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FROEHLICH'S DREAM

Submitted by Bro. Joel Souder

Translated by the Fred Herbst family

Froehlich's little girl became very sick. He rushed to her, but could not stay even overnight. He was forced to stay away. The little one went home. The following verses have a tender beauty and comfort. We know a little of his sorrow.

O new city, Jerusalem,
From Heaven now descended,
How you appear so pleasantly
To all the true repented!
O King of Zion, Thou hast alone
Prepared for me this city,
And all earth's burdens now are gone
When in spirit we behold Thee.

My loved one, do not undaunted be;
The doors are standing open.
Here is no memory of sin;
No evil here can enter
To be a hindrance unto you,
You soon shall there be claimed,
Where also many loved ones true
Before you have attained.

And now I saw its glory bright
And beautiful surroundings,
And heard naught else from far
and wide
But joyous praise resounding.
Here is continuous sunshine.
No sorrows, there, above.
Here, man has not the judges' dream,
For naught reigns here but love.

Now, a dear friend to me came hence,
Whom I on earth had known,
And both my hands into his clasped
And called me by my name.

"Welcome here, O saved and blest;
Here is the righteous honor.
This is the true and holy Rest . . .
True bliss and peace eternal.

They led me further on,
The Heaven's loving brethren,
Where I then found new friends
again,

Nearby in another region.
What does there now to me
appear?

My eyes see in the distance
A choice select, a chosen choir,
The children and the infants.

I saw them from a distance far;
O, what a joy and rapture!
Each was holding the honor crown,
Bright as the sunlight's glitter.
And each one was in garment clad,
Arrayed in pure white linen,
And victory's palms they also held,
So joyfully rejoicing.

Let brotherly love continue.

Hebrews 13:1

'Twas then I heard a joyous sound,
God and the Lamb to honor,
And such a **beauteous**, wondrous
tone

From harps which they were harping!

Soon, to God's honor and His
praise

Their golden harps they're stringing,

Again was heard from far and
wide

Their Hallelujahs singing.

Together, then, I saw them all

as in innocence they glittered.
Humbly, softly, their view did fall;
Their cheeks were also glistening
With love so pure and so serene,
So full of life and joyous,
And my own loved ones, O dear
friend,
Were there among them, also.

When therefore, at the same time,
We each beheld the other,
O what an ecstasy was mine.
O joy, divinely pure!
As soon as I to them was known,
At once they left the choir,
And hastily before me stood,
And called unto me, "Father"!

"O dear father, are you now here?
Dost thou appear before us?
Triumph, Triumph, Victoria,
For here we are, all of yours!"
Then I, my arms stretched outwardly,
Encircling all together,
And all had this one thought in
mind,
'They nevermore would leave me.'

I now was by this children band
In love profoundly stirred,
As they then took me by their hand
And led me further onward,
To where eternally they'd reign
In this, their homestead new,
And I, according to their mind,
Would live there with them, too.

This is the true Canaan then,
Where milk and honey floweth,
'Tis here the weary wanderer
Real heaven's joy now knoweth.
Here is the restful Canaan,
All sorrow and battles ended.
Here is the holy Mount Zion,
Where God reigns with his
servants.

Here also are the Cherubims

Together with the Seraphs,
Who with veiled faces minister
To the great King before them,
And soon, to the praise of God,
They fall in prayer before Him,
And through the Holy Place is
heard
Three times, "Holy", resounding.

O could I now for everyone
Completely thus express this;
The veil was now taken away.
O what a heavenly vision!
I saw there in that Holy Light
The unprecedented rapture.
I there could Him behold by sight,
In crown of glorious splendor.

He was so friendly and so mild,
But no, I must be silent.
For naught His image can describe
And naught could dare compare it.
Mortality is not allowed
To utter this great vision;
Therefore, I close my writing now,
Because the words do fail me.

FAREWELL

Henry Souder Jr.

"... none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and ..."

Now he was leaving. Paul had passed this way. Each daybreak had found him facing pages of life's diary unwritten. However, the stream of time flowed on swiftly. Troubles and problems there were. Weakness and infirmity, tiredness and downcast feeling had weighed. With love, he had worked his field.

No row was left unturned, "... the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify of the grace of God."

He labored with service. He toiled in love. The Lord Jesus had handed him a work. Paul weaved it on looms of daily service.

Our life is a service. We should hold His love in calm confidence. No storm nor delay, no interruption nor infirmity, but there comes opportunity to shine forth in love. Life's arrangements are opportunities for His grace. Love needs to be written thus in service, and it shines forth!

"For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God."

Children need a wholesome diet to be robust and healthy. Likewise, spiritually, we need a well-rounded diet, all the counsel.

We need to reach for the hymn that is not used. We need to turn to the teaching that perhaps has been too long silent. Failure to use some portion shows up in the look of the children.

Consistency cancels chance.

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

We need tears. The underscoring of God is often in tears.

Outer space goes nowhere, but **the lost will go outside.** Unredeemable tears will fall heedless in that night. We need to feel the dread of the darkness.

The elderly man in the rest home was sad. The grandchildren had failed to show up, thus far. He had counted on it. How that little bit of cheer can make such a difference!

How much more, when we measure feeling in eternity!

"And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified."

How the heavenly income rises when we follow His instructions!

We can do much for each other. When we mean what we say in prayer, underscore our heart with earnestness, God hears. When we sing and mean it, it helps. No voice is unimportant. When one selects verses to which God has pointed, He gets His point across.

There is more. Mother and father can be verses in action. Patience and love are living pictures from God's word. Life is full of places where we may write God's verse in our walk!

"Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me."

Hands are the workshop of God. A woman heard some children singing the hymn, "One More Day's Work For Jesus". It started her to beautiful conclusion. Whatever she did, washing or other daily toil, she did it for Jesus.

Life can be a beautiful leafing, that turns page by page. God's word can be read in our actions. It is the translator's hand that brings the gospel in understandable words!

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

Life is like an insurance policy. Have we thought deeply enough about covering ourselves with this blessedness He spoke? The bigger the policy we take out, the more bountiful the reaping. The more we sow here, the richer the reaping there.

We're better satisfied in expending ourselves in the expenses of God. Rare comfort blooms on sowing plains.

Life's sweetest moments come from Him.

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LAMAR, MISSOURI**Marie Marti****Church History**

The following information, concerning our church history, was submitted by Bro. Ben Banwart.

In writing about our little church here at Lamar, some of the dates may not be quite correct, but I give it to you as I was able to gather the information from people who remember the events which happened during the early years of our church.

The first families who came from Illinois, to settle in Barton County in the vicinity of Lamar, in about 1897, were the Henry Swings, Sam Kahlers and Pete Roths. In the year 1901, several more families came from Illinois; West Bend, Iowa; and Sabetha, Kansas. Those who established homes here that year were Nick Heinigers, Chris Leichits, Rudy Lochers, Fred Koehls, Henry Lehmanns, Andy Obergfels, John Widmers (Sr.), John Kinseys, Adolph Daetwylers, Will Cordills, and Jake Schmidts. Others that came about that same time were the John, Jake and George Kibler families and the Dan, Will and Lou Messners.

Most of these families moved here because the land was cheaper than it was in the communities where they had lived. The land has been improved by some of our modern farming methods and is more productive than it was during those years.

It was only after Bro. Fred Koehl came from Illinois that we had a minister. The services were held in the homes, until the church was built. Bro. Henry Lehman was the first song leader.

The land on which the church was built was donated by Bro. Jake Heininger.

In about 1901, construction was begun on a new church. Before it was completed, about ten families came from West Bend. The second Sunday after their arrival, the first services were held in the new church. Lunch was not served until the following Sunday. After this time, a few more families came from various places. In 1950, our church was remodeled.

Shortly after the church was built, the attendance was larger than at any other time. This was due to the large number who moved here and to the number of

friends who turned to the Lord during the two ensuing years.

Many of the families who moved here from various places have again returned to their former homes. Our church in recent years has again grown larger than it was for a time. We are very thankful to the Lord that He could so bless us.

The brothers who have been ministers here, in addition to Fred Koehl, were Bros. Fred Banwart, Nathan Schlupp, Andy Obergfel and the three who at present minister, Ben Banwart, Fred Marti and Lester Braker.

Bro. Sam Anliker of Lamont is our present elder. The elder brothers who have so faithfully served our church have always been from neighboring churches.

Bro. Willie Stefan was chosen as our new Sunday School teacher, to replace Bro. Dean Marti, whose term expired.

A son, Tom Ellis, was born to Bro. and Sis. Virgil Frieden, on Jan. 17. He has four brothers and one sister to welcome him into the family.

AKRON, OHIO
Grace Schuckert

Bro. Peter Wenhardt seems to have recovered well after several days in the hospital.

Sis. Lena Wright, at the age of 86, has safely returned from an interesting visit with her relatives and friends in Arizona and California. She made the trip alone, by plane. This was her first flight.

Friend Johnny Greenbank has entered the armed forces and is now stationed at Ft. Sam Houston.

We extend sympathy to Sis. Marie Dakovich, in the death of her sister; also to Bro. Alex. Bako, in the death of his sister in Canada.

BAY CITY, MICHIGAN
Faye Wackerle & Marlene Mosher

"And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you." Matthew 28:7.

What a beautiful scripture passage! What a great hope for the dedicated Christian!

As Easter-time approaches, a time set aside for remembering and reflecting on the death and resurrection of our Lord and Saviour, may we constantly appear in the

presence of our Lord, praying for mercy and grace to help us (if we are not) become Christians, and to remain a true Christian, not one in name only or just on Sunday, but every day of our life, so we, too, may see Him in Galilee.

Abide with Christ—that is the believer's safeguard against being engulfed with the world.

No matter what shall overtake us (and many know the pain, the trial, the sorrow that accompany us on our journey here below), we can all find solace and comfort in the words in Matthew 11:28, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

Bro. and Sis. Floyd and Persida Wieland and family from Detroit visited here this past week end. Bro. Floyd ministered to us on Sunday. We had a few other visitors from Chicago and Junction.

Friend Alma Schoenbine has returned home from the hospital, where she had surgery. We pray she will have a complete recovery. "... we know that all things work together for good to them that love God. . ." Romans 8:28.

BERN, KANSAS**Mrs. Morris Edelman****Mrs. Leonard Baumgartner**

Funeral services for Ruth Strahm Pritchard were held at the Popkess Mortuary on Jan. 8. Interment was in the Bern church cemetery. Her small six-year-old son is now making his home with his aunt, Mrs. Harlan Wittmer, and family.

Bro. Roy Rokey was re-elected as trustee, for a three-year term.

We are now holding mid-week services each Wed. evening at 7:30. We alternate with the Sabetha Church.

Bro. Noah Schrock visited our community January 13. Evening services were held.

BURLINGTON, IOWA**Uriel Gehring**

We decided to have a singing in the church assembly the first Sunday of every month, from seven until eight in the evening. The first singing was held in January, with about thirty-five in attendance. The second one was held in February, with about sixty-five in attendance, so we feel it is being well accepted. We hope the blessings of

the Lord will rest upon this endeavor.

We had our trustee election a few Sundays ago—the brothers who will serve in this capacity for the next year are Jesse Eisenman, Richard Taeger, and Paul Wagler. Each trustee serves a three-year term, and we elect a new one each year.

We are happy to have Bro. and Sis. Ernie and Rekie Anliker back with us. They spent about a month in Phoenix and assembled with our brethren there. (Sis. Anliker is a former reporter.)

Sunday, February 2, our congregation was invited to the Oakville country church, to hear the conclusions of the church conference held in Bluffton last fall. Elder Brothers Noah Schrock and Silas Leuthold presented them to us. How precious is our common goal as believers, and how thankful we should be that God has given us the church and has given it certain authorities and disciplines whereby the body of believers may be edified. May God find us worthy of preserving for us such a church.

With the hustle and bustle of the holidays history for a season, the world in general is proceeding at its rather normal pace, and confusion, discontent, murmurings, backbitings, envyings and so forth reign almost supreme again. Why? Because these are the fruits of the evil one, and he has so many human lives in his grasp.

We are amazed at how quickly the thoughts of love and good will that seemingly prevail at the Christmas season are lost in the maze of worldly adventure and material gain. It sort of reminds one of the parable of the sower and the seed that fell among thorns, and the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word and he becometh unfruitful.

At Christmas time, the majority of the present world acknowledges the birth of Jesus Christ and they sing to that effect, but how soon they forget, if they ever knew, God's purpose for sending His Son into this world.

How essential, then, that our faith be well grounded in the truth that cometh by revelation from God the Father, so that we can rejoice always in the hope and faith given us by our Creator.

How futile are human efforts in establishing anything that even re-

sembles "peaceful co-existence", a term quite commonly used by modern day philosophers. It has been said that about the only thing the human race has learned from former wars is that it doesn't learn.

How thankful, then, God's elect should be that they have been called from this world of unbelief to the "Light of the World", Jesus Christ, though whose shed blood we have remission of sins and the hope of life eternal. Surely, we should walk circumspectly, for our salvation is nearer than when we first believed.

BURLINGTON, OKLAHOMA Mrs. Raymond Roth

We wish to thank the two elders, Bros. Noah Schrock of Burlington and Leo Moser of Lester, and Bro. Phil Mogler, also of Lester, who accompanied them for assembling with us Sunday, Jan. 12, to read and discuss with us the memorandum. We are very thankful for our elders' sincere love and great concern shown us. We appreciate being reminded of our duty. It should be our desire to assemble together and be warned against the temptations of the world and the lust thereof, that our church and humble way of life might be preserved.

Sis. Mary Somerhalder left Jan. 21 for Kansas City, where she helped care for her new granddaughter, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Herd. Mrs. Herd was the former Shirley Somerhalder.

At our annual business meeting, Jan. 26, Bro. Charles Terry was chosen to take Bro. Joe Diel's place. Bro. Joe resigned from the Personal Property Aid Committee. No other changes were made on the various other boards and committees. It was discussed and asked to pray over, whether our church should furnish a room for the new addition to the Kiowa District Hospital in Kiowa, Kansas. On Feb. 2, it was voted to furnish a room for the hospital.

We enjoyed the visits of Bro. and Sis. Ernest Anliker of Burlington in Kiowa, Kansas. On Feb. 2, Kuntz of Oakville, Jan. 26. Bro. Anliker shared with us his talents as a song leader. In the evening, Bro. and Sis. Elmer Tanner were hosts to an evening of fellowship and singing.

Sis. Ida Tanner and Sis. George Miller were hospital patients this past month.

ELGIN, ILLINOIS Louise Steffen

Katie Kachelmuss

On Jan. 12, a new trustee was elected to replace Bro. Pat Kinsinger. Bro. Wm. Reber now has this duty. A new Sunday School teacher was also selected at a meeting at the home of Wm. Gudeman, to replace Sis. Betty Walter, who will soon be married. Sis. Rose Reber was selected for this important duty. The teachers presented Sis. Betty with a Bible. We wish her God's blessings as she leaves this congregation.

