



Bow down thine ear, and hear the words of the wise, and apply thine heart unto my knowledge.

For it is a pleasant thing if thou keep them within thee; they shall withal be fitted in thy lips.

That thy trust may be in the LORD, I have made known to thee this day, even to thee.

Have not I written to thee excellent things in counsels and knowledge,

That I might make thee know the certainty of the words of truth; that thou mightest answer the words of truth to them that send unto thee?

"....the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever."

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Forrest

Leuthold, Rudolph, Forrest. Born in Zurich, Switzerland, August 1813. Died 1892.

Honegger, Jacob, (1832-1920). Born in Switzerland. Ordained elder by Bro. Rudolph Leuthold.

Bach, Peter. Born in Alsace Lorraine, Dec. 10, 1873. Ordained elder Nov. 20, 1932 by Bros. Emil Schubert, Peoria, and Elias Winzeler, Tremont. Served from 1932-1946. Died May 5, 1946.

Kilgus, Henry. Born in Fairbury, Aug. 30, 1892. Ordained elder Dec. 24, 1946 by Bros. Noah Schrock, Oakville, and David Mangold, Roanoke.

The Joseph Virklers were the first family to settle in Pleasant Ridge Township, in 1864. They held services, in homes and barns, for 4 years.

In 1867, the Jacob Honeggers came from Zurich, Switzerland. In 1868 the Rudolph Leutholds came from Zurich. The church grew. Bro. Leuthold was the first minister and served as elder until his death in 1892. In 1869, a church was built on the Virkler land in Pleasant Ridge Township.

Bro. Leuthold was followed by Bros. Jacob Honegger, Emil Schubert (Peoria), Peter Bach (Forrest), David Mangold (Roanoke), and Henry Kilgus, (Forrest).

Goodfield

Woertz, Frank. Born in Cissna Park, March 3, 1893. Ordained elder April 4, 1948 by Bros. Emil Schubert, Peoria; David Mangold, Roanoke; and Carl Rassi, Morton.

Goodfield church was organized and built in the town of Goodfield in 1918. First elder having oversight of the church was Bro. Barthol Rapp, Morton, succeeded by Bros. Elias Winzeler, Tremont, Emil Schubert, Peoria, Carl Rassi, Morton, and Frank Woertz.

Gridley

Witzig, Rudolph Sr. Born in Zurich, Switzerland, Sept. 13, 1833. Installed elder in Switzerland while a single man. Died Nov. 18, 1912. Bro. Rudolph Witzig started in the ministry at the age of 24 years—two years later was ordained elder.

Klopfenstein, Joseph. Born in Gridley May 25, 1897. Installed elder August 31, 1947 by Bros. Noah Schrock, Oakville; David

Mangold, Roanoke; and Samuel Aeschliman, Bluffton.

Gramm, George. Born at Gridley, December 9, 1896. Ordained elder April 21, 1963 by Bros. Joe A. Getz, Dave Mangold, Silas Leuthold and Joe Klopfenstein.

Gridley church was served by the following other elders: Bros. John Steidinger, Fairbury; Michael Mangold, Roanoke; William Schmidt, Eureka; Barthol Rapp, Morton; Elias Winzeler, Tremont; Emil Schubert, Peoria; Peter Bach, Forrest; Jacob Stettner, Elgin; David Mangold, Roanoke.

Morton

Welk, George. Born in Germany, Dec. 1, 1829. Ordained elder in Germany in the year 1867. Served from 1867-1895.

Rapp, Andrew, Morton. Born in Burgberg B. Konigsfeld, Germany, Feb. 25, 1852. Ordained elder in 1895 by Bros. Christian Gerber, Fairbury, and Jacob Honegger, Forrest. Served from 1895-1911. Died May 2, 1911.

Rapp, Barthol, Morton. Born in Burgberg b. Konigsfeld, Germany, Aug. 15, 1854. Ordained elder in 1911 by Bros. Michael Mangold, Roanoke, and Elias Winzler, Tremont. Served from 1911-1924. Died Jan. 24, 1924.

Rassi, Carl. Born in Bavaria, Germany, May 26, 1877. Ordained elder in 1932 by Bros. Ernest Graf Sr., Akron; Noah Hartzler, Rittman; Elias Dotterer, Junction; and Jacob Stettner, Elgin. Served from 1932-1952. Died July 4, 1952.

Getz, Joseph A. Born in Morton, Nov. 20, 1889. Ordained elder December 1948 by Bros. David Mangold, Roanoke; Noah Schrock, Oakville; and Carl Rassi, Morton. Also had oversight of the Tremont congregation.

Rapp, Russell, Morton. Born at Morton September 17, 1920. Ordained elder December 11, 1966 by Bros. Noah Schrock, Silas Leuthold, and Eugene Bertschi.

Morton was among the first three Apostolic Christian churches to be built in the State of Illinois, being built in 1867. In 1891, this building was demolished. A large two-story frame building, with a seating capacity of about 750 on the second floor, was built. On Dec. 12, 1912, this building was completely destroyed by fire, started by a Chris-

tian Messer, who was pronounced and sentenced as a religious fanatic. He apparently secluded himself in the building on Wednesday night, during the church services, inasmuch as the fire was started about 4:00 a.m. on the following morning.

In 1913, the present two-story brick building was built, with a seating capacity on the second floor of approximately 1000, at an estimated cost of \$50,000. Additional remodeling was necessary in 1960, at a cost of approximately \$200,000, to increase the capacity in both the assembly room and Sunday School.

The original burials in Morton were in the "so-called" Kaufman Cemetery, located 1½ miles south and ½ mile west of Morton, which ground was purchased from Jacob Kaufman in 1876 for \$10.00. The present church cemetery is located directly south of Morton, the original grounds being donated by John Zobrist of Morton in 1910.

There have been approximately 850 baptisms in the Morton church from 1894 (since records have been kept) through 1959.

Peoria

Schubert Emil. Born in Rodlids, Saxony, Germany, Sept. 22, 1874. Ordained elder January 1929 by Bro. Michael Mangold, Roanoke. Served from 1929-1950. Died Aug. 14, 1950.

Sauder, Roy. Born at Roanoke, November 11, 1909. Ordained elder January 3, 1965, by Bros. Joe A. Getz, Noah Schrock and Silas Leuthold.

First services of the Peoria Apostolic Christian Church were held in 1850 by Bro. Joseph Virkler.

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In 1859, about 20 souls gathered in the home of John Hartman, Monroe and Caroline Sts.—where Bro. Hartman was the minister. The assembly room in Bro. Hartman's home became too small, so a decision was made to build a frame church house at 511 Green St., which building was completed May 10, 1874. In 1896, the old frame church was torn down, and a new brick building was erected on the same site, at a cost of \$7,500.

In 1912, the Apostolic elders decided to build a Church Home for aged sisters. A building was purchased at 711 N. Monroe, supervision in charge of Bro. John Schneider Jr., followed by Bros. Emil Schubert, Michael Weyeneth, Samuel D. Getz and Reuben Hermann.

In 1949, ground was broken for the present new church at 3420 N.

Sheridan Rd. The new church, with a seating capacity of 950, was dedicated Dec. 10, 1950—built at an approximate cost of \$350,000.

Peoria church was served by the following other elders: Bros. Rudolph Witzig, Gridley; Andrew Rapp, Morton; Barthol Rapp, Morton; Michael Mangold, Roanoke; David Mangold, Roanoke; Joe A. Getz, Morton; and Silas Leuthold, Edelstein.

Princeville

Leuthold, Silas, Edelstein, Ill. Born in Forrest, Sept. 8, 1893. Ordained elder June 12, 1949 by Bros. Noah Schrock, Oakville; Emil Schubert, Peoria; and David Mangold, Roanoke.

The Princeville church was organized in 1870 by Christian Streitmatter, one of six brothers who

first came to the faith in Peoria (about 1867). He spoke to his brothers and others of this new faith which appealed to them, and after several became interested, he served them as their minister. Services were held in the homes of members for a number of years. The first house of worship was erected in 1880, on ground donated by Jacob Streitmatter in Akron Township. As the congregation grew, the building was enlarged by adding to the assembly room, kitchen and vestibule. The need for a larger and better church grew so that the present building was erected in Princeville.

The Princeville church was served by Bros. George Welk, Andrew Rapp, Barthol Rapp, Morton, Elias Winzeler, Tremont, and Emil Schubert, Peoria.

ATTENTION SERVICEMEN

In Vietnam and the Pacific Area and Others Interested

Arrangements are being made for ministering brethren from the States to be in Japan from October 4-24, which includes the three Sundays of October 8, 15 and 22. Tentatively, Elder Bro. Noah Schrock and possibly Bro. Ben Maibach plan to make the trip.

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UNION CITY, NEW JERSEY

E. A. Aeschleman

We enjoyed a brief surprise, but wonderful visit from Bro. Akito Inoue from Japan on Sunday, July 2. It was a perfect example of the love and oneness that comes only through God. People unknown to one another, even separated by great distance and race, can meet in the same spirit, as brothers and not as strangers. This is a gift from God which we should cherish, and much more look forward to the even greater gift of life eternal with Him, if we can remain true and faithful to the end of this life.

Sunday, July 9 was also a wonderful day of worship and fellowship. Two families, brethren who are stationed in the east in the

armed forces, worshiped with us. These were Bro. Don and Sis. Pat Bertschi of Ft. Belvoir, Va., (also Sis. LeAnn Bertschi of Morton), Bro. Steve and Sis. Janice Kaiser of Aberdeen, Md. We all enjoy lunch and fellowship at the church, after afternoon services.

QUI NHON, SOUTH VIETNAM

SP4 Bill R. Cottrell (home church, Taylor) A Year in Vietnam

Dear ones in faith: Upon my return from a long and trying year in Vietnam, I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks and appreciation for the many prayers said on my behalf and the many cards and letters of encouragement I received. As I look back on the past year, I have to count the many blessings the Lord has granted me. Truly the Almighty One has sheltered me with His wing of protection and did bring me through each trial—even when death seemed so near. Through these many experiences, I have come to live much closer to the Lord.

Even though in my own duty station I was not near any of our brethren or friends, the Lord provided the opportunities for me to travel to some of the other brothers or bring them to me. Twice last fall I was able to go to An Khe (distance of about 55 miles into the Central Highlands). The road to An Khe is open and passable by single vehicles without a convoy, is a beautiful drive past rice paddies

and cane fields, and into the mountains. In An Khe, I got to assemble with Bros. Larry Endress, Neil Schmidgall, and Roger Hartter, who is now a brother in faith since his return from Vietnam. Though our gathering was small, we received many blessings in our fellowship, as we listened to a sermon on tape.

Bro. John Hartman was able to spend a Sunday with me, in November, prior to his going on leave to Japan. Bro. John was also with me for two days over Christmas, which helped us both to enjoy this blessed day away from our families.

In April, I was privileged to take a seven-day leave to Japan, and there meet with our Japanese brethren and friends. The blessing of this trip was also shared with Bros. John and Neil. How strengthening it was to again sit in the peace and quietness of God's house and hear the wonderful words of life expounded in truth and simplicity. The Lord willing, I plan on meeting Bro. Maurice Huber and Friend Dave Klopfenstein in Japan the 7th of August, as well as Bro. Eugene Heinold, who is stationed in Alaska. How thankful can we be that our government has granted us the opportunity to visit Japan, and see the work of the Lord being accomplished in the hearts and lives of the Japanese people. May God richly bless all who share in this missionary work, and the elder brethren who have the oversight.

In closing, I would again express my thanks for the many letters I received. Also to those who kept me

well supplied with recorded sermons, I would wish for you a special blessing. I would encourage many more to write the boys in service. Even if you would not know them, how much brighter it can make each day.

ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY
Sue Kupferschmid

Because Someone Cared

She lived all alone. No one seemed to notice her. Old age and loneliness had become her daily attire. She was wrapped in the garments of despair. Nowhere did she see a new glove of friendship, waiting to be tried on for size. Her soul was wearing, from treading the paths of life. Her tattered hat offered little protection from the storms about her. Life's treasures seemed to have slipped through the holes in her pockets. Her shawl no longer kept off the cold, empty air which surrounded her. She feared the day when her trusted crutch would break, leaving her to collapse in utter helplessness.

One day she was blessed. A young soul found her stumbling along life's road. This soul showed her new garments to wear—garments of friendship, faith and prayer, and told her of new treasures—peace and joy, which could be hers and would fill the pockets of her heart to overflowing. She tossed out her broken crutch and found new strength and support in the Lord Jesus Christ, and a new road to walk. Her life suddenly became beautiful and meaningful, because someone cared. I wonder? Was that someone you?

"We are far down the road; the shadows are growing long. We are ending the dispensation of grace to the Gentiles." These words were spoken to us by Bro. Noah Hermann on July 6. After reading together from Acts 1, Bro. Noah reminded us that we don't know when our time will come to meet the Lord. He asked us to consider, "What are the chances we are taking by not giving our lives to Christ today?"

Bro. Edmund Kloter visited with us on July 13. He read to us from St. John 8:1-11, which tells us of sin and forgiveness. We must not only "suppose" that Christ came, but we must believe and be converted, to sin no more. This must be met and faced squarely either now, or when we pass through judgment after this life when we will not be

able to rectify our past.

On July 20, we were told that, "Our light doesn't have to be big if it is real." Bro. Nathan Steffen told us that if we suffer with Christ, we may also reign with Him. We must take up the cross and follow Him. The roots of this world have to be crucified, and new roots have to be formed on a different plot of ground. He told us, "The sufferings of this present time aren't worthy to be compared with the glory to be." His text was I Peter 4.

July 27, we were reminded how the word of God never grows old, and much can be learned each time it is read, as Bro. Ed Frank also read to us from I Peter 4. He told us that the building would be nothing if we did not have the firm, proper foundation. We have a challenge before us. We must face our problems not with despair, but with faith and hope. Bro. Ed said "We should consider this life a journey, an opportunity to work out our soul's salvation. If we remain true, we'll meet that Saviour when He returns."

FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

Louise Akel

Bro. Ben Maibach of Detroit visited us and warned about becoming entangled with other groups. If we pray under a minister who is not truly saved, there is great danger, in an act that seems so harmless. Only the true Spirit can satisfy the needs. We appreciate our dear brothers advice, and hope it will be taken as seriously as it should.

At lunch time, the women were busy doing the dishes and visiting, and it so happened that all the men gathered inside first, so the singing was a male chorus. It sounded beautiful.

Do Not Run Before The Lord

One of the best examples we can see in the Bible is where Philip was directed by the Spirit to join himself to the eunuch in the chariot. Only the Lord knows when the harvest is ripe and ready to be gathered in. If we, ourselves, go about preaching to a people not ready to be gathered, it is the same as plucking fruit before it has grown to maturity. The way is always opened when there is a need.

