sis. Lizzie Bradle, who formerly lived in Eureka, has now come to live at the A.C. Home. The address is 711 N. Monroe.

SABETHA, KANSAS

Reporter: Mrs. Theodore Locher

Mr. and Mrs. John Lowenbach, Bill, Bob, and Mary, of Boulder, Colo., spent several days this past month visiting Bro. Alex Wenger and other relatives here at Sabetha.

Bros. and Sis. Will Rauhaus accompanied Bro. George and Sis. Hazel Kuntz of Oakville here, to visit with Bro. Otto Rauhaus who is a resident of the Apostolic Christian Home.

We have enjoyed the fellowship of many brethren in this past month, including a group of brothers from Bluffton that were appointed on a committee for home of the aged. They were looking over the Apostolic Christian home here. We hope the Lord can add his blessings to their efforts, that in due time such a home can be erected to fill their needs.

The wedding engagement of Sis. Clara Thomas, Peoria, and Bro. Joe Steiner was announced Sun., July 28.

Lt. James and Mrs. Steiner of Ft. Lewis, Wash., have arrived home. James has completed his tour of duty in the service.

The Sabetha Sunday School children, along with the Burlington, Okla., Sunday School, were guests of the Lamar young folks, on July 20-21. Five cars drove from Sabetha, 21 Sunday School children and their sponsors. A picnic was enjoyed on Saturday evening. Afterward, there was

hymn singing at the church. Our children appreciated the hearty welcome from the Lamar young folks and hope to have them as their guests sometime. On Sunday morning, the children attended Sunday School. All seemed to have enjoyed and received a blessing from it. After lunch, the young folks all attended church. Bro. Fred Marti conducted the services. A bountiful dinner was served in the church basement at 4:00. Afterward, the Sabetha folks left for home. May the Lord richly reward all that had a part in this fellowship. Our Sunday School superintendent is Bro. Ben Aberle.

We were happy to have all our children home, together, once again this past month. Those from a distance were Wayne and his friend, Pat, from Fresno, Calif., also Mr. and Mrs. Robert Locher of Waterloo, Iowa.

We were pleased to have as our guest minister, Sun., Aug. 4, Bro. Carl Kipfer of Bluffton. The blessings we received were many. Sis. Kipfer and family also accompanied him.

We are happy to report, Sis. Albertina Steiner is again home from the hospital, where she submitted to surgery, and is getting a long as well as can be expected.

Sabetha zip code number is 66534.

A Prayer Of Dedication

This house to thee we dedicate,
And to thy service consecrate;

O God, grant that it be
A temple true, a house of praise,
A sanctuary of thy grace,
An altar unto thee.

O, let it be a resting place
Where weary hearts on Sabbath
days

Find waters sweet and still . . .
An Elim in the desert's heat,
Beneath whose cooling palms we
meet,

Our thirsting souls to fill.

Lord, guard its portals, that no
sin

Nor unclean thing may enter in;
O keep it pure and holy.
Cast out all discord, envy, pride;
Let love and peace and joy abide
In hearts contrite and lowly.

The gifts that built this house for
thee

Were first received as blessings
free,

Bestowed from heaven
above—

The wealth, the skill of hands and
mind,

The strength for toil, all these we
find

Are bounties of thy love.

Now, in thy church new zeal
arouse;

Build from within a godly house
Of lively stones, we pray.

Awaken sinners from their sleep.
Increase thy flock; watch o'er thy

sheep,
Good Shepherd, lest they
stray.

This house, we know, will fall some
day.

Yes, heaven and earth shall pass
away;

Thy Word alone shall stand.
O God, our faith looks up to thee,

A nobler temple once to see,
Untouched by mortal hand—

A house of heavenly design,
Of stones and workmanship divine,

Whose light the Lamb shall
be.

There, with the blest, the ransomed
throng,

Lord, may we join the victors'
song,

And ever worship thee.

ATHENS, ALABAMA

Worship is held each Sunday
afternoon at the home of Bro.
Wesley Long in Lester, Alabama.
The ministers take turns conduct-
ing services. We have four mem-
bers in this area, and about 15
attend the meetings.

Bro. David Bertsch and family
and Gary Bollier spent a few days
with us. Bro. Dave had services at
Bro. Carl Naylor's, in Landersville,
and at three churches on Sunday.
We all gathered at the John Fuller
home for Sunday supper.

The sextet from Francesville:
Wendell Gudeman, Chris Lee
Wuthrich, Harold Gutwein, Nate
Gutwein, Bob Wuethrich and
Wayne Huber and their families,
also Fred Gutwein and Sidney
Leman visited. The sextet sang at
our last night of Vacation Bible
School in Landersville. A singing
was held at the Athens church,
Sat. night; on Sunday, they sang
at three churches. Bro. Wendell
ministered the Word.

A hamburger fry was held at
Decatur Park for the eleven stu-
dents of the Athens Bible class who
memorized I Corinthians 13. Dick
Aeschlimans, Ron Stollers, and
Joan Kaufman from Ft. Wayne,
who were visiting, also attended.

Joan Wagler was home from
Birmingham for the week end,
where she is in training at the
University Hospital.

Howard and Marie Kimball
visited for a few days. It was good
to renew acquaintance with our
Chicago friends. Lynn Ringen-
bergers from Gridley visited the
week end of the 28th.

Georigia Lou Hardy (Bro. Geo.
Kelly's daughter) and Frances
Cline (Sis. Emma Bradshaw's
daughter) both have new babies.

Summer school started here in
Limestone County, and will be held
for six weeks. This will give the
children opportunity to help their
parents pick cotton, when it is
ready in September.

BLUFFTON, INDIANA

Reporter: Frieda Kipfer

Bro. and Sis. Simon Wagenbach
of Tremont visited us on Wed.
evening, July 10.

Four friends, Pauline and Terry
Gerber and Bonnie and Doyle
Frauhiger were announced for
proving on July 14, and baptized on
the 28th. Their parents are Bro.
and Sis. Roger Baumgartner, Mel-
vine and Lawrence Gerber, and
Bro. and Sis. Earl Frauhiger.

After the baptismal service,
Holy Communion was held. Bros.
Noah Bauman of Rittman and
Rudolph Graf of Akron assist-
ed in all the labor. Their wives ac-
companied them.

In the hospital last month were
Bro. Cornelius Bertsch and Sis.
Naomi Kaehr.

Bro. Godfrey Rauch is showing
some improvement.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. James
Reimschisel, on Aug. 6 twins, a
son, Dennis Dale, and a daughter,
Deneice Gale.

Shut-Ins

Sis. Frieda Schaefer has been an
invalid for almost five years, since
she suffered a stroke. Her time is
spent between her bed and wheel
chair, which is quite a change from
the active life which was hers.

About forty-nine years ago, she
was needed in the home of her
brother, John, whose wife was in

poor health. She stayed on, after
her sister-in-law died, and helped
rear the family of four children.

During that time, her aged par-
ents, Bro. Fred and Sis. Anna Mil-
ler Schaefer, moved in with them.
She helped care for them until they
passed away.

She also helped her neighbors, in
many ways, even hanging paper,
etc.

John, Frieda, with two sisters,
Elizabeth Schaefer and Mary
Dubach, who care for her now,
moved to Vera Cruz, about ten
years ago. An aged brother of our
congregation, John Sahli, whom
they had also helped throughout
his last years, left them his home
there. After extensive remodeling,
they have a pleasant, comfortable
home.

Eight years ago, they started
taking care of the church and
grounds, which is quite an under-
taking, but different members of
the family help now.

Frieda, who is 77, has been a
member of our congregation for
17 years; two of her "boys", Ken-
neth and Oscar Schaefer, are, also

A regular and welcome visitor in
this home is Bro. Paul Schladen-
hauffen, who takes recordings of
our church services. Other visitors
are appreciated, too, and I'm sure
no one ever hears a word of com-
plaint.

Mary had a stroke also, in years
past, which left her with a para-
lyzed arm and impaired speech.
Bro. John had a serious operation
about 18 months ago, and Eliza-
beth hasn't been well for several
months, but everything is taken
cheerfully.

Sis. Frieda enjoys mail; her ad-
dress is Bluffton, R.R. 3.

CISSNA PARK, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mrs. Jeff Young

Our visiting ministers the past
month were Bros. Jim Hoerr and
Leroy Hartman from Peoria and
Bro. Edwin Bahler from Reming-
ton. We certainly enjoy such visits.
Especially, the shut-ins express
their appreciation in hearing these
messages.

We enjoyed a pleasant week end
July 13, when so many brethren
and friends gathered with us to
take part in the Camp Pickett re-
union. We hope to meet you all
again.

Sis. Lizzie Farney is a hospital
patient, because of surgery. We

hope she will soon be able to return to her home.

A Shut-In

In visiting the sick, we enjoyed a very pleasant hour at the Ben Walder home. Bro. Ben has been confined at his home for 18 months. It was marvelous to see the untiring deeds and love ministered to him by his loving wife, Sis. Kate, and his daughter, Sis. Harriet, in their moderate home, with satisfaction.

In our conversation with him, he said he finds greatest comfort in reading the Bible. When need is the greatest, God is the nearest.

He says he must often go back to the day of repentance, when he received peace in his heart. Therefore, it is so necessary to build on a good foundation, when these trying days come.

Ten years ago, Bro. Ben met with what he says was the worst of his illness. He suffered a cerebral hemorrhage. He was quite sick in the hospital, for three weeks. When he left, the doctor was thanked for all he did. He replied, "Don't thank me; I didn't do it."

Illness is like stepping-stones in faith, one can always see where the dear Lord helps us through. There is so much to be thankful for.

Since that time, he is handicapped some in reading. He can read a short length of time. He says he enjoys the Silver Lining.