On Saturday evening, January 18, Morris and Nina Willaert and their daughter, Norma Utt, gave their testimonies. How sincere, we could truly feel that it is the Lord's work, and is a challenge to us. The baptizing took place Sunday afternoon, following the services.

Sis. Adamae Schrock, wife of Bro. Melvin, underwent an emergency appendectomy at Sherman Hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery. Bro. Jesse and Sis. Lillian Schrock came to visit her, and attended our Bible Study Class in the evening.

Bro. Michael and Sis. Elizabeth Schumacher have a girl, born Feb. 2. They have named her Ruth Anne.

Our community was deeply shaken, when on Feb. 1, Sis. Gladys Weiss, daughter of Bro. Carl and Sis. Mary Weiss was involved in a serious automobile accident. She is confined at St. Joseph Hospital in Elgin, with a broken arm and leg and bruises. She was unconscious for several days, but now she regains consciousness for a time. We wish her God's help and comfort, as well as her family. We do not know why these things do happen, and it brings to our mind the song . . . "Not now, but in the coming years, it may be in the better land, We'll read the meaning of our tears, and there, sometime, we'll understand."

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FORREST, ILLINOIS

Nancy Honegger — Martha Stoller

Sis. Marion Nussbaum, who underwent surgery at the Carle Clinic in Urbana on Jan. 16, has returned home and is improving nicely.

Bro. Robert and Sis. Donna Le-man are the parents of a baby boy, Philip Wayne, born Jan. 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bachtold and baby daughter, who are stationed at Charleston, South Carolina, spent a few days at the home of his parents, Carl and Sis. Dorothy Bachtold.

Sis. Josephine Zimmerman had the misfortune to fall on the ice and break her left arm at the wrist, so she is carrying it in a cast at the present time.

Visiting ministers the past month were Bros. Fred Grimm from Taylor and Al Fisher from Chicago. We enjoyed the inspiring teachings of both of these brothers. In speaking of a Christian being clad with the armor of faith, Bro. Fisher referred to the armors of steel which the soldiers wore in olden days. They were hinged, so the wearer could bend if he so desired; however, this created a crack where his body was unprotected—unless standing erect. Consequently, it is for us to be careful not to bend forward, to the right nor to the left, which would leave a crack for Satan's darts to enter. We are only protected when we stand straight and erect.

Mrs. Judy Yoshiko Kemp, a native of Japan, has moved with her children to join her husband, who is now stationed at Fort Ord, California. She had been living in an apartment at the home of Bro. Louis Zimmerman for the past three years, while her husband was in Korea.

Judy, who came to America six years ago, adjusted readily to our American customs and was ever eager to try new recipes. She became a citizen of the United States in Nov., 1962.

Since her people in Japan worshipped Buddha, it was only after coming to America, and when her children started going to Sunday School, that she learned to know there is a living God.

She was given an American-Jap-

anese Bible and became very interested in reading it. She attended our church services faithfully with the Zimmerman family, and her children were in Sunday school regularly. Judy remarked that in leaving Forrest, the hardest part was leaving the church. She hopes, if she ever goes back to Japan, to tell all her people there is a true God in heaven.

This should again remind us what a precious privilege has been ours to be reared by Christian parents, and also to realize how much more will be required of us, who have been taught the way of salvation, through the Apostolic Christian faith.

FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

Judy Sutter

Recently, a new young family has been added to our Ft. Lauderdale congregation. They are Bro. Richard and Sis. Karen Kaehr and their three children from Bluffton. We welcome them, and hope they will be happy and content in Florida.

January has been a very busy month, and we are expecting an even busier one in February. Dedication has been planned for February 2; therefore, we are busy preparing for this large group. More of our winter families have arrived: Bro. Sam and Sis. Ida Wieland, Bro. John Recksteiner, Sis. Emily Recksteiner, and Sis. Elizabeth Kaehr.

Our guests were:

(PRINCEVILLE) Bro. John and Sis. Louise Joos, Sis. Mary Lou Joos, Bro. Harry & Sis. Bertha Jane Herrmann and Bro. Earl and Sis. Margaret Fuecht. (MORTON) Bro. John Getz, his wife, Rita, and Bro. Chris E. Wickman and wife. **Bro. John is a brother to Joe A. (our elder brother from Morton). He is a faithful follower, a soldier who helps toward victory.**

Each and every one of the heavenly army holds an important place.

(FORREST) Bro. Sam and Sis. Leah Honegger, and Bro. Jake and Sis. Clara Ebuck. (BAY CITY) Bro. Don and Sis. Lou Ann and family. (BLUFFTON) Bro. John and Sis. Mary Baumgartner. **Bro. John is chairman of the Zion's Harp Songbook Committee. He supplied a number of the new melodies. When he is present, churches can use him to make progress, in**

gaining the treasures of learning a new melody, or learning better.

(PEORIA) Lou and Marie Heller. (TREMONT) Bro. Will and Sis. Rose Beutel, and daughter, Annette. **Sis. Rose is a sister who contributed her talent to the Silver Lining, as a reporter.**

As we near the completion of our church, we realize what a fortunate people we are. We are not thankful enough for such a beautiful church, and hope we can worship pleasingly in God's sight.

FORT SCOTT, KANSAS

Marie Zaugg

Sister Waneta Sinn was united in marriage to Eldon Plattner of Sabetha. Elder Brother Sam Anliker performed the ceremony. We had many visitors that week end. We wish Sis. Waneta and Bro. Eldon God's blessings in their new life together.

Sis. Pearl Miller had surgery this past month. She is getting along fine.

We had our business meeting on January 15. The Sunday School teachers that have served their term are Sis. Ruth Sinn and Bro. Martin Hohulin.

The newly elected ones are Bro. Raymond Banwart and Sis. Marie Zaugg.

Bro. and Sis. Ben Braker, Bro. and Sis. Wm. Stefan and George and Bro. Chris Welker of Lamar spent a Sunday with us.

Bro. and Sis. Fred Messner of Winthrop visited here for a few days.

The use of the mind

"... whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report... think on these things."—Philippians 4:8.

FRANCESVILLE, INDIANA

Mrs. Herman (Chris) Wuethrich

Our dear, young Bro. Ronnie Anliker, was called into the service; he is the son of Bro. Eli and Sis. Priscilla. We really miss him, as it was such a joy to see him stay in church for P.M. services, after he accepted the Lord's calling. These young souls make a cherished congregation, as it always pulls on one's heart-strings to see so many leave at noon. Now, with the "Love of God" in his heart, he can

face the trials that come to him. His address will be given by the Ft. Sam reporter.

Terry Howat is in the service in Alaska, and his wife and daughter are staying with his parents, Fred and Carol Howat. His dear grandmother, Sis. Ann Getz, is not only our "talking Christian", but our "doing Christian", as our Bro. Wendell Gudeman spoke in his services for us all to do.

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For the offices to be filled for the new year, our congregation chose Bro. Nate Gutwein to continue as Sunday School superintendent. In the church, Bro. Fred Gutwein was voted to also continue his duties. Other new ones are Bro. Wally Bucher, Richard Wuethrich and Karl Westfall. May God richly bless the retiring officers, who served so faithfully and willingly.

The following poem, written by Bro. Elmer Bucher, a number of years ago, has much "food for thought." Their "Darling Nancy" passed away four years ago this month, at the age of about 3.

Our Darling Nancy

A gift was sent from Heaven
To dwell with us one day;
'Twas there within the cradle,
Our darling Nancy lay.
She was to us as precious
As any here on earth,
For we were both rejoicing
To have a normal birth.
She was a tiny infant,
But we were quite content,
For we well knew the Sender
Composed the firmanent.
Our joys were swiftly waning,
For very soon we heard
That Nancy may be hindered
From uttering a word.
Our hearts did bleed within us;
Our eyes were filled with tears,
And suddenly our future
Had filled our minds with fears.
It was not ours to question;
God knew the reason why,
And when He saw us fainting,
His grace did multiply.

There never was an angel
More sweet than Nancy Lynne,
For she will never cause offense
Or fall deep into sin.
Our love for her has increased

With every passing hour,
And we will strive to nurse her
With all our given power.
She's ours to keep and care for
'Til Jesus calls her home,
To be with Him forever
Across the swelling foam.
We'll never shun our duty,
But care for her each day,
Assured that God intended
For it to be that way.
So may our Heavenly Father
Provide for us each day
The needed grace and courage
To walk in His dear way.
Then, one day He will show us
His reason for this care,
And why we are the Keeper of
An "Angel Unaware".

GIRARD, OHIO

Reporter: Jesse C. Emch

We were so happy to have Bro. Robert Gasser and family and Bro. Herbert Bauman and family of Rittman with us on Sunday, Feb. 2. We welcome members and friends to come and visit us. Traveling on the Ohio turnpike, either exit 15 or 16 will bring you close to Girard.

Since our last news item, we report Bro. Carl and Sis. Eva Emch were in the hospital and are home again. Sis. Eva has not been able to attend church for a long time. Sisters Charlotte Emch and Doris Jean Riehl are in hospital for general checkups. We hope they will be able to go home soon. Sis. Ethel Hafely was taken to the hospital on Sunday, Feb. 2, and has been in critical condition ever since. She was in church all day Sunday, and shortly after coming home became very ill.

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Submitted by Herman Norr

The sixth service for those in the Indianapolis area was held Sunday, Feb. 2. Bro. David Bertsch of Leo conducted the services.

As in every meeting, new acquaintances were made and the nearness and blessing of the Lord was evident.

The Henry Zellers have returned from Texas. Meeting and fellowshiping with them was a blessing. Their address is R. 2, Spring Hill Addition, Zionville, Indiana.

Following is the list of ministers scheduled:

Feb. 16, Bro. Henry Grim, Morton; March 1, Bro. Wendell Gudeman, Francesville; March 15, Bro.

Henry Beer, Milford; April 5, Bro. Ben Maibach Jr., Detroit; and April 19, Bro. Robert Hueni.

Services will be held the FIRST and THIRD Sunday of each month.

Location: Central YMCA, 310 North Illinois St. (Corner New York and Illinois St.)

Starting time: For church and Sunday School, 11:00 A.M. Eastern Standard Time (Central Daylight)

The main auditorium is now being used, which provides ample room for a large group.

A hearty welcome is extended to the students, their parents and friends to meet at Indianapolis for worship and fellowship.

Visitors are appreciated and encouraged to meet with us. The school age children from Indianapolis extend a special invitation to children from other areas to visit them.

JAPAN

Yoshio Yamazaki

This year and this time will never return again among us. So if we surely think about this and such precious time we have, we can not live foolishly any minute. Especially we Christians must think about how can we serve the Lord best, and how we must do, during this present life.

I believe it is very natural feeling that all Christians should have concern about that. However, actual state is not. Many of churches of this world still having busy for church of this world yet, and also work for society but not the spirit of God. I wonder, if so, how should we be excused before the Lord, when we meet Him some day in heaven?

I really feel to understand why Apostle Paul should have written such strong letter to church of Galatians. "For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God. I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me . . . and gave himself for me. I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain." . . . "That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith." "And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art

no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ."

Japan is very funny country, and many people like to celebrate many things. According to the calendar, we have nine national holidays, not counting Christmas. But New Year's celebrations are biggest of all. On New Year's day, early in the morning before sunrise, lots of people are going to the shrines, temples, and many kinds of idols and worship, even unbelievers. After that, some of the people visit the Imperial Palace and greet the Imperial family; then they celebrate in their home for three or four days. How wonderful if we Japanese people turn to the Lord such faithful faith, instead of idol worship.

This New Year vacation, Bro. John Klaus and I were visiting the country members' homes and encouraged them. I am pretty sure they were all happy to have Bro. John return to Japan again with his family. After we visited members' homes, then most members attended the services on Sunday, now. I think we should visit them more often from now on. But trouble is, when we visit the members and friends there, they always serve the tea and rice cookies, pickled vegetables or something like that, so we can visit only a few houses a day because of a full stomach. It is very hard to reject it, because that is Japanese custom for most areas.

We very much thank God for Sis. Uchida's husband start to come to the church on Sunday. He always invited me to meet him and talk with him of the Lord. I am sure he really interested about spiritual salvation. Bro. Willis also encouraged Sis. Uchida and her family always.

Bro. Yoshito is not real good yet, but he would like to come back to Tokyo again and return to his school, sometime this spring. We surely believe if it is the Lord's will, he might surely come back to school again some day. Please join with your daily prayer for him, especially.

Bro. John and Sis. Betty Klaus are going to Japanese language school and study the language very hard, so we hope the Lord use them to His work for His own will some day. They look around for a house where they can live. Here in Ja-

pan, it is very difficult to find a house for foreigner, even Japanese.

Anyway, we trust Him, and He always protects and provides for us in anything which we need by His riches.

LATTY, OHIO
Mrs. Gale Stoller
Mrs. Ray Sinn

Justus and Ruby Stoller were blessed with a baby girl, Ronda Marie. The Stollers now have three children.

Again, we had several in the hospital this past month. Bro. Henry Laukhuf and Albert Stoller have been dismissed and are recovering. Bros. Daniel C. Stoller and Kenneth Laukhuf are still in the hospital. We hope it will not be long before they have both recovered enough to be at home with their family, and that all who are sick will soon be able to assemble with us in church, as we miss each one when they are absent.

Rodney Laukhuf, who has been sick for the past six weeks, is now able to go to school and resume his studies. Rodney is the son of Bro. Merrill and Sis. Dolly. We are all glad to have Rodney back in Sunday School again.

We recently had our election for the new year. Bro. Donald Weninger and Sis. Mary Klopfenstein were put in as new Sunday School teachers. They will take the place of Bro. Marvin Klopfenstein and Sis. Ellen Stoller, who faithfully served the past six years. Bros. Roy Stoller and Kenneth Laukhuf were elected to serve as trustees. Also elected as songleaders were Bros. Darl Stoller and Floren Klopfenstein, whose responsibility it is to see that there is a songleader to lead the singing on Sundays, at mid-week services, and to help with the singing at funerals.

LESTER, IOWA
Emelie M. Knobloch

Among the ill:

Bro. August Knobloch seems about the same.

Sis. Edith Bick went to stay with her sister for awhile.

Bro. Carl Feucht has the mumps. We have several others unable to attend services on account of mumps.

Adolph Moser hurt his foot in a fall, while fighting fire on his farm. We can be thankful for all

the help, and fortunate it was not more serious.

It was decided we could use some singing practice, so every Thursday evening has been set aside for anyone who cares to attend, between 7:30 and 9.

The wedding ceremony of Linda Knobloch, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Martin Knobloch, and Ralph Knapp, son of Bro. and Sis. Ben Knapp of Congerville, was solemnized by Elder Bro. Leo Moser, on February 2. Many folks from Princeville, Congerville, Elgin, Morris, West Bend, Morris and Goodfield were in attendance. Mr. and Mrs. Knapp will make their home near Congerville. We wish them God's blessings in their life together.

Bro. and Sis. Dale Knobloch have a son, Stanley Jay, born January 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Strietmatter and Paul Jay and Kary Sue returned to their home near Peoria. Little Kary Sue was just released from the hospital a few days before.