I meet many people. When the way is open, they bring up the subject of religion: then there is a need. I testify of the great love and

mercy God has shown to me and will give to every sincere soul. At one time, I went to a home on a business call, and through conversation the man mentioned that he was an elder of a large church, and that he was disgusted with the conditions prevailing in his church. He asked me of what faith I was from, and seemed very eager to talk to the brothers. I gave him the name and address, and he promised to come, but did not. Later I inquired and was told that he belonged to a male chorus that travels and puts on shows, and he did not want to give that up for anything. Many people have a desire, and the opportunity is afforded in some way. No one is stranded by God, but a lot of times it is quenched before it is started, and is not of the quality that can stand against the wiles of the devil.

On another business call, three talked to me into the wee hours of the morning. We stood for hours, and they fired question after question. It is amazing that my husband, who is a friend, had the patience to stand quietly on the side and listen. I do not know places or passages by heart, but trusted in God to answer.

Thought for today: When you receive a lot of praise, prepare to be brought low; only tears will keep us from falling.

FRANCESVILLE, INDIANA

Mrs. Herman (Chris) Wuehrich
Mrs. Edison Gutwein

We are a happy church, as our blessings are coming by the dozen. We now have two dozen loved ones repenting. They now find it a joy to attend services Sunday morning and afternoon, on Wednesday evenings, and also to sing at homes and hospitals where bodily affliction has come to loved ones. They have tasted that God is so gracious to them, and now they want to serve Him daily.

The La Crosse ministers were so happy with us too, that they all came and filled us with loving teachings. Also Bros. John Bahler, Joe Waibel & Theo. Beer expressed that the greatest concern they had was that we will all stay faithful, day after day and year after year, as long as life is given us.

We so earnestly pray for our dear Bro. Eli Anliker, who has had to have eye surgery. We are thankful Sis. Angela Von Tobel is getting along well with her broken arm.

She said she has lots to be thankful for, that until now, at the age of 79, she never had any broken bones.

Bro. Lee Overmyers and Harvey Gutwein have a prayer for joy to follow in the homes of their sons, who were married the past month.

We were asked to write an article on some good seed that was sown in our church, so it is with joy that this comes—Fifteen years ago, Sis. Katherine Huber started a J.O.Y. Circle of Mothers (Jesus first—Others next—Yourself last). At the meetings, there was always something to be made or done to bring help and cheer to those who need it so much.

The group got so large that five years ago Sis. Katherine started a Senior J.O.Y. This is what one sister wrote: "Before preparing my J.O.Y. minutes, I started browsing through the book. First thing I knew, I had spent the evening reading the whole thing, and then in saying my prayers thought of this book and the things the J.O.Y. has done and to be thankful to be one of them".

Now this year a third group, H.O.P.E. has started (Help-Other-People-Everywhere). A young teenage son suggested this name to his mother, and the group was happy for it. So dear Sis. Katherine, may God richly bless you for the great joy you have given so many. We also want to thank God for the other groups of our precious church who occasionally gather to make and do things for the less fortunate people.

All of our churches now are greatly concerned about providing a home for the **handicapped**. Why God permits we do not know, but we can pray and do all we can for them. Many tears have been shed, that there is such a long waiting list for them to be put in a home where they can have the needed care.

REMINGTON, INDIANA

Anna M. Waibel and Sisters

Bro. Theo. Beer of Milford came to assist Bro. Irvin Lehman, July 17, with the proving and baptism of Marlene Schini (Albert) and Angeline May. Their testimonies were enlightening and encouraging to us all. May we all strive to grow in grace and the knowledge of His word, that our light may shine and witness for Him who called and loves us all.

Sis. Eunice Knochel, Sis. Emily and Elsie Kilgus, my sister Louise &

I were privileged to make the trip to the Morris church dedication; the week end of July 30. The services in general reminded us how necessary it is to strive for the true faith and to remain steadfast therein. If each member would remain free from sin and Satan, the church will remain pure and holy. Watch and pray, lest we find ourselves as the dying man who had a faith he desired, but not good enough to die by. He was at death's door before he would admit he needed something more. May God help each one of us to keep the childlike faith by which we found our salvation.

We were very happy to accept the hospitality shown to us at the home of Bro. Henry and Sis. Nettie's home, and marvelled at the interesting experiences Bro. Henry can relate both materially and spiritually. He is nearing his 90th birthday, and is so happy, content, and can rejoice in the Lord, regardless of all the hardships and heartaches he has endured.

On our way home, a stop was made at Lester, at the home of Bro. Nathan and Sis. Irene (Merkel) Knobloch. She was born and reared here. We were surprised by the presence of Bro. Noah and Sis. Hattie Shrock. We enjoyed hearing of his many experiences, especially how they used to baptize in the river in the coldest weather.

Always there is thankfulness to God, when we arrive home safe and sound, protected all the way from all harm.

Funeral services were conducted for Sis. Anna L. Bahler (Ervin), 70, by Bro. Sam Aeschliman of Bluffton, on Wed., July 19. Surviving are 3 sons, Raymond, Bros. Edwin and Walter; 5 daughters, Mabel and Edith, Sisters Viola, Evelyn, and Betty. A son, David, was killed in car accident several months ago. Also surviving are two brothers, Joe and George and two sisters, Ella and Sis. Sophie. Our sympathy goes out to all concerned.

In Appreciation:

We wish to thank all our friends and relatives for their acts of love and kindness shown, also the many prayers, cards, gifts and flowers given during our dear wife and mother's illness and passing. These expressions of sympathy were deeply appreciated. The Erwin Bahler Family.

Bro. Merle Kaisner of Fairbury, Bro. Perry Zimmerman of Forrest

avored us with their presence Aug. 9. Bro. John Bahler of Rockville, was here for evening services. Always there is thankfulness for all that come and visit and serve us spiritually. May each brother be blest for their efforts.

LeRoy Beckleys have taken little 2-week-old Crystal Lynn into their home. They have two girls and one boy now. May God richly bless them for this very noble deed.

BERN, KANSAS

Esther and Stella Moser

Weddings the past month: Barbara Strahm, daughter of Bro. Alvin and Sis. Mildred, to Eugene Beethe. (Mr. and Mrs. Beethe are living in Topeka.) Bro. Wayne Strahm (Bro. Ephraim and Sis. Lorene) to Sis. Claudia Oleson, Wichita. (This couple is making their home in Wichita, where Sis. Claudia will finish her nurse's training.) We wish both couples much happiness, with the Lord's blessings.

The engagement of Bro. Wilford Strahm to Sis. Verona Hartter, Sabetha, was made known to us July 16. Parents are Bro. Emil and Sis. Grace Strahm, and Bro. Virgil and Sis. Marie Hartter.

In the annual election of Sunday School teachers, Bro. Wilfred Strahm replaces Bro. Joe Rokey. Sis. Mary Ann Plattner takes Sis. Janette Strahm's place. Other teachers are Bros. Leonard Baumgartner (superintendent), Frank Hertz, Harlan Stoller and Sis. Lola Luthi.

James Meyer, Ft Bliss, Texas, is spending a 15-day leave with his mother, Sis. Pearl Meyer and family.

Sis. Lillian Edelman was hospitalized a short time (medical), and unable to attend church for several Sundays.

Neil Hartter wishes to thank all who remembered him with cards, letters, gifts and the many prayers offered in his behalf while in the hospital, and since returning home. Neil wears a back and neckbrace, and must wear it 8-12 months.

Joe David Rokey left the 26th on his return to Germany. It was a happy 30 days at home and among friends. However, the climax came just five hours before plane time. When Sis. Lila found him crying, she sat down beside him. He said, "I'm tired of living this way." She then told him, This is what your Dad and I have been waiting and

praying for. He also said, "I can't go back to Germany this way—is why I came home." How grateful we are to a merciful God. Parting wasn't so hard this time, knowing he had turned to the Lord. In his letter home, Joe David wrote how things seemed so wonderful already, and couldn't begin to say how wonderful he felt. The 8 months (he has left to serve) won't seem so long and burdensome now. We wish him the best, both for soul and body.

BLUFFTON, INDIANA

Delutha Moser — Carolyn Gerber

Blessed are they who let Christ help them steer their course through life.

Births: July 5 a daughter, Marie Nadine to Kent and Shelia Sprunger; July 11 a son, Burt Alan to Bro. and Sis. Alan Isch; and July 28, a daughter, Jill to Bro. and Sis. Doyle Frauhiger.

Shut-ins: Sisters Amelia Bane and Mary (John) Moser.

Wedding: On July 23, Sis. Maur-
een Frank and Bro. Phillip Stettner were united in holy matrimony at Chicago. Parents of the couple are Bro. and Sis. Howard Stettner and Bro. and Sis. Maurice Frank. Bro. Al Fisher performed the ceremony.

Hoping His Hand will lead you
Upon paths where sun shines
bright,
Showing that dreams come true at
last,
Neath the glow of God's great
light.

Funeral: Services were held July 27 for Sis. Minnie (Jacob) Tonner, age 78; she was ill 4½ months. Surviving, in addition to the husband are two sons, Curtis and Harry; five daughters, Sis. Cordila (Harry) Aschliman, Lucille (Alpha) Reinhard, Marcella (Truman) Yergler, Doris (Dale) Fiechter and Mary (Marvin) Klopfenstein. Two brothers, Joe Baumgartner and Emil Baumgartner, one sister, Sylvia Baumgartner also survive. Bros. John Yergler and Carl Kipfer officiated the services.

Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost. Luke 15:6

No joy surpasses that of seeing someone find Christ as Saviour. Twelve friends have surrendered their hearts to the Lord: Marcella Dillman, Mr. and Mrs. John Schwartz, Nancy Neuenschwander,

Jerry Drayer, Leon Gerber, Ruth Schwartz, Gail Aschliman, Connie Meyer, Lu Ann Tonner, Ed Schwartz, Vickie Aschliman.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Ruth Knochel — Ruth Gudeman

A farewell singing was given for Bro. Larry Belsley, who left for the armed services, and for Bro. Ray, and Sis. Jean Haerr, who have moved to the Chicago area. Bro. Ray Haerr is continuing his study in the practice of medicine at Evanston Hospital. We all enjoyed their short stay in Detroit, and wish them God's richest blessings.

Bro. Larry is now stationed at Ft Sam Houston. We pray that God will be with him in this new life he must lead for a time, and he will ever feel the prayers of those who love him.

Bro. Don Knochel was hospitalized this past month. We are thankful to say he has recovered and is resuming his normal activities.

Friend Mary Guthrie, daughter of Bro. Richard and Sis. Florence Guthrie of Kiowa, Kansas, has been given grace to repent. Mary is working in Ann Arbor and has been attending our church for over a year. We wish her much grace at this time.

A visitor to our congregation this past month was Ministering Bro. Akito Inoue from the Tamakata church in Japan. How refreshing it was to listen to his ministry and testimony. We feel that the Lord has been very near, and very real to him and the other Japanese brethren. It seems he has a much deeper appreciation for the Christian love and fellowship that we so often take for granted. Perhaps this is because the story of salvation is still very new to many of the people in Japan. It takes Bro. Inoue five hours to get to church each Sunday.

We wish to sincerely thank our brethren who have sacrificed and devoted time and effort in bringing the message of salvation to the Japanese people.

Bro. Jerry and Sis. Kay are the happy parents of a baby daughter, Rebecca Ann. Rebecca has one brother, Jeffrey.

APOSTOLIC CHRISTIAN HOME EUREKA, ILLINOIS

August Mueller

The Lord bless thy coming in and thy going out. Amen. If there were no light, it would be impossible to

go through this dark and dreary place called "world". I feel sorry for every soul that is cast into darkness, be they young or old. There is no chance of ever seeing light again, after death. So dear friends, whoever you are, wake up from your slumber of sin, wherever you are. I was in the same position like you are now. God will grant grace, wherever grace is needed.

I had an unexpected vacation. The Ozark Airlines had a special rate from Peoria to Chicago & a return trip, for only so many days so I took it. Dennis was home from Germany. The following week, Thursday we went to Union City.

Walter had a cook-out on Saturday afternoon. Sunday, I went to church; they were glad to see me. After church, we went home (in Union City). Tuesday, I went home. When I got off the plane in Peoria, who was there but Catherine Wettstein, her parents, and Edna Stoller. That handshake came from the heart. The Lord was on my side.

We are not here to store up riches, fame and wealth. We are told to store up treasures that stay forever and ever. How can we do that? We are hired to work in the vineyard of the Lord. We agreed to work for what He offered. We will get our reward when our life on earth comes to an end.

A few days ago I read in the prophet Isaiah. The Lord was good to Hezekiah. He told him to put his house in order, that his time was up. Sooner or later, it will be us. Let us do what we can for the Lord, so we do not have to turn to the wall, so we do not have to ask for more time. The Lord gave him fifteen more years, but they were not to his benefit. Hezekiah was king over the children of Israel; he had no reason to cry. We cannot read of any king that cried a lot except David, and he had reason. One of his sons was killed by Absalom.

When Absalom was killed, he really cried, Absalom my son, my son Absalom. We read, he was one of the the best looking men in Israel.

My father was a farmer all his life. Every spring, you could see him up in the trees, cutting off the branches that grew from year to year. His reason was to have not more, but more perfect fruit. So it is in the spiritual way. The Lord looks at the quality of the fruit, and not at the quantity. Only if we bring forth good fruit can we be garnered into the everlasting barns.

Oh Lord, how great are thy works; in every county, people sing of Thy great fame. This morning, the sun is shining to the praise and honor to Him who created heaven and earth and everything that is therein. To Him be praise, honor and glory, now and forevermore. Amen.

SARDIS, OHIO

Doris Indermuhle

"Give unto the LORD, oh ye mighty, give unto the LORD . . ." Many have labored to complete our small church building, and once more we take opportunity to thank you for your unselfishness. Dedication will be Sunday, September 3. We invite you to come back then or any other time. Please let us know by September 1 how many of you plan to be with us when we dedicate our church to the Lord. You may write or call Delbert Indermuhle, Route 2, Sardis, Ohio. Phone 614-483-1724.

"Unto thee, oh God, do we give thanks, unto thee do we give thanks . . ."

PIRMASENS, GERMANY

Sherry and Ken Sauder

Oh what beautiful sunshine Germany has been blessed with this season. According to local Germans, this is the nicest summer this area has had for about 10 years. So, many of us are taking advantage of the exceptionally nice weather for traveling; Switzerland, London, Spain, Yugoslavia, Paris and Berlin are a few of the places which have been visited by various soldiers.

Several boys who are within approximately two hours distance from Pirmasens attempt to spend their free week ends with us. After Sunday services around our tape recorder, all of us often go for a drive in the beautiful surrounding countryside. During several of these Sundays, the hunger pangs were satisfied with a quiet picnic overlooking the fertile wheatfields and vineyards. These experiences enjoying God's creation represent a blessing to us all.

Highlighting this past month were our visitors from the States. On July 15 and 16, Bro. Henry and Sis. Alice Beer and son, Max, from Milford met with 11 servicemen who were able to get passes to come to Neu-huetton. In addition, Bro. Paul and Sis. Elaine (Steiner) Eisenmann from Oakville pleasant-

ly surprised us with their joining us. Bro. Paul was renewing some of the memories and friendships he experienced while stationed over here ten years ago.