Bro. Ben enjoys mail and visits from brethren, friends and neighbors. It means a lot to him and creates great joy . . . above all, the tape recorded sermons which have been brought to him every week in the past year. Thanks for this wonderful service.

While visiting with him, he was admired for his wonderful memory. If one of the family couldn't remember the dates or the whereabouts, just ask Ben; he knows. So, we trust the dear Lord will be at his side, as he told us he learned to take one day at a time, patiently, and not look too far into the future.

So let's remember the shut-ins.

Address: Ben Walder, East Lynn, Illinois.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Reporter: Vi Barton

Bro. Dan and Sis. Ruth Knochel are parents of a new son, Dana

Frederick, born July 9. He is welcomed at home by two sisters Dawn and Debra, and a brother, Gary.

We are glad to have Sis. Christine Dimitrie home again from the hospital, after a recent visit. May the Lord bless and strengthen her, that we may see her in church soon.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Max Drazich, who passed away July 26, at the age of 86.

Bro. Clarence and Sis. Marie and daughter, Mary Belsley, visited with us last week. They brought with them Mary's pen-pal from Scotland, Hether Donaldson, who is spending the summer with them at Morton.

Bro. Bob and Sis. Carol and their three children from Bluffton visited us Aug. 4, as did Bro. and Sis. Grawberg and son, Ferd from Alto. Ferd spent the past year in Detroit attending barber school. He took his state exams last week. We hope for him God's rich blessings in his spiritual welfare, and also in his life's work.

Little Julie Polk has joined the kindergarten class of 17, taught by Arlene Belsley. We are always happy to add another dear child to our Sunday School lists. Julie is the 8th of the Polk family to join us.

ELGIN, ILLINOIS

Reporters: Louise Steffen and Katie Kachelmuss

Those who were hospitalized this past month are Sisters Emilie Preiss, Mary Oettinger, and Joan Scheitlin.

Albert Scheitlin Jr., William Wewetzer, and their wives attended the Soldier's Reunion held at Cissna Park.

A surprise housewarming was held for Bro. Charles Sauder of Tremont, who is now making his home here. A friend of his, Bro. Harold Steiner, is also moving here.

Bro. Edward Unsicker and family of Portland were with us for a short time. We were richly blessed with the inspiring messages.

Two brothers of a high age, and separated by a great distance, were united July 9, when Bro. Carl Greiner, 86 years of age, of Morris, came to visit his brother, Bro. August Greiner, who celebrated his 90th birthday July 25. Bro. Carl was accompanied by his

daughter, Lydia, her husband, Ralph Mohr, and Otto Greiner. Their visit was very much enjoyed by all his relatives here.

Sis. Tillie Rudin, Bro. Willard Rudin's wife, of Cissna Park is here caring for her aged parents, Bro. August & Sis. Carrie Greiner, while her sister, Mary and her husband, Edward Moser, are on an extended tour of the West.

Bro. and Sis. John Clauss and children visited us. Bro. John gave a little talk to our Sunday School children and answered some questions asked by the children. It was very interesting. He told how thankful our children should be, having believing parents, as over there the parents don't want to bring their children to Sunday School. He told how the Japanese children touched his little blond daughter's hair. It seemed so strange to them in contrast to their black hair.

Bro. Al Fisher of Chicago was a visitor.

Jim and Shirley Wewetzer of Lynchburg, Va., are visiting his parents, Bro. and Sis. Albert Wewetzer.

Our aged sister, Minnie Weiss, passed away. Her funeral was held Aug. 9. She was 88 years old.

A group from the Eureka Sunday School were here July 13 and 14th.

ELGIN, IOWA

Reporter: Mrs. George Butikofer

Elgin sponsored a Home-coming event last week end. It had been eight years since the last one had been held. According to registration records, about six hundred were in attendance. Among some of the folks here were Uriel Gehring and son of Burlington, Iowa; and Mr. and Mrs. Eli Sutter of Taylor.

It was indeed heart-warming to see faces light up, when old-time friends met and talked of past experiences enjoyed by each. May a true spiritual blessing rest upon all who participated.

We were blessed with inspirational messages given us by Bros. Harvey Heiniger and Uriel Gehring, since our last writing. Sis. Heiniger was here, too.

Some of the points of interest which Bro. Werner and Sis. Elizabeth Moore, Sis. Esther Moore, Karla and Marion Moore enjoyed while on their trip west were the Black Hills, Yellowstone Park, and

the Rocky Mountain Park in Colorado. They also made stops at Bern and Sabetha, to visit friends of like faith.

History

One of the earliest recollections of my life is that of fording a river, to attend church. I was in company with Grandma and Grandpa Schneider, my parents, and two brothers, Arthur and Allen. This trip to church really wasn't too far in terms of miles, but to a little girl's mind, this crossing a stream was quite an adventure.

This church I'm writing about was the Apostolic church, located in Clayton County, south of the Turkey River, in the northeast part of Iowa. There were only two families living north of the river who attended services here, we and the Sutter family.

We are now attending church in a remodeled and completely modern structure, but permit me to go back according to the annals of history to discover some interesting facts concerning our church.

The first structure was erected in 1866. This was a white stone building. It was located about two and one-half miles east of Elgin, in Marion township.

This was one of the pioneer churches of this denomination in America. The congregation consisted of folks who were of Swiss descent. Many who attended church at this time walked as far as 10 miles, and some drove their horses as far as 15 or 20 miles to attend.

My Grandpa Gehring organized the first Sunday School group here.

About at the turn of the century, a wooden frame section was added to the already existing stone building, to accommodate an increasing attendance.

Heat was provided by wood furnaces. Light for evening services was provided by kerosene lamps. In 1939, the REA came into existence; electricity was installed. Oil burners replaced the wood-burning furnaces.

My mother, Sis. Elizabeth Schneider, remembers well when the mothers who served dinner at church baked the bread and churned the butter they used. They baked around twenty-four loaves of bread for the occasion.

In 1955, it was agreed upon to move the wooden section of our church is now located on the south where we are at present. Our church is now located on the south edge of Elgin.

The scenery which meets the eye from this point is one of grandeur. It is such because it is God's handiwork. Many trees, on sloping hill sides, are evident as one looks northward; then, too, the river comes into view, which adds to the natural picture.

Now, for some facts concerning the people who have frequented our place of worship.

It seems that we never had a resident elder, but there was always one provided to care for the necessary needs of the congregation. My mother, Sis. Elizabeth Schneider, recalls the following, as some of the elders who came when needed: Bros. C. Gerber, Mike and Dave Mangold from Illinois; G. Maibach from Pulaski; Paul Ban-

wart from West Bend; Jake Stettner from Elgin, Illinois; Noah Schrock from Oakville.

As a child, I recall hearing my Grandpa Gehring and Bro. Fred Schupbach from the pulpit.

I will try to give the names of some of the ministers who preached before my grandfathers time and after his time. In somewhat of a chronological order, the ministers were Bro. Wittmer, Bro. Reek, Bro. Schupbach, Bro. Wenger, Bro. Gehring, Bro. Ed Grimm, Bro. Imhof, Bro. Emil Moore, and Bro. Geo. Metzger.

Two of my Sunday School teachers were Bros. Albert Schupbach and Ed Grimm. Some other brothers in faith who taught in the past were John Pulfer, Albert Butikofer, George Butikofer, George Metzger and Will Butikofer.

We now have a membership of 48. Bros. Werne Moore and Paul Butikofer are our ministers, Bros. Lawrence Butikofer, Ervin Metzger and Reuben Butikofer are the church trustees. Bro. Fred Marti cares for the church grounds, in the way of mowing the grass.

Sis. Lena Schupbach tends to turning the heat off and on in our building. Bro. Ira Farney, Sisters Dena Hunziker, Shirley Butikofer, Ruth Metzger and myself serve as Sunday School teachers.

Whenever we praise the Lord in song, in our place of worship, our thoughts look to my uncle, Bro. Lawrence Gehring, Bro. Bert Butikofer, Bro. Werner Moore, or Bro. Paul Butikofer, for they are our song leaders. We are very grateful for their services.

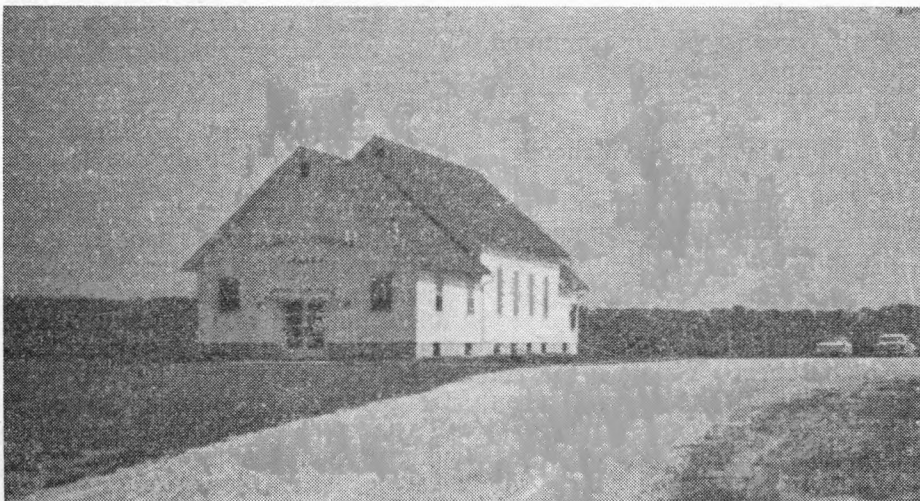
We could go on and on, but let us cease at this point, realizing that we each have a responsibility to our Maker, according to our talents. May we all try to shine as lights in our respective places, at home or else where so, that others may see that we are truly God's children.