MILFORD, INDIANA
Arthur Haab

We are glad to report that Sis. Louise Rapp is home from the hospital, and Sis. Freida Ruch is also restored to health and again able to help in the church kitchen on Sunday.

We are thankful that Elder Bro. Theo Beer and his wife, Sis. Naomi, had a safe trip through the West and are with us again.

On Feb. 2, Sis. Susie Beer, daughter of Bro. Maurice and Sis. Betty Beer, was united in marriage to Bro. Willard Schieler of Remington, by Elder Bro. Theo Beer. We had many guests that day, several Sunday School teachers who so graciously helped to teach, and the following ministers, some of whom brought messages from God's word: Bros. Art Gudeman, Vernon Leman, Edwin Bahler, and Earl Kilgus.

MORTON, ILLINOIS
Mrs. B. E. Getz

Funeral services were held January 10 for Bro. Sam Hoffman, age 65. Surviving are his wife, Sis. Leah Maurer Hoffman, and two sons, Donald and Edward.

Funeral services were held January 16 for Miss Emma Krug, age 76. She was the daughter of Louis and Rosa Krause Krug. Bros. J. A.

Getz and Henry Grimm officiated.

Sis. Wilma Steiner Wiedman is a patient at the Methodist Hospital in Peoria.

Bro. Chris Kipfer is now a resident of the Restmor Home.

Our visiting ministers were Bro. Joe Zimmerman of Roanoke, Bro. Frederick Knapp of Congerville and Bro. Albert Aberle of Tremont. Their wives accompanied them.

The Eureka Men's Chorus sang several numbers at our monthly Song Service, January 19. The service was not held at the regular time, which is the second Sunday of the month, because of the severe snowstorm.

Bro. Leonard Meyers of Chicago taught the combined Sunday School classes January 19.

Bro. Marvin Getz will fill the expired term of Bro. Harold Krantz as Sunday School superintendent, assisted by Bro. Keith Stevig.

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Averil Stevig

Soon, God will touch the earth with His finger of love, and spring will be here again. Even though we here in "the Valley of the Sun" don't have an actual winter, much of the northern part of our state is blanketed with snow and sculptured in ice. With spring comes the thawing and melting of all this snow and ice, even the thickest, deepest and hardest of it.

Man's heart, too, is "frozen" solidly in sin, but if he only lets Jesus come, what a "heart thaw" there is, as all of the sinful deeds of the past "melt" and "flow away" in the forgiving blood of Jesus. Oh how we hope and pray that all will let Jesus bring "spring" into their hearts, and with it the "new growth" of hope, peace and love. How we hope and pray that none will wait too long, til all that remains is for the "frozen," sinful heart of man to be "ground to powder," just as the thick, hard ice that refuses to melt.

Even the child of God experiences the blasts of Satan's trials and temptations. But again, the "warming" rays of faith, the loving touch of Jesus, thaws the "chilled" heart.

Heart Thaw

After a spell of freezing doubt,
How sweet to have my heart thaw out
And all its places start to sing.

Oh, faith is such a warming thing!
And where mine went I do not know,

But suddenly my heart held snow,
And winter whistled at my door.
I pitied me, and I was poor.

My house was cold, I was alone.
My house was cold; I was alone.
The Bible told me. Yet I knew
That somewhere still the swallows flew,

And somewhere still the sun was bright,
But then faith crept back past the night
To work its old, God-given charm,
And when I woke my heart was warm,

And full of songs, and well content.
I know now that the winter went!

We were blessed with the visit of Bro. Theo and Sis. Naomi Beer,

from Milford, this being their first trip West. They also visited their son, Bro. Allan, his wife, Sis. Dorothy, and their small son, Michael, at Tuba City (bout 200 miles from Phoenix) on the Navajo Indian Reservation, where Bro. Allan is a doctor at the Reservation Hospital.

We are sorry to report that it was necessary for Bro. Carl Blumenschein to spend a week in the hospital, due to infection of bronchitis. He is now at home and is improving satisfactorily.

Sis. Rita Siebenthal was called to her former home in Goodfield, due to the sudden death of her father, Bro. Arnold Siebenthal. We all extend our sympathy to her and her family during their hour of sorrow. We had just recently enjoyed the visit of Bro. and Sis. Siebenthal.

Sis. Marilyn Dotterer, who just finished her education at Arizona State University, has accepted a position as secretary at a firm in Pasadena, California. She will reside in the living quarters at the church, 2243 N. El Molino Ave., Altadena. She will be missed by all, especially her little Sunday School children. She taught the youngsters of four to six years of age, and had ten in her class.

During the months of December and January, we had visitors from Minnesota, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, California and Oregon, representing about twenty-five different congregations. We certainly enjoyed meeting and fellowshiping

with brothers and sisters of like mind, who share our Hope. How wonderful is the love of God. We invite all of you back and extend our invitation, too, to those of you who have not visited Phoenix yet.

PRINCEVILLE, ILLINOIS

Ruth Ricketts

Sunday, January 12, was a snowy, blustery day, and although many were able to get to church, a number were not able to get home and had to stay all night with relatives in town.

The engagement of Sis. Jacqueline Stahl, daughter of Bro. Herman and Sis. Lillian, and Bro. Ronald Rumbold, son of Bro. Louie and Sis. Anna, was made known to the congregation on January 12. We wish them God's blessings.

We were pleased to have a number of young members from the Fairbury and Forrest congregations with us January 19. It is always uplifting to see young folks who are still willing to walk the straight and narrow way.

Sandra Reicheneker and Larry Guingrich were married January 24 by Bro. Silas Leuthold. We wish them the blessings of the Lord, and are happy to have them worship with us.

A daughter was born to Bro. Walter and Sis. Iola Feucht, January 29.

February 2 was a blessed day for us all, as Bros. Joe and Merle Kaiser of Fairbury ministered to us. It is always the same old message, yet is ever new. All benefit from listening to the sound gospel, proclaimed in a humble, sincere manner. May the Lord reward them for their efforts.

Karl Sitchling Jr. is recovering from recent surgery. We are glad that he is able to be about again.

OUR TRIP TO THE HOLY LAND

It was requested that Sisters Hulda Martin, Marie Kieser and Matilda Rassi tell a bit about their recent trip to the Holy Land.

In October, we were privileged to visit the Holy Land and other Bible lands, flying jet from Chicago to London, thence to Greece (Athens and Corinth), and to the island of Crete, visiting many of the places of the apostle Paul's missionary journeys. Among them was Mars Hill, where he preached to the Athenians. We saw the excavation of the "Market Place",

where slaves were sold in Bible days. Seeing the ruins of many temples and heathen gods, we could more readily understand the problems and trials the apostle must have had with pagan worshippers.

In Turkey, particularly in Istanbul, we were astonished to learn that at least 98 per cent of its population embrace the Moslem religion, which was very evident by the many, many mosques. Traveling by bus through the Turkish country to the excavations at Troy, we observed very primitive farming methods and great poverty. Many times, we were moved to thank God for our many blessings.

From Beirut, we traveled by private car through the Lebanese Mountains to Damascus. Enroute, we saw the cedars of Lebanon and the excavations of Roman temples at Baalbek. At Damascus, we walked a "Street called Straight". Ananias met the apostle Paul on a street called **Straight**. The next day took us to the excavations of Roman temples at Jerash and to ruins of the old city of Jericho, with a view of **where some believe** is the Mountain of Temptation (in the background), to the Jordan River, and the Dead Sea. We could see Mt. Nebo. Moses was permitted to view the Promised Land **from a mountain named Nebo** . . . then, on to Jericho Road (the **area of the road of the Good Samaritan**) to Bethany, to the sites **which are pointed out** as the home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus and Lazarus' Tomb . . . and on to Jerusalem.

We were much impressed with the walled city of Jerusalem. We were informed by our guide that, with the victory of Constantine and the triumph of Christianity in the 4th century, the sites believed to be the sacred places were preserved. Here, our tour included the Dome of the Rock (Mosque of Omayyad) in which **some believe** is the rock on which Abraham was to offer Isaac (Mt. Moriah), the **site pointed out** as the pool of Bethesda, Bethlehem—the birthplace of Jesus, Shepherd's Field, the Garden of Gethsemane, **somewhere** on the Mt. of Olives, with its gnarled olive trees.

We were not permitted to visit Israel.

On our trip to Nablus, known as Shechem in Biblical times, we had a drink of water from Jacob's well, and saw a sheepskin scroll of the

Pentateuch.

Leaving Jerusalem, we flew to Cairo. Egypt, with its pyramids and excavations, took us back to the history of the Pharaohs. The vast amount of desert land and the Nile River interested us. At Aswan, the construction of the Aswan Dam was explained. When completed, it will reclaim 1,000,000 acres of desert land, which is to alleviate some of the poverty-stricken areas.

Flying jet nonstop from Cairo to London in six hours, and London to Chicago in eight hours, concluded our twenty-day trip, which was truly an inspirational and enjoyable experience.

PURDUE UNIVERSITY AT LAFAYETTE Mrs. Keith Honegger

Our first meeting of the new year was held on January 8. Our visiting ministers were Elder Bro. George Yergler and Bro. Arthur Gudeman, from LaCrosse. We enjoyed a blessed evening of singing and listening to Bro. Gudeman's inspirational message. Bro. Yergler concluded the service.

Many of the students were able to go home during the semester break. We were sorry that not all of them returned, when classes again resumed on January 27. Bro. Mike Dubach and Bro. Kenneth Honegger of Bluffton, and Edward Frautschi of Leo are now attending the university campuses in Ft. Wayne.

On January 27, the students enjoyed an evening of fellowship and a good meal at the home of Bro. Dean and Sis. Betty Bahler.

Elder Bro. Irvin Lehman from Wolcott delivered the message for our meeting on January 29. The basis for his meditation was Psalm 103.

We certainly appreciate the support which we get from our ministering Bro. Edwin Bahler and the Remington congregation. We also appreciate the support of members and friends from Indianapolis and the students from Ball State College.

Our meetings are held on Wednesday evening at 7:30 P.M., in the Purdue Christian Foundation building at 314 University St. Ministering brothers from many of the churches in Indiana and Cissna Park participate in ministering to us. After our services, we have an

hour for fellowship and refreshments, which are served by the attending church.

The schedule for the remainder of the year is as follows: February 12, Francesville; February 26, La Crosse; March 11, Cissna Park; April 1, Milford; April 15, Leo; April 29, Bluffton; May 13, Bremen.

A cordial invitation is extended to all.

REMINGTON, INDIANA Emily Kilgus

Bro. Bob Hueni was our guest minister recently. The three daughters of Bro. Henry Frey were home for the week end with their families. Bro. Henry and Sis. Cora plan to move to Eureka soon. We wish them well, and hope they and their family will visit us often.

Sis. Edna Leman has recuperated from recent surgery, and wishes to thank everyone for the many cards, gifts and the many helpful deeds during her illness. At times like this, we really learn to appreciate this tie of Christian friendship more fully, being remembered by so many. The nurses at the hospital stood in amazement at the mail that was received. With this in mind, let us remember the sister in the following paragraph.

Sis. Marie Schini has re-entered Wesley Memorial Hospital at Chicago, for corrective surgery on her hip. Last summer, she was laid up for many weeks. After months of suffering, the surgery was considered a failure, so a new attempt is being made. We hope and pray that this will be successful.

Charles and Sis. Hazel Vibbert are the parents of a daughter, Penny Gail. Three brothers and a sister welcome her. Sis. Anis Perry of Athens was here for a few days to help care for her new granddaughter.

SABETHA, KANSAS Mrs. Theodore Locher

Eugene Hartman was united in marriage, Dec. 28, to Doris Shroyer. He is the son of Bro. Carl and Sis. Louise Hartman. May God's guidance and blessings be shared to Eugene and Doris, in their new step in life.

A new baby son, Daniel James, born Jan. 9, was very welcome in the home of Bro. Harvey and Sis. Arleta Aberle Wenger. He has one

brother and four sisters to welcome him.

We welcome Sis. Waneta Sinn Plattner into our congregation. Bro. Eldon and Sis. Waneta will be moving to the farm this spring. We wish them God's richest blessings through life together.

Bro. Dan Steiner, who underwent surgery for double hernia, is now able to assemble with us again.

Bro. Nathan Grimm spent a few days in the hospital. He submitted to an appendectomy.

We enjoyed a blessed week end, Jan. 25-26. Saturday evening, our two friends, Joyce Kellenberger and Barbara Metzger Edelman, gave their testimony of having been called to repentance and receiving the peace of God in their hearts. The following day, on Sunday, they were added to the fold through baptism.

I am a happy child, a new creature, Since Jesus came into my heart.

May many of our friends heed the call, and seek the Lord while there is yet grace afforded.

After the testimonies, our elder brother, Sam Anliker assisted by Elder Lester Hartter, read and meditated on the memorandum of the conference. We thank the brothers for their untiring efforts. With the grace of God, let us resolve to walk closer to God, as members of the body of Christ, our Lord.

The Lord provided much spiritual food for all who were present. We were privileged also to have Bro. Loren Strahm as our guest minister. One of the passages he read was, "As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving."

At our recent yearly business meeting, Bro. Paul Strahm was elected as our new trustee, replacing Bro. Reo. Strahm, who served nine years in this office. Bro. Eli Meyer Jr. was elected as one of the three on the hail aid committee.

We hold Wednesday midweek church services at 7:30, alternating every other week with Bern. We welcome visitors.

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SARASOTA, FLORIDA Velta Laukhuf

The first service of the season was held Jan. 5. We are very thankful for the large attendance.

During the month, we had many visitors from many distant places.

The visiting ministers during the month were Bro. Joe A. Getz from Morton and Bro. Harry Sutter from Fort Lauderdale. We were very thankful for the inspiring messages that were delivered, were confident that the spirit of God was present, and that all received a blessing from the words that were spoken. We sincerely welcome the brothers back again.

TAYLOR, MISSOURI Mrs. Eli Sutter

Sis. Naomi Heimer submitted to surgery the past month. She is at home again and recuperating nicely.

Our sympathy goes to Sis. Louise Grimm and Henry Hodel, whose father, Bro. John Hodel, passed away. Several from our congregation attended the funeral at Cissna.

FELLOWSHIP AND LOVE Fred Grimm

In thinking of all the wonderful benefits and privileges we receive when we repent and are accepted as a member of the Apostolic Christian Church, we cannot help being impressed by the precious fellowship we have. Words can hardly express it.

As often as we are privileged to have brothers and sisters visit us, or if we visit in another of our churches, we have the same reaction. The blessed fellowship overwhelms us.

Our brothers who are called into the armed forces tell us of some very interesting experiences. Often, they find themselves many miles from a church of our faith, and when the opportunity arrives, they travel these miles to spend a few hours with the brethren in the nearest church. It is not unusual for them to spend more time on the road than they will have to spend with the members.

"Why do they make such sacrifices"? "Are there not enough churches nearby"? These are ques-

tions often put to them by their associates in their barracks. "Do you know someone there"? The answer is usually, "We have not previously met them, but are always welcome, because we are members of the same church."