All of us gathered at the Altersheim (Old Folk's Home) Saturday evening for supper, singing, and meditation by Bro. Henry. Several families from the Neu-huetton congregation came to escort the Americans to their homes and provide overnight lodging. Then Sunday, we met in the church auditorium for English services. (The Neu-huetton congregation meets only in the afternoon on several Sundays of the month, so this was one of those Sundays when the morning was free for our use.) The Altersheim again hosted our lunch, and in the afternoon we joined the Neu-huetton congregation for German services. After the German minister had finished, Bro. Henry summarized and translated the sermon for us. Again we wish to thank Bro. Henry for spiritually inspiring us, and thank the Neu-huetton congregation for the use of their facilities and their unending hospitality.

The last week end of July, we had more welcomed visitors—Bro. Vernon and Sis. Verda Blunier from Roanoke and son, Dale (stationed near Heilbronn). Several other servicemen joined the Bluniers and us, and we toured the famous castle at Heidelberg. That evening we dined together in a farm home that has been converted into a restaurant, nestled among the beautiful hills just outside of Heidelberg.

Again a cordial invitation is extended to all to come and fellowship with us the first Sunday of each month, or any other convenient week end. We especially welcome the new arrivals; just write a letter indicating the day and time of your arrival in Pirmasens, to either our APO or economy address. Then someone will come to the Bahnhof to meet you and escort you to our apartment at 46 Zweibrueckerstrasse, 678 Pirmasens, West Germany.

ELGIN, ILLINOIS

Louise Steffen — Katie Kachelmuss

Our guest ministers were Bros. Noah Hermann of Tuscon, Phillip Sauder of Cissna Park, and Akito Inoue of Tamahata (Japan). We received many good teachings from the word of God. To have a brother-in-faith, a native of Japan, standing before us, proclaiming the word

of God and praising God for His goodness and love toward mankind was very touching. Again we can see that God's ways are much higher than our ways and His thoughts than our thoughts, for we would not have ever expected that we would see the day that a Japanese brother would be on our pulpit and minister unto us. He reminded us how fortunate we are to be such a large group of believers, and told us how small their congregations are in Japan, three members (including himself) in his church. His heavenly calling and God's love are so very precious to him. We wish him grace and strength to carry on in the ministry, because we know it is so needed over there, where the harvest also is great and the laborers few.

Bro. Ed. Gudeman was hospitalized for a short time, but is now at home again.

Leo Banwart, husband of Sis. Helen Banwart, has had major lung surgery and has been very ill. Our prayers are that God will be his strength and help in affliction and to also his loved ones, who so tenderly care for him.

Within that wondrous pool, whose waves were agitated,
Whene'er the angel's power unseen
its depth pervaded,
There every woe and pain could
find a speedy cure,
For him who first did gain its
waters deep and pure.

We are experiencing this in our midst—eight precious souls have heeded the call of the Saviour to take up the cross and follow Him, to become lambs of His flock. We hope many more will be awakened while the door of grace is still open.

Bro. Michael and Sis. Elizabeth Schumacher and family have moved to R. R. 1, West Point Iowa 52656 . . . And Bro. Charles and Sis. Mary Ann Sauder have moved to St. Joseph, Missouri. We miss them in our church circle, and wish them God's blessings in their new locations.

VALPARAISO, INDIANA

Mrs. W. A. Jacob

Mrs. Harry Bucher

Our dear friend, Jack Bucher, has given his heart to the Lord. He has been announced and wishes to be baptized. May God grant him grace, that his wishes may be fulfilled.

We are so thankful for Bro.

Harry Bucher ministering to us Sunday after Sunday untiringly. May God grant him grace and strength, that he may continue to proclaim the true gospel. Recently, he meditated on building our hopes on the solid Rock, which is Jesus Christ.

... We sing in a hymn ...

His oath, His covenant, His blood,
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ, the solid Rock I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

Hymns of Zion No. 99

We are happy and welcome Willis Feller and his wife, Sis. Eunice, of Griffith (Ind.) to our congregation.

SHIODA, JAPAN

Marie Neihouser

"All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all." The words of this song expressed our thoughts as we gathered for our summer "Shuyokai" near Kofu. The theme of this fellowship meeting concerned "The End of The World," "Preparation for It," and "Working until it Comes." Our ministering brothers, Willis Ehnle, Yoshio Yamazaki, and John Klaus, brought us inspiring messages on these topics, which are quite timely—especially with the conflict in the Middle East. We appreciate and enjoy this opportunity to work and fellowship together in singing hymns, meal preparation, classes for the children, and most of all, meditation upon God's word. We were reminded from Hebrews 9:26 that it was considered the end of the world when Christ was here on earth. How much closer we are to it today. Have we made preparation for the end-time by repentance, through faith believing that Christ is the Son of God? Are we working until the end, by serving our fellowman, being good witness, and living a holy life acceptable to God. All of these teachings were brought to us clear and plain. May we strive to walk more closely with our Heavenly Father.

In addition to a number of the members and friends of our three churches attending the fellowship meeting, we were happy to have two Viet Nam soldiers with us. Bro. Tom Schifferer of Elgin and Martin Meister of Fairbury. We trust that

God could be glorified at our meeting, and that His children could be edified and friends be drawn closer to the plan of salvation. Most of those present lack the background of Sunday School training that many of us have had. Wherefore, we pray for a special blessing upon them.

Bros. John Klaus and Yoshio Yamazaki ministered to our Shioda congregation this past month. Bro. John reminded us that if we humble ourselves, God can work easily with us. Bro. John's wife, Sis. Betty, and children accompanied him, and also Bro. Roger Moser, who was spending his "R.R." from Viet Nam in Japan. His home is Rockville. Bro. Yamazaki reminded us of God's love and forgiveness. Do we forgive as we should?

Other visitors to the country were Sis. Yoshiko Utsuki, whose assistance in the Sunday School was appreciated, and the Glenn Erb family of Tokyo, who are now visiting in America. We wish them a pleasant stay and a safe return trip.

It is harvest-time for the peach growers in our area, and they are busy gathering the fruit, plus helping to pack it at the local packing houses. The trees are productive this year; God has blessed us with a good crop . . . So it is with the souls of men, the seed is sown and cared for, but we need God's blessing for the increase.

NEW MARTINSVILLE, W. VA.

Mrs. Gus Weltz

Miss Della Witschey

Community Open House was observed by the Monroe Church on August 13. The regular morning service was held, with lunch at noon; the afternoon service began at one thirty o'clock. Following the service, tours of the newly-renovated church were made. A good crowd was present, and the day was enjoyed by all who attended.

The service at the country church on July 30 was in charge of the following ministers, Ernest Graf, Jesse Emch and Delbert Indermuhle. The crowd was small, but the fellowship was good, and all enjoyed the day. The weather was ideal on the hill-top, and all expressed joy in having been there.

Mrs. Nora Hunter, mother of Mrs. Paul Berger, passed away on July 17. Services were held from the Iams Funeral Home, here, on July 19.

Miss Mabel Barth has returned

to her work in Denver, Colorado, after spending a three-week vacation here with relatives.

Dan Witschey, who has been a patient in the local hospital for several weeks, remains about the same.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Emch of Boardman, O., spent the week-end of July 30 here with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Weltz and Mrs. C. O. Wade visited with their brother, Frank Barth, in Parkersburg on July 27.

Mrs. Robert Witschey and John Witschey of Charleston visited with the Witschey families here in early August.

Mrs. Della Oneacre Smith is seriously ill in the Ohio Valley Hospital in Wheeling, having had head surgery, and suffering a heart attack and a slight stroke, following the surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Wade returned home on August 7, following a few days visit with Mrs. Wade's sisters. Mrs. R. D. Williams in Akron and Mrs. Freda Durig in Girard.

Sunday dinner guests of Miss Della Witschey on August 6 were her neices, Mary, Margaret and Elizabeth Witschey.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Durig were business visitors in Huntington, W. Va., on August 2.

We have had many good heavy rains the past two weeks, which has helped the crop and vegetable markets.

ALABAMA

Ann Klopfenstein

Visiting ministers: Bro. Lester Huber, and Bro. Wendell Gudeman.

Ronny Ray Naylor, son of Bro. Carl and Mavis Naylor is to have surgery on his right ear, Wednesday, Aug. 9. His ear has been causing him much trouble, and we hope it can be corrected.

Mr. John Frost died July 18, as a result of a long sickness. Burial was on July 20. He is the father of Bro. Richard Frost.

Hospitalized: Mrs. Vibbert; Mrs. Harville (mother of Dyars Harville); Jimmy Dalton Harville; Arnold Lee Haggemaker; Mr. Massey.

BAY CITY, MICHIGAN

Marlene Mosher

We in Bay City have spent many blessed Sundays and evenings this past month with visiting ministers. Visiting were Bro. Joe Kaisner (and his wife), Forrest; Bro. Hartz-

ell Kaisner (& his wife), Bro. Floyd Weiland (and family), Detroit; and Bro. Ezra Feller (and some of his family), Cissna Park. These brothers ministrings were very much appreciated by us, and also the fellowship that we were able to share with them. We have had many other visitors with us also, and have enjoyed each one so very much.

Our congregation has also been blessed with another soul to join our fold. Bro. Clifford Jones has been proved, baptized and added to the fold. On this blessed occasion, we had with us Bro. Noah Bauman and Sis. Bertha of Rittman. This was one of our most enjoyable days once again, and we hope to have many more to follow. We need so many supporters and workers for our Lord. Young people, come and join us and use your youthful energies for our Lord and Saviour. Those of you who are older come to Him; the door is still open. We need you, and want you all.

We in Bay City have held our annual Sunday School Picnic, with guests from Rittman and Alto. What a blessed Saturday and Sunday we enjoyed with our youth. We had a wonderful turn-out of our Sunday School children, and they all stayed with us for the singings, both on Saturday and Sunday evenings. What a pleasure to be able to work with them, to be able to have a day just for them, to have them all gathered together with us. Our teenagers are not just kids, but they are friends. We love them all, and we hope that we are a light unto them. We wish that everyone of them will find their Lord and live for Him.

BURLINGTON, OKLAHOMA

La Verne Roth — Millicent Frieden

We rejoice at the news of a new convert, Mary Guthrie, daughter of Bro. Richard and Sis. Florence. Although Mary is working at Ann Arbor, Mich. and attends the Detroit church, we still consider her one of "ours", since she grew up and attended Sunday School here. May God give her sufficient grace in this new undertaking.

There is only one hospital patient to report this month, Sis. Nelda Ott, who is now back in church. We should also remember our other shut-ins with our thoughts, prayers and visits. They are Sis. Ollie Frieden, who suffered a stroke several years ago, and Bro. John Schup-

bach, who had surgery early in the spring.

The afternoon of July 30, the Wichita congregation and Sunday School were our guests for a supper served in the church basement. Following the meal, hymns were sung and services conducted. There was a good turnout, and everyone enjoyed themselves. How wonderful it is that souls can travel a distance and meet and greet with others of like mind and faith. Our Sunday School children also seemed to benefit from the Christian fellowship, which is so important in shaping our future church.

We have been especially blessed this month with the inspirational messages brought to us by several visiting ministers. July 23, Bro. Joe Aberle of Sabetha was with us. He was accompanied by his wife, Sis. Mary and son, Bro. Steve. The evening of July 30, Bro. Al Langhofer of Wichita ministered to us. He was with the Wichita group that assembled with us that evening. August 6, Bro. John Somerhalder of Phoenix was in our midst. Sis. Charlene and their two children accompanied him. We surely appreciate these brothers coming from afar to lend themselves to us, and also the Christian fellowship that is derived from these loved ones' visits.

The Guy In The Glass

When you get what you want
In your struggle for self,
And the world makes you king for
a day,
Then go to the mirror and look at
yourself,
And see what the guy has to say.

For it isn't your father or mother
or wife
Whose judgment upon you must
pass;
The feller whose verdict counts
most in your life
In the guy staring back from the
glass.

You may fool the whole world
Down the pathway of years,
And get pats on the back as you
pass,
But your final reward will be head-
ache and tears,
If you've cheated the guy in the
glass.

CONGERVILLE, ILLINOIS

Lorna Schrock — Jeanette Knapp
At our annual Sunday School
election, Bros. Kenny Knapp and

Harold Schieber were elected to replace Bros. Keith Roth and John Schieber, whose terms have expired. Also, Sis. Ruth Schumacher was chosen to teach the younger children. Bro. Bob Knapp was reelected superintendent, and Bro. Chris Miller was elected assistant superintendent.

During the past month, we were blessed to have as guest ministers the following brothers: Noah Schrock, Oakville; Frank Woertz, Goodfield; Leroy Huber, Eureka; Bob Grimm, Goodfield; and Irvin Stoller, Latty.

A new baby boy, Todd Michael, arrived on July 28. He is the first child of Bro. Byron and Sis. Mary Schrock.

Since the last report, we have five new converts. They are: **Bonnie Grusy**, daughter of Bro. Elmer and Sis. Minnie; **Lulu and Orville Zimmerman** and their son, **Fred**; and **Ernie Stahl**, son of Bro. Emil and Sis. Della. Ernie's wife, Norma, also a recent convert, met Ernie (who is presently serving in Viet Nam) in Hawaii during his "R. and R". She returned with the glad news of his repentance. No doubt he will have many trying hours during the remainder of his stay in Viet Nam, but now he has One who will be near to protect him wherever he must go. The words from the following song, taken from the **Gospel Hymns**, are printed here to encourage Ernie and all of our boys serving our country so faithfully.

He Knows

I know not what awaits me;
God kindly veils my eyes,
And o'er each step of my onward
way
He makes new scenes to rise,
And every joy He sends me, comes
A sweet and glad surprise.

One step I see before me;
'Tis all I need to see.
The light of heav'n more brightly
shines,
When earth's illusions flee,
And sweetly through the silence,
came
His loving "Follow me."

O blissful lack of wisdom,
'Tis blessed not to know;
He holds me with His own right
hand,
And will not let me go,
And lulls my troubled soul to rest
in him, who loves me so.

So on I go, not knowing;

I would not if I might.

I'd rather walk in the dark with God

Than go alone in the light;

I'd rather walk by faith with Him

Than go alone by sight.

Where He may lead I'll follow,

My trust in Him repose,

And ev'ry hour in perfect peace

I'll sing, He knows, He knows.

EUREKA, ILLINOIS

Cathryn Wettstein—Salome Walter

Our visiting ministers the past month have been as follows—Bro. Robert Grimm—Goodfield, Bro. Joe Kaisner—Forrest, Bro. Hartzel Kaisner—Detroit, Bro. Frederick Knapp—Congerville.

Death—Sis. Sarah Fehr, wife of Bro. Philo, passed away at the Eureka Hospital July 11. Her funeral was held on Friday, the 14th. Bros. Leroy Huber and Vernon Leman were in charge of the services. She is survived by her husband and the following children—Bro. Ralph of Eureka, Bro. Oliver of Deer Creek, Bro. John of Forrest, Grace Staub of Peoria, Sis. Cynthia Aeschleman of Roanoke and Dorothy Shorman of Morton, also two brothers, 16 grandchildren and 11 great-grand children. She will be greatly missed by her family and all, but God knows what is best for each one of His children. May the family be comforted with this.