FT. SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS
Reporters:: Paul and Kathy Haab

The summer months have brought a lot of visitors to Texas, in spite of the heat.

Vacationing with Bro. Paul and Sis. Kathy Haab were Kathy's sister, Sis. Mardell Grimm of Taylor, and others.

We had no minister that week end, but we are always well provided with sermons on tape from



This is a view of the Elgin, Iowa, Apostolic Christian Church building.

the various churches, for which we are truly grateful. They certainly serve to the same spiritual edification, even if we cannot enjoy the face to face fellowship of God's servants of the Word, whom we hear on tape.

On July 14, we were privileged to have Bro. Ed. & Sis. Sophie Gudeman of Elgin, Ill., with us, and to hear the inspired Word of God preached through Bro. Ed. We cannot fully express how thankful we are to those ministers—young and old—and their families, who take the time and effort to journey these many miles, so that our spiritual bodies can be fed and nourished. This is especially important while we are so far from our homes. Truly, we can testify that our precious fellowship is so often taken for granted—until it is removed from us.

Bro. John and Sis. Rose Teubel of Morton enjoyed a week end with their son, Bro. Dave. Also with us that week end were Bro. Bob and Sis. Barb Moser of Morton. Bro. Bob had been stationed here a few years ago and wanted to visit the Ft. Sam group again, as do so many of the boys who were stationed here in the past.

Once again on July 28 we were blessed to have a minister with us—Bro. Ed and Sis. Elsie Hohulin of Goodfield, who, with their son, Bro. Tom and daughter, LeAnn, visited with their son, Bro. Jim. We were grateful for Bro. Ed's inspiring messages.

Many of our visitors speak of the close fellowship we have here at Ft. Sam. This exists, we believe, because we all are drawn from our families and home churches and thus become much like "one big family." We are drawn together by the Spirit, and our love and concern for each other is evident to those who visit us here; but we cannot take the credit for such blessings, for we are aware that many prayers are daily laid on the altar of God in our behalf. To our loving Redeemer and to each one of you we humbly give our thanks.

The only new address for this month is as follows:

Mr and Mrs Conrad Gerst
323 Claremont
San Antonio Texas

As of this writing, we have not received a schedule of ministers for the coming month.

We want to welcome each and every one who may travel near here, to stop in to see us at Ft. Sam. Not until one is far from home does he realize what a wonderful thing it is to have visitors from "home"!

GRIDLEY, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mary Alyce Witzig

Sis. Setta Klopfenstein fell and broke her hip on July 16 and is in the Mennonite Hospital in Bloomington. Infection has set in, and she has quite a bit of pain, but I am sure she will enjoy your mail.

Sis. Viola Witzig is still at home with a broken hip, and will enjoy your mail and visits.

Many from Gridley attended the wedding of Bro. Herb Stoller of Gridley and Sis. Nancy Tanner of Princeville, on July 28, at Princeville. We wish Sis. Nancy and Bro. Herb the rich blessings of the Lord.

Carol, the sixteen-month-old daughter of Robert and Sis. Marilyn Hany, underwent surgery at the Mennonite Hospital in Bloomington, on August 7.

SHINE WHERE YOU ARE

We can't all be a beacon light
To shine far out at sea,
But there's a spot we can make
bright
Where'er we chance to be.

We can't all be a star on high
To shine many millions of miles,
But wherever we are, we still
can try
To brighten some path with
smiles.

We can't all be rich with rubies
and gold,
With servants at our command,
But we can be rich in joys untold.
What else could be more grand?

We can't all be what we'd choose
to be;
God has other things in store.
Yet day after day, for you and me,
There are blessings by the score.

GRIDLEY, KANSAS

Reporter: Mrs. Rudy Bahr

Bro. Robert Young, Wichita, ministered to us Sunday afternoon, Aug. 4.

The past month has been extremely dry and hot here. The farmers either have or are filling their silos with corn ensilage now.

Our entire community was shocked at the sudden heart attack and passing away of our Sunday School superintendent, Bro. Kenneth Beyer, son of Jacob Beyer and husband of Sis. Mary Louise (Knapp) Beyer. Bro. Kenny was stricken at his service station, on Sat. a.m., July 27, and passed from this life at the age of 39, at the Coffey County Hospital, Aug. 2. They have five children, Bro. Martin, Steve, Larry, Beverly, and Patricia.

It all still seems like a dream . . . that Bro. Kenny couldn't be gone—we needed him so . . . many thoughts of WHY pass through our minds—a loving brother in the prime of his life, a church pillar . . . someone you could really count on—neither radical or frivolous, a conscientious worker, but didn't railroad his way through . . . such a pleasant person to be around, and a truly treasured Christian friend. To go to church without him, there feels as though an arm or leg has been severed from us. But when we think of it, if we lose our physical arm or leg, although handicapped, we must go on . . . may the good Lord help us to accept His will and grant us the strength to go on. We know Kenny was ready to meet the Saviour—I suspect we have more molding and shaping needed to work out our soul's salvation.

Shut-In

By Sis. Lydia Bahr

Sis. Ida Esslinger, who will be 90 on Nov. 23, has been a shut-in since 1957. A diabetic, in fairly good health by adhering closely to her doctor's directions, she has been aware of this condition since 1931, and during the later 40's, she suffered much pain in both her legs and arms, which was often almost unbearable. This condition has improved. She does not have pains now, only her legs do not support her so she can walk, is in a wheel chair, and needs help to go from the bed to the chair. Her memory is very good, and she rejoices on seeing her friends, when they visit her.

Asked what she has learned from her affliction, she answered, "Patience," and said God only gives us what we have strength to bear. Her greatest joy comes when brethren come and minister with a Bible reading, meditation, prayers,

and hymn singing. She stated that her happiest memories are those she shared with her husband, their life of faith together. This also was the bitterest part of her Christian life, when death took her husband so unexpectedly—the hardest to overcome.

She enjoys letters—a few written messages mean much more to her than cards. She loves to have her visitors tell about absent friends. And to all Christians she would say: "Keep faithful to God; life will soon be over, and HEAVEN is so good to look forward to."

She stated that God has been good to her; she has everything she needs . . . she grew up in a home where there was always enough to go around, gave her life to Christ while still young, was fortunate in her married life—with a wonderful Christian husband, a "good" man she said, and a good father to the children. She expressed gratitude that her pains are bearable, and she feels fortunate to have her daughter, Sis. Kathryn, live with her. Her other children are all in homes of their own, but both Rosa, a widow (Mrs. Joseph Bahr), and Sis. Esther (Sam) Kaft live near by her and relieve Kathryn, especially on Sundays.

Sis. Ida said that everyone should attend church as long as they are able. She often longs for her heavenly Home. Her entire family of children visit her often, and this gives her much joy.

ILLINOIS STATE NORMAL UNIVERSITY

Reporter: Janice Frautschi

On July 11, we were fortunate to have for guest speakers both Bro. Edward Unsicker from Portland and Bro. Leroy Hartman from Peoria. The chapter on love, I Corinthians 13, was the basis for the message.

The annual alumni picnic of the Normal Bible class was held at the Oberlander Cottage on Lake Bloomington, the afternoon and evening of July 13. The picnic was well attended, but we hope that all the members and friends who have attended Illinois State will attend future alumni picnics. If you did not receive a notice of the picnic, no doubt it is because we do not your name or current address. We would like to have you notify us if you have attended Normal in

years previous to our having Bible Class, as we feel you would enjoy the picnic, and I'm sure we would benefit greatly from and enjoy meeting with you.

Bro. Ezra Feller from Cissna Park was our guest speaker on July 18. His topic centered on "the true vine" in St. John 15. We enjoyed the message and fellowship.

On July 25, Bro. Joe Schrock led us in reading and Bible discussion of St. Mark 9 and 10. The evening was concluded with singing and fellowship with the visitors.

Bro. Gene Bertschi from Roanoke was our guest minister on Aug. 1. He inspired us greatly with the message on I Thessalonians 5.

We were pleased to have Bro. George Gramm of Gridley with us on Aug. 8. His topic concerned St. Mark 6. A blessing was received by all.

We sincerely hope our friends and brethren who plan to attend college would investigate ISNU. We regularly meet each Thursday evening in the 3rd floor lounge of the University Union, at 8:00 P.M.

Our first meeting for the fall semester will be Sept. 12. We invite and encourage all to attend.

LAMAR, MISSOURI

Reporter: Marie Marti

God has not promised joys without sorrows, but He has promised unending love and strength to meet our sorrows. He has promised grace to accept whatever comes. If we take our cares to Him, He will sustain and comfort us, as only He can do.

Our community has been saddened two times in three weeks. Maude (Cones) Kibler, wife of Bill Kibler, passed away July 21. She leaves her husband; a brother, Mark; and a sister, Ann Hufmann.

Florence (Marti) Thiebaud, wife of Jack Thiebaud, passed away Aug. 6. She is survived by her husband, Jack; one daughter, Toni; two sisters, Arlene Gastel and Virginia Parkinson; and five brothers, Fred, George, Ray, Bro. Roy and Bro. Virgil.

We will miss them in our community. We pray that God who understands our needs, will be near the loved ones and comfort them.

We were happy to have the Burlington (Okla.) and Sabetha Sunday Schools with us, July 21.

Bro. and Sis. Willie Steffen and family have moved to their farm,

southeast of Lamar. We welcome them into our congregation, and hope they will like their new home.

LAMONT, KANSAS

Reporter: Mrs. Bernie Emch

Bro. Stephen and Sis. Dorothy (Schwab) Schrader are the parents of twin boys, John Mark and James Clark, born July 21.