The world cannot understand, and trying to explain is rather useless. A real blessing comes to the brethren who welcome those who come to visit, as well as to their visitors. It is surely a gift from God, our Heavenly Father, that we should experience such blessed fellowship. Even if we have never met before, in a few moments we feel as though we were old friends. Why is this? Here is the answer. We have all come the same way. In our repentance, we were brought into deep humility, and this puts us all on the same level and ground. All have had to admit that we were sinners, and were prompted by the Holy Spirit to confess our sins, and have all been washed by the precious blood of our Lord Jesus. As soon as we meet brethren, we feel this; and the love which God has shined into our hearts begins to flow from one to another.

We can travel from coast to coast and stop in churches of our faith where we have never been before, and yet feel at home at once.

Can we expect that this will continue? Blessed fellowship is a result of brotherly love and oneness of spirit, and of willing obedience to God's word and to the practices of the church. As long as this can be maintained to a reasonable extent, we will continue to have this wonderful fellowship, which to our knowledge is not equalled anywhere.

May we, through God's grace and the guidance of the Holy Spirit, be obedient to His will, and strive to live a humble, obedient life, and surely we will be able always to have this fellowship, until our Lord and Saviour comes to call His own. He will then take us to a place where we shall have eternal fellowship with the Father and Son and the holy angels, and all the redeemed who have gone on before.

UNION CITY, NEW JERSEY August Mueller

Sunday, Jan. 5 . . . Our visitors today were Friend John Rumpf and his wife. We thank them for the

visit. They are always welcome.

We are in a new year. 1963 is gone, but not forgotten. I believe most of us have something to remember. Times and people change, but there is one place where no changes are made, and that place is in heaven. We thank God for that.

What would our life of faith be if, from time to time, a new God would replace the old God. We would live in doubt and fear. Surely we would ask one another these questions: Do you think the new God will be as good as the old one was? Do you think he will hear us when we pray? Do you think he will provide for us as well as the old one did? Do you think he will give us the good gifts as the old one did? Do you think he will have mercy on us like the old one? Do you think he will watch over us day and night like the old one? Do you think he will forgive us when we ask him, like the old one? Do you think he will lead and guide us through this dark and dreary world by his hand, like the old one? Do you think he will keep his promise, like the old one?

We are grateful that we have the same God that helped our forefathers and all that put their hope and trust in Him, from beginning of the world a kind and loving Father.

This God does not grow old. His eyes do not get dark; His ears do not get heavy. His arm is not shorter. He was, is and will stay the same, in all eternity. To Him belongeth all honour and glory, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

We have four shut-ins here in Union City, Sis. Isabella Metz, 94; Sis. Sophie Keller, 92; Sis. Flo Keyser, her daughter in the hospital, also my sister, Sis. Emma Mueller. They need the prayers of every one.

Sunday, Jan. 12 . . . Today, we were richly blessed through the word of God. We were reminded how fortunate we are that we have our Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, who came upon this world to show mankind how to inherit eternal life. He was concerned about the salvation of mankind. He told them that it is more important to save the soul from eternal destruction than to gain riches in this world and time. How many are in this life that have great wealth. They have everything they want.

They name land, cities and streets after their name, but when they come to the end of their life, they are very poor, because they have to leave everything behind. The poet tells us, only what we live for the Lord, and to gather heavenly riches, that alone is gain.

We cannot thank God enough that He did call us in this time of grace, and has taken us into the sheepfold of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Sunday, Jan. 19 . . . "Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it . . ." How could we build our house of faith, except the Lord grant grace and strength unto us. Without His help, we can do nothing, but if we ask Him to help us, He will give us what we need.

All those that are resting under the altar of God were strangers and pilgrims upon this earth. They all needed strength and grace to reach that heavenly home, and our heavenly Father did help them so they could come to a blessed ending.

Many sacrificed all they had, even their lives, so they could inherit eternal life. The poet tells us that blessed is the man that can die for Jesus.

Sunday, Jan. 26 . . . It was announced today that Friend John Keller died in the hospital, after an operation, at the age of 62 years. He is the son of Sis. Sophie Keller, who recently passed her 92nd birthday. Besides his mother, he is survived by a brother, William, and two sisters, Sis. Flo. Keyser and Sis. Minnie Cook. The funeral was private, on Monday, Jan. 27. We all will miss him, and we sympathize deeply with the family.

Sis. Keller had eight children. Now she has three left. We pray for her, that God, who giveth and taketh at His will, look down in mercy upon her and give her strength to bear the cross patiently, to the very end. He will surely reward her for all that she has to endure upon this earth. The time will come when he will no longer remember what she has suffered. We have the scripture and the hymns that tell us what awaits all those that stay true and faithful to the end. So wait a little longer, sister, till the Lord's appointed time, when He will say to you, **Child, come home.**

Feb. 2 . . . The Lord again has given his counsel and his will. He

came to live among us, His promise to fulfil. This was one of the hymns today. How fortunate are we that can sing hymns of praise and thanks unto Him & call to Him in spirit and in truth. He hears and sees us when we sing, and it is pleasing unto Him.

The poet tells us that those in heaven **ever sing anthems God has taught to them.** We hope and pray that we will join them when our pilgrim journey upon this dark and dreary world will come to an end, and we then go home to rest in all eternity, in our Father's house. Amen.

A. Mueller, 2313 Bergenline Ave., Union City.

VALPARAISO, INDIANA Mil Bucher

This is February 6, 1964. We are moving swiftly forward into the year, that a few short weeks ago was new and untried. By now, the greeting "Happy New Year" has fluttered into oblivion. For some, perhaps, even the memory of this greeting sounds hollow and the meaning unreal, for in many ways, in many places, the new year has already brought suffering, in the form of mental anguish or physical pain—to be sure, the sickle of death has already crossed the threshold of many homes in 1964, thus removing the happiness of the New Year. Yet, there is comfort in God's Word, for He teaches the believer to "be of good cheer".

In the 27th chapter of Acts, the Apostle Paul gives the account of a terrific storm and shipwreck at sea. When all seemed lost, Paul said: ". . . be of good cheer: . . . for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me." We are living in a stormy world, filled with tempests and trials. We cannot see one step of the way, but we can turn to Him who knows the way and has promised the believer that all will be well in the end. In Romans 8:28 we read: ". . . all things work together for good to them that love God . . ."

Each Christian should take new courage as he encounters the unfolding elements of time that are sure to assail us in our everyday living—sometimes it will be sunshine, but very often clouds, rain, tempests and raging storms.

HE LEADETH ME
He leadeth me, O blessed thought!

O words with heavenly comfort
fraught!

What'er I do, where'er I be,
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth
me.

Our dear mother and sister in
faith, Lena Heiniger, is slowly re-
covering from a severe bronchial
illness, which has kept her in con-
finement for the past month. She
has greatly enjoyed and appreciat-
ed the cards, letters and gifts re-
ceived during her illness.

Connie Jones, daughter of Edith
Jones, was married to Fred Mat-
hews on January 4.

On January 12, our elder, Bro.
George Yergler from La Crosse,
visited our congregation and served
Holy Communion.

On January 19, we held our an-
nual meeting, preceded by a pot-
luck supper in the fellowship room,
with approximately fifty in attend-
ance.

WEST BEND, IOWA Anna Schmidt

On Tuesday evening, January 7,
Bro. Noah Schrock assisted Bro.
Paul Banwart in reading and ex-
plaining the memorandum.

We were happy to have Bro.
Harold Messner of Winthrop min-
ister to us on Sunday, January 19.
He was accompanied by his wife,
Sis. Jerry, Bro. and Sis. Fred Mess-
ner, Bro. and Sis. Ray Messner and
Bro. Levi Messner. There were also
several here from Lester. We re-
ceived many inspiring teachings.

Christine Schmidt, wife of Dick
Schmidt, had surgery on January
7. She is getting along real well.

James Fehr, son of Bro. and Sis.
Elmer Fehr, broke a bone in his
finger, while participating in physi-
cal education in school.

Bro. Robert Mogler is able to as-
semble with us again. He had knee
surgery in January.

During the winter months, Sis.
Elfrieda Schafer has been staying
in Algona, Iowa, with her daugh-
ter.

Bro. Paul Banwart and others
went to Minneapolis to hold ser-
vices on February 2. Services are
held every other Sunday, with
Morris, Winthrop, Lester and West
Bend taking turns. There are only
a few members, but quite a number
of friends that assemble.

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LOVE AND FELLOWSHIP

Two precious gifts that we can
possess in this world are love and
fellowship. They far outweigh sil-
ver and gold. Without these gifts,
we would be of all men most miser-
able.

God, in His infinite love toward
mankind, even after the fall of
man, sent the most precious gift he
had, His Son. Through Him we are
drawn into the fellowship of God's
Spirit.

When the love of God dwells in
our hearts, it moves us to love
others. Our hearts certainly bubbled
over with love, when we were
taken into the fold of Jesus, as a
lamb.

In the church, we assemble to-
gether to feed on His living word,
and greet one another in the spirit
of love. When we recess for lunch,
we have fellowship when eating to-
gether and communing one with
another.

Therefore, we experience a two-
fold blessing, which binds our
hearts together in true love and
fellowship.

WINTHROP, MINNESOTA Linda and Melva Messner

Visitors for the month were Bro.
Wally and Sis. Diane Feuchten-
berger from Morris, Bro. Richard
and Sis. Betty Banwart and family
from West Bend.

The Memorandum letter was
read to our congregation on Jan.
6, by Elder Bros. Noah Schrock,
Henry Koehl, Paul Banwart and
Leo Moser. Bros. Will Luthi and
Henry Mogler accompanied them.

Sis. Rose Alice Howk, who had
surgery, is recovering nicely. We
hope she will soon be able to as-
semble with us.

LOVE AND FELLOWSHIP

Love is a wonderful ambition.

The love of a child can warm the
heart of the aged and can spread
cheer where it is needed. All one
has to do is listen, when the song
"Jesus Loves Me" is announced.
The children sing with all their
hearts and voices, not caring if
they are off-tune a little. They're

putting their little hearts into the
familiar words, knowing Jesus
loves them. You can see many par-
ents with smiles on their faces, as
they look fondly at their little ones.

It seems there is a mutual bond
between old and young, when
voices are blended in singing praise
to God. May we thank God for this
heritage.

WOLCOTT, INDIANA Arles Kropf

On January 12, we were blessed
through the visit of our elder
brothers Silas Leuthold and Joshua
Broquard, along with their wives
and Sis. Emma Huette. After our
afternoon services, some of the
Remington brethren gathered with
us. We heard the memorandum
from the Conference that was held
at Bluffton. Due to the bad snow
storm of the day, the visitors could
not go home, so spent the night
with Bro. and Sis. Irvin Lehman
and family.

It has become advisable to add a
nursery in our Sunday School. Sis.
Dorothy Lehman has been elected
to teach these little children. Sis.
Verna Lehman has also been elect-
ed to teach the Beginner II class.
We are indeed thankful for all
these little children who enjoy Sun-
day School each Sunday, and are
glad to make the necessary pro-
visions for them.

On Sunday evening, January 19,
a number gathered at the new
home of Bro. and Sis. Jacob Bahler
for a house-warming. A blessed
evening of singing and fellowship
was enjoyed.

Lloyd Kyburz has been announc-
ed. We hope and pray it can be
God's will that he can soon bring
to us his testimony and be bap-
tized.

Sis. Mary Schmidt and Levi Ky-
burz both remain quite sick in
their homes. May God be very near
them in their suffering.

BLUFFTON, INDIANA Carolyn Gerber Delutha Moser

Surgical patients during the past
month were: Sisters Mary—Mrs.
Ivan Moser and Marjorie—Mrs.
David Reinschisel, and Bro. Dale
Fiechter. At the time of this writ-
ing, Sis. Flonie Meyer is a patient
in the hospital.

Births: A girl, Cynthia Marie,
to Bro. and Sis. Don Gerber; a girl,
Fawn Fay, to Bro. and Sis. Wm.
Gene Moser; a boy, Tobias, to Bro.

and Sis. Kenneth Steffen; and a girl, Tanya, to Friends Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baumgartner.

The visiting ministers during the past month were Bros. Otto Norr and David Bertsch from Leo.

On January 26, the engagement of Sis. Pat Fiechter and Bro. Dwight Moser was announced. We wish them God's richest blessings in their forthcoming marriage. The parents of the couple are: Bro. and Sis. Melvin Fiechter and Bro. and Sis. Harold Moser.

We are happy to hear that two dear friends have surrendered their hearts to the Lord. We wish them an abundance of grace and strength from above. They are Rhinda Fiechter, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Ervin Fiechter, and Gary Schladenhauffen, son of Bro. and Sis. Everett Schladenhauffen.

RELIGION OF PURE LOVE

(Submitted by a Brother)

Love was from the beginning. God is love, and since God created Heaven and earth and all things therein, including humanity, this proves to us that the motive and theme in God and in his work of creation was "Love".

Our first parents were full of love, just like our Lord Jesus, no hate, no malice, until the time where Satan was able to bring and place sin into the first parents. This caused our God to change His feelings, his plans; after having created all people equally, he now discovered that the same weakness, the same temptation will be in all humanity, "Subject to Sinning".

God now knew that all people that are born and grow up to maturity with a sound mind will sin, some more, some less. God being love, he could not see that this created people should have to suffer the punishment for the sins committed, so "love" in his son, Jesus, lets him come on earth to be among God's created people. Here, we can see that God and his son, the Lord Jesus, have entered into an agreement, the supreme love of the Lord has made him become willing to pay with bodily suffering for a period of time, and then finally die for all people, instead of all people dying.

Here, the Lord promises he will die for us. He will fill our hearts with pure love. He will give us peace in our heart. He will give us grace so we can live like Him, the

Lord, his word to live by, "the Bible", and then, above all, He will give us eternal rest, providing we believe in him, in his word, in his blood, and do and obey what he asks us to do through his spirit and word.

This we call the "Religion of Pure Love". If we have the pure love, we will have no ill feeling towards any brother or sister. It is impossible to have the love of God in our hearts and have accusations and ill feelings toward brothers and sisters. If we can not love our brother or sister whom we see, how can we say we love God whom we do not see?

The world has various kinds of religion, such as religion of fear, when men want to sacrifice something to appease them; religion of law, when men will observe strict rules, rites, and ceremonies; religion of seclusion, where men will go to some remote place, thinking they can purge themselves and attain holiness.

The pure love of God makes one's life beautiful, happy, and strong, by bringing out the good and gracious things of life—to be kind, patience, gentle—and will seek to help others.

CISSNA PARK, ILLINOIS

Mrs. Jeff Young

On Sunday, Jan. 12, we had a severe snowstorm. Church was dismissed at noon. Many had difficulty reaching their destination. Though it was a very stormy day, we had a large attendance.

On Jan. 26, Sis. Joyce Kaufman and Bro. Eugene Strunk of Morton were united in marriage. Brother Emanuel Gudeman officiated. Sis. Joyce is the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Bob Kaufman. The new couple are both teaching in Indiana and will attend the Ft. Wayne church. May God bless them in their undertaking.