Birth: A son to Bro. and Sis. Robert and Charlene Schumacher, on July 24. He has been named Dennie Lee. This is their third son.

We have more good news, as there are nine more souls that are seeking the Lord. They are—Evelyn, daughter of Henry and Sis. Wilma Blunier; Keith, son of Bro. and Sis. Vernon and Viola Leman; Sam, son of Bro. and Sis. Ralph and Lula Fehr; Nelson, son of Bro. and Sis. Virgil and Pauline Rocke; Mark, son of Bro. and Sis. Harry and Lydia Rocke; Tom, son of Bro. and Sis. Willis and Wilma Stoller; Lynn, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Willis and Florence Wuthrich; Duane, son of Bro. and Sis. Sam and Elizabeth Blunier; John, son of Bro. and Sis. Dan and Dorothy Hartter.

There must be great rejoicing in heaven because there are so many near and dear ones repenting at this time (also in the surrounding churches). May God be with each, with grace to help in time of need, and may He continue to call yet

many more to this wonderful way of life.

Arthur Fehr is a patient in the Proctor Hospital in Peoria. He was injured in a farm accident at his farm, in which he sustained a broken wrist and other injuries.

Sis. Lizzie Bradle remains in a coma at this time in the Eureka Hospital. She has been there six weeks.

Sometimes our skies are cloudy and dreary;

Sometimes our hearts are burdened with care,

But we know, whate'er may befall us,

Jesus is always there.

FAIRBURY, ILLINOIS

Joyce Huber

On a recent visit, the messages of Bros. Ezra Feller and Ed Alt brought out, that in Proverbs it says we should search for knowledge and understanding of the Lord as for hidden treasures; & if we're searching for hidden treasures, we don't just look on the surface—we dig deep, and perhaps pray into the night. Jacob was an example in wrestling all night with the angel, until he received the blessing of the new name of Israel, meaning a prince with God, instead of Jacob, the supplanter.

The engagements were announced of Bro. Carlos Meiss to Sis. Jane Metzger of West Bend, and Sis. Linda Hartman to Bro. Neil Schmidgall of Morris. Miss Wanda Kaisner was married to Al Kupferschmid of Forrest on July 30. We wish the Lord's blessings for all of them.

Bro. Eli Meiss was chosen to handle the alms fund, to replace Bro. Alex Stoller who had passed away.

Bros. Simon and George Wagenbach gave us inspiring sermons, repeating Jesus' words that we should pray to send laborers into the harvest, for the harvest is great, but laborers are few.

Sis. Bertha Kaisner, 83, passed away at the Fairbury Hospital (she had been at Fairview Haven). Surviving are 4 daughters: Mrs. Sophia Aupperle, Mrs. Esther Aupperle, Mrs. Alivina Nelson, Mrs. Elizabeth Bartlett; 6 sons, Louis, Clyde, Victor, Amos, Ervin, Melvin; 3 sisters—Sis. Matilda Kaisner, Mrs. Lois Getz, Mrs. Sophia Henbach, 25 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Bro. George Zimmerman is recovering after having surgery.

Bro. Hartzel Kaisner of Detroit ministered to us, meditating on Luke 9, that Jesus gave His disciples power to cast out devils and cure diseases, and that Jesus does the same today.

Mr. and Mrs. John Roth's son, Sam, has returned home safely from service at Viet Nam. He reports now to North Carolina for a few more months of service.

Sis. Esther (Zimmerman) Stoller, 75, passed away at the home of her sister, Sis. Lydia Bittner, where she had resided since January. Surviving are 4 sisters—Sis. Bittner, Sis. Louise Moulton, Kathryn Nussbaum, Sis. Margaret Zimmerman; 4 brothers—Bro. Louis, Bro. George, Lee and Alvin. May God bless Sis. Bittner, her family, and all those who cared for her during her long illness.

FORREST, ILLINOIS

Martha Stoller

Carolyn Zimmerman

Sis. Tillie Rieger has returned to her home, after being a surgical patient in Memorial Hospital, Springfield, for 11 days.

Visiting ministers recently were: Bros. Carl Kipfer, Bluffton; Hartzel Kaisner, Detroit; and Edwin Ringger, Gridley.

Bro. Wayne and Sis. Roberta Broquard welcome their first baby girl into their home. She has been named Tess Elaine.

Warren and Sis. Betty Ifft named their third child Devra Janea. She has a brother, Kevin and a sister, Dawn to welcome her home.

John Stoller, son of Bro. Elmer and Sis. Rosetta, has answered the call of the Lord. We trust he will enjoy many blessings in his new walk of life.

The engagement of Sis. Joni Honegger, daughter of Bro. Perry and Sis. Louise, and Bro. Robert Moser of Cissna Park has been announced. We wish them God's blessings in their future undertaking.

Written in memory of our son, Scott Allen Zimmerman, who passed away August 21, 1966 and dedicated to all parents who have made this same experience.

God's Garden of Children

For where else is there such a soul so free from sin and self will? Only the soul of a little child this space can truly fill.

A soul that's ever humble as only
child can be,
Always with the thought in mind to
please whoever they do see.

A soul that's forgiving, with love
in his heart,
The type of creation God planned
from the start.

So He is filling His Garden with
children's souls so pure,
Since so few when grown seem to
take His cross and endure.

And though our hearts ache for the
child he did choose,
If it brought to God some comfort
we are willing then to lose.

Bro. Allen and Sis. Carolyn
Zimmerman

FORT WAYNE, INDIANA

Mary Eisenmann — Marge Gerber

Have you ever stood on a hilltop
and felt you could reach up and
touch the heavens above? Such is
the beautiful spot where stands a
little church in Sardis, which we
recently visited. As you wind along
the road, you see it framed before
you, beckoning you to come and
worship there. Then, as you walk
around it and look out in all direc-
tions, you see the beauty of God's
creation surrounding it in hill and
dale, tree and shrub, with a little
haze here or there, or a little bird
or flower, and the glowing sun
overhead. What a beautiful spot
to commune with our loving God!
We could surely feel the divine love
of God in fellowshiping with those
who worship there. Thus, we began
a week's vacation.

Our little one expressed our
thoughts when she said, "I liked
my vacation, but, I like my little
housey!"

Bill Pulver spent a 15-day fur-
lough with his parents, Bro. and
Sis. Lester and Florence, and other
relatives and friends, and now has
returned to his base.

Sis. Anna Schott was hospital-
ized the past 4 weeks, and under-
went major surgery on July 22. At
this writing she is anticipating her
release from the Parkview Hospital
soon, and mail may be sent to her
at this address: 2110 Forrest Park
Blvd., Ft. Wayne, Ind 46805.

Although we know Sis. Anna is
not completely recovered, we are
thankful for the progress she has
made; may God continue to be with
her, for surely He has been her
companion, comfort and strength

in the past days and hours, as He
has promised. Sis. Anna wished to
express her heartfelt thanks to
all who have remembered her in
any way, and especially for the
prayers that have been said in her
behalf!

Visiting ministers this month
were Bro. Ed Ringger of the Grid-
ley congregation and Bro. Elmer
Bucher of Francesville. May God
bless and be with them always.

We enjoyed having 24 young
people from the Remington Sunday
School with us the 23rd of July.
They were accompanied by Bros.
Bob Clauss and Ben Braker and
their wives, and came by chartered
bus. Through visits like this, our
children have the opportunity to
meet other young people and be-
come better acquainted. We thank
the teachers who make this possi-
ble.

GRIDLEY, KANSAS

Mrs. Rudy Bahr

Mrs. Eldon Metzger

Sis. Alice Raaf remains in about
the same condition, but returned to
her home last week. Sis. Lydia Bahr
was released from the Wichita hos-
pital last week, and has now started
her "out-patient" physical therapy
each day at the hospital. She seems
to be making excellent progress—
she walks with the aid of a walker
several times a day.

The teenagers are making plans
to attend the fellowship gathering
near Topeka with the other
churches in this area.

Marsha Beyer, daughter of Ver-
non and Rosemarie Beyer and
granddaughter of Bro. Frank and
Sis. Lizzie Beyer, has enrolled in
college at Wichita. She graduated
from high school this past spring.

Friend Harlan Bahr has been dis-
charged from the army. He had
been in Germany before discharge;
he now has employment in Wichita.

We are enjoying new formica top
tables in our dining room, along
with some new stacking chairs.

LAMONT, KANSAS

Mrs. Stephen Schrader

Ours has been a most pleasant
July here in Kansas; the weather
has been cooler than normal, and
we have had an abundance of mois-
ture. We have so much for which to
be thankful.

Our friend, Ben Ott, who had
surgery in June, was dismissed from
the hospital on August 5. For a
time his recovery was very slow,

but he is much improved, even
though he still has ahead a period
of convalescence. We wish him a
rich measure of healing from
Above, and look forward to seeing
him in church once again.

Katie Fankhauser, our shut-in
sister, remains about the same and
is still a patient in the Elm Unit of
Newman Memorial Hospital in Em-
poria.

The condition of our dear Sis.
Judy Isch is improved, following
a stay in the hospital for tests and
observation. She is again at home
with her loved ones.

If we could push ajar the gates of
life,

And stand within and all God's
workings see,

We could interpret all this doubt
and strife,

And for each mystery could find
a key . . .

But not today. Then be content,
poor heart!

God's plans, like lilies pure and
white, unfold:

We must not tear the close-shut
leaves apart . . .

Time will reveal the calyxes of
gold.

"Know Each Other Better"

In writing this, memories from
many years come flooding back, as
I have known this brother-in-faith
for as long as I can remember.

Bro. Pete Fankhauser, son of
John and Rosa Fankhauser, was
born in Kansas on August 30, 1881.
He was married to Katie Sauder,
and they farmed the land on which
he had been born and raised.

A few years after they were mar-
ried, they turned to the Lord in re-
pentance and became united into
the Body of Christ. Elder Joseph
Huber conducted their provings and
baptisms. They became the parents
of eleven children—Clarence, Arn-
old, Sis. Edna Frieden of Lamar,
Roy, Dale, Orval, Paul, Willis, Rob-
ert (who farms the homestead),
Kathryn Brooks, and Sis. Geraldine
Beyer of Phoenix.

Bro. Pete has served our congre-
gation as a Sunday School teach-
er, and then over thirty years as
a minister of the gospel. His simple
faith and devotion to Christ has
always been an inspiration to me,
and is well expressed in a verse
which has often been quoted by
Bro. Pete: "So teach us to number
our days, that we may apply our
hearts unto wisdom." Psalm 90:12.

LATTY, OHIO**Mrs. Tom Grant****Mrs. Delmar Stoller**

On July 9, our Elder Bro. George Sinn, with the assistance of Bro. Loren Stoller, served us Holy Communion. It truly is humbling and strengthening to partake of this holy rite, a remembrance of Jesus last hours in the garden of Gethsemane and how He gave His life for us that we may receive salvation.

On July 11 our friend, Ronald Gerber left to serve our country. He is the son-in-law of Bro. Clem and Sis. Elizabeth Wieland, and grandson of Bro. Jesse and Sis. Mary Gerber. We wish him God's guidance and protection.

We are happy to have our friend Chuck Dunham, son of Bro. Charles and Sis. Laura Dunham, home again. He was discharged from the army July 17 and is now engaged in farming.

The week end of July 15 and 16, we were privileged to have with us the Bay City Bible Class, a group of fifty with parents. A picnic was held at the Woodburn Park on Saturday evening, followed by a singing and a talk by Bro. Loren Stoller. On Sunday, a potluck was held at the church, with over two hundred attending. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and made many new friends.

The week end of July 22-23, Bro. Jack Leman, two sons and their wives, Bro. Bill and Sis. Helen, Bro. Sam and Sis. Ann, from Roanoke visited in our congregation. Bro. Jack moved away from Latty in 1940, and this was his first visit back. We thoroughly enjoyed their visit and wish them God's blessing.

Bro. Roy Enhle from Bradford ministered to us the evening of July 30. He brought us an inspiring message of the power of God.

Those in the hospital this past month were Sonny Laukhuf, son of Carl and Louis, Bro. Richard Laukhuf; and Sis. Dora Sinn.

Keep your heart free from hate, your mind from worry. Live simply; Expect little; give much. Fill your life with love. Scatter sunshine. Forget self, think of others. Do as you would be done by.

MANSFIELD, OHIO**Aaron A. Sauder**

The entire church was invited to join with the Sunday School pupils when they held the annual

picnic, after church on Sunday afternoon, July 2. Bro. Wallace and Sis. Helen Ramsier were hosts for the affair, as all assembled at their farm for an afternoon of fellowship, followed by a picnic supper.

Sis. Elizabeth Kraus, who formerly made her home in Akron, is now residing in our Mansfield church home. We are happy to have her worship with us, and hope she will enjoy being a part of our fellowship.

Congratulations to Bro. Jack and Sis. Joyce Cordrey on the birth of a baby girl, Saturday July 29. Little Peggy was also welcomed by a sister and two brothers.

Sis. Alice Sauder Grazi (Frank) and Sis. Marymae Fuhrer Bocka (Harry) both underwent surgery this past month, and Fran Beer (daughter of Dave and Lena) had a tonsillectomy. We are thankful the Lord has blessed them with returning health. Also hospitalized for tests, infections, etc. were Bro. Will Sauder, Craig Riggenbach (son of Ronald and Lekan), Mark Sauder (son of Ken and Sue), and Eric Dotterer (son of Vern and Christine).

Our thanks to Bro. Robert Stoll from Girard, who visited us on July 23 and proclaimed the gospel message to us. We also rejoice with the young people in our congregation who have turned to the Lord.

Give of your best to the Master;
Give Him the strength of your youth.

Clad in salvation's full armor,
Join in the battle for truth.

MORRIS, MINNESOTA**Mrs. Herman Schaefer****Mrs. Otto Schaefer**

Bro. Neil Schmidgall and Alvin Nohl Jr. have been home on leave from Viet Nam. We are thankful to God that they could return home safe to their loved ones. They both plan to be discharged in December of this year.

Funeral services were held on July 10 for Arthur Krouse of Tenney, Minn., at a Breckenridge funeral home, by Bro. Paul Fehr. Burial was in the Tenney cemetery. Survivors are his wife, Hilda and three sons, Robert, Charles and Ronald. Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved family.

Jerry Joos, son of Bro. and Sis. Albert Joos, and Cathy Wilbert have been united in marriage. We wish them the blessings of God.

Bro. Carl Joos has met with a serious farm accident. He is presently in the Stevens County Hospital in Morris. He suffered a broken right hip. We pray that Bro. Carl will soon be well and able to worship with us once again.

Best wishes to Sis. Linda Hartman, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Warren Hartman of Fairbury, and Bro. Neil Schmidgall, son of Bro. and Sis. Wayne Schmidgall of Morris, whose engagement was announced Sunday, August 6.

Open House was held July 23 for our new edifice. There were approximately 900 friends and neighbors in attendance.