We enjoyed an evening of blessings, when Bro. Vernon and Sis. Arlene Schwab of Wolcott were with us for mid-week services. Bro. Vernon ministered the Word of God unto us from Mark 7. He stated that whatsoever from without entereth into the man, it cannot defile him. "For from within, out of the heart of men proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: All these evil things come from within, and defile the man."

Let us even watch and pray that we do not become the possessor of any of these evils.

Again, we are reminded of the certainty of death and the uncertainty of life. God called Bro. Kenneth Beyer of the Gridley congregation, with whom we oft assembled, to his eternal home.

LATTY, OHIO

Reporter: Mrs. Ray Sinn

Paul Grant, son of Bro. Tom and Sis. Deloris, was in the hospital for an appendectomy this month. Paul has recovered nicely and is back in church with us again.

Ministering Brothers Joe Schrock and Fred Knapp, from Congerville, were with us the 21st of July. We thank the brothers for their efforts in bringing us God's word. Their wives and several other couples accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Miller have moved into their own home. Their new address is 1775 Warwick S.E., Grand Rapids 6, Michigan 49506.

On August 4, Bro. Gary Stoller and Sis. Nancy Rager were united in marriage. We trust that God will richly bless them, as they take the second most important step in life. Visiting ministers who were with us for the day were Bro. William Fiechter from Bluffton and Bro. Walter Rehklau from Toledo.

Our elder brother, George Sinn, after a kidney stone attack, has been released from the hospital, and again is able to assemble with

us, for which we are thankful. We can not appreciate it enough when God does restore health to the ailing, but our thoughts and prayers go to those who are confined in homes or on sick beds, and trust that God will make their lot bearable.

John Sinn passed away very suddenly, Aug. 5. He was born in Cissna Park. He leaves to mourn his wife; three daughters; one son; two brothers, Bro. George and Bro. Dan from Latty; and eight sisters, Sisters Anna, Ida, Sophia and Louise Sinn, Sis. Clara Stoller and Sis. Katie Stoller, all of Fort Wayne, Sis. Emma Gerber and Sis. Lillian Gerber from Bluffton.

LEO, INDIANA

Reporter: Mrs. Elias Souder

Bro. Joel Souder has been on our sick list this past month. He spent several days at the Parkview Hospital, but is feeling quite well again. Sis. Mamie Schlatter, who has been a shut-in for quite a while, has been able to attend church services. Friend Frieda Bertsch remains about the same.

July 28, three of our friends from the Hotel Butler Rest Home attended our afternoon church service. The one was brought in a wheel chair, another hadn't been to a church service for several years. They loved the visit, tearfully regretted the time when parting came, and were so grateful. The following Sunday was the monthly visit to the two Rest Homes in Butler.

George Stieglitz recalled a sermon at Gridley (Ill.) by Bro. Robert Bahler. There was a group who had just been taken into church. Bro. Robert told them they needn't think their work was completed. He likened it to someone putting out an orchard. Every year it takes work, it needs cutting away, and so forth. Sun., Aug. 11, Robert's great-nephew held services in the Leo Church. He told us to be like God, so we can feel at home with Him, when our time comes to leave this earth.

Harry Joe Stoller and his family are home for a few days from Indiana University.

Maurice Frank brought us heavenly blessings, in his sermon one Sunday morning.

Bro. Will Leman related a story of his father and his wife's father. Anne's father was John Gerber,

the minister. It was before either was converted. They were together and listened to a sermon. When it was over, one expressed himself he wished the minister had started over again. There was real hunger for the Word. After this yet, the two walked home.

MANSFIELD, OHIO

Reporter: Aaron A. Sauder

As we busily go to and fro during the week, we often think of those who are unable to go in and out and cannot assemble with us for worship services in the house of the Lord. Hymn 116 in our Zion's Harp has such comforting words, which we would especially direct to our many shut-ins: Sisters Frieda Dinger, Katherine Fuhrer, Eva Gross, Sophia Grosenbacher, Ida Schaaf, Justine Schupka, and Bros. Charles Beer, Joel Beer and Robert Kisling.

The Lord, he is my shepherd true,
Who leadeth me securely,
On pleasant pastures to and fro
With joys and blessings surely.
He leads me to the fount of life,
My soul to comfort and revive.

His staff is ever my support
On pathways lone and dreary;
My consolation is His Word,
And lest I might grow weary,
A table is prepared for me
In presence of mine enemy.

This Shepherd ne'er forsakes His
fold
In joy nor yet in sorrow,
But shares to us His love untold
Each day and each tomorrow.
Then let us follow to the end,
And with Him enter heaven's land.

During the week end of July 13 and 14, our youth group were hosts to the youth group from the Latty church. The young folks assembled for services with us on Sunday. Because of rainy weather, supper was held in the church dining room; afterward, the Latty group presented a program of hymns, and group singing was also enjoyed.

"... our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ." I John 1:3. We have truly been privileged to have many visitors fellowship with us this past month. Bro. Sam Aschliman of Bluffton brought us the Word of the Lord on Sunday, July 7; and on July 14, Bro. Fred Oesch of Alto

spoke God's Word to us.

Bro. Harvey and Sis. Ann Forney and family of Wichita spent several weeks visiting Sis. Ann's parents, Bro. and Sis. Carl Oesch and family.

The Pfister family reunion was held July 27, and several of Bro. Albert's children and grandchildren from Minnesota and Indiana worshipped with us the next day.

We extend a hearty invitation to all our visitors to return, whenever the Lord opens the way.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Sis. Theresa Sabo, in the death of her sister. A brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Dapper of California, visited with her during this sorrowful time.

Here the dearest of ties we must sever;
Tears of sorrow are seen ev'ry day,
But no sickness, no sighing forever . . .

When I've gone the last mile of the way.

Congratulations this month to Ronald and Lois (Sauder) Lotz, on the birth of their baby daughter, Lori, born August 5; to Bill and Becky Banks, on the birth of a baby daughter, Lisa, born August 6.

OAKVILLE, IOWA

Reporter: Mrs. Ezra Gerst

A baby girl was born to Bro. Herbert and Cleo Gerst. The baby has been named Annette Louise.

Sis. Rose Massner was called home to be with the Lord, after an extended illness. We shall miss her. We sympathize with the family, as she was a loving wife and mother. Funeral services were held Sun., July 28, by Brother Noah Schrock, assisted by Bro. Uriel Gehring. Surviving are her husband, Bro. Adolph; two daughters, Sis. Dorothy and Rosella; eleven sons, Kenny, Clarence, Allen, Dale and Lloyd, Bros. Earl, Eric, Virgil, Adolphus, Bill and Harold. There were many here for the funeral, among them, Bro. Earl Banwart of West Bend and Bro. Harold Messner from Winthrop, who had the morning worship service.

Bro. Vernon Schwab of Wolcott visited us Thursday eve., Aug. 1, and had the evening service. He was accompanied by his wife and family. We thank them for the visit.

Marilyn Grimm, daughter of

Bro. Jess and Sis. Elizabeth, was in the hospital for a few days, but is home again.

There was a nice group of young folks from the Chicago and Elgin (Ill.) churches visiting here Sunday, August 4.

While on vacation, along with Bro. and Sis. Harvey Heiniger, we had a nice visit with Sis. Ida Miller of Winthrop, who just had her 90th birthday. Bro. Harvey mentioned to her, that in her lifetime she, no doubt, had many trials. She said there were many, but the hardest ones are the ones we make ourselves. It is a good thought for all of us, and I wanted to pass it on. May God bless the evening hours of her life.

Again it is vacation time, and so many are on the highways. May God protect them.

PRINCEVILLE, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Ruth Ricketts

July 14, Bros. David Mangold of Roanoke and Joshua Broquard of Fairbury were here to assist our elder brother, Silas, in serving the Lord's Supper to a large congregation. Later, it was served to a small group gathered downstairs, who were unable to assemble with the others. Those who received a blessing were Sisters Mary Begner, Louise Greiner, Ida Huber, Bro. Karl and Sis. Lena Stichling, and Bro. Karl Klump. How thankful we are that they could also be present in the house of worship, to partake of the blest sacrament.

Bro. James Ringger was ordained minister on July 14. May he and his family receive the needed grace and support they must have to carry on this work according to God's will.

Bro. John Tanner, who submitted to surgery, has recovered and is able to worship with us again.

July 4, Bro. Clarence Knobloch was involved in a head-on collision and received very painful injuries. He had bad lacerations and a badly injured eye that had to be removed. He is recovering as well as can be expected, and all are thankful that his life was spared.

The engagement of Sis. Margaret Broquard, daughter of Bro. Joshua and Sis. Marie Broquard of Fairbury, and Bro. Earl Feucht, son of Bro. Daniel and Sis. Nathalia Feucht, was made known July 7. On July 14, the engagement of Sis. Charlotte Elsasser, daughter of

Bro. William and Sis. Violet Elsasser, and Bro. Dean Stahl, son of Bro. Herman and Sis. Lillian Stahl, was announced.

A large number of relatives and friends were present July 28 to witness the marriage of Sis. Nancy Tanner and Bro. Herb Stoller. Bro. George Gramm of Gridley performed the ceremony. Bros. Joe Schrock of Congerville and Edwin Ringger of Gridley were also present. The congregation received many blessings during the day from the inspiring sermons, delivered by our able brothers. We trust they will also receive their just reward for their efforts.

A large number of relatives went to Goodfield, July 7, to attend the wedding of Betty Tanner and Lyle Stahl.

Another blessed day was enjoyed August 4, when Bro. Harvey Grimm of Bern was present. We always welcome Bro. Harvey and his family, and thank them for their visit.