Among those in the hospital this past month are Friend Carl Frank, who had major surgery, and Glenn Bauer, who had back surgery, but is now at home with his parents, Bro. and Sis. Art Bauer. Larry Knapp, son of Sis. Helen Knapp, was admitted to the hospital with pneumonia, and is now recovered nicely. Sis. Rosie Knapp had surgery and is now home, much improved. Sis. Lydia Schippert had the misfortune of breaking her hip, is still in the hospital, but we hope

she will soon be released.

Births: A son to Bro. and Sis. Sam Bauer on Jan. 18. He was named Keith Samuel. On Jan. 13, a daughter was born to Bro. and Sis. Morris Zimmerman. They named her Debra Gale; she has one sister to welcome her. Sis. Eunice Martin spent some time here, caring for her new granddaughter, Debra Gale.

Our shut-ins remain about the same. Sis. Lena Feller is being cared for at the home of her daughter, Bro. and Sis. Carl Moser. Sis. Bertha Reineke is staying at the Fairview Haven for the winter months. She visits our congregation occasionally.

In the past month, four of our aged members went to their eternal reward. Sis. Rose Young passed away at the age of 86. Funeral services were held Jan. 19, Bro. Emanuel Gudeman officiating. She has one brother surviving, Bro. William Baumgartner, and two sisters, Mary and Anna Baumgartner. On Jan. 22, funeral services were held for Sis. Mary Hodel, by Bro. Ezra Feller. She suffered a stroke seven years ago, and the last six years resided in the Paxton Nursing Home. She was 85. Bro. John Hodel, age 87, who resided at Fairview Haven, died in Fairbury Hospital, Jan. 24. Funeral services were conducted on the 27th, by Bro. Ezra Feller. Our eldest member, Sis. Lydia Knapp, 95, passed away at the home of her daughter, Bro. and Sis. Dan Hoerr, at Peoria. Bro. Joshua Broquard and Bro. Ezra Feller officiated at the services, Feb. 2. Bro. Leroy Hartman also was guest minister on that Sunday. Relatives and friends from various churches attended, to pay tribute to these much beloved ones.

Change of address:

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HQ Co A 1st Med Bn
Ft Riley Kansas 66442

CONGERVILLE, ILLINOIS

Ruth Schumacher

Sunday, Jan. 26, was a blessed day at the Dells Church. Three ministers visited us: Bro. Albert Wuthrich of Pulaski, Bro. Lowell Stoller, Princeville, and Bro. Edwin Ringger, Gridley. In the evening, the Sunday School Bible Classes from several Illinois churches came for the "Christian Endeavor" program. There was a large attendance, and the young people presented a very

nice program of songs, to honor the Lord.

Sis. Esther Schrock (wife of Bro. Joe Schrock) was in Mennonite Hospital, Bloomington, for surgery. She has improved rapidly, and we were glad to see her back in church so soon.

Bro. Ralph Gudeman also underwent surgery recently—at Carle Hospital, Urbana, Illinois. We are happy to report that he is home from the hospital and progressing nicely.

We welcome the new Mrs. Ralph Knapp into our congregation. She was the former Linda Knobloch of the Lester congregation. They were married on February 2 and plan to make their home at Mackinaw.

LOVE AND FELLOWSHIP

By Bro. Jesse Schrock

God is love.

If we love God, we will love the children of God and our neighbor as ourself.

Our first birth is not founded on love. Our second birth must be. The Apostle Paul writes in I Corinthians 13, that all gifts, however excellent, are worth nothing without charity, or love. God manifested his love toward man by giving his only begotten Son as a sacrifice—enduring shame, suffering, reproach and agony. One reason is, that we can turn away from self-pity, and turn in pity and sympathy to Him, who gave Himself for us upon the Cross.

In the Song of Solomon, love shares another's burdens. And Christ is willing to have them all cast upon Him. Christ manifested his love by giving and living for others. This is the spirit of love.

To flatter people does not demonstrate true love. "A man that flattereth his neighbour spreadeth a net for his feet." (Proverbs 29:5) The Apostle Paul writes: "For neither at any time used we flattering words . . ." (I Thessalonians 2:5)

True love is pleasing to God. The fruits of love are long-suffering, kindness, envying not, meekness, unselfishness, thinking no evil, rejoicing in the truth—because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost, which is given unto us.

Fellowship means communion and companionship. Church means that which God has called out. God used Abraham as the first type of the church. Now the Lord had said

unto Abraham, "Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee . . ." Abraham had nothing to do with making the decision of the land of his choice, any more than we would have to decide on the church of our own choice. God directed him to the land of His choice.

The first act of God was to separate him from his present fellowship, to the fellowship of Himself, and His own household. In the New Testament, we have the fellowship of the holy communion. We are to have holy communion only with our members.

"Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?" (II Corinthians 6:14) "And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?" (II Corinthians 6:15) The two most dangerous yokes are the religious and marriage yokes.

The First Epistle of John, chapter 1, is the fellowship chapter. "That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ." (Verse 3) "If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth." (Verse 6) "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." (Verse 7)

GOD'S POWER TO CREATE

By Sis. Mary Sides

I looked out the window this morning;
What a beautiful sight to behold!
The world was all white and glittering,
Wrapped up in a blanket of snow.

Each bush, each tree and evergreen
Stood sparkling white in its place.
The trellis, the gates and fences
All looked like beautiful lace.

No man-made things are so beautiful
As that which God can create.
When I stand and gaze upon them,
I can vision his power so great.

Skyscrapers and costly buildings,
Or highways, over hills and
through glade;
The things some people call beauty
Can't compare with the things God
made.

ELGIN, IOWA

Mrs. George Butikofer

In this part of the world, at this date of Feb. 6, we are enjoying a pleasant break in the usual winter weather. Fact is, the mercury has climbed to 52 this afternoon.

Speaking of the season, we have indeed found it interesting and rewarding to feed our feathered friends, the wild birds, whom God has created for us to enjoy. Among the winged creations partaking of food placed in convenient spots, cardinals, three varieties of woodpeckers, black-capped chickadees, tufted titmice, nuthatches, juncos and starlings have been seen.

INFINITY

Tonight, I look upon the sky and think of Thee,
Oh God, Creator of those myriad stars and of vast space between;
And yet, inside the hollow of the hand which made all these,
My soul can find repose and rest and peace.

I see Thy mercy, limitless as space.
I see Thy love and feel Thy close embrace,
And though Thy presence fills the universe,
Yet close as hands and heart Thou art to me.

Our community has been saddened by the passing of two dear souls. They are Sis. Sarah Schupbach, age 79, and my brother's wife, Lavila, age 45.

Sis. Sarah will be greatly missed in our congregation, in her home, and by her numerous other friends. Needless to say, Lavila will be greatly missed. We wish to express our sympathy to both families, bereaved by death.

Sarah Magdaline Maibach Schupbach, daughter of Gottlieb and Lydia Maibach, was born Jan. 28, 1884, in Fremont, Ill. She died at her home in Elgin, Jan. 10, 1964, at the age of 79 years.

She was converted and was baptized in 1903 at Pulaski.

On May 28, 1911, she was united in marriage to Albert E. Schupbach of Elgin. They settled in the

Elgin vicinity, where they operated a farm until 1942, when they moved to their home in Elgin.

To this union were born three children, Ruth, Naomi (Mrs. Louis Lehman), and George, all of the Elgin vicinity.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Albert, on Jan. 25, 1959, four brothers and three sisters.

Survivors are her three children, nine grandchildren, one great grandchild, five sisters, Mrs. Emma Wackerle, Elizabeth, Mrs. Otto Ramseyer; Eula Maibach; Lydia, Mrs. Matt Wieland; and Ida, Mrs. Sam Wieland all of Bay City, Mich., area; and a sister-in-law, Lena Schupbach, who made her home with Sarah.

She enjoyed good health until about a year ago.

She was a devoted wife, a loving mother and grandmother, and always willing to help others.

Funeral services were conducted by Bro. Uriel Gehring of Burlington, Ia.

Mrs. LaVerne Schneider, 45, died on Jan. 11, 1964, at the Postville Community Hospital, following a short illness. She had first become hospitalized Dec. 3 and had undergone surgery at Rochester.

Mrs. Schneider, the former Lavila Mae Learn, was born May 3, 1918, on a farm in the Clermont vicinity, where she spent her childhood days. She was united in marriage to LaVerne Schneider Nov. 20, 1943. To this union eight children were born. The family farmed between Clermont and West Union.

Survivors include her husband; and children, Lawrence, Charles, Shirley, Leslie, Sharon, Sheryl, Sharlene and LaVerne Jr., all of whom are still at home.

We were very grateful to have Elders Paul Banwart and Noah Shrock with us on Jan. 8, to read and comment on the memorandum. It was indeed a spirit-lifting session for us, leaving much food for thought. May we be not hearers only, but also doers of God's holy will.

EUREKA, ILLINOIS
Cathryn Wettstein

Our visiting ministers the past month have been Bro. Don. Sauder from Roanoke and Bro. Lowell Stoller from Princeville.

At the business meeting held

last month, one new trustee and two new Sunday School teachers were elected, the trustee—Bro. Virgil Rocke, and the teachers—Bros. Gene Zobrist and Marvin Schmidgall.

Births: To Vernon and Sis. Pearline Strietmatter—a girl, Kary Sue, born Dec. 27. They also have a little son at home; to Ernest and Judy Knecht, a girl, Rebecca Lynn, born Jan. 14. This is their second daughter.

Among the sick—

Bro. John Bittner was hospitalized, but has returned home.

Sis. Kathryn Hartter, wife of Bro. Mike Hartter, has returned to her home, after being in the hospital a couple weeks.

Gail Kempf underwent an appendicitis operation, but has gone to her home now. Bro. Ervin and Sis. Alice Kempf are her parents.

Bro. Vernon Strietmatter is a patient in Methodist Hospital in Peoria where he is undergoing tests and X-rays.

Sis. Ladine Hinrichsen has been confined to her home since Christmas, but is now much improved. Bro. Thurman is her husband.

Sis. Rose Wettstein is confined to bed, at her home.

Bro. Ed. Geiger is improving at his home, after being in the hospital quite some time.

A group of sisters from Roanoke and Eureka sang at our monthly singing, which was held Jan. 26 in the evening. They sang several selections, which were enjoyed by all who were present.

Love and Fellowship

This is something we should all appreciate very highly when we assemble each Sabbath day, and also on mid-week services, or whenever we gather in God's house. The love and fellowship we enjoy, meeting our sisters and brothers in faith, is something that the worldly people can't understand. It seems that this love and fellowship helps us, each one, to grow in faith, and sometimes a word of encouragement given in love is a great help to some poor soul who is downcast and may seem like he or she is forsaken. But nevertheless, God never will forsake us, if we practice our love and fellowship with His children here on earth.

Love, of all gifts, is the greatest
Which the Spirit does bestow.

Though I had a voice like angels,
Lacking love, I truly know
That I'd be a tinkling cymbal
Or a wretched sounding brass,
For although the sound were present,
Lifeless through this world I'd pass.

From Zion's Harp 37

FAIRBURY, ILLINOIS
Joyce Huber

Bro. John Hodel, who resided at Fairview Haven, passed away January 24, and was taken to Cissna Park for the funeral.

Sunday, Jan. 26, Bro. and Sis. Ben Steffen and Bro. and Sis. Ralph Bahler entertained relatives from Remington and Wolcott, including Bro. Alfred Bahler, who ministered to us on love.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Stoller became the parents of a baby girl, Kristine Nicole. Grandparents are Bro. and Sis. Orie Stoller and Mr. and Mrs. Anton Graubner of Weisbaden, Germany.

Mrs. Thelma Slagel underwent major surgery Feb. 1. We pray that her recovery will be as complete and speedy as possible.

A new baby girl, Marie Annette, was born to Bro. and Sis. Art Bahler, Feb. 3. Marie has a brother, Roy, whom her parents adopted about a year ago. The grandparents are Bro. and Sis. George Broquard and Sis. Ida Bahler.

A message from Fairview Haven, our "Home for the Aged".

Beautitudes 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 mind is slow.
Blessed are they who looked away
When coffee spilled at table today.

Blessed are they with a cheery
smile
Who stop to chat for a little while.
Blessed are they who know the
way
To bring back memories of yesterday.

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.

We thought it might be of some
interest to you concerning our
progress, and the names of our
residents. (The state is Illinois, un-
less otherwise shown.)

S. J. Elliot, Fairbury;

Maude Broadwell, Gladys
Crouch, Charles Dart, Silas Hart-
man, Pauline Hibscher, P. M. Hotal-
ing, Bertha Kaisner, John Pittman,
Rosa Roth, Emma VonBergen,
Minnie Nussbaum, John Tyler,
Mary Unsicker, Anna Weber, John
Sutter, and Irene Denarske, Fair-
bury; Myrtle Ellis, Tony Ensign,
Hazel Ellis, Long Point; Aaron
Funk, Philip Kiefer, Gridley; Aline
Germann, La Crosse, Ind.; Helena
Hatting, Dwight; Anna Hodel, Ed-
ward Kambly, Bertha Sinn, Bertha
Reineke, Cissna Park; Clara Kauf-
man, Silverton, Oregon; Clara
Bishop, Mary Montelius, Maude
Wells, Piper City; Jennie Bewsey,
Alhambra, Calif.; Anna Lanz,
Rockville, Conn.; Isabelle Lear,
Chatsworth; Joseph Ratzman,
Streator; Charles Russow, Cornell;
Lem and Mrs. Elizabeth Thomp-
son, Forrest; George Weber and
Emma Weber, Roberts; Jacob Hor-
nickle, Strawn.

The total is 42; which means we
have room for only one more. We
have one full-time L.P.N. and we
are in need of another. We are tak-
ing applications continually, in all
departments.

We are ever thankful for contri-
butions or help of any kind, and
will take this opportunity to
"Thank" everyone who remember-
ed us with gifts and cards at
Christmas time. Every little kind-
ness is appreciated by the resi-
dents.

A card or a visit is always most
welcome.

FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS **Paul and Kathy Haab**

Elder Bro. Leroy Huber of Eu-
reka was with us the week end of
Jan. 12. We enjoyed his visit and
his messages to us. Also here that
week end were Bro. Walt and Sis.
Dorothy Steffen of Milford, visit-
ing her brother and his wife, your
reporters.

Occasionally, we are visited by
former Ft. Sam men who enjoy re-
turning for a visit. Two of these,
Bro. Daryl Wieland and his wife,
Sis. Edie, of Bay City, and Bro.
Marvin Stieglitz and his wife, Sis.
Joann, of Leo, spent the week end
of Jan. 19 with us. We enjoyed
their visit as much as they enjoyed
returning. It was also a pleasure to
have Bro. Leon and Sis. Doris
Kuntz of Oakville with us.

