

# THE SILVER LINING

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## Good News Of Home For The Handicapped

We of the Home-for-Handicapped Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank the many brethren and friends for the prayerful and financial support that has been given toward this project. May God bless you.

A tract of land has been purchased, and an architect has been hired. The property purchased is

approximately two miles northwest of Morton. (The Health Dept. has regarded this site as excellent for a Home of this nature.) Tom Landis of Chillicothe, Illinois, the architect, is well-known in the community and has been highly recommended by many brothers in the Morton area, where he has done much work. Tom has visited a

number of Homes and is ready to begin making drawings of the proposed Home.

We covet your prayers, that we might be led of God in our attempt to plan and build a comfortable home for the less fortunate. Your least brother in faith, Elmer J. Bucher, Assistant Secretary.

### SUCCESS?

In 1923 a group of the world's most successful financiers met in Chicago. Present were: The president of the largest independent steel company, the president of the largest utility company, the greatest wheat speculator, the president of the New York Stock Exchange, a member of the President's cabinet, the greatest bear in Wall Street, the president of the Bank of International Settlements, the head of the world's greatest monopoly.

Collectively these controlled more wealth than there was in the United States Treasury. For years newspapers and magazines had been printing their success stories and urging the youth of the nation to follow their examples. Twenty-five years later, let's see what happened to them: The president of the largest independent steel company, Charles Schwab, lived on borrowed money the last five years of his life and died penniless. The greatest wheat speculator, Arthur Cutten died abroad insolvent. The president of the New York Stock Exchange, Richard Whitney, was released from Sing Sing Prison. The member of the President's cabinet, Albert Fall, was pardoned from prison so he could die at home. The greatest bear in Wall Street, Jesse Livermore, committed suicide. The president of the Bank of International Settlement, Leon Fraser, committed suicide. The head of the world's greatest mo-

nopoly, Ivan Kreuger, committed suicide.

All these men had learned how to make money, but not one of them had learned how to live.

### SMOKING IS A SIN

"What is there about cigaret-smoking that is so deadly?"

Cigaret smoke is acid, a potent irritant made even more so by the fact that a cigaret is wrapped in paper, which adds still more irritant to the smoke.

More than 270 distinguishable chemical compounds have been identified in the smoke of a cigaret, **no less than seven and at least 15** of which are known to be carcinogenic (cancer-causing) agents.

Cigaret-smoking paralyzes the cilia (tiny whip-like hairs on the surface cells of the bronchial tubes which propel irritating or poisonous substances out of the lung). As precancerous changes occur in the lung, the cilia disappear altogether, thereby completely destroying this natural protection against these dangers.

According to the report made by the Advisory Committee to the Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service . . .

For men who smoke fewer than 10 cigarets a day, the death rate from all causes is about 40 per cent higher than that of non-smokers. For those who smoke from 10 to 19 cigarets a day (about a pack-a-day) the ratio rises to 70 per cent higher than that of non-smokers. From

one to two packs a day means an approximate rise of 90%.

For those who smoke two packs a day or more, the death toll mounts to 120 per cent higher.

Over a 30 year period, death due to coronary heart disease increased 2000%, cancer 50%. American Cancer Society gives: For every 100 non-smokers who die of heart disease, 215 smokers (pack a day) die.

### THE CARD CREATED OF EVIL

The first deck of cards was made for King Charles of France, an insane man, in 1392. The unknown inventor apparently hated God and the Bible. Each card tells a story in picture, and not one of them is good. Here are a few samples: The King card represents the devil. The Joker is said to be Jesus Christ. In this way our Saviour is held up to mockery. The Queen card represents the Virgin Mary, but in the language of the cards, she is called the mother of harlots.

### ALCOHOLISM

Cost of Alcoholism to business and industry is said to run about \$16 million a day, and is rising. (This is calculated on basis of absenteeism, tardiness, sick leave, wasted time, general inefficiency, accidents, inferior products and loss of trained manpower.)

A professor of anatomy at the Medical College of South Carolina offered evidence to show that when a drinker begins to feel the least bit giddy, a few of his brain cells

are being killed. A heavy drinking bout can damage or destroy as many as 10,000 such cells.

A good portion of the habitual drunkards on the southeast side of Manhattan get some sort of charity or pension. The men congregate and deteriorate. At sunup they have an "eye-opener," a fifteen-cent glass of wine. During morning and afternoon they panhandle and sell stolen goods for