A number of babies have been born the past few weeks. Brenda Sue was born June 25 to Raymond and Joann (Berchtold) Rumbold; Mary Beth was born to Bro. Lavern and Sis. Joann (Baer) Berchtold; David Lynn is the new son of Bro. Norman and Sis. Joyce (Dietz) Streitmatter, born July 16; Kurt was born to Bro. Walter and Sis. Doris (Teibel) Christ; and Pamela Lou is the new daughter of Bro. Lawrence and Sis. Elaine Wagenbach, born August 1.

Bro. Eugen and Sis. Elsa Christ, Hannelore and Wolfie, returned August 6 from Germany, where they had spent the past six weeks visiting relatives and friends. They brought many greetings with them from the loved ones in the old country, and found many changes since they left there twelve years ago.

I often wonder if we spend enough time with our shut-ins. Do we realize how much an occasional greeting card would mean to them? We who are healthy can go about our duties every day, doing the things we wish to do, often too busy satisfying ourselves. The days slip by quite rapidly. Not so for the ones who are suffering and shut-in. In the morning they wait for the night, and at night wait for the morning, and often they must seem like long hours to them. Why don't

we all strive a little harder to visit the sick and afflicted a little more often, if only for a few minutes?

During the winter, we had several shut-ins, but most of them are able to be with us again, for which we are thankful. Sis. Louise Greiner, who broke her leg several months ago, has now returned to her home and is able to care for herself. She is so happy to come to the house of worship again occasionally. How much she appreciates her friends dropping in.

It is so good to see Sis. Emma Streitmatter helping with the dishes again, and she says how happy she is to be able to do it again. She was shut in most of the winter with pneumonia and a heart ailment.

Sis. Mary Begner hasn't been in church for some time, and we all sympathize with her in her sorrow, having recently lost her life's companion. We hope she will be able to worship with us again soon.

Sis. Lena Bach, who makes her home with her daughter, Sis. Louise Joos, and family, has been coming to church and even enjoyed a recent Sunday evening hymn singing.

Bro. Karl Klumpp, although not a shut-in, has had many years of suffering, and has been paralyzed for sixteen years, following a fall. He has learned much in this time of affliction, having been converted. He can feel the loving care of our precious Lord. He doesn't know what it is not to have pain, but is so cheerful and gets about in a walker. He is able to come to church most of the time, for which he is very thankful. He always has a pleasant smile, and we never hear a word of complaint from his lips. May we all learn something of patience and endurance from such dear brothers in suffering.

Sis. Ida Huber has been shut in for twenty months and not able to be in church. In her battle, during those long months of shut-in days, she oftentimes found it very hard to collect faith to believe that God's ways are always good. Then, when brothers and sisters in the Lord drop in for a visit, it is such a blessing and she feels courage to face another day. When visiting bros. are her, they often have short services for her, which are so refreshing. It strengthens one's weak faith to again be still and wait on the Lord. Sunday seems to be the

hardest day, when she can see those around her going to the house of God to assemble and worship together, and she must remain at home, but thanks be to God, and our loving ministering brothers for their many visits and words of comfort. She is so thankful for the recordings taken at church services, for on Sunday morning she can hear a sermon on the tape recorder and again feel the Lord is with her, and can trust He will provide her many needs. Fifty-two years ago, June 25, Sis. Ida was taken into the fold, and even though these past months she has suffered afflictions, she can feel her faith has been strengthened and could feel the love of God and His followers. Her dear husband, Bro. Will, has been a faithful companion and has patiently suffered with her and waited on her in her times of need. May the dear Lord be with him also and grant comfort and courage for the coming days, for it is not easy to see one suffer. They have recently been permitted to take short drives in the country. It is so uplifting to see God's creation. It gives new spirit to go on and look forward to a better day and home, where all suffering will cease.

Take Away Pain

The cry of man's anguish went up to God,

"Lord, take away pain!

The hours that come to the one Thou has made;

The close, toiling chain

That presses the heart; the burden that weighs

On the wings that should soar—

Lord, take away pain from the one Thou has made

That we love Thee the more!

Then answered the Lord to the cry of His own.

"Shall I take away pain,

And with it the power of the soul to endure,

Made strong by the strain?

Shall I take away pity that knits heart to heart;

And sacrifice high,

Will ye lose all your heroes that lift from the fire

White brows to the sky?

Shall I take away love that redeems with a price

And smiles with its loss?

Can ye spare from your lives that would cling unto mine
The Christ on His cross?

PULASKI, IOWA

Reporter: Mrs. Ray Martin

Sis. (Mrs.) Sam Martin and family visited with Bro. and Sis. Ray Martin on the 4th of July.

Sisters Martha and Hilda Farney visited with us on the 7th of July.

On the 16th of July, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Drayer, Anna June Walters and children from Cissna Park visited with us.

Bro. and Sis. Will Gramm, Bro. and Sis. John Gramm and family of Gridley, Ill., and Bro. and Sis. Charles Rinkenberger and family of La Crosse, visited with us.

The following was written by Bro. Fred Grimm, our elder.

I would like to tell you of some opportunities for our young members and friends, especially those who are interested in buying a farm.

We have an almost new church at Pulaski, Iowa, which would accommodate several families. There are farms available in this locality at a much lower cost than in most areas where our churches are. Good land can be purchased from \$150.00 to \$225.00 per acre, and crops of corn, soy beans and hay can be profitably grown. There is also good pasture land.

The members there welcome anyone who would be interested in making this locality their new home. They invite you to come any time and look around. You may write to Bro. Albert Wuthrich, Bloomfield, Iowa, or Bro. Cleo Rinkenberger, Bloomfield, Iowa, who are the ministers. They will be glad to give you any information you might wish.

There is also a thriving hardware business for sale, for inventory price, at Pulaski. The owners are planning to retire.

I would like to help encourage building up our small church communities. The present congregation at Pulaski is composed of about one-half younger members.

TAYLOR, MISSOURI

Reporter: Mrs. Eli Sutter

Faye Yackley and Ron Hones were united in marriage on July 14, at Palmyra, Mo. A reception was held at the home of her par-

ents, Bro. Perry and Sis. Clara Yackley. Many relatives from Peoria, Congerville and Goodfield were here.

Our Sunday School has vacation during the month of August. However, the teachers or substitute teachers are always there to teach the children that would rather attend Sunday School.

Bro. Will and Sis. Marie Butikofer celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary on July 18. Relatives and friends gathered for a picnic and singing, to celebrate the occasion. Their three children, Sis. Elva (Paul) Gerst, Oakville, Sis. Ruth (William) Cottrell and Edward of Quincy and the eleven grandchildren were all present. Sis. Sarah (Leslie) Gerst, Oakville; Sis. Rose (Ezra) Steffen, Elgin, Ill.; and Leo Grimm, Chicago, sisters and brother of Sis. Marie, were also here. We wished them the Lord's blessing, and many more years together.

A son, Mark Jon, was born to Bro. Marvin and Sis. Joann Wiegand on July 26. They now have two boys.

A daughter, Amy Lou, was born to Bro. Robert and Sis. Emma Hoerr on Aug. 9. They have three boys, so were happy to have a little girl.

Bro. Albert Wuthrich was our guest minister on Wed. evening, Aug. 7. He and his wife, Sis. Elizabeth, spent the day with their daughter, Sis. Lois (James) Sutter, and family.

TREMONT, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Esther Schmid

On Sunday, July 14, Holy Communion was served by our elder, Bro. Joe A. Getz, assisted by Bro. Frank Woertz of Goodfield.

Elizabeth Getz had the misfortune of breaking her elbow, when she slipped and fell. Her arm will be in a cast several more weeks.

Clark C. Schweigert, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Schweigert, suffered a broken leg, in a fall at his home.

On July 24, Bro. Joe Zimmerman of Roanoke held funeral services for our dear departed sister, Lena (Belsley) Sauder, who unexpectedly was taken from this life, at her home, after a few days' illness. We miss her ever smiling face in our midst.

There is never a life without
sadness;
There is never a heart free from
pain.
If one seeks in this world for true
solace,
He seeks it forever in vain.

So when to your heart comes the
sorrow
Of losing some dear one you've
known,
'Tis the touch of God's sickle at
harvest,
Since He reaps in the fields He has
sown.

Bro. Harold Steiner recently
submitted to a tonsillectomy.

Bro. Ed Kahler has been able to
attend church services the last few
Sundays, although he hadn't been
able to for several years.

Bro. Alvin and Sis. Marie Sauder
have been enjoying the visit of
their daughter, Mrs. Richard Hol-
mer, and their three grandchildren
from Burbank, California, for the
past few weeks.

Dedication

The date for dedication services
of our new church at Tremont has
been set for Sunday, September 8.
We wish to extend an invitation to
anyone who may have the desire to
worship with us on this day. We
would appreciate being informed a
few days in advance of who and
how many are planning to come.

We are grateful to all, young and
old, friends, neighbors, and mem-
bers, who were so generous and
diligent during the period of con-
struction of our new edifice. We
feel that God gave the needed
faith, hope, courage and blessings
to complete it within one year's
time. To Him we give the honor
and praise.

May we always assemble here
with a prayerful heart, and in
humble rejoicing, to receive spiri-
tual food for the soul's every need,
be it comfort or chastisement. May
the love of God ever grow among
the brethren, for when our earthly
life is run, we have the promise
that love alone will enter in.

Our sister, Anna Musselman, is
a shut-in at Restmor Nursing
Home in Morton. She suffered a
stroke several months ago. She is
the wife of Bro. Ernest Musselman.
They are retired farmers and have
two sons, one daughter, seven

grandchildren and one great-
grandchild. She has a sister, Eliza-
beth Stoller, in Gridley, Ill., who
means so much to her.

Sis. Anna says she has had oper-
ations and much sickness, and
prayer has helped her through
many sleepless nights. She is so
thankful for every kindness ren-
dered to her, be it cards, gifts,
flowers, or even a drink of water.