Here to serve us the week end of
Jan. 26 was Bro. Harold Gramm of
Morris. With him were his wife,
Sis. Ila; Bro. Floyd and Sis. Vila
Schmidtgall; and Bro. Bob and Sis.
Carol Haas, all of Morris. Bro. Bob
was also formerly stationed at Ft.
Sam. We were grateful for the in-
teresting and inspiring messages
that Bro. Harold was inspired to
give. Five young brothers from the
Bluffton congregation were also
with us.

Because of a change in schedule,
Remington will send a minister on
Feb. 23, West Bend is scheduled
for March 8, and Oakville for
March 22.

We here at Ft. Sam extend our
thanks for the many tape record-
ings that have been sent to us in
the past. They are sincerely appre-
ciated. We use tapes on the Sun-
days that we are not served by a
visiting minister, and also at our
Wednesday evening services. The
latter are held at 7:30 P.M. at
Chapel No. 1 by Brooke Hospital.
On Saturday evenings, we usually
have a song service at Liscum Road
Chapel, at 7:30 P.M. Our Sunday
afternoon services are still held at
Chapel No. 1, at 1:00 P.M., and
Sunday evenings at 7:30 P.M. We
cordially invite you, our brethren
and friends, to visit us whenever
possible. Our time in the service
truly seems to be made shorter by
the visits of our loved ones.

We are very happy to have Jerry
and Lois Vogel from Cissna Park
here with us at Fort Sam again.
Jerry took his training here, and
was sent to Korea for 13 months and
is now stationed here to finish his
tour of duty.

The following are changes:

Pvt Nelson Beer 55749978
Co A 1st Bn USAMTC
Fort Sam Houston Texas 78234

Pvt Eugene R. Siebenthal 55763363
Co A 1st Bn USAMTC
Fort Sam Houston Texas 78234

The following are new at Ft.
Sam:

Pvt Donald Anliker 55782736
Co D 3rd Bn USAMTC
Fort Sam Houston Texas 78234

Pvt John Greenbank 52594246
Co D 3rd Bn USAMTC
Fort Sam Houston Texas 78234

Pvt Donald Gudeman 55779696
Co D 3rd Bn USAMTC
Fort Sam Houston Texas 78234

Pvt Duane Metzger
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Pvt Leland Plattner 55776097
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Fort Sam Houston Texas 78234

Pvt Kenneth Howk RA17671976
Co. E (Stu) 1st Bn MFSS BAMC
Fort Sam Houston Texas 78234

GOODFIELD, ILLINOIS **Marian Wiegand**

The engagement of Mary Alice
Huff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ru-
ric Huff of Peoria, to Donald Tan-
ner, son of Bro. and Sis. Adolph
Tanner, has been announced. A
summer wedding is planned.

The marriage of Linda Frank,
daughter of Bro. and Sis. Richard
Frank, to Barry Smith, son of Mrs.
Allsie Jett, was solemnized Feb-
ruary 2. They will reside in Peoria.

Carl Knapp, who was a patient
at the Eureka Hospital, has return-
ed home.

Our congregation was saddened
by the death of Bro. Arnold Sieben-
thal. He was a patient at the hos-
pital for two weeks, following sur-
gery. Surviving are his wife, Han-
nah (Moser); a son, Robert, at
home; three daughters, Mrs. Ellen
McCrorie of Gaithersburg, Md.,
Mrs. Verla Frietsch of Creve Coeur
and Sis. Rita Siebenthal of Phoe-
nix. Bro. Arnold will be missed not
only as a father, husband and
brother, but also as a faithful trust-
ee of the church.

Sis. Rita Siebenthal returned to
Phoenix, after attending the fu-
neral of her father.

Bro. James Hohulin, son of Bro.
and Sis. Ed Hohulin, left for Korea
February 16, following a thirty-day
furlough. His address is:

PFC James L Hohulin
US 55758616

11th Engr Bn
APO 358
San Francisco California

Kenneth Plattner, son of Bro. and Sis. Lester Plattner, gave his testimony of repentance, conversion and peace, and was welcomed into the membership.

LA CROSSE, INDIANA Martha Rinckenberger

Bro. Don Gudeman is in Ft. Sam Houston.

Bro. Carl Peters hasn't been feeling too well. We hope and pray he will soon be feeling fine and come back to church. He is 83 years old.

The Heavenly Railway

The road to heaven by Christ was made;
In heavenly truth, the rails were laid.
From earth to heaven, the line extends
To life eternal, where it ends.

The Bible is the engineer
Which points the way to heaven so clear.
Through tunnels dark, and deary, bare,
It does the way to glory steer.

God's love the fire, His truth the steam
Which drives the engine and the train.
All who would to glory ride
Must come to Christ, in him abide.

Repentance is the station then
Where passengers are taken in,
And where there is no fare to pay,
For Jesus is Himself the way.

Come sinner, come; now is the time
At any station on the line,
If you'll repent and turn from sin,
The train will stop and take you in.

LAMONT, KANSAS Mrs. Bernie Emch

Our church spent an evening of fellowship, in singing hymns in the home of Bro. Glenn and Sis. Lorean Anliker, Jan. 27. Bro. and Sis. Leon Kuntz of Oakville, on their way home visiting at Ft. Sam Houston, and Bro. and Sis. Ernest Anliker of Burlington, returning to their home after visiting in Phoenix, enjoyed the evening with us. Elder Bro. Samuel Anliker read

and meditated on the conference report. The effort and concern that our elders put forth should make us think and ask ourselves,
"Are we doing our part?"

As we are privileged to enter into another year, let us live one day at a time and take a lesson of the following.

The camel at the close of day
Kneels down upon the sandy plain
To have his burden lifted off
And rest again.

My soul, thou, too, shouldst to thy knees
When daylight draweth to a close,
And let the Master lift thy load,
And grant repose.

Else how canst thou tomorrow meet,
With all tomorrow's work to do,
If thou thy burden all the night
Dost carry through?

The camel kneels at break of day
To have his guide replace his load,
Then rises up anew to take
The desert road.

So thou shouldst kneel at morning dawn,
That God may give thy daily care,
Assured that He no load too great
Will make thee bear.

MAYWOOD, CALIFORNIA Christine Locher

Bro. Albert Scheitlin of Elgin, Illinois, ministered to us January 12. We truly were blessed by his many teachings. His wife, Sis. Ann, accompanied him.

Sis. Ruth Ludwig, daughter of Sis. Lena Ludwig, and Bro. Dale Dapper, son of Bro. and Sis. John Dapper, were united in marriage January 26, by Bro. Carl Kinsinger. May the Lord bless them as they serve Him together.

Sis. Julia Milinkovich had been recently confined to the hospital. However, she has been able to assemble with us again. May the Lord be with her in her hour of need.

Sis. Eva Fuhrer is with us again, after visiting her family in Ohio. We are always thankful when the Lord brings one of our loved ones back safely.

Our friend, John Palmer, has been ill and unable to assemble with us.

PEORIA, ILLINOIS Mrs. Michael Weyeneth

Funeral services for William Traub, husband of Sis. Hannah Traub, were held Jan. 23. He passed away at the Methodist Hospital, where he had been a patient for several months. Surviving are his wife; two daughters, Elsie and Edna; three sons, Henry and Wm. Jr. of here and Simon of Francesville; also 16 grandchildren. A son, Perry, passed away a few years ago. Many friends and relatives were here for the funeral. Bro. Michael Weyeneth had the service.

We enjoyed having with us on Sunday, Jan. 26, Bros. Vernon Le-man and Walter Anliker and their families. The inspired messages of the brothers were much appreciated. We hope they will soon come again. A supper was held at the church for them.

Bro. and Sis. Herman Kellenberger of Elgin visited her mother, Sis. Mary Wyss, at the A. C. Home, Saturday, Jan. 11. They also were dinner guests there, and visited with the other shut-ins. They returned to Elgin that same day. Sis. Mary always looks forward to their coming.

Our adult singing group sang at the Proctor Old Folks' Home one evening. It was greatly appreciated by the shut-ins and others.

Edward Zimmerman, 63, who lived in Peoria for many years, passed away at St. Francis Hospital. His funeral was held Thursday, Jan. 30, at the Wilton Mortuary. Bros. Joe Zimmerman & Roy Sauder officiated. Edward was the son of Bro. Samuel and Emma Zimmerman of Roanoke.

On Sunday, Jan. 19, a gathering was held at the home of Bro. Mike Weyeneth for the old and young, some of the newcomers to get acquainted and the new converts (one more, Ronnie Kellenberger has been added to the list). The evening was spent in fellowship and singing. We truly enjoyed the evening. How important it is to have this Christian fellowship and to know each other better. Our out-of-town guests were Bro. and Sis. Robert Getz of Tremont.

Those in the hospital are Sis. Emma Messer, Richard Grose, Norma Evans, Jennifer Waibel (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Waibel; and Evelyn Heinold (daughter of Bro. and Sis. Marshall Heinold). We wish all a speedy recovery.

Sis. Bena Welk, a shut-in, is having a birthday March 7. Her address is 1812 N. Peoria. She will be 97 years old.

Bro. and Sis. Joe Getz of Morton and our ministers and their wives were supper guests at the home of Sisters Alma and Viola Rockie, on Jan. 11. Sister Alma and Viola, and their brother, Orville, lost their parents when quite young. At that time, they lived in Latty. Their aunt and uncle, Bro. and Sis. Jeff Rocke, of Roanoke, (both deceased now) took them in and reared them. As they grew older, they all repented. Orville is married and lives in Oakville. Alma and Viola came to Peoria to work and have been here for many years. Just recently, they purchased a new home, which they call "Home Sweet Home." They are very grateful and deserving of this. Their home is open with much hospitality, and is enjoyed by them and all who go there.

Sis. Lydia Knapp, who has lived here with her daughter, Bro. and Sis. Dan Hoerr, the last two years, passed away Friday, Jan. 31. Her funeral was held at Cissna Park, Sunday, Feb. 2.

Our monthly Hymn-sing was held Sunday evening, Feb. 2. The Morton singing group gave several numbers. Fellowship was held after the sing, and a lunch was served. It was a nice evening.

ROANOKE, ILLINOIS

Irene (Hodel) Legel

Bro. Gene Bertschi announced the engagement of Sis. Betty Schlipf, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Ezra Schlipf, on Jan. 5, to Bro. Larry Bauman of Goodfield. He is the son of Bro. Louis and Sis. Norma Bauman.

It was interesting to hear the testimonies of our two dear friends, Dan Greuter and Ben Fehr, on Wednesday night, Jan. 15. Several elders were here for the occasion, Bro. LeRoy Huber of Eureka, Bro. Henry Kilgus of Forrest (who had known Ben when they were boys) and Bro. Silas Leuthold of Princeville. We were grateful for the many blessings received.

On Sunday, we had the pleasure to witness their baptism and their enjoyment in greeting the brothers and sisters, being children of God, which they both testified they wanted for many years. How merciful and patient is our Lord and

Saviour. Bro. and Sis. Ulrich Kipfer, Bro. and Sis. Levi Schwartz of Bluffton (relatives of Bro. Dan), and Bro. and Sis. Charlie Rein, Bro. Geo Rein, Sis. Hoerr and Ed Sparrs of Morton, Bro. and Sis. Sam Keiser of Princeville (relatives of Bro. Ben) were here for this happy occasion. Bros. Leroy Huber and Silas Leuthold were with us again to complete this work. We certainly "Thank" them for their deeds of kindness. We enjoyed their services very much. We missed our elder Dave Mangold, and wish he could have been with us. We often think of them and pray they can soon return.

Bro. and Sis. Wally Leman are parents of a son, Ronald Lee, born Jan. 14. He is a brother to Cindy, Gregory, Rhonda, Keri, Sherri and Jeffrey. His grandparents are Bro. Joe and Sis. Dena Leman of here and Bro. and Sis. Harold Honegger of Forrest.

We are very happy to have two new converts, Sandy Leman, daughter of Bro. Bill and Sis. Helen Leman, and Charlene Kupferschmid, daughter of Bro. Charlie and Sis. Jean Kupferschmid. The girls are both in school, and we certainly wish them the Lord's protection and blessings at all times.

Bro. Silas Kempf, known as Doc, the veterinarian, had surgery in the Methodist Hospital and is reported in good condition.

Jan. 11 marked the 58th Wedding Anniversary for Bro. and Sis. Edward Hodel Sr. The have five sons, Bro. Alvin, Bro. Glen, Carl, Bro. Raymond and Edw. Jr., and 2 daughters, Sis. Lena Wiegand and Sis. Mae Rocke. We are thankful they can attend services most every Sunday, and we wish them many blessings.

Bro. and Sis. Jerry Sauder are parents of their third child, Gregory Dale, born Jan. 17. He has a brother, Jeffrey-3, and a sister, Cheryl-13. His grandparents are Sisters Marie Blunier and Mae Sauder, both of here.

Sis. Mary Bucher, who is in the hospital with heart trouble, will be laid up for some time. We pray the dear Lord will ever be near her and her husband, Bro. Bill, during this time.

Sunday, Feb. 2, we were delighted to have Bro. Mike Weyeneth and his wife, of Peoria, with us for the day. We all enjoyed his

impressive and inspiring sermons, including the faith and protection on a battlefield, with fellowmen falling on all sides of you and caring for them out in the firing line. This really gives us food for thought, and we know Bro. Mike has had some real experiences in his lifetime. May the dear Lord bless him for his services.

Trust in the Lord, and He will guide you in the way of good men. The path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

LEO, INDIANA

Mrs. Elias Souder

We had our annual business meeting Jan. 12. As we elect one new trustee each year, Ernie Stoller replaces Al Frautschi. Marvin Stieglitz is our new usher for this year.

Bro. Samuel Steiner is better and back in church again. Bro. Joel Souder, who was ill, is feeling better. Sis. Velma Bollier is home from the hospital, after heart surgery. Sis. Rosie Bertsch is ill at the hospital. She had a severe fall, breaking her jaw bone.

Sis. Mamie Schlatter went to be with the Lord. Funeral services on Jan. 30 were by Bros. Art Gudeman and George Yergler of La Crosse.

Our Sunday School classes of the fifth through eighth grades spent the week end of Jan. 25-26 in Chicago. They attended the Chicago church on Sunday. An enjoyable time was reported.

While Bro. Herman Kellenberger of Elgin held the services here, he related of his worries in his younger days. He was worrying and wondering if he could stay true to his Lord in all of the days ahead of him. As he talked to his aged mother, a saint, she advised him to live, only one day at a time, read the Bible, and always when he can, go to church. Bro. Herman taught us not to worry about those bridges we cannot cross until we get to them.

In speaking to Bro. Charlie Graf of Elgin, he told us of his little girl being a deserted baby, left crying in a waiting station of a line that runs between Elgin and Chicago. A number wanted the little one. Bro. Charles happened to know the judge and as God willed, the little girl was placed in his home. There she was taught to

pray and believe in God. At the age of 19 she was married. They went away on their honeymoon, and she knelt to pray where her husband wouldn't see her. The next night, she asked him to pray with her. In 6 weeks, this couple was granted repentance. Now they are our sister and brother.