Our new church was dedicated on July 30. Sharing our blessings were the following elders and ministers: Bro. Noah Schrock, Oakville; George Gramm, Gridley (Ill.); Silas Leuthold, Princeville; Leo Moser, Lester; George Sinn, Latty; Ezra Feller, Cissna Park; Herman Kellenberger Elgin (Ill.); Paul Banwart, West Bend; Roy Grimm, Taylor; Walter Koehl, Fairbury; Harvey Heiniger, Oakville; Clarence Kachelmuss, Forrest; Harold Messner, Winthrop; Paul Butikofer, Elgin (Ia.); Elmer Schmidt, Winthrop; Albert Wuthrich, Pulaski; and Jess Schrock, Congerville.

Our Church is Dedicated**Bro. Alpha Moser**

What do we build when we build a church?

Dedicated to the work of God,
We build a house where men can pray
And rest from their labors on this sod.

We form a path for man to walk
As he travels thru this vale,
Where he can find courage with
God to talk,
When trials of life 'round him
assail.

We build a foundation within our youth
And lay a great corner stone,
Then gird this great building with
loving truth,
That Jesus is God's only Son.

We build the morals of men on earth,
When their structure and strength
would decay.
God opens a door for spiritual
rebirth,
To construct our lives in a righteous
way.

We build the ladder of Jacobs' dream,
The hopes for eternal life.
Christ's resurrection we use for a beam
To support this house 'mid the strife.

With Gods' help our building is erected;
It is dedicated to his service bold.
May no purchased one ere be rejected
That is bought by Christs' blood to the fold.

MORTON, ILLINOIS

Rose Getz — Ruth Rapp

How thankful we can be to have a government who asks us to pray was one of the messages brought to us by Bro. Ben Hartzler of Rittman. Others bringing us precious teachings were Bro. Henry Sabo of Mansfield; Bro. Harvey Grimm, Bern; Bro. Ezra Feller, Cissna Park and Bro. Walter Anliker, Eureka.

Funeral services were held July 14 for Bro. Gottlieb Tanner, age 75. He was the son of Melchoir and Mina Sutter Tanner. He leaves his wife, Sis. Lydia Koehling Tanner; three daughters, Ruth Handwerker, Esther Frederick and Mary Ellen Benjamin; three sons, Wm., Clarence and David, to mourn his loss. Our church and community will miss his many deeds of kindness. Bros. Russell Rapp, Henry Grimm and August Bolliger (of Tremont) officiated.

Funeral services for Bro. Elmer Witzig, 69, who died suddenly while visiting his daughter, Lois (in Highland Park), were held July 15. He was the son of Bro. Theo. and Sis. Mary Smith Witzig. Surviving are his wife, Naoma Domnick Witzig, and the following children—Mary Ellen Winnings, Sis. Lois (Boyd) Metzger, Sis. Shirley (Ed) Hauter; four sons, Bros. Harold and Gene of Morton, Bro. Wm. of Altadena and Frederick of Duluth, Minnesota; and his aged mother. Bros. Henry and Robert Grimm, Mike Weyeneth and Russell Rapp officiated.

Sis. Bertha Domnick, 74, passed away unexpectedly July 27. Funeral services were held July 29 by our home ministers. Surviving are five sisters, Sis. Naoma Witzig, Marie (Lawrence) Rapp; Salome (Alfred) Carius; Lois (Arthur) Hauter and Katherine (Ellis) Béal of Harper, Kansas. She was the daughter of Bro. Fred and Sis.

Barbara Ellen Steiner Domnick.

Sis. Ruth Rapp and Sis. Rachel Bauman met with a painful car accident and are hospitalized with multiple fractures at the Methodist Hospital in Peoria. Other hospital patients are Sis. Ruth Strunk (Mrs. Wm.), Sis. Mona Stoller (Mrs. Elmer), and little Steve Kaiser, son of Bro. and Sis. Orman Kaiser, who had eye surgery.

Bro. Chris and Sis. Mayme Kipfer celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary July 16, at the Restmor Nursing Home.

Sis. Kayleen Rumbold and Bro. Ronald Heiniger were united in marriage July 30, by Bro. Russell Rapp. At present they are living at Jacksonville, Ill., where he is attending school and Kayleen is nursing in the hospital.

Bro. Robert Kaiser and his bride of June 11, Sis. Diana Belsley formerly of Eureka (who have been living in Detroit), will be transferring to Champaign this fall—where he will attend the University of Illinois.

PEORIA, ILLINOIS

Emily Tanner

Mrs. Michael Weyeneth

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Dreyer announced the engagement of their daughter, Cheryl Ann to Don C. Hendress, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hendress of Watska.

United in marriage August 6 were Linda Schaefer, daughter of Bro. Ernest and Sis. Frieda Schaefer of Tremont, and Roger Ziegenhorn, son of Bro. Bernard and Sis. Delma Ziegenhorn. The young couple plan to live in Peoria.

Bro. Robert and Sis. Ethel Wai-bel are the parents of Jeffrey Scott, born July 15.

Keith and Barbara Schafer are the parents of Todd Christopher, born July 20.

Mrs. Margaret M. Isch died July 10. Her husband died in 1948. She is survived by one nephew and two nieces. Sis. Martha Simon had been her nurse and companion for the past 18 years. Services were held at Wilton Mortuary, with Bro. Le-roy Hartman officiating.

John W. Schlipf died July 22. His wife, Carolyn died February 9 of this year. Surviving are one sister, Miss Lou Schlipf, two brothers, Fred and Emil; and a number of nieces and nephews. Services were held at Wilton Mortuary, with Bro. Roy Sauder officiating.

Sis. Esther Stoller died August

5 at the home of her sister, Mrs. Lydia Bittner of Fairbury. She was a former resident of Peoria. Her husband, Bro. Sam Stoller died in 1962. Our sympathy is extended to her family, most of which live around Fairbury.

We welcome Bro. Ellsworth and Sis. Evelyn Stoller & their family to our assembly. They formerly went to the Bradford church. Their children are Bethany Ann-8, David-6, Rebecca-5, Mary Jo 3. Their address is 5704 N. Western, Peoria Illinois.

It is encouraging for all of us when we can observe dear ones turn their back to sin and Satan, and open their heart's door to let the Saviour in.

Our congregation enjoyed the visits of three guest ministers: Bros. Lavoyd Moore from Athens, Elmer Hartter from Milford, and Hartzell Kaisner from Detroit. May the Lord reward them for their labors of love. We heard from our ministering brothers, that they can feel when the congregation prays for them. Let us never forget to do this, as it means so much—both to the brothers who speak through the inspiration of God's word, and we the hearers likewise receive more from the message.

PRINCEVILLE, ILLINOIS

Ruth Ricketts—Anna Marie Baer

We almost feel we are in the perilous times, as we read and hear of wars and rumors of wars, earthquakes, rioting, envy and wrath. There is so much greediness and wickedness all around, and it is truly a test for the true believer to let his light shine out. How thankful we are that we can lay all our cares and burdens at the foot of the cross and find peace and contentment. We must strive daily to shut ourselves out of the world, and strive harder each day for spiritual gain.

Once someone heard a loud flutter of wings, and saw an eagle dart down into the water and come up with a large fish. The fish struggled to free itself, and the eagle only clenched it tighter, as it didn't want to lose its treasure. The fish was too heavy for the eagle, and after a struggle both fell into the water. Let us never grasp to something not good for us that we cannot let go, and be lost.

The mighty ocean is filled with much water, and a little ship can float as long as no water gets in, but once a little enters, it fills more

and more until the ship sinks. So it is in the Christian life; as long as we stay firm and keep out the evil of this world, we won't be lost. We must act; merely thinking about something won't accomplish anything. Just casually thinking of going to school without acting earlier will be too late. Too, just thinking of planting in the summer would be too late. Sometime it will be too late to repent, and only thinking will be of no avail.

We were privileged to have the visits of Bro. Harvey Grimm of Bern and Clifford Grimm of West Bend. We were thankful for their visits and ask the Lord to bless them for their humble teachings.

We have had several sick people during the past few weeks for which we are concerned. Bro. Ben Streitmatter had a very harrowing experience, when he was attacked by a swarm of bees while bulldozing. He laid on the ground, trying to get rid of them, when two men happened along and noticed he was in distress. They rescued him and took him to his home. His wife took him to the doctor, where he fainted and was rushed to the hospital. He was placed in intensive care for a few days. He has now fully recovered and is able to be about again.

Bro. Lyle Stahl has not been feeling well the past few weeks. He had a bout with the flu, and then while pulling out volunteer corn was overcome by heat. We trust he will soon get to feeling much better.

Bro. David Kieser became very sick and had to go to the hospital for a few days for tests and treatment. He is able to be back with us to worship, but must be on a rather strict diet. We feel he too was glad for the prayers of his loved ones during his illness.

Sis. Lillian Stahl is a hospital patient at this time and has been undergoing tests. Her loved ones are praying for her and her family, too, and the Lord will be at her side.

Bruce, young son of Bro. Joe and Sis. Emily Stoller, is also receiving tests in the hospital, and hopes to be released in a few days.

The husband of Sis. Marian Hinchshaw, Harold, has undergone serious surgery and is slowly recovering at this time.

Bro. Henry Endress is also in the hospital, having suffered a stroke, leaving his right side paralyzed and also losing his power of speech. We trust the prayers of all that have been uttered for the sick and

afflicted will be heard by our merciful God, and He will be ever near those in need and not leave them to despair. We can be comforted to know the Lord even hears the sighs of those who call upon Him, and will give them help.

KNOW EACH OTHER BETTER

George Kieser, son of Ludwig and Marie Musselman Kieser, was born June 10, 1880, in Deckingen, Bavaria, Germany. He lived with his parents and worked as a farm hand until 1898, when he came to America to avoid the compulsory military draft. He returned to his homeland for a visit, and in December 1904 came back to America, bringing his mother with him for a visit with her son, David, who had come to America the year before George. David was the father of our ministering brother, David Kieser, and Sisters Marie Stahl, Elizabeth Kieser, and Nathalia Feucht of our congregation, Bros. Sam and George Kieser and Sis. Anna Siebenthal of the Bradford congregation. He died when David was a young baby.

The fare on the ship "Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse" was 130 German marks. (The present rate is approximately four German marks per dollar.) Also on the ship were Bro. William Huber, D. Emil Stahl and Sis. Marie Schmidgall Endress; all three live in this vicinity and attend our church in Princeville.

In 1900, the Kieser family came to make their home in America and settled in the Morton area. George was a farm hand. The custom in those days was to cut wood during the winter months. While a young man he made a trip to Silverton, Oregon, and also stopped to see the Royal Gorge and Seven Falls in Colorado, which was no doubt quite a different sight than we see them today. He saw it in its natural beauty, and we view it highly commercialized.

On March 11, 1909, George was united in marriage to Maria Kaeb, and they were blessed with six children; Esther, Ludwig (Louie), Dorothea, Paulina, Maria, and Frieda. They lived in the Princeville area most of their life.

George and Maria always attended church and were interested in getting their children to Sunday School. In 1938, George was converted and added to the fold.

Bro. George, who is now 87, still climbs the stairs in church to wor-

ship in the assembly room. He enjoys visiting and appreciates it when someone takes time to talk to him. His hearing has failed some, but his general health is good. He uses a cane most of the time. In 1898, when he came for a visit to America, he bought a Spazierstock (walking cane) for a souvenir, and kept it in a corner of his closet until recently, when he took it out and now uses it for his "church cane." George lives with his daughters, Esther, Sis. Dorothea, and Frieda.

Esther is employed in Peoria, doing day work several days a week. She also helps around the house and does some handwork.

Bro. Louie is married to Sis. Bertha Sauder, formerly of West Bend, and they have one daughter, Janet. They live in a farm home near his father and sisters. Bro. Louie does the farming and is a good support for his father and sisters.

Sis. Dorothea keeps the home fires burning and cares for her father and sisters. She never seems to tire of doing the extras necessary in their home, and seems to have an abundant supply of patience. She enjoys young folks and has worked with them many years. She spent thirty years in the Sunday School, teaching the children in the first and second grades. She has also worked with handicapped people the past few years, making many pleasant hours for them. Dorothea was instrumental in getting a few ladies together in her home once a month to work on projects for World Relief. Even though at first she didn't have much support, she didn't give up, and now has more interested persons to help in this worthy cause.

Paulina lives in Peoria, and her son, Robert Souder, is serving in the Armed Forces. He is presently stationed at Hanau, near Frankfort, Germany and drives a truck. Robert spent most of his time on the farm with his grandparents when a small boy.

Sis. Maria is administrator at the church home in Peoria. She is a registered nurse, and worked in the hospital and for doctors for a few years prior to working in the church home, where she makes her home. A few years ago, she made a tour of the Holy Land.

Frieda, the youngest daughter, was injured at birth and cannot walk, so spends most of her time in her wheel chair. She isn't idle, as

she does much work, helping with the housework, dishes, etc. She does quite a lot of handwork and sells some of her projects. She also sells greeting cards, sacred plaques, napkins, etc. She has a large selection. Despite her affliction, she is always cheerful and wears a sunny smile. She is thankful for her strong brother, Louie, and Sis. Dorothy, who untiringly help her in and out of her chair, into church, etc. Frieda is active in a handicapped club, and has learned that there are others who are worse off than she. She is very patient and always glad when people stop to have a little visit with her.

This has been a closely-knit family that has had many heartaches along with their joys, and and our prayer is they will always place their confidence in our dear Lord and Saviour. May they all so live here on earth that they can all look forward to a home in heaven.

SABETHA, KANSAS

Mrs. Joe Steiner

Our visiting ministers this month were Bros. Walter Anliker, Eureka; Cleo Rinkenberger, Pulaski; Joe Kaisner, Forrest; John Rokey, Goodfield; and Albert Aberle, Tremont. We thank all for their visits and for their efforts in bringing us the word of God.

Announcement was made of the engagements of Sis. Verona Hartter to Bro. Wilfred Strahm of Bern; and Bro. Roger Hartter to Sis. Ilene Gerber of West Bend.

Karen Strahm, daughter of Sis. Verna and Bro. Reo Strahm, was married on July 29 to James Pinkerton. They will live in Topeka.

Sis. Glenda Grimm and Bro. Allen Rokey of Bern were united in marriage on August 6. We wish all these couples the blessings of the Lord.

We are happy to have Bro. Joe Hartter assemble with us again, after an absence of a couple of months due to illness. He would like to thank everyone for their cards, prayers, and good wishes.

Bro. John Plattner is home again, after an operation and a short stay in a hospital at Lincoln, Nebraska.

Sis. Irene Griggs, formerly of Topeka, is now living at Salina, Kansas, near her son. There is no church in the immediate vicinity, and it is approximately 180 miles from here. She would appreciate mail, as she has many lonely hours. Her address is: Mrs. Irene Griggs,

210 W. Charlotte St., Salina, Kansas.

TOLEDO, OHIO

Mary Ann Weigle

On Sunday, after morning services, many of our congregation enjoy watching the small children come exuberantly up from Sunday School, eager to see their parents and tell and show them what took place in Sunday School that morning. Little 5-year-old Gretchen Fetter came happily up from Sunday School on July 30, smiling her eager smile. By the next Wednesday, she had departed this life. She was snatched from our midst by the hand of the Lord, reminding us that we know not when we shall be taken and must constantly strive to be ready for that time.