She urges people to go to church
while they can, as she misses it so
much. She enjoys having her hus-
band and children take her riding
in the wheel chair, as she is partly
paralyzed. They come in to see her
almost every day. She enjoys hav-
ing the ministers visit her, and
reads her Bible and the Silver Lin-
ing. She gives much credit to Rest-
mor, and receives wonderful treat-
ment and care. We miss her in our
assembly, and hope she can be re-
stored to reasonable health, but
as the Lord sees best.

WEST BEND, IOWA

Reporter: Anna Schmidt

Sis. Ida Banwart had the mis-
fortune of breaking her leg and
was later stricken with pleurisy and
other complications. She is now
home from the hospital and is
slowly improving.

A son, Leo Albert, was born to
Bro. Albert and Sis. Betty Ban-
wart on July 30.

Bro. August Knobloch was in
the hospital a few days, and is now
able to assemble with us again.

BREMEN, INDIANA

Reporter: Joseph L. Bauman

The congregation of Bremen was
blest by a visit last Thursday eve-
ning by Ministering Brother John
Wagler, from Alabama. His in-
spired message was one long to be
remembered. Many visitors were
present from Milford and Frances-
ville. Ministering Brother Wendell
Gudeman also spoke briefly, with
some forceful and timely remarks.
Light refreshments were served
following the service.

Bro. Arthur Moser and family,
who spent the summer with us,
have returned to their home in
Peoria, where he resumes his
teaching position for the coming
year. It was very good to have
them with us for the summer
months.

Our congregation was pleased in
the past month to have many visit-
ors from various other churches to

worship with us. The fellowship of
friends and brethren from the
churches of our faith always pro-
vides an inspiration for us, and we
welcome all who can to come and
visit us whenever possible.

On August 4, a good-sized group
from the Francesville Sunday
School visited our Sunday School
and church service. A number of
songs they delivered were a special
blessing to our congregation.

The intermediate Sunday School
class spent last Sunday in Elgin
(Ill.), visiting the church and Sun-
day School there. A very pleasant
time was reported by those who
made the effort to go.

The medical profession has re-
cently declared firmly and have
advised that the use of tobacco
and cigarettes are a contributory
cause to lung cancer and ill health.
The youth in the Apostolic Chris-
tian homes should be forever
grateful that their parents were
not users of tobacco, and that they
were privileged to live in homes
not continuously contaminated.
Paul admonishes us to **present our
bodies a living sacrifice**, and in
view of the above mentioned find-
ings, our denomination has done
well to discourage and prohibit the
use of nicotine poisons. The writer
is confronted many times by busi-
ness associates and friends with
the invitation to partake in the use
of tobacco. At the refusal of this
invitation, almost without excep-
tion, the individual offering the
same expresses regret at his inabil-
ity to refrain from the use thereof.
Let the youth of the Apostolic
Christian church be grateful and
respect the guidance of their par-
ents in this regard.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mrs. Ernest Knecht

On Sunday, July 28, Carol
Schrenk was proved and baptized
by our elder, George Yergler, with
Elder Frank Woertz assisting. We
had a blessed day. Many visitors
fellowshipped with us on that Sun-
day, from Morton, Congerville,
Goodfield, Elgin, LaCrosse, Junc-
tion and Detroit.

Other ministers that visited us
last month were Elder Silas Leut-
hold from Princeville and Bro. Roy
Sauder from Peoria.

Sis. Pauline Schambach has been
in the hospital for two weeks. We
are happy to report that she is
home and improving. Her daugh-

ter, Sis. Helen Knobloch from Lest-er, is staying with her for a few weeks.

We are sorry to report that Bro. Wm. Grimm, has fallen, and is hospitalized with a broken hip. We wish him God's grace and a speedy recovery.

Bro. Bob Pflederer and family are living on the base at Ft. Sheridan, where Bro. Bob is in service. We are happy to have them assembling again with us here in Chicago.

FRANCESVILLE, INDIANA Reporters: Mrs. Elmer Bucher

"Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;" (Romans 12:10)

Our ministering brethren, Gene Bertschi of Roanoke and David Bertsch of Leo, were visitors this past month. We also enjoyed the fellowship with young folks from Princeville and La Crosse.

Bro. Willie and Sis. Hilda Stefan and their family have left us and moved near Lamar, where they plan to make their home. Although they will be missed in our congregation, we wish them many blessings from the Lord in their new community and church.

Sis. Lena Huber is able to be back with us, after being confined to her home for several months. Bro. Lewis Huber is still unable to be out, since his amputation of a leg in May. He gets around some with the walker, but spends most of his time in a wheel chair. May we remember him, as well as the other shut-ins, in our prayers.

Think Before You Talk

If you are tempted to reveal
A tale someone to you has told
About another, make it pass,
Before you speak, three gates of
gold . . .

Three narrow gates, — first,
"Is it true?"

Then, "Is it helpful?" in your mind
Give truthful answer, and the next
Is last and narrowest, "Is it kind?"
And if to reach your lips at last,
It passes through these gateways
three,

Then you may tell, nor fear,
What the result of speech may be.

The Glory Of Man

A number of years ago, the press was filled with the story of a very

great man who had just died, one who had started out "from scratch" and had built a fabulous financial empire.

Henry Ford was said to be worth about two billion dollars. His holdings included not only sprawling factories, but mines, rubber plantations, glass plants and almost uncounted real estate holdings.

One day, because the basement of the Ford mansion was flooded, due to the overflowing waters, he and Mrs. Ford went to bed at nine in a cold bedroom. At 11:15, Henry Ford called for a drink of water. The family physician was sent for, but before he could arrive at that cold house, Henry Ford, aged 83, had passed out of this life by the light of old-fashioned lamps and flickering candles.

The press had been concerned with the amount of treasure which was left. It is sufficient for us to remember that whatever the amount, Henry Ford left all of it.

MILFORD, INDIANA Sis. Ilene Kammerer,

Reporting for Bro. Arthur Haab

After seven weeks of illness with rheumatic fever, five-year-old Christie Beer, daughter of Sis. Millie and Bro. Phillip, is back with us in church. She anxiously looked forward to the time she could get back to her regular attendance. The members of her Sunday School class had their lesson twice at her home, during her rest. Christie really enjoyed this, as it made the time pass faster.

Little Joan Rassi, daughter of Sis. Mary Ann and Bro. Lowell, climaxed a hectic week by breaking her arm. Slight concussion and eye damage were the preceding accidents.

Much sorrow came upon the Milford congregation when our devout sister in faith, Lucille Hite, passed away, after a month of serious illness. Bro. Theo Beer officiated at the funeral.

A son, Steven Andrew, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Russel Hite. The late Sis. Lucille and Harry Hite are the paternal grandparents.

Bro. David Buser is in the Veteran's Hospital in Fort Wayne. He sends his greetings and also requests that his loved ones sing, "I Need the Prayers", with him in mind.

The wife of Bro. George Graff, Sis. Ida, had major surgery and is

recovering nicely. Through this we can see the wonderful healing hands of our Father at work.

Mildred Levy, wife of Bro. Raymond, is in the hospital. The seriousness of her illness is not known at the time of this writing. We pray this will bring her close to the Lord.

Milford's zip code is 46542.

As the Lord permitted me to know my one grandfather and two grandmothers, I hope they could have said the following words, blessing me:

Beatitudes For Friends Of The Aged

Blessed are they who understand
My faltering step and palsied
hand.

Blessed are they who know that
my ears today
Must strain to catch the things
they say.

Blessed are they who seem to know
That my eyes are dim and my
wits are slow.

Blessed are they who looked away
When my coffee spilled at the
table today.

Blessed are they with a cheery
smile
Who stop to chat for a little
while.

Blessed are they who never say,
"You've told that story twice
today."

Blessed are they who know the
ways
To bring back memories of
yesterdays.

Blessed are they who make it
known
That I'm loved, respected, and
not alone.

Blessed are they who ease the days
On my journey Home in loving
ways.

ROANOKE, ILLINOIS Reporting this month Sara Aeschleman

Ministers visiting our congregation the past month were Bro. Ben Miabach and his wife from Detroit and Bro. Edward Unsicker of Portland. We enjoyed their visits very much.

Bro. Robert and Sis. Norma Jean Luginbuhl are the parents of a new son, John Matthew, born July 21.

Sunday, July 28, Bro. Arthur Legel and Sis. Irene Hodel were united in holy matrimony, with Bro. David Mangold officiating.

Sunday, Aug. 22, Bro. Darrel Lober of Cissna Park and Sis. Glenna Blunier of here were also united in marriage, with Bro. David Mangold officiating.

We wish them both God's blessings.

Thus united and in concord,
Let us walk the path of life;
Hand in hand, O may love bind us,
For each other's welfare strive.

We are very thankful for the two dear brothers, Ben Fehr and Don Sauder, who were recently called upon to be ministers of the gospel, and that God in this day and time still provides so abundantly for his children. May God give them the necessary strength and courage, as they labor in the vineyard of the Lord.

If a single fervent prayer
Of a soul prevailing
On the tender heart of God
Brings it fruit unfailing,
How much more is in store,
When whole congregations
Bring their supplications.

MORRIS, MINNESOTA

Reporter: Mrs. Kenneth Zeltwanger

Robert Nohl spent a ten-day furlough at the home of his parents, Bro. and Sis. Alvin Nohl.

A son, Thomas Alan, was born to Bro. Richard and Sis. Darlene (Schmidgall) Voeller, on July 13.

Our congregation was saddened by the deaths of two of our dear sisters, who were true pillars of the church, and who will be greatly missed.