FORT WAYNE, INDIANA

Mrs. Albert E. Kipfer

Mrs. Jacob W. Unsicker

David J. Pulver has returned to the Naval station at San Francisco, after visiting with his parents, Bro. and Sis. Lester Pulver. David has another year to serve with the Navy.

Bro. Jesse Stoller requested a special "Thank-You" to everyone who sent cards and gifts, while he was confined to the hospital and now while he is convalescing at his home. He is slowly gaining his strength back, and we trust he will soon be back in our midst.

Sis. Lillian Levy underwent surgery at the Parkview Memorial Hospital on January 23. She is slowly improving, and we wish her a speedy recovery.

We have had the following changes of addresses: Bro. and Sis. Norman Stoller, 8726 Maravilla Drive, Fort Wayne, Indiana and, Bro. and Sis. David Bahler, 1005 Huestis Avenue, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Bro. Henry Brenkman passed away Thursday, Feb. 6, at the Parkview Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient since January 29. He reached the age of 94 years, 11 months and 14 days. He was born Feb. 23, 1869, at Montpelier, Ohio, and was the son of George and Verona Brenkman. Henry was united in marriage to Louise Emmert on Oct. 17, 1899. His wife passed away 15 years ago. When a boy, Henry attended the Junction Church. As he grew up, he made carpenter work his life's trade. In 1951, he answered the call of the Saviour and was joined to the fellowship of believers.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Roeger and Mrs. Emily DeSelm, both of Ft. Wayne; 7 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. One daughter, Edna Floering, died in 1946. Also preceding him in death were 3 brothers and 2 sisters. The funeral services were held Saturday at 2 p.m. at D. O. McComb & Sons Funeral Home,

with Bros. Joel Souder and Norman Stoller officiating. Burial was in the Concordia Cemetery, Fort Wayne. Bro. Joel Souder's text was taken from II Corinthians, chapter 4, verses 16-18 and chapter 5, verses 1-4. The mens' quartet sang the following songs: "Asleep in Jesus", "I'm Going Home", and "What a Friend we have in Jesus". Bro. Norman Stoller read the following poem, as a final tribute to our brother, Henry Brenkman:

There is a CALM, beyond life's
fitful fever,
A deep repose, an everlasting rest,
Where white-robed angels welcome
the believer among the blest.

There is a HOME, where all the
soul's deap yearnings
And silent prayers shall be at last
fulfilled,
Where strife and sorrow, murmur-
ings and heart-burnings at last
are stilled.

There is a HOPE, to which the
Christian, clinging,
Is lifted high above life's surging
wave,
Finds life in death, and fadeless
flowers, springing from the dark
grave.

There is a CROWN, prepared for
those who love Him;
The Christian sees it in the dis-
tance shine,
Like a bright beacon glittering
above him, and whispers,
"Mine!"

There is a SPOTLESS ROBE, of
Christ's own weaving;
Wilt thou not wrap it round thy
sin-stained soul,
Poor, wand'ring child, upon thy
past life grieving?
Christ makes thee whole!

There is a HOME, a REST, a
CROWN in heaven—
O God, that any should Thy gift
refuse!
The awful choice of Life and Death
is given—
Which wilt THOU choose?
Which wilt thou choose?

Bro. Henry will be missed, and we extend our sympathy to the family.

Today, I had the opportunity to meet Sis. Sylvia Jewell for the first time. She had a stroke sometime

ago and is a patient at the Parkview Long Term Unit, Ft. Wayne. I find her to be a very cheerful and courageous sister, with the affliction she has to bear—not pitying herself, but trying to cheer others round about her. She wishes me to express through the Silver Lining her gratitude to all who remembered her in prayer and with gifts and cards. She feels she has many blessings to count and God has been good to her. Sis. Sylvia enjoys company, and I'm sure she would enjoy your visit, too.

The Junior and Senior Sunday School classes of the Bremen church visited us Sunday, Feb. 9, for which we thank you for coming. After church services, the classes journeyed to the Fellowship Hall in Cedarville, where several hours were spent in fellowship. Also, a dinner was provided for them there. At 6:30 P.M., a Sunday School - Church program was held at Fort Wayne. The theme of the program was: "The Christian Home", of which Bremen participated. Those sponsoring the program were: Bro. and Sis. Arnie Moser, Bro. and Sis. Oscar Martin, Sis. Mary Pulver and Friend Conrad Getz.

The ministers who assisted Bro. Norman Stoller recently were: Bro. and Sis. Arnie Moser, Bro. and Sis. Oscar Martin, Sis. Mary Pulver and Friend Conrad Getz.

The ministers who assisted Bro. Norman Stoller recently were: Bros. Earl Zeltwanger, Loren Stoller, David Bertsch, John Bollier and Otto Norr. Come back again; we enjoyed having you.

WICHITA, KANSAS

Mrs. Harvey Smith

O LORD our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens. . . . When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained; What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him? For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour. Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet: . . .

O LORD our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth!

The home of our dear sister, Ly-

dia Schrock, was badly damaged by fire on Feb. 2. Sis. Lydia has been unable to assemble with us for some time. She is recovering from a broken hip, and her sister, Sis. Marie Riedel, is staying with her. They both escaped without injury, for which we are very thankful. They are now staying at the home of Sis. Marie, 3404 E. Elm.

A son, Ronald Dwaine was born to Sis. Roseann and Dwaine Reeves, Dec. 4. Besides Ronald, they have two little girls.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS Mrs. Ernest Knecht

A few weeks ago, on Thursday evening, we were privileged to have Bro. Alfred Bahler from Wolcott minister unto us. Two couples came with him, Bro. and Sis. Richard Stoller and Bro. and Sis. Vernon Furrer. After services, we enjoyed an hour of fellowship.

On Jan. 26, the Leo Sunday School Junior class visited our Sunday School. Their teachers, Bros. Ed Souder and James Wenzler, accompanied them. It was a pleasure to have so many children at Sunday School. We heartily invite other churches to do the same.

We are glad to report that Ernie Schambach's foot is improving. Several weeks ago, Ernie was in a car accident and had his foot crushed.

Our friend, Elsie Zimmerman, has turned to the Lord in repentance. She is formerly from Roanoke and lives here in Chicago with her sister, Emily Zimmerman. Sis. Emily has worked in Winnetka and Chicago for many years. We rejoice with Elsie, and wish her God's grace and much wisdom from above.

ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY at NORMAL

Alta Kay Zbinden

On January 30, Bro. Russell Rapp from Morton visited our first Bible study of the second semester. We were happy to assemble together again, after not having met for three weeks, due to first semester final examinations and semester break, when the students returned to their home communities for a short vacation. The message which Bro. Russell brought to us was from the epistle of Paul to Philemon.

Bro. Joe Schrock read to us from St. Mark 15, on February 6. This

chapter clearly describes the crucifixion, death and burial of Jesus, thus turning our thoughts to the Easter season.

This semester, we are happy to welcome another freshman to our Bible Class. Our friend, Wayne Drayer, is from Cissna Park. Also, Bro. Pete and Sis. Jan Meiss have moved from Washington, Illinois, to Cardinal Court, a married students' residence in Normal. Bro. Pete is a senior at ISU.

Sis. Jan Frautschi has moved to Pekin, Illinois, where she will be student teaching until April. Bro. Gene Strunk has accepted a teaching position in the Ft. Wayne area, where he and his wife, Sis. Joyce, are living at 7506 Ideal Avenue, Apartment 15, Fort Wayne 6, Indiana.

Our Bible Class has started to meet the first Friday evening of each month at the Carl Frautschi residence in Bloomington, to enjoy fellowship and to practice singing. We sincerely appreciate and thank the Frautschis for the love and kindness shown us.

BREMEN, INDIANA Joseph L. Bauman

Change of address:
Donald Klopfenstein
519 W 16th St
Virginia Beach Virginia

Visiting in Florida at the present time from our congregation are Bro. Carl and Sis. Minnie Zeltwanger and Bro. Dan and Sis. Hazel Clauss. Our best wishes to them for a pleasant and safe journey.

Our sincere sympathy to Bro. Jack and Sis. Marlene Hueni, who have recently lost Marlene's father. Even unto death the hand of the Lord is extended unto man, and we were informed Mr. Schwiesburger was able in the late period of his life to become reconciled.

Our friend, Mary Meister, became married recently to Larry Lawmaster. Mary has been a faithful attendant of our Sunday School and church, and our very best wishes go out to them for a long and happy married life.

The Bremen Sunday School last Sunday visited the Ft. Wayne church, and from all reports, all enjoyed a blessed day. Well has the poet expressed it, "The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above."

RITTMAN, OHIO Elma Stoller

Bro. Forest Ritzman from Akron visited our congregation and ministered unto us on January 12. We surely enjoyed his visit and invite him back again.

We wish to extend our sympathy to Bro. John Hartzler and his family, whose dear wife and the mother, Sis. Ella Hartzler, passed away. She departed from this life January 14 and is now "Safe In The Arms of Jesus". Her funeral services were conducted on January 17 by Bros. John Bahler, Rudolph Graf, and Elmer Zollinger. Comforting words were spoken to the family and host of friends whom she left behind.

Sis. Louise Rake is again able to assemble with us, following a stay in the hospital. Sis. Maggie Bauman had the misfortune of falling and breaking her wrist.

Randy Reusser, 9-year-old son of Warren and Wanda Reusser, has been in the hospital the past three weeks, following an appendicitis operation. He has not recovered and may need a second operation. He is the grandson of Bro. George and Sis. Mabel Reusser.

Dennis Indermuhle, 5-year-old son of Bro. Darrell and Sis. Janet Indermuhle, has rheumatic fever, but we are happy to report, he is getting along good.

Bro. Albert Gasser Sr., Bro. John Winkler, and Sis. Donna Young are home again, after a stay in the hospital. We wish all of our shut-ins a speedy and complete recovery.

We were sorry to learn that our dear sister, Ella Steiner, had a stroke on Feb. 7. She is in Akron General Hospital in serious condition. We pray that God will bless her with His nearness, and comfort her loved ones.

Feb. 8—Saturday afternoon and evening, we were privileged to assemble together to hear the testimonies of seven of our dear friends who have repented and found the true peace and happiness. Sunday, we enjoyed a blessed day, when we witnessed their baptism and could welcome each dear soul into our blessed brotherhood. Our new sisters and brothers are Lynell and Catharine Hartzler, Norene Beery, Carolyn Marty, George Riggenbach Jr., Dennis Leach and Mike Miller. Bro. Lorentz Emch conducted the morning services, with a very inspiring message. Bro. Rudolph Graf

ministered unto us in the afternoon services. Indeed, we could feel the Lord had filled our hearts today to overflowing, with the Holy Ghost and power.

ALTADENA CALIFORNIA

Doris Graf — Jeri Minger

"For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh."—Ephesians 5:31

January 26 was the wedding date of Sis. Ruth Ludwig of Altadena and Bro. Dale Dapper of Maywood. Bro. Carl Kinsinger held the services. Sis. Ruth's mother, Sis. Lena Ludwig, and Bro. Gerald Ludwig from Rockville were here for the wedding.

Lucille Graf, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Clarence Graf, and Richard H. Griffith of Pasadena were married January 29. We wish God's blessings to both of these young couples.

Visitors this month were Bro. and Sis. Peter Weber from Peoria; Sis. Lydia Kupferschmidt, Oakville; and her children, Charles and Ada Drasil, El Cajon, Calif.; Bro. and Sis. Chris Sauder, and Bro. and Sis. Philip Hoerr, Peoria.

We were blessed with the visit of ministering Bro. Albert Scheitlin and his wife, Sis. Anna, from Elgin, Illinois.

We are happy to have Sis. Marilyn Dotterer, of Phoenix, living here and worshiping with our congregation. Sis. Marilyn is a recent graduate of Arizona State University, and is working in the Pasadena area.

GRIDLEY, KANSAS

Mrs. Rudy Bahr

"The Lord will provide"—it looked as though we'd have no minister, and then we were doubly blessed when Bros. Wayne Miller and Jim Bahr came on short notice from Ft. Scott, Sunday, January 26. We thank them very much for coming.

This afternoon, Elder Bro. Sam Anliker was with us. We held our annual election. Sis. Bertha Beyer resigned teaching the pre-school Sunday School class, after teaching devotedly for many years. I am sure she spreads a ray of cheer to those confined at the hospital, when she is required to work on Sundays. Sis. Doris Bahr was elected to fill Bertha's unexpired term.

All of the remaining offices and teachers up for re-election remained the same.

The church voted to put a new chain-link fence and gates at the front of our cemetery and re-fence the other three sides.

Just recently, I took our two oldest children to view the body of a first-grade classmate. In the process of talking over this sad event, I told the children, "Lesa would be up in heaven, and we'd see her no more here." In deciding, a day later, whether to go where the body was, our almost 4-year-old said, "If Lesa's with God, HOW can you go see her?"

I think back about the first time I "viewed" my Dad, after he had passed away. "Dad" wasn't there, just his mortal shell. This past summer, we lost a very dear friend. The children said, "That doesn't look like Kenny. Why didn't he have his overall suit on?" You see, he delivered gas to our farm; he talked with them. They ARE right.

The precious memories are not of that last "look" . . . the tears roll down, when I see the red wagon grandpa fixed for the children, and realize they won't enjoy his company . . . There's the "ache" for a young widow and the lonely hours she now has . . . the "quiet" house with a child's presence gone. THEN is the time to express your sympathy, and if you can't visit with them, call or write a note or letter. We can seek our solace in the house of the Lord.

No one likes to think of death—and yet many have cemetery lots. Why not think of how you would wish the arrangements "carried out." What matters whether it is the lowest price or looks the best? There are so many in need.

Why "bury" the treasure? My family will not be dishonoring me if they bury me in a more conservative way, and if any "extra" is left, it can go to the Sunday School, be it new books, Bibles, furnishings, or even those in need. It will take courage to follow your convictions, but "talk" soon turns to something else after the funeral's over!

I am thankful and appreciate the many kindnesses and expressions of sympathy shown unto us when Dad passed away. It is not my thought to "criticize", but to

get you, the reader, to think for yourself.

ARE WE "just going along with the crowd?"

We parents were reminded that it is our duty to bring up our children in the "admonition" of the Lord. It is our responsibility to keep them quiet in church . . . we will have to answer for it, as Eli did when he did not correct his sons. Whether or not they want to listen is their choice, but it is just plain bad manners to keep someone else from listening to the sermon, when they want to hear it. Bro. Sam Anliker said that he can remember mothers getting up and going to sit with their daughters, and also a minister getting up off the pulpit and going to sit with the group his son was in . . . things calmed down considerably!

MANSFIELD, OHIO

Aaron A. Sauder

We have had a number in the hospital this past month, but are happy to report they have been able to return to their homes again: Katie Bocks, Earl Hoffman, Dick Durkin, Bud Sauder, and little Jerry Roberts. May the Lord bless them all with good health in this new year.

At Joel Beer's funeral, someone visiting took the wrong overcoat. The one taken belongs to Henry Manz of Paulding; the other coat is here in Mansfield, and if they will contact me, I will send it.