Gretchen was playing in her yard with several children. They had a long fiberglass rod they were tossing as a spear at a large cardboard box. Gretchen inadvertently crawled in the box, and the rod pierced her skull. She died that night after brain surgery. She is survived by her parents, Dick and Betty Fetter, brothers Matt and Andy, and sister Laurie. Funeral services were conducted on Aug. 4 by Bros. Rudolph Graf and Walter Rehklau. We share with the family the grief of their loss.

On Tuesday, Aug. 1, we were blessed by a visit from Ministering Bro. Roy Ehnle of the Bradford congregation, and several gathered together for a singing.

TREMONT, ILLINOIS

Josephine Schaefer

Mary Jane Leuthold

The words of number 165 in the **Zion Harp** come to my mind as I write the news. "O let us exalt our dear Lord and proclaim, in songs of true gratitude, praise to His name! . . . our thanks and our praises shall rise to the Lord."

Our gratitude, thanks and praises are truly rising to the Lord, as we have ten souls giving their life to the Lord: Vernon and Myrna Koch, Les and Wilma Pulver, Ken and Sandy Dill, Melba Hangartner, Bruce Sauder, Marge Schupbach and Eileen Roberts. We wish them much grace and faith from our Lord.

Visiting ministers were: Bros. Noah Herman, Tucson; Joe Schrock, Congerville; Ed Alt and Phil Sauder, Cissna Park. We thank them for their efforts. May they

soon visit us again.

Sis. Velma Steiner and Bro. Steve Rinkenberger were united in marriage July 30. Friends Linda Schaefer and Roger Ziegenhorn were married Aug. 6. We hope for these young couples the rich blessings of God.

Births: to Bro. Jim and Sis. Lee Pflederer a boy, Ted Michael, born July 9; to Bro. Glen and Sis. Marilyn Dill a girl, Marla Kay, born July 26.

WEST BEND, IOWA

Anna Schmidt — Mrs. A Banwart

Sis. Katie, wife of Frank Dogotch, and Sis. Amy, wife of Ervin Banwart, have both had minor surgery and are improving. We are happy and thankful they can assemble with us again. Larry, son of Bob and Kay Banwart, was bitten by a dog and required stitches, but he is getting along all right. Bob, son of Bro. and Sis. Fahye and Marie Gress, is recovered from a recent tonsillectomy.

We greatly rejoice that four more souls have heeded the call of the Lord and turned to Him in repentance. They are Kathy (daughter of Bro. and Sis. Ephraim and Eunice Koehl) and Wayne Fehr, and Philip and Katherine Fisher. May the Lord continue to knock and call as long as souls are willing to come and obey.

An evening church service was enjoyed recently, when Bro. Albert Wuthrich of Pulaski lent himself to serve us.

The Mogler Reunion was held at West Bend this year, with 109 in attendance. Bro. Uriel Gehring of Burlington stayed over to spend Sunday, Aug 6 with us. It was a most memorable day, as Bros. Paul Butikofer of Elgin (Ia.); Paul Fehr of Morris; Leo Moser of Lester brought to us inspiring messages. Elder Bros. Leo Moser and Paul Fehr assisted Bro. Paul Banwart in the proving and baptisms of an aged friend, Lillian Fehr, who is past 80 years, and Jan (Mrs. Lowell) Fehr. These moments are so enlightening to us all. Bro. Uriel remained with us so we could again hold church service in the evening. We thank them for their efforts.

Three engagements have been made known from our congregation the past month. They are Sis. Ilene, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Noah and Emma Gerber, to Bro. Roger Hartter of Sabetha; Sis. Jane, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Arnold and Alice

Metzger, to Carlos Meiss of Fairbury; and Galen, son of Bro. and Sis. Arnold and Alice Metzger, to Mary Jo, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Joe and Lois Weigand of Oakville.

FT. SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS Steve Gerst

Can we judge a book by its cover? We pick up a book, with a beautiful picture on it. The smooth, shiny paper attracts our attention. We open the cover—the preface sounds interesting, so we read on. As we read further, we are disappointed. The contents are not what we expected them to be. So it can be with a follower of God. We are judged by our many acts and deeds. Many times, a small act or deed will leave a deeper mark or impression. It doesn't take a big speech, a lot of words, or a big achievement and accomplishment to draw the attraction, but a soft-spoken word of kindness or a gentle touch will be remembered.

If we keep our daily lives as a book that one will want to read and not be disappointed in, we shall be ready when the trumpet of the Lord shall sound. It is the fine print inside that counts, not the outside cover.

Again, we have a soul who felt heavy burdened, and knew that only his Heavenly Father and Creator could remove the yoke. It is our friend, Tom Neuenschwander of Bluffton. Tom stated he could not put aside his salvation any longer, for he did not know what awaited him.

Visiting Ministering Brethren—Bro. Ben Maibach, on July 9, and Bro. Cleo Rinkenberger, on July 23. It was indeed a joyous time to hear the word spoken and expounded so fluently. Even with only 2 or 3 gathered together, the Lord and Master is in our presence.

New Servicemen: Bro. Dale Schlipf of Gridley, Ill.; Bro. Larry Belsley of Detroit; Friends Chris Miller of Eureka; and Steve Hartzler of Rittman. We want to welcome them all in our small fold.

Discharges: Bro. Dale Zahner of Rockville; Convert Dave Gillom of Bluffton, and Fred Beutel of Tremont. We will indeed miss their faces in our gatherings. May the Lord go with them and lead them safely home to their loved ones.

AKRON, OHIO Florence Graf

"He who has Thee in this life

Will not faint in fiercest strife.
He can praise Thee, Lord, with gladness,
Though the world should rave in madness."

Our visiting ministers this month were Bro. Lorentz Emch of Girard and Bro. Merle Laukhuf of Latty. We truly enjoyed their visits, and appreciate their efforts in our behalf—may we all remember the many good teachings they left with us.

Bro. Arthur and Sis. Audrey Graf announce the arrival of a son. Daniel Arthur was born on July 23, and is warmly welcomed by Todd and Joanne. Grandparents are Bro. Rudolph Graf and Sis. Betty Graf of Akron and Sis. Olga Bahler of Rockville.

Wayne Wells spent a brief leave at home with his parents, the Sam Wells. Wayne's active tour of duty with the National Guard will soon be completed—we rejoice with his loved ones and welcome him home.

Our sympathy is extended to Howard and Alice Dockus, whose daughter-in-law, Nancy Dockus, passed away August 4 at the age of 30. Nancy leaves her husband, Peter and three children—all at home.

Bro. Laukhuf left with us the worthwhile thought to, "Do all that you do, as unto the Lord; what love, kindness, warmth and courtesy would be evident in this world if everyone would practice this idea." He also reminded us that to have good intentions toward others, and not to carry out these intentions in actions is to commit sin. How easy it is to neglect to do simple deeds—but what a price for neglect!

"The measure of a man's life is the well spending of it, and not the length."

ALTO, MICHIGAN

Myrna Steffen — Loretta Steffen

What is happening to the morals of the people in America? (Our country, which has had more resources and opportunities to offer its people than any other country in the history of the world!) Why are its citizens rioting? What is causing this unrest?

Recently, one of our former presidents gave his views on this subject and said we should stop putting the blame on society. After all, what makes up our society? It's the people—and each individual plays a part.

Many of us feel this unrest is a lack of faith in God. The trouble starts in the homes, where children aren't taught the love of God. Parents are not fulfilling their duty. When they, themselves, lack the necessary discipline, restraint, self-respect—and most important, the love of God and their fellowman, how can it be taught to their children?

Are we Christians doing our duty? The Bible teaches us that we are the light of the world. Elder Bro. Noah Shrock ministered unto us about Noah and the ark. . . . how the people laughed and mocked him for building an ark on dry land. He reminded us that, today we Christians are supposed to be "building an ark", among the sin in the world. Are we doing our part? Will the "ark" be finished, to take us and our loved ones to heaven?

We are very happy to announce that three young friends in our congregation have turned to the Lord in repentance. May God grant each one sufficient grace to work out their soul's salvation.

We have enjoyed the love and fellowship of many Michigan vacationers this summer in Alto.

Visiting ministers include:

Elder Bros. Joe Waibel, and Noah Bauman, also Bros. Kenneth Sauder, Ben Stavenik and Robert Beer from Mansfield, and Bro. Henry Grimm from Morton.

Our sympathy is extended to Bro. Carl Wheeler, in the recent death of his father.

BRADFORD, ILLINOIS

Mrs. Loris Kieser

Mrs. Don Duckworth

Our congregation was richly blessed with the recent visits of Bros. Gene Marti from Sabetha and Hartzell Kaisner from Detroit.

Bro. Duane and Sis. Doreen El-sasser became the parents of little Jeanne Marie, their seventh child and fourth daughter, on July 10. Jeanne's grandparents are Bro. Chris and Sis. Leila Elaasser from Princeville, and Bro. Harvey and Sis. Stella Zimmerman from Morton.

Sis. Lotie Stisser was a hospital surgical patient for a few days, but is again able to assemble with us. Bro. Herman Dietz was at the Mayo Clinic for tests, and is planning to return for surgery in the future.

Several from our congregation gathered at the Kewanee Rest

Home and held short services on Sunday afternoon, Aug. 6. What a blessing it was to gather with those who cannot come and go as we—and try to bring some spiritual encouragement.

We could again see how helpless man is when the power of God was revealed in our community, when a tornado did considerable damage to the barn and other buildings on the farm of our friend, Chris Mueller.

We welcome Clyde and Charlene Knobloch and their family to assemble with us whenever possible. Clyde is now employed in Mendota, a town fairly close to Bradford.

CISSNA PARK, ILLINOIS

Mary Young — Margaret Rudin

Sis. Carrie Weiss passed away very unexpectedly at her home, at the age of 70 years. Funeral services were held Aug. 5, Bro. Ezra Feller officiating. She leaves to mourn one daughter, Caroline Hamilton; two sons, Albert and Ben; two sisters, Freda Cox and Louise Kelly; and one brother, Albert. Our sympathy is extended to the family.

Among the hospitalized the past month are Sis. Aldean Kaufman and Sis. Dorothy Fisher, who had surgery. Sis. Elise Maul has been in the hospital several weeks, and is getting along very well. Sisters Mary Hari, Lena Feller, and Elizabeth Martin have been dismissed from the hospital. We wish all of our loved ones a speedy recovery.

A son, Troy Eugene, was born to Gene and Mary Jo Lober on July 15.

Our dear friend, Shirley Krumwiede, has repented and found peace, and hopes to bring her testimony before the congregation soon. She is the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Gene Haupti.

Bro. Sam Kilgus and his wife were so kind and spent a Sunday with us. We thank them so kindly, and invite them back.

HOW TO WORSHIP GOD

Bro. Phil Sauder

In the beginning, God knew the need of man on earth to live godly, so He made a day of rest and worship. Gen. 2:3 "And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it . . ." The Lord's day is for us to assemble and worship Him for the edifying of faith. We serve God by faith; without faith it would be impossible to please Him. He has

promised to be in our midst in the Spirit. St. John 4:23, 24: "But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth."

The psalmist wonderfully expressed it in Psalm 23:1-3: "The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake." The Psalmist David could not have expressed it better. As we read the Psalms, we should be thankful that David could pen his heart's feelings. We can experience the same feelings in our hearts today, for we worship the same God as David.

The Apostle Paul said how it is with man before conversion. 1st Corinthians 2:14: "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned." To understand this better, read Hebrews 4:12: "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart." We can see how God's word can comfort and satisfy the longing heart of man, when living in accordance with His word, and how sharp it cuts the heart and thoughts of the sinner. The same word has a twofold meaning, one for the saint and another for the sinner.

God made a day for us to hear His word, for faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God. We can serve the Lord by going to worship and saluting the brethren with the Christian greeting. There is a special blessing in a Christian greeting, because the born-again believer is a brother or sister unto Christ. We have the same Father as Christ through adoption, our heavenly Father.

Peace and love impel the greeting; Greetings do our love impart. Christians greetings are a blessing, As a prayer console the heart.

Remember college students—CS!

CROGHAN-NAUMBURG, N. Y.

Mrs. Lawrence Farney

Mrs. David Schamback

Funeral services for Sis. Lena Snyder, 83, widow of Bro. Frank Snyder, were held from the Naumburg church on Saturday, July 15, with Bro. Robert Beyer officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery. Sis. Snyder is survived by a son, Carl; six daughters: Sisters Inez and Rachel Snyder (with whom she resided), Mrs. Francis (Irene) Schwendy, Mrs. Raymond (Mary) Zecher, Mrs. Stanley (Beulah) Clifford, and Mrs. Clarence (Gladys) Tiss; two sisters, Mrs. John (Sis. Minnie) Ebersol and Mrs. Earl (Sis. Rachel) Rohr, 13 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. Sis. Lena will be missed, as she attended church quite regularly, in spite of having been in poor health for years.

We had reason again to rejoice, when two of our young friends were added to the fold (in the Croghan church). Amy and Mark Virkler, children of Bro. Clayton and Sis. Lillian Virkler, were baptized on July 16, after giving their testimonies the previous evening. Elder Bros. Rudolph Graf and John Bahler officiated. We were most happy to have them with us, to administer both comfort and admonishment.

Sis. Rosella Schulz recently underwent surgery, from which she is recovering nicely.

Sis. Dorothy Herzig is resting at her home, after several weeks in the hospital and undergoing surgery. She is much improved in health, for which she is very thankful to the Lord. She also wants to thank her many friends for remembering her with gifts, cards and prayers.

FORT SCOTT, KANSAS

Annabelle Bahr — Marie Zaugg

Visiting ministers this past month were our elder brother Samuel Anliker, Lamont, and Bro. Charles Marti, Lamar. We certainly appreciate their visit, and thank them for serving us.

Sis. Anna Pfister has been troubled with shingles; we've missed her presence in our assembly for several Sundays. She is some better and was in church Sunday. Bro. Joe Banwart has been absent several Sundays, because of inner ear trouble. He is improving some. Sis. Clara Marti remains about the same.

Bro. and Sis. Martin Hohulin and family have moved from this com-

munity—their new address is R. R. 2, Pekin Illinois. May God bless them in their new home.

GIRARD, OHIO **Jesse C. Emch**

Sis. Sadie Schladen is still confined to her home. She lives with her daughter (Mary), Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Lauer, 2056 Pleasant Valley Rd., Niles, Ohio. Sis. Sadie is 94 years old. A card or letter would be very welcome.

Friend Dorothy Emch of Salem, Ohio, is now home convalescing, after being in the St. Elizabeth Hospital at Youngtown, Ohio, for abdominal surgery. Dorothy is a daughter-in-law of Bro. Lorentz and Sis. Caroline Emch. Friend Gloria Squibbs of Youngtown has been in the Youngstown South Side Hospital, for facial surgery. Gloria is a daughter of Sis. Anna and Friend Glen Eneyart. Friend Charles Saylor of Girard was in the Youngstown Osteopathic Hospital several days for observation. Charles is the husband of Sis. Esther (Emch) Saylor. Bro. Paul Metzger of Youngtown was in the St. Elizabeth Hospital several weeks, for a checkup on his heart. We wish all a speedy recovery.