Sis. Lillian Zeltwanger, age 66, passed away at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, on Friday, July 19, where she had gone for a check-up. It came as a great shock to all, as she had been active, even though suffering with a heart condition. Surviving are her husband, Bro. William; five daughters, Sis. Ann (Harold) Meiss, Sis. Doris, Sis. Edith (Albert) Joos, Sis. Ila (Harold) Gramm, Sis. Vila (Floyd) Schmidgall; six sons, Lowell, Dean and Wm. Jr. and Bros. Kenneth, John and Lyle; a sister, a brother and 31 grandchildren. Her funeral

was July 22, with Bros. Gust Scheitlin and Ezra Feller officiating.

Sis. Minnie Luthi passed away July 31, after a lingering illness, during which time she endured much suffering, but bore it with patience. She is survived by her husband, Bro. William, five sons, Albert, Harold, Donald, Bros. Raymond and Reuben; three daughters, Sis. Violet (Leonard) Wulf, Sis. Wilma (Clyde) Kuntz, Sis. Lillian (Howard) Mogler; four brothers, four sisters and 33 grandchildren. Funeral services were held August 3, with Bros. Leo Moser and Paul Banwart officiating.

We are thankful that dear friends are turning to the Lord in repentance, and are happy to report that we have 18 new converts. They are, William Jr. and Betty Zeltwanger, Donald and Della Luthi, Lloyd and Diann Fehr, Ernest Jr. and Carol Kellenberger, Arthur and Sandy Nohl, Earl and Minnie (Moser) Kussatz, Wallace and Diann Feuchtenberger, Vernard and Barbara (Schmidgall) Brown, and Neil and Dennis Schmidgall, sons of Bro. and Sis. Wayne Schmidgall. We wish them God's grace and blessings.

On August 4, Bro. Noah Gerber of West Bend was our visiting minister, and on Aug. 11, Bro. Elmer Witzig of Gridley ministered to us. They were accompanied by their wives and children. We thank them for the spiritual messages they delivered. We also enjoyed many other visitors, who spent their vacations here.

Ben Greiner submitted to surgery and is getting along nicely.

FORT WAYNE, INDIANA

Reporter: Mrs. Albert E. Kipfer

Sis. Carrie Keidel was confined to the Lutheran Hospital for several days for observation. She is feeling better again. We were happy to see her in our midst on Sunday.

Bro. and Sis. Ben and Edith Kaufman are the happy parents of a baby girl, born July 20, at the Parkview Memorial Hospital. She has been named Judy Michelle.

Bro. and Sis. Ronnie Stoller and Bro. and Sis. Richard Aeschleman spent several days visiting the Alabama churches. They had a very enjoyable trip.

Sis. Mary Aeschleman of Roan-

oke spent a couple weeks visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Bro. and Sis. Richard Aeschleman.

Karen Sue Pulfer, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Raymond Pulfer, and Dale Frauhiger, son of Bro. and Sis. Earl Frauhiger, were married Sunday, August 11, at the bride's home in Ossian. Bro. Sam Aeschleman officiated at this rite. The reception was held at the groom's home in Bluffton, and dinner was at the Dutch Mill.

Mr. and Mrs. James Reimschisel of New Haven are the parents of twins, born Tuesday, August 6, at the Parkview Memorial Hospital. The boy has been named Dennis Dale, and the girl Deneice Gale. The grandparents are David Reimschisels of Ossian.

Bro. Kenneth Zimmerman is directing the choir, which is preparing a program for Youth Fellowship Day, to be held August 25 at Camp Oakwood.

Bro. and Sis. John Wagler of Alabama visited our church Friday evening, August 10. We had a very impressive service. The sermon was taken from 2nd Peter, 3rd chapter. The Junction Church, as well as the Leo Church, was well represented at our service.

Those who just recently moved are: Bro. and Sis. John and Martha Stoller from Ft. Wayne to New Haven, Indiana. Bro. and Sis. Ben Kaufman from New Haven to the Lower Huntington Road, Roanoke, Indiana.

Our Sunday School picnic is to be held Sunday, September 29, in Ft. Wayne.

Timmy Aeschleman, son of Bro. and Sis. Richard Aeschleman, fell today, August 12, on the tile floor of their family room, and severed his chin, which required 6 stitches to close the wound.

The ministers who recently served us were Bros. John Bollier, Ben Schlatter, Henry J. Souder, David Kieser, and Elmer Hartter.

VALPARAISO, INDIANA

Reporting this month:
Mil Bucher

Our minister, Bro. Harry Bucher, and his wife, Sis. Lena, returned safely from an automobile trip to Florida and other southern states. While there, they joined a group of other Niagara sales personnel for a three-day tour of the Bahama Islands. The trip was

complimentary to Bro. Harry for sales achievements.

Guests who visited our church during the month of July included members and friends from Fairbury, Peoria and Cissna Park; Beloit, Wisconsin; Lafayette, Ind. and La Crosse.

On the evening of July 13, Bro. and Sis. Robert Kaiser of Milford opened their hearts and home to the Valparaiso congregation. A bountiful meal and a blessed evening of fellowship with many of the Milford and Bremen folks was enjoyed.

By invitation, the Junior and Senior classes of our Sunday School participated in a Young People's program at Francesville, on July 14. "A Young Man Talks to God" was recited by Tim Ames. "Your Church" by Donna Moser and "Ten Rules of Worship" was given by Byron Frieden. The group also enjoyed a day in Chicago on July 20, under the sponsorship of Wayne and Rosie Moser, Cort and Donna Bucher and Wes and Mil Bucher.

Services were held at the Porter County Home on July 28. Attendance was good. It is spirit-lifting to note the appreciation shown by these elderly or afflicted people. Many of them sing out, with joyful hearts, praises to God for what little they have in the way of blessing and comfort.

GOODFIELD, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Marian Wiegand

Bro. and Sis. Ben Hohulin are the grandparents of a baby girl, Sheri, born July 27 to John and Mary Fritz, who live in Seattle, Washington. This is their second child.

Sis. Geraldine Plattner has been hospitalized because of surgery.

Bro. Sam Landes has been a patient at the Eureka Hospital. His wife, Sis. Elsie, was a patient at the Restmor Home in Morton, but is now improved and dismissed.

Vacations seem to be a common topic of conversation these days, those few, short days when we can "get away" from our everyday problems and work, relax and meditate. Wherever it be that we spend our vacations, God will be there — at the seashore, we will be reminded of His teachings so long ago; in the mountains, His omnipotent handiwork will be

manifested. If we stay at home, He will also be there.

Sis. Lucille Jacobs and Ida Belsley of Morton, Marie Klaus and Helen Knecht of Eureka, Florence Miller of Congerville and I are about to leave for vacation to Glaicer Park and points west and are looking forward to seeing the beautiful mountains and lakes God created so many, many years ago.

Whatever your choice, I wish each and everyone a safe vacation.

"I Just Draw The Curtain"

It was back in 1934, during the depression, when Edna Schieler began to notice a stiffness above her knee joints, as she was doing her house-work and caring for her 14-month-old son, Bob. First it was ignored as a passing thing, but as time went on, it became worse and worse. Soon it began to travel from joint to joint. Her husband, Sam, took her to various doctors. They pronounced it rheumatoid arthritis.

Surely this could not be so! Surely there was a doctor somewhere who could help. Thus began the search from doctor to doctor, from town to town, and from state to state, to find relief from the crippling disease.

It was decided to try the dry, hot weather of Arizona. In January of 1937, Edna and Sam and their small son, Bob; Edna's sister and husband, Ruth and Henry Gramm, and their small son, Willis, arrived at Phoenix in a trailer.

By this time, the arthritis had advanced to the point where it was necessary for Edna to use crutches to move about. Edna gives much praise to her sister, Ruth, for her untiring efforts to care for her during the next few years.

"The first five years were really rough," says Edna, "until we made up our minds that the adjustment had to be made. I am going to accept it, and if this is the way the good Lord wants it, that is the way it will be." And with this change in thought, the adjustment was made, and the situation was made bearable.

Every Thursday, the people of our faith would get together for services at the homes. Often, they would assemble at the Schieler home, since it was difficult for Edna to move about.

In the latter part of 1937, Edna

gave her heart in repentance to the Lord. Until this time there was a heavy gloom hanging over her head. After her repentance, this gloom left her. She has contentment and peace within her heart. She was baptized in a bathtub, in a home, by Elder Brother Ernest Graf.

They lived in Phoenix for six years. The warm climate did not help her arthritic condition, but did make her more comfortable.

"My husband and son have been a great comfort and help to me," says Edna. "When Bob was only four years old, he would care for me while Sam was working. He would stand on a stool by the sink to wash dishes and help prepare meals."

After six years, they moved back to Illinois, to Deer Creek, later to Congerville, and then back to Deer Creek again. Edna's parents, Chris and Kate Bucher, helped care for Edna while they were able. They now are asleep in the Lord. For fifteen years, her sister, Margaret Newlin, faithfully cared for Edna, while Sam was away at work (He is employed at Caterpillar Tractor Co. in East Peoria).

They now live in a new, modest little home, fashioned for convenience in caring for Edna. She is unable to walk, stand, clothe or feed herself. She is 55 years old. Her birthday is November 4.

She appreciates mail, but regrets she is unable to answer, because of her inability to use her hands to write, and hopes those who have written and did not receive an answer realize the reason. Her address is: Mrs. Sam Schieler, Deer Creek, Illinois.

Someone once told her if she cannot sleep, "Count your blessings instead of sheep, and you will be asleep before you think." She has found this to be true.

She takes medicine every hour of the day and needs help always. She says, "I could write a book about the experiences I have had." With this, she related a few experiences, when Sam and Bob had to leave her alone while going about their work or school.