Among our visitors this month were Bros. Rudolph Graf, Noah Baumann, Sam Aeschliman, John Bahler, Joseph Waibel and Noah Schrock, Bro. and Sis. Albert Kipfer and Bro. and Sis. Ben Schlatter.

Congratulations to Jerry and Helen Matuch, who are the parents of a baby boy, Mark. The new baby was welcomed by a brother and two sisters.

Now abideth faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

What is love?

It's silence when your words would hurt;
It's patience when your neighbor's curt.
It's deafness when the scandal flows;
It's thoughtfulness for another's woes.

It's promptness when stern duty calls;
It's courage when misfortune falls.

What is love? "... God is love ..." I John 4:16. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16.

MORRIS, MINNESOTA

Mrs. Kenneth Zeltwanger

Sis. Gladys Koehl was a surgical patient at the hospital, and is recuperating at home.

Nancy, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Richard Schmidgall, had a tonsillectomy.

Bro. Otto Schaefer was ill two weeks, with arthritis, and was hospitalized a few days for tests and observations. He is feeling better.

Bro. Larry Nohl underwent surgery, and is getting along nicely.

Sis. Minnie Spohr observed her 82nd birthday February 2.

We are happy to welcome three new members into the church. Donald and Della Luthi and Judy Fehr gave their testimonies on February 8 and were baptized on Sunday. Elder Brothers Paul Banwart of West Bend and Leo Moser of Lester assisted Bro. Koehl. They also helped serve us Holy Communion, so it was a very blessed day. Other visitors including Bro. and Sis. Noah Gerber were here from Lester, Winthrop, Pulaski, Gridley, (Ill.), and West Bend.

Robert Joos, son of Bro. and Sis. Albert Joos, went to Chicago, where he will be employed.

NEW MARTINSVILLE, W. VA.

Mrs. Gus Weltz

Since our letter in January, we had a heavy snowfall, which slowed down schools, business, etc., for several days. Much sickness has been evidenced since the middle of January, but, with the happy thought that spring is not too far away, we are hoping for better conditions.

George Emch is a patient in the local hospital again. This reporter visited with him on February 6. He was showing some improvement at that time.

Dan Schupbach is a patient in the local hospital again, having been there for two weeks in January, this time for tests and X-rays.

Mrs. J. G. Burgess, Mr. and Mrs.

Mart Bucher and son, of Reader, spent February 7 with the Charles Snodgrass family in Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Frumm of Jeannette, Pa., attended the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Ella Oneacre, here on Tuesday, January 28. They also had dinner and spent a few hours with Mrs. Frumm's sister, Miss Della Witschey.

K. W. Calvert was a patient in the Ohio Valley Hospital in Wheeling for a week, the last part of January.

Frank Durig underwent surgery in the Veterans' Hospital in Clarksburg some time ago, and has been released. He is doing very well. Mrs. Durig also continues to improve, following several months' illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Davis of Clarksburg were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Weltz Sunday, February 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barth of Parkersburg spent Sunday, February 9, here with the Barth families.

Four things come not back: the spoken word, the sped arrow, time past, the neglected opportunity.

OAKVILLE, IOWA

Mrs. Ezra Gerst Mrs. Edwin Banwart

Bro. John Barth and family are home again, after their unfortunate car accident at Morton. They tell us they are improving every day, for which we are very thankful.

John and Sis. Marilyn Wagenbach are the parents of a baby girl, born Feb. 6. They have named her Heidi Ann.

Martha Bieri of Muscatine, Iowa, passed away at the nursing home, after a lengthy illness.

Becky Barth, daughter of Bro. and Sis. John Barth, is attending Northwestern Institute of Medical Technology at Minneapolis. She appreciates the friendship of those from our churches near there.

Bro. Orel and Sis. Rose Steiner celebrated their 25th anniversary. A number of relatives from Morton and some of the neighbors spent the evening with them. We wish them God's blessings and many more happy anniversaries.

We thank Bro. Silas Leuthold of Princeville for the messages on February 2. His wife and Bro. and Sis. John Schick accompanied them. Bro. Silas assisted our elder,

Bro. Noah Schrock, with the memorandum.

ROCKVILLE, CONNECTICUT

Carlton J. Lanz

Sis. Lydia Heintz, 74, died Monday, Jan. 13, at a local hospital, where she had been a patient for several weeks. Born in Rockville July 5, 1889, she had lived in this area all her life. Surviving are two brothers, Samuel of California, and Bro. Louis of Ellington, and several nephews and nieces. Bro. John Bahler officiated at the funeral services. Interment was in the family row in Grove Hill Cemetery, Rockville.

After spending a few days in this vicinity with his brother, Richard, and with us, Douglas Aberle of Sabetha has returned to his home. We enjoyed his visit, though it was brief. Currently, Bro. Richard is living here, having accepted a position (classified in nature) with Carrel, a subsidiary of Pratt and Whitney Aircraft.

Bros. Herman Beckley and Oscar Schneider and wives are spending a few days here, visiting relatives and friends.

Attending the dedication of the new church at Ft. Lauderdale from here were Bro. Rudolph Luginbuhl Br. Edwin Hoffman, Br. Manuel Luginbuhl, and Warren Gottlieb. Their wives all accompanied them. As reported by them, the trip was eventful and the occasion brought many people from various places together.

Meeting kindred-minded souls
Is reviving, humbling and enlivening.

ATHENS, ALABAMA

Ann Wagler

A number of visitors stopped, en-route to Florida. Among them was Bro. Dave Kieser, who held services at our churches on Feb. 2.

Workers of the Silver Lining, Mr. and Mrs. Elias Souder and Henry Jr., paid us a short visit. This was the Elias Souders' first trip to Alabama.

Mid-week services and Bible study were held this month at the homes of Marvin Moss, Roy Barnett and George Kelly.

The Athens youth group visited Mr. Dell Brown, who had been shut-in for many weeks.

Ladies' meetings in the Athens area were held at Mrs. Tom Gees

and Mrs. Tommy Packs. Each mother takes her turn in conducting the meetings. It is encouraging to see the interest taken and the willingness to take part.

The Landersville youth group visited Shut-ins Toni Mae Meyers and Mrs. Pearl Pruitt.

"Oh Christ, in Thee my soul has found
And found in Thee alone,
The peace and joy I sought so long,
The bliss till now unknown.

"Now none but Christ can satisfy,
None other name for me;
There's love and life and lasting joy,
Lord Jesus, found in Thee.

The pleasures lost I sadly mourned,
But never wept for Thee,
Till grace my blinded eyes received,
Thy loveliness to see."

"SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES"

A traveler tells of seeing in one of the Western states men and women engaged in picking minute gold nuggets out of the sands of a small stream, entirely unaware of the fact that a little more effort would have enabled them to uncover a rich vein of the precious metal in a nearby mountainside. How many there are who are satisfied with bits of truth, gathered here and there through the casual reading of His message to mankind, when a more careful and diligent study would open great treasures of the divine wisdom.

We are to "search the scriptures", not approach them casually and haphazardly. We are to study diligently, not merely to read without plan or purpose. Rich rewards wait those whose "delight is in the law of the LORD". The Holy Spirit is ever ready to guide and enlighten the minds and hearts of those who seek to know God's truth as it is revealed in His Word.

THE ANVIL AND THE HAMMERS

I stood one evening by the blacksmith's door
And heard the anvil ring the vesper chime,
And looking in, I saw upon the floor
Old hammers worn with years of beating time.

"How many anvils have you had," said I,

"To wear and beat these hammers so?"

"Just one," the blacksmith said with twinkling eye.

"The anvil wears the hammers out, you know."

And so, methought the anvil of God's Word,
For ages skeptic blows have beat upon,
And though the sound of clanging blows is heard,
The anvil is unharmed, the hammers gone.

THE BIBLE

Other books tell us what men suppose; the Bible tells us what God knows. Other books tell us what other men speculate; the Bible tells us what an infinitely wise God, who made us and all things, and consequently knows all things, has unerringly revealed. The Bible makes men wise with the wisdom that is golden, the wisdom that brings eternal salvation. No one can study this Book aright, no matter how ignorant he may otherwise be, without becoming possessed of that priceless wisdom that means eternal life. No other book has the power to make us acquainted with God and with His Son, Jesus Christ. Study the Book that brings eternal life; make it in your own experience, **the implanted Word, which is able to save your souls.**

JUNCTION, OHIO Mrs. Alvin H. Manz

The Snow

Bro. Henry Beer

The snow is a robe of protection;
The tillers of soil will agree.
From fields that are clad in this garment,
The blessing of harvest they see.

O where is a heart so ungrateful,
Who isn't inclined to give praise,
For food and for shelter and raiment,
When snow crowns the cold, wintry days.

And when our life's winter is over,
And back to the earth we must go,
As grass decks the grave in the summer,
The winter adorns it with snow.

As snow is a blessing from Heaven,
A lesson therefrom we attain.

For snow is the charm of the winter,
And snow is but glorified rain.

Sis. Levina Dotterer, age 80 years, passed away about 10 A.M. February 5, at the Vernier Nursing Home in Archbold, Ohio, where she had been a resident about 6 years. She was a native of Paulding County, and a daughter of Bro. and Sis. Samuel Dotterer. Surviving are two nieces, Margaret Klinger of Pittsburg, Pa., and Mrs. Pearl Greuter of Waterloo, Indiana, and a nephew, Jethro Dotterer, of Paulding. Two brothers and three sisters preceded her in death. Bro. Walter Rehklaue of Toledo had the services. He was assisted by Bro. George Sinn of Latty. She was laid to rest in the Dotterer Cemetery at Junction.

We were happy to have our elder brother, George Sinn, of Latty read and explain the memorandum. This is truly "food for the soul". What a blessed thing it is to realize the love for God and His children that our elders and ministers show by this yearly conference and their concern for our souls. We do well to heed their words and be careful not to grieve them, for when we grieve our elders, we grieve our Lord.

Those who are shut-in are as usual.

Sis. Lena Manz has not been good at all. Janet Schlatter is back with us now.

NO PLACE TO HIDE

They tell us when the sirens ring
To grab your hat and run,
To find a hole in dirt or rock
And close out air and sun.

To close the door and hide ourself
From foe or even friend
To sit and wait until the sound
That tells us of the end.

They put out folders by the score
And say they should be read,
For if we fail to heed this right
We surely will be dead.

They hope by this to be prepared
And think they shall survive
When will they learn that without God
There is no place to hide?

Why build a shelter in the ground
To hide ourselves from man?

There is a blueprint long prepared
That gives a better plan.

It tells of God upon a throne,
A Son who for us died,
And makes it clear to all mankind,
THIS is the place to hide.

TREMONT, ILLINOIS

Esther Schmid

The past month, we were blessed with visiting ministers, Bros. Joe A. Getz, Morton; Ben Fehr, Roanoke; and Robert Grimm, Goodfield.

We were reminded of the importance of faith and the concern of our ministers today. Will our children have what we had in our childhood — faithful Christian mothers, humble and concerned, being living examples for their children?

Will we always have faith? We were also reminded in St. Mark 2 how the sick were brought to Jesus. When they could not get near Him, they uncovered the roof where He was and let down the bed whereon the sick lay. Jesus saw their genuine faith, and their sins were forgiven. May God grant us such faith all our life, that we can look to Him for divine guidance and help.

Hospitalized this month is Fred Beutel, for treatment on an injured knee. He is the son of Bro. and Sis. Wm. H. Beutel. Monique Renae Maurer, small daughter of Bro. and Sis. Adam Maurer, is in the hospital with kidney infection. Esther Huette is a patient at Pekin Hospital. Kevin Pfederer, son of Bro. and Sis. Chris. Pfederer Jr., is resting at home after having his tonsils removed.

We are so thankful souls are still answering God's call. Joanne Frank, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Chris Frank, has turned to the Lord in true repentance.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

by Bro. Arnold Rassi

The following is the list of teachers and the number of children in each class: Sis. Violet Koch, 4-year-olds, 24 children; Sis. Nancy Beutel, 5-year-olds, 18 children; Sis. Lucille Schweigert, First grade, 14 children; Sis. Lydia Brunner, Second grade, 14 chil-

dren; Sis. Ella Schweigert, Third grade, 17 children; Bro. David Beutel, Fourth grade, 16 children; Bro. Harlan Bolliger, Fifth grade, 13 children; Sis. Hanna Koch, Sixth grade, 17 children; Bros. Paul Michel and Arnold Rassi, Seventh and Eighth, 23 children; Bros. Earl Sauder and Dan Koch, Junior Bible Class, 17 children; Bros. Noah Herman and Elton Rapp, Bible Class, 14 children.

Bro. Earl Sauder is the song leader for the Christian Endeavor group. We are indeed thankful that we have plenty of classrooms now and can all assemble together for morning singing and prayer, before going to our individual rooms. May many prayers be with us, that the Lord bless efforts to teach our youth His will in all our congregations.

The following is a little story depicting the deceitfulness of our spiritual enemy:

Satan called a conference of his evil spirits to further his evil work.

The first one told of his doings. He said, "I tell the people there isn't any God, make money, enjoy life, live as you please, because there isn't any life hereafter."

Satan frowned and inquired of another one of his procedure. He said, "I tell them there is a God and he loves everyone, but He wouldn't take some to heaven and not all of us. So do as good as you can but don't worry about it."

Satan still was not satisfied. So the next one said, "I tell them that there is an almighty God, loving and gracious. There is a Heaven and Hell and eternal life. You must repent to be saved. Then I tell them it is no hurry; there is plenty of time. Enjoy life awhile; get a good job; go traveling if you can. There are so many things to do."

Satan said, "Very good! In this way, many, many souls will be deceived."

So let us all pray that God will

grant many His grace to not listen to the deceiver, and that we all may watch at our heart's door.

GRIDLEY, ILLINOIS

Mary Alyce Witzig

The Gridley area was hit by a blizzard on January 12. Many members and friends were unable to attend services. To many of us, I am sure, this only proved that God is truly present where two or three assemble.

We enjoyed the visit of Bro. Frank Woertz on January 19. Bro. Woertz assisted in our selecting a brother to replace Bro. George Gramm as deacon. Bro. Edwin Ringger is our new deacon.

Bro. Clarence Stoller is now at home, and improving nicely. He will have to "take it easy" for quite a while.

Larry and Barbara Kiefer are the parents of Todd Alan, their first child, born January 13. He is a grandson to Bro. Eli and Sis. Lorene Kiefer.

Art is long and time is fleeting,
And our hearts, though stout and
brave,
Still, like muffled drums, are beating
Funeral marches to the grave.

Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime,
And departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time;

Footprints, that perhaps another,
Sailing o'er life's solemn main,
A forlorn and shipwrecked brother
Seeing, shall take heart again.

Let us then be up and doing,
With a heart for any fate,
Still achieving, still pursuing,
Learn to labor and to wait.

On page 11 of the January 1964 issue, the columns are in incorrect order. Read columns 3, 2, and 1 in this order. the editor.

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