Andrew Paulo died at the Youngstown Hospital, North Side, Friday, August 4, at the age of 93 years. Funeral service was at the William's Funeral Home, Canfield, Ohio. Burial was at Mansfield. The family formerly lived in Mansfield, then moved to Youngtown, and has lived here since. As a young man, Andrew spent some time in the state of Kansas, and while there sought the Lord and was baptized into the Apostolic Christian Church. If I recall correctly, he told me this took place at Sabetha.

GRIDLEY, ILLINOIS

Mrs. Wilbert R. Funk

We are very happy and thankful to report that our friends, Dennis and Barbara Stoller, son and daughter-in-law of our departed Bro. and Sis. Alph and Carolyn Stoller, have turned to the Lord for their soul's salvation. Also two more loved ones are seeking the Lord. They are Jack Gramm, son of Bro. and Sis. Henry and Ruth Gramm, and Elizabeth Punke, daughter of the Lawrence Punks of Gridley.

On July 30, Bro. Noah Herman of the Phoenix congregation visited and served our church. I think we will all remember his little story

of "What is done beyond the stake is what counts." We received many blessed teachings through God's word again that day.

Our community also enjoyed the visit of Bro. and Sis. Alan Freed and family of Phoenix. They were visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Freed and Sis. Rose Funk, all of Gridley.

John Kaupp, son of Bro. and Sis. Walter Kaupp, was married to Miss Sandra Kay Bricker of Bloomington, Illinois, on July 9. Our best wishes are extended to them.

A baby boy was born to Harold and Wavalee Kaupp July 27, but died five minutes after birth. Grandparents are Bro. Walter and Sis. Esther Kaupp.

When is the time to trust? Is it when all is calm,
When waves the victor's palm, And life is one glad psalm
Of joy and praise? Yes! but the time to trust
Is when the waves beat high, When storm clouds fill the sky,
And prayer is one long cry, O help and save!

When is the time to trust? Is it when friends are true?
Is it when comforts woo, And in all we say and do
We meet but praise? Yes! but the time to trust
Is when we stand alone, And summer birds have flown,
And every prop is gone, All else but God.

What is the time to trust? Is it some future day,
When you have tried your way, And learned to trust and pray
By bitter woe? Nay! but the time to trust
Is in this moment's need, Poor, broken, bruised reed!
Poor, troubled soul, make speed To trust thy God.

LAMAR, MISSOURI

Marie Marti

"And Jesus answered and said unto her, Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things: But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her." Luke 10:41, 42

We were privileged to have Elder Bro. Sam Anliker in our midst. While reading and meditating on Luke 10, reminded us that the world needs more Marys. That good

part should be chosen first—other things may be added later. We were also served Holy Communion on that blessed Sunday. We remembered Christ's suffering on the Cross—his shed blood. Such moments are refreshing and uplifting; we cannot be thankful enough for such opportunities.

A son, Jerry Ernest, was born to Lavon and Stanley Forste on July 5. Bro. Lester and Sis. Fern Braker are the grandparents.

When we direct ourselves to the service of the Lord, we possess not only outward happiness, but inward happiness as well.

OAKVILLE, IOWA

Martha Steiner

We were privileged to hear the testimony of Marie Simeon from Regina, Saskatchewan, on Sunday, July 23. We welcome Sis. Marie into our fellowship, but we are sorry she is so far away from us. Bro. Silas Leuthold from Princeville was here to assist Bro. Noah Schrock.

We have elected new Sunday School teachers in preparation for the coming year. Classes will reconvene on Sunday, September 3. The new superintendent is Bro. Hartzell Schmidgall; newly-elected teachers are Bros. Al Wiegand, John Steiner, Eric Massner, Roger Moser, and Sisters Clara Frank, Arlene Siegle, and Martha Steiner

A dear sister in our congregation has been ill for a long time. She faithfully and regularly attends church every Sunday, despite her affliction, saying she would be no more comfortable at home. Although her dearest wish is to be summoned to her heavenly home, the Lord has a reason we know nothing of for allowing her to linger. She shows much interest in her brothers and sisters in faith, but we know she holds nothing dearer in this world than her promise of salvation.

TAYLOR, MISSOURI

Mrs. Eli Sutter

Mrs. Bill Heimer

Bro. LeRoy Yackley is spending two weeks with his parents, Bro. Perry and Sis. Clara Yackley, on leave from Ft. Sam Houston.

After five weeks in the hospital, Bro. Eli Sutter is slowly improving. He will still be in the hospital for awhile.

Bro. Will and Sis. Marie Butiko-

fer have been admitted to the hospital for tests.

On Aug. 6, we enjoyed hearing visiting ministers, Bro. Wayne Miller, Ft Scott, and Nathan Steffen, Elgin, Ill.

Bro. Bill Gerst is leaving us for several months, for Muskegan, Mich., where he has employment. Bro. Dick Gerst, who is supervisor for the same company will fly back here every other week to be with his family. They will attend the Alto church while there. Bro. Dick's family will spend a few weeks with them until school starts. Their daughter, Connie, will be returning from Europe and will spend the rest of the summer with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Hoenes are the parents of a boy, Vernon Lee, born July 24. They have another son, Jeffery Dale. Mrs. Hoenes is the former Faye Yackley, daughter of the Bro. Perry Yackleys.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Huber have moved to Quincy, Ill., from La-Grange, Mo.

We sing "Kind words can never die", and I often have to think how much we could help someone that is discouraged or lonely, by speaking a kind word or give them a smile as we go through this life. I have experienced this many times, since we have spent several weeks at the hospital. Often when my spirits were low, a smile or a kind word from someone helped so much to make me feel better.

LESTER, IOWA Emelie Knobloch

Mrs. Dick Doorneweerd had major surgery, but is recuperating at home. Robbie Metzger, infant son of Bro. and Sis. Robert Metzger, has just returned from treatment in Iowa City. Bro. Edwin Knobloch has been up some each day. Sis. Lena Maurer entered the hospital for surgery.

Fred Traub, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, passed away July 24 at a nursing home, where he has been a patient the past year. He has lived in this community most of his life, reaching the age of 84 years. Services were conducted at the Miller Funeral Home Chapel, with Bros. Carl Feucht and Leo Moser officiating. He is survived by his wife, Alma; two sons, Alfred and Norma of Sioux Falls; four daughters, Mrs. Albert Byrd, Mrs. Warren Sonnemman of Calif., Mrs. Everett O Hara of Florida, and Mrs. Y. T. Newberry

of Arizona; three brothers, Samuel of Michigan, David of Elgin; and Bro. Joe of Hesperia, Calif. three sisters; Mrs. John Cohoon of Michigan; Mrs. Clara Lorenz of Calif., and Mrs. Frank Smith of Elgin. He was preceded in death by his parents and seven sisters and brothers. May the Lord abide with his loved ones during their lonely hours.

Earl Meyer returned to Camp Lee, to complete his tour of duty, following his furlough. He was in Viet Nam.

Bro. Ernest Knobloch has retired from the ministry, after serving the congregation for about 50 years. He will be missed in this capacity, but may he enjoy a few years in retirement. This has been his plea for several years. We know the Lord will bless and reward him for his efforts.

We want to thank Bros. Noah Shrock, Silas Leuthold, Jim Hoerr, and Roy Grimm for sharing the gospel and expounding on God's teachings.

We wish to thank all the loved ones who visited us this past month. May God bless them for their considering us.

An announcement was made of the engagement of Sis. Eileen Gerber, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Noah Gerber of West Bend, and Bro. Roger Hartter, son of Bro. and Sis. Virgil Hartter of Sabetha. May God be with them in their future step in life. A fall wedding is being planned.

WINTHROP, MINNESOTA

Delores Messerli

Carol Ann Messner

May I so love that all can see
My Saviour revealed in me.
This is my prayer, and this is my
plea:
Help me, O Lord, to love like Thee!

We have been blessed with many visiting ministers this month. Elder Bros. Leo Moser and Paul Fehr and Bro. Wayne Gerber were here for Friday evening services. We thank them for their efforts.

Bro. Albert Wuthrich held services here, on his way to the Morris dedication. Midweek services were held with Elder Bro. Herman Kellenberger ministering the gospel.

Clarence and Joyce Messner and their sons, Scott and Van, have recently moved to our community. We welcome them to our congregation.

A new baby girl, Karla Ann, was

born July 21 to Bro. Donald and Sis. Bernadine Miller.

Our Sunday School picnic was held at Fairmount, Minnesota. A good time was had by all.

LEO, INDIANA Mrs. Elias Souder

Bro. Lavoyd Moore from Alabama visited our congregation and had a service one Friday evening. While here, he visited Elias Souder at the Lutheran Hospital, which was much appreciated. Elias is home again, and improved very nicely.

Mrs. Edward Souder's brother, Bud Fahling, was wounded. He was sent to Honolulu to recuperate. However, now he is back in Viet Nam.

Our young people are looking forward to the last Sunday in August to spend at Youth Fellowship Day at Camp Mack. They have been working on their part of the program.

James Winzeler, son of Pearl and Raymond Winzeler has been in training at Great Lakes. He spent some time here with his parents.

Last week, Addella RaCourt left. She had been making her home with the James Winzeler family. We surely will miss her sweet smile and friendly ways.

Sarah Schwartz had the misfortune of falling and breaking several ribs. She spent several days at the Parkview Hospital at Fort Wayne but is back in her home again.

Several meetings have been held concerning building. The report of the space needs committee was accepted.

September is the month for the **Silver Lining** combined collection at Leo. Anyone wishing to pay the suggested rate from Leo, see Bro. Lynn Klopfenstein, during September.

CHAMPAIGN-URBANA ILLINOIS

Ben Blunier

Attendance at Sunday services at Champaign has of course been considerably less through the summer. Nevertheless, we were much blessed each Sunday, and are most appreciative to the ministering brothers who have visited us to deliver God's word. Among them were Bros. Don Sauder, Roanoke; Fred Knapp, Congerville; Dave Kieser, Princeville; Vernon Leman, Eure-

ka; in addition to dear Bros. Ed Hohulin and Emanuel Gudeman, who each take one Sunday a month. The Lord has wondrously provided.

KNOW EACH OTHER BETTER

Bro. Bob Simpson was reared in Flanagan, Illinois, and was baptized at Gridley. He married Sis. Wilma Scherer of Roanoke. They have a son, John, and a daughter, Leigh. Bro. Bob has achieved a Ph.D. degree, and is now associated with the University in his work to help handicapped children. Sis. Wilma also has done considerable teaching. They have recently moved into their new home in Urbana. It is a pleasure to have them here, and a real joy to fellowship with them.

Bro. Keith Hanson was drawn to the faith through association with friends and brothers at college and attendance at the Bible Class meetings. His parents live in Freeport, Illinois. His wife, Sis. Joan, is the daughter of the Joe Rinckenbergers of Cissna Park. They have two fine young sons, Brent and Ethan. Bro. Keith has important and rewarding work in his teaching profession. This fall he will teach at University High School and take further courses at the University. Sis. Joan also has a fine profession as a registered nurse, and finds time to do some special duty, in addition to caring for her household.

Bro. Kenneth and Sis. Myrna (Eisenmann) Weerts have lived in Urbana all their married life. They are both from the Cissna Park community. Bro. Kenny is a supervisor at a local telephone company office. He helps in song-leading at church and Sunday School. Sis. Myrna is a devoted mother to their son, David, and daughter, Julie, and also assists in Sunday School as needed. It is always a pleasure to meet them and visit in their home.

You can see that Jesus lives through the wholesome examples these brother and sisters display, and surely all the many children and adults who have the pleasure of association with them can see it, too.

GOODFIELD, ILLINOIS

Mrs. Bob Grimm

Since the last writing, we have five more new converts in our Goodfield congregation, bringing the total number to seventeen.

Friend Margaret Newlin was proved on Saturday evening, Aug.

5, and baptized on Sun. Aug. 6. Bro. LeRoy Huber was with us to perform this sacred task.

Bro. Mike Weyeneth from Peoria and Bro. Noah Hermann from Phoenix visited our church on Sun., July 23, to expound the gospel message.

Sis. Pearl Nohl suffered burns a few weeks ago, when her pressure cooker exploded. We are thankful that she was spared, and aside from some rather severe burns on her arms, she is quite well.

MAYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

Ruth Dapper — Julie Dapper

As was mentioned by our elder, Bro. Carl Kinsinger, that whether we live on the east coast or the west coast, the word of God is still proclaimed the same. We again experienced this through the visit of Bro. and Sis. Al Schneider from Rockville. Bro. Al left with us many precious teachings and instructions, to aid us in our walk of life on earth. We wish to thank them for their visit, and invite them to visit us again soon.

The addition of our Sunday School room is progressing nicely, and the anticipation of the children is felt more and more each Sunday, as they observe the room with much enthusiasm, knowing that soon they will be using it in learning more of God's precious teachings. We trust that God will continue to bless them.

PORTLAND, OREGON

Mrs. Edward Unsicker

"... thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength..." read Elder Bro. Carl Kinsinger.

"This alone would cure our ills, dear ones; it would eliminate most of our problems. But Satan is always standing by to fill a portion of our hearts and a portion of our minds, and to take a portion of our strength. The key? draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to us, and Satan will be forced to flee—" Dear readers, what words to live by were these, and many others we heard on this blessed day! Our dear new sister, Marlise Miller, was given the opportunity to testify of all her Saviour has done for her and was accepted into His fold. In conclusion of this whole blessed Sunday, we were privileged to share in Holy Communion. What love has been showered upon us and shed abroad

in our hearts, all because of Jesus' love! God "delivered him up for us all" . . . and shall "with him freely give us all things" Romans 8:32.

A week prior, visiting Bros. Al Schneider and Jim Hoerr and their wives spent a few days with us, sharing more precious blessings than I would have room to relate. "Dig deeply," we heard, "be sure you build on bedrock, that we may not, as Cain, go through all the motions of sacrifice, and yet find our offering unacceptable to God." How sad! Surely words like these motivate us to serious self-examination in the light of God's word.

We have had many other visitors and greatly enjoyed each of you! May the Lord bless you for remembering us here in Portland and Silverton.

RITTMAN, OHIO

Ella Mae Trent — Claribel Walters

Of all the prizes
That earth can give,
This is the best:
To find Thee, Lord,
A living Presence near,
And in Thee rest!

A few centuries ago, when the living conditions of most of the people were severe and harsh, there was a great interest in God and the hereafter. Along came an improvement in living conditions and a so-called enlightenment, and the people turned to secularism and worldly pursuits. Stress was placed on developing the individual as a well-rounded being, and church affairs took a back-seat to many, and God was displaced in their lives. This trend has continued until present times, and the zeal with which humans engage in worldly pursuits has probably never been equalled. One wonders where this will end and when this trend may reverse itself. One can understand why the Lord spoke these words, When he returns "shall he find faith".

"One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple."