One day while Bob was in school, a storm came up. Bob was thinking about his mother's bed beside the open window, was sure she would get wet, wanted to go home, and cried because the teacher would not let him. Of course, the teacher

could not understand why he should be so upset, but decided she would investigate. Upon visiting the Schieler home, she understood the problems and concerns of her little pupil. He is still as concerned today.

She had a narrow escape back in Phoenix, when they lived in the trailer. It was a cool evening, so Sam lit the stove and sat and watched it for some time, until he felt sure it was safe for him to leave for work. No more had he gone, when the flames rose higher and higher. Edna was sitting only about two feet from the stove. It was getting hotter and hotter. She tried in vain to move her chair. The only thing left was to start screaming, in hope some of the neighbors would hear. Fortunately they did, but they first thought it was Halloweeners playing tricks, then decided they better at least walk past the Schieler trailer to see if anything looked amiss. By this time, smoke was coming out of the windows. They had found her just in time.

After talking with Sam and Edna, my thoughts went back 32 years to the day when they gave their marriage vows: "For richer or poorer, for better or for worse, in sickness or health." They certainly were not aware of the problems and apprehension life held for them. But when one analyzes the situation — they are richer in love and devotion. God called Edna and gave her soul salvation, which is better by far. There is harmony and contentment in their home. Sam has kept his promise to care for Edna.

It is not the material things which has made Edna happy, but the untiring devotion of her husband, son, and family; the joy to have lived to see her son grow up, and now the joy to be a grandmother; to be able to give her three small grandchildren little gifts, such as a few pennies or an unusual box to play with.

When one visits the Schieler home, there is one thing that is very evident—the cheerfulness and patience which radiates from Edna. One goes away feeling inspired and uplifted. The Bible teaches us to visit the sick; we feel it a duty; and it is a blessing.

When queried if she has days of despair and gloom, her prompt answer was, "When dark clouds

begin to gather, I JUST DRAW THE CURTAIN." Isn't that a beautiful thought? If only this advice could be shouted to the many in the world who sink in gloom and despair.

BERN, KANSAS

Reporter: Mrs. Lester Hartter

Bro. Joe Klotzle, Altadena, a recent guest minister, remarked in his sermon: "The type of person we are in this life will denote what we will be in all eternity." What will your reward and mine be?

Several car loads of brethren from Bluffton visited here over Sunday, with a tour of the Apostolic Christian Home in mind.

On Sun., July 21, was announced the betrothal of Sis. Erma Esslinger, daughter of the Bro. Pete Esslingers, to Bro. Bill Gerber of Lester, son of the Bro. Ted Gerbers.

Why Go To Church?

The church is one of the oldest established institutions throughout the world. It makes for a better community—a better people. The church represents a group of people like you and me. Its mission is to build body, soul and spirit. It starts with the children, training them in better things of life, and throws its door wide open to all. The church needs you, and you need the church.

The above is printed on fans at church.

Bro. Alpha and Sis. Lena Strahm are touring points of interest in Europe and the Holy Land.

Bro. Lou and Sis. Lena Baumgartner, and Emma Hanni are visiting cousins in Switzerland, this summer.

A daughter, Carol Jean, was born to the Bro. Joe Rokeys.

Funeral services were held for Sis. Esther Blaser Bieri, age 69, who died after a lengthy illness. She and her husband, Bro. Jonathan, and family, lived near Bern, before moving to Leavenworth, Kansas, some years ago. There he was employed at the federal penitentiary. A daughter, Ruby, married one of our local doctors, C. B. Hash, of Seneca, Kansas. One son, Ira, lives in California. Three other daughters and their families live in and near their home place, Leavenworth.

Ministering Bro. Vernon Schwab

of Wolcott and his family visited here. Many wonderful teachings were given for evening services. A question was raised, "Do we really appreciate our assembling for worship, or are we sleepy, slack or indifferent?"

Bro. Carl Kipfer was a welcome guest minister, Aug. 4.

UNION CITY, NEW JERSEY

Reporter: August Mueller

Sunday, July 7 . . .

Our visitors today were from Rockville, Bro. Corbin Bahler, his wife-Sis. Virginia, and their four children. They were very welcome in our midst. It is always a blessing when members and friends come from other congregations to visit us. They are invited to visit us again soon.

It is a precious thing to go to the house of God, where we find love, sympathy, encouragement and upbuilding in the hours of sorrow.

We heard of Job, how he was tested. His friends came to visit him, but they did not comfort him, but accused him of being a cruel man, that he had his riches by taking all what the poor people had, and that this was his reward, but they found that the Lord was on his side.

We can not ask the Lord, "What doest thou?" He is Lord over the quick and the dead, and we sing in a hymn what He will do shall please me. We have no reason to murmur or to complain, but much more we find reason to thank Him for his blessings, his grace and mercy which He does bestow upon us from day to day. I am reminded of Job when he said, we received the good; should we then not accept the bad.

Bro. and Sis. Louis Schoenleber returned from a two-week vacation. We are very glad to have them with us again.

Sun., July 14 . . . Today, our visitors were from Congreville, Bro. and Sis. John Schieber and children. It was a blessing to have them in our midst. We enjoyed their short visit very much. I'm so sorry I missed saying farewell to them. Meeting kindred-minded souls is reviving, humbling and enlivening.

Sun., July 21. It is indeed a blessing to enter into the house of the Lord and to hear words of life and

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truth. We thank our heavenly Father that He is a prayer-hearing and a prayer-answering God, that He provides for a few as well as for many. We know and can feel that He is concerned over our soul's welfare. We are not left as orphans in this world and time. If we stay close to Him and trust in Him, it will go well with us. Let us not grow weary to bless the Lord and to sing praises to His holy name.

Sun., the 28th. We had visitors from Rockville today, Bro. and Sis. Norman Ballasy and family, Sis. Rosa Schneider and daughter, Sis. Esther Luginbuhl. We sang many hymns to God's honor and praise.

We had a day of joy and blessing. We also heard that we should prepare ourselves for the time when the storms come and the days of which we say I have no pleasure in them, that we then can find a shelter and don't have to look for a place where we are in danger. Our only shelter is our Lord Jesus Christ.

Sunday, August 4 . . .

Today, we had Sis. Aeschliman of Roanoke with us. We enjoyed having her in our midst. She is visiting her son, Bro. Ed, and his family, in Wilmington, Delaware. We can not appreciate enough the blessed hours our heavenly Father grants, to us, while in this dark and dreary world and time. It is a blessing, to know and feel that the Lord is among those that assemble in His name, as we have heard today. We can never thank him enough and work enough for him. May God grant grace unto us, that we may stay close to him and ask him for help and guidance in all our trials and tribulations. He will not leave nor forsake us.

Today, I am starting my 79th year, and I must confess, the Lord was merciful, kind and gracious unto us, and that he has given us more than we could ever expect to receive. He is indeed a kind and loving Father. He leads through dark and stormy hours, but after the storm, the Sun will shine.

ROCKVILLE, CONNECTICUT Reporter: Carlton J. Lanz

The Sunday School teachers, parents and relatives, July 13, took the children to a lake resort, where together they spent the day observing their annual picnic. It is a once-a-year event, and usually draws a large number of people.

Summer is a time for going—near and far. Many visitors have come from the far corners . . . this month, some from Bluffton, Bay City, Cissna Park, Congerville, Eureka, Fairbury, Gridley, Latty, Morton, New York, Peoria, Princeville, Portland, Quincy, Remington, Roanoke and Tremont.

Our column in this issue of the Silver Lining would be rather lengthy if we were to list all names and places of those having visited us in this period. Notwithstanding, many blessed hours were shared in fellowship with one another and together.

In our guest register, we observed names of those who for the first time have visited here. Among them were Elder Bro. Leroy Huber of Eureka and Bro. Lowell Stoller of Princeville and their wives. We welcome them, and were very happy to have them with us. We truly enjoyed numerous blessings from the inspired teachings and prayers they offered. Also, Bro. Ed. Unsicker, with his wife and children, who drove from Portland, to visit and minister to us. We, too, received blessings in the messages he brought us, and also to hear of experiences that he has made in his Christian life, which compares some with ours. Other visiting ministers were Bro. Andrew Virkler of Bay City and Bro. Edmund Kloter and their families.

Bringing us greetings from members in various churches in the far West and other states, Bro. Earl Gerber, with his family, returned safely from an extended trip.

Bro. Ted Scheitlin also brought us greetings from members in Europe, where he was on visit.

Bro. Douglas Moser will shortly return to his studies at U. of I. He spent the summer here with his parents, Bro. John and Sis. Esther Moser.

Sis. Pauline (Reutter) Schneider, widow of Bro. Carl Schneider, died at her home, on Aug 1. She was 68. She had been ailing for quite some time, due to a heart condition; yet, her death was sudden.

She married in 1919, with her companion living only 14 years. Left to care for and rear ten small children, this she did with many sacrifices and the help of God and that of her devoted children and friends.

She repented and turned to the Lord about 50 years ago. She remained strong in her faith to her end.

Her ten children, who survive her, all live nearby, with the exception of one daughter, Martha, who with her husband, Bro. Clarence Mangold, and children live at Roanoke. Bro. Clarence and Sis. Martha were here for the funeral.

Officiating at the services were Bro. John Bahler, with Bro. Ernest Luginbuhl assisting.

Burial was in the family plot in Ellington Center Cemetery.

We believe that visiting items can be interesting and helpful. We want the items to tell something . . . more than lists. They can be short, or sometimes many sentences that enrich. Even the date may be left off the visiting items.

Thrift is not only in money . . . it is in time and opportunity. Little things count. A savings plan that is consistent adds up. So it is with our opportunities . . . a chance to change a little here . . . a moment to be purchased there . . . and we improve.

the editor

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