Submitting to surgery this past month were Karen Hartzler, daughter of Bro. Dale and Sis. Joyce; Sis. Shirley Zollinger; and Sis. Kathryn Bachmann. Also hospitalized were Bro. Herman Ingold, Sis. Linda Zollinger, and Bro. Ezra Beery.

Jim Mathys, son of Ed and Sis.

Barbara, has been worshipping with us while on his furlough from the armed services.

United in marriage on August 5 were Gaylord Beery, son of Bro. Robert and Sis. Martha, and Cheryl Eckers.

The engagements of Linda Gasser, daughter of Bro. Glen, to Ken Indermuhle of Sardis, and Sis. Betty Riggenbach, daughter of Bro. George and Sis. Minnie, to Bro. Dan Baltic, son of Bro. Mitchell and Sis. Vi, were made known.

We have enjoyed having Bro. Richard and Sis. Marie Beery and their family from Phoenix visit with us again. Although separated by many miles, our prayers and thoughts for each other often transit the distance.

ROANOKE, ILLINOIS

Sara Aeschleman — Norene Herbst

Sis. Lucy Hodel died of a stroke, at the age of 82 years. Her funeral was Sun. July 30. Bro. Eugene Bertschi had the services. One by one we lay our dear old faithful brothers and sisters to rest, and only hope and pray that someday we, too, can lay our armor down, and be forever with the Lord.

Bro. Isaac Storitz has returned home from the hospital, after having undergone major surgery.

Announcement has been made of the coming marriage of our friends, Jean Moser, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Richard Moser, to Tim Hoffman, son of Bro. and Sis. Rudie Hoffman.

Sis. Hulda Beer has been confined to her home the past two months, and has not been able to assemble with us.

Two more souls have turned to the Lord in repentance. They are Linda Mangold and Carolyn Fischer.

Bro. David Bertsch visited our congregation recently and served us in the ministry.

Norman Rechkemmer and Janis Fehr were united in marriage Saturday August 5. Norman is the son of Bro. Ray and Florence Rechkemmer, and Janis is the daughter of Bill and Betty Fehr.

Make Me a Friend

My friends from God will always
be
Like petals of a rose to me,
Each heart a pearl, each one a
prayer
Wafted on earth's fragrant air.
I thank Thee, God, for them each
day;

I'll try to understand their way,
Listen to their secrets, too,
And never tell a soul but You.
Most important, 'bove all the rest,
I would have them love Thee best.

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Mrs. Joe Beer — Mrs. Ervin Rokey

We were pleased to have a visit from ministering Bro. Elmer Schrenk and his family.

Although we find our church quite small in the summer, with many of our members and friends on vacation, we find that, as the Bible says where two or three are assembled in the name of the Lord, He is with us.

Bro. Roy Stevig is in the hospital again at this writing. We pray that his back pain can soon be relieved.

History

As early as 1929, members have been known to visit or live in the Phoenix area, meeting in various establishments.

In January of 1950, Bro. Clarence Yackley and his family moved to Phoenix. Regular meetings were held, with Bro. Clarence the established minister. There were about ten members and several friends. They met in homes, rented buildings and mountain areas surrounding the valley.

By the fall of 1951, a lot was purchased, and the members built what is now the kitchen and dining room. When services were over, the chairs were folded up, so that lunch could be served. Eight more members moved here during the period from 1950 to 1951.

This small church continued slowly to grow, and by June 1952 a second addition was built, for use as the then main assembly. It is now used as Sunday School rooms. The first Sunday the new addition was used, Bro. Earl and Sis. Emma Sanders were baptized. Bro. Floyd and Sis. Clara Banwart were the first to be married in the new addition.

In the summer of 1958, Bro. Richard Schupbach and his family moved to Phoenix. Bro. Richard was asked to help in the ministry that fall. Phoenix was now blessed with two ministers.

Elder Bro. Roy Farney moved to Phoenix in October of 1960. We now had a resident elder for our little flock.

Again through the Lord's continued blessings of our little church, our Main Sanctuary was built in

1960. Four converts were baptized when the building was first used. It was dedicated February 5, 1961.

Bro. John Somerhalder and his family moved here in 1964. We were now blessed with our four ministers.

We found it necessary to add on to our Sunday School rooms, so in the fall of 1965 two extra rooms were added, for the two younger classes.

17 years later after Phoenix had thier first permanent minister, our little church has grown to: 73 members, 40 friends, 50 Sunday School children.

We have had 22 converts, 13 deaths, six marriages and 27 births.

We have recently purchased a cemetery plot for our members and friends. We have also purchased property across the street for parking and further expansion.

Phoenix has been noted to have many visitors visiting here, especially during the winter. On one Sunday it was found that 15 churches were represented, from New York to California.

Many thanks are given for help and information on this history to Bro. and Sis. Clarence Yackley, Bro. and Sis. Roy Stevig and Bro. and Sis. Floyd Banwart.

MILFORD, INDIANA

Marguerite Hoerr

The wedding of Carol Chambers and Alvin Haab was solemnized Sunday, August 6, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Chambers of Milford. Bro. Theo. Beer united them in marriage. Alvin is the son of Bro. Oliver and Sis. Emma Haab of our congregation. The young couple will make their home in Milford. We wish them every blessing from Above as they begin their new life together.

Two of our boys have returned home from service in the past month. We welcome Don Haab and John Martin back to their homes and to our church.

We were privileged to have as visiting ministers Bro. Lawrence Emch of Girard and Bro. Dan Koch of Tremont. Their visits enriched our spiritual lives; we thank them for coming.

Three of our members were hospitalized. Sis. Mary Armbruster was admitted for medical treatment and has been released to her home again. Bro. Ernest Krauter was hospitalized for a short time, and

has been released to the Simpson Nursing home in Goshen for the present. Bro. Glenn Price was admitted for observation and treatment and he, too, is feeling well enough to be home with his family again. God has been kind to us in granting them good health again.

KNOW EACH OTHER BETTER

The person I want to introduce to you is a valuable member of our congregation . . . a willing and cheerful worker, friendly and loving, and a devoted sister in faith. She is known by all of the children because of her friendliness to them. Her helpfulness in the kitchen, as we prepare each Sunday for our fellowship hour, makes her a very necessary person to have around. The person serving lunch on any particular Sunday has to get there bright and early, or she will arrive to find the tables all set and the water for the coffee bubbling and hot. She has kept our church-home shining and clean for many years. We enjoy the fruits of her work, as we arrive on Sunday morning to a clean and orderly house of worship.

Her life has not been without sorrow; a young son was killed in an auto accident soon after his discharge from service in World War II. Her husband Henry, passed away, leaving her a widow for a good many years. Just recently a dear grandson died very unexpectedly in the prime of his life. Through all this she remains constant and uncomplaining. She is not one to burden others with her troubles, believing rather in helping those around her. She is a lesson in cheerfulness and kindness, and we feel privileged to introduce Sis. Frieda Ruch to all of our readers as a member of the Milford congregation, a person after whom we would do well to pattern our lives.

WICHITA, KANSAS

Mrs. Larry Farney
Mrs. Harvey Smith

It was announced that Steve Langhofer, son of Bro. Al and Sis. Judy, has received peace and has a desire to be baptized. We rejoice with Steve and hope that his desire may soon be fulfilled.

On July 23, Bro. Wayne Strahm of Bern was united in marriage with Sis. Claudia Olesen. Elder Bro. Sam Anliker administered the wedding vows. Among the visiting min-

istering brethren were Bro. Alfie Strahm, Bern; Bro. Eugene Marti, Sabetha; and Bro. Loren Strahm, Gridley. We welcome Bro. Wayne in our congregation, and wish the newly-married couple God's blessings.

Sharyl Christine was born to Bro. Larry and Sis. Jackie Farney on July 24. Sharyl is welcomed home by two brothers, Craig and Doug. Grandparents are Bro. Harvey and Sis. Ann Farney and Bro. Milton and Sis. Lillian Bowers.

We were richly blessed on August 6, when Bro. Akito Inoue from Tamahata, Japan, revealed his experience before the congregation. He related how the word of God entered into his family. He prayed to God and asked Him to reveal unto him if there really was a God. Through a series of events, the power of God was made known unto him. Bro. Akito brought out that obedience to God will never go wrong. He also remarked that it is strengthening to him to know that there really are many brethren in our country. In his country, there are so few that it is easy to become discouraged. However, now that he has visited our country, he knows that there are others to pray for support. A picnic supper was held Friday evening, and Bro. Akito mentioned that brothers may be likened to sticks. One stick by itself may be easily broken, but two or three sticks together in a bundle are much harder to break. We must be diligent in our prayers for one another.

Remember CS—our college students.

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John was a burning and shining light, and ye were willing for a short time to rejoice in his light. When John, the Baptist, preached in the land of Judea, a great multitude came out into the wildness to hear him. We read that they came and repented and confessed their sins and were baptized by John. We can well imagine when such a large crowd of people were gathered together, that there were all kinds of people there. Many came with an earnest and upright desire in their hearts to hear the teachings of John, the Baptist, and such were

glad to repent and be baptized. Then, there were some who came only to hear something new and to see and hear what was going on. Among this great multitude there were rich and poor people, young and old, big and little.

There were sinners, thieves, adulterers, and some who might have been greedy and covetous. Also the soldiers came and asked John, "what shall we do?" Now, when John preached to the soldiers, "Do violence to no man," or when he preached to those who stole that they should steal no more, and to others that they should not commit adultery, such teachings pleased the scribes and Pharisees . . .

These scribes and Pharisees considered themselves to be just and righteous, and were filled with such thoughts in their hearts, **Today this and that person surely was exposed; he could hear what kind of a life he was leading, he could hear what he is, and he can take his part home with him.**

But when John turned the light onto the Pharisees and scribes, and said, **O ye generation of vipers, who has warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bring forth therefore fruits worthy of repentance, and begin not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham for our father, for I say unto you, that God is able out of these stones to raise children unto Abraham. For the ax is laid to the root of these trees: therefore, every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire.**

When the Pharisees and self-righteous ones heard these teachings, and when the light was turned onto them, it went against them, because it revealed the condition of their hearts and minds, and they became full of envy and hatred, because they were not willing to face the light and chose, rather, to remain in darkness. From then on they did no more rejoice under the burning and shining light of John.

In another passage we read that John, the Baptist, sent messengers to Jesus to ask Him, **Art thou the one to come or shall we wait for another one?** Jesus answered them and said—**Go tell John what ye have seen and heard—the blind see, the lame walk, and unto the dead the gospel is being preached, and blessed is he who is not offended in me.**

When these messengers of John departed, Jesus began to speak to

the people concerning John. **What went ye out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they which are gorgeously apparelled and live delicately are in king's courts. But what went ye out to see? . . . Verily I say unto you—Among all that are born of woman there is none come up that is greater than John the Baptist, but he who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than John.**

Here we can see how John was esteemed in the eyes of God. Jesus said that John was the greatest of all men born on earth. No man was greater than John.

When he was asked, **Are you a prophet, that we might tell them who sent us?** he did not even count himself to be a prophet; he only told them, **I am a voice preaching in the wilderness, preparing the way for the Lord. I baptize with water, but one comes after me who is stronger than I, whose shoe latches I am not worthy to unloosen. He will baptize you with fire and with the Holy Ghost. John was so humble . . . God could use him for this great and important work.**

Jesus said that John was the greatest of all the children of men, but he who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than John.

We can search wherever we want to, and can find no one who humbled himself so low as did Jesus Christ, the Lord. He made Himself the least and smallest of all. He left His high throne and the glories which He had with His Father in heaven, and came down upon this poor earth—took servant form upon Himself, and was clothed in flesh and blood, and was fashioned like all other men, only without sin. He became the Son of man.

He did not come to be served, but to be servant to all mankind. He humbled Himself as the most lowly and least, and gave up His life and blood for the remission of man's sins. Therefore God has exalted Him and given Him a name above all other names.

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There are patterns in learning. A baby growing successfully naturally follows certain advancing progress. There are certain keys to memory that lead to good remembering. The way of the Heavenly Teacher can be learned only in His marvellous manner. Are you learning? Subjects (unknown in worldly way) unfold. Splendor never fades. The mountain-climber views over the clouds to other summits, above the clouds. The student who learns gains views beautiful, resplendent, of the world to come and its way of living.

Want to see more above the clouds? It's beautiful! "Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual." Humans learn to do things skillfully with the hand. Movement of feet is learned.

He who is life touched, and we awoke to a bright home.

The spirit needs grow. Plain steps are outlined by our Teacher. The Bible has His voice. What a precious privilege to daily listen to Him who speaks such gracious words. Read chapter by chapter, especially in the New Testament. Don't miss any precious manna.

"For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith." Don't neglect this! Books, lectures, laboratories have avenues of learning to distant

material poles. This Book explains the unsearchable riches of heaven, home, and forever. What a vast, deep, spiritual subject is this righteousness of God. What a beautiful joy to learn about God.

Faith is the grasp of the inner man of things not seen. The way, method, of God's learning. Medicine: Pioneers search new ways to health. Faith: Pioneers search the new land, by hearing. Spiritual beautifully builds with spiritual, further than interstellar space. Faith pioneers go deeper and deeper, knowing the One who is the living spring. Who is this that said His spring causes one to never thirst? What richly satisfying, unsearchable riches in Him!

"... the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life."

His campus, His class rooms, His equipment cannot be measured in space nor money. They are school for the spirit. How great is the value? It never ends. We should treasure what He gives. "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose." Patience, love, joy, all the gifts grow, when we listen. Sickness, sorrow, the shorter end, persecution are molds of divine method, learning yielding rich returns, more precious than gold.

"And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; And patience, experience; and experience, hope:"

Hope is listed with faith and love. What is hope? Paul writes that our Lord Jesus is our hope. Hope is a vibrant longing of the affections in Him. He is our life. Deep are the beautiful mysteries of joy unspeakable. The tremendous expectation of beautiful glory. Alive forever. It is beautiful to live in Him.

A vacation and a homecoming, a new home and yet the old love of home, perfectly perfect and satisfaction. Seeing our Jesus face to face, and all He brings with Him, that is to what our spirit looks forward.

"And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:" Life in Christ is different. It is in the heights exactly as He says. God dwells in us; the same God is in heaven. We are not limited by a 200 inch telescope. Nor giant listening ears, nor atom smashers. Great is our LORD, and his greatness is unsearchable. How far are the fields? How much awaits to know? In the spirit, we sit in the location, heaven.

Flesh has boundaries. Faith has none such. We look into the Scripture. With the intervening limitations, we grasp in part. Yet, these descending rains do not hide the glorious beauty to come.

"Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth." Athletes of the heavenly contest press forward. There will be stars in a crown for one who is willing to climb.

Training rules ask a denial for all who want to star in heavenly things. Leave the closeness, the crowd, and gain the crown. Leave the din, and find the win. The joy is unequalled. The challenge is radiant, for eternity. Vie with the stars. Know the love in greater splendor.

There's pain, to each a cross. One must turn away from all that the world cheers. There's thorns, steepness, and height. Faith gains dreams and sees glories never seen by man . . . joys never heard by mortal ear . . . beautiful, happy, joyous. The things prepared never even entered the heart of man . . . but God has revealed them to us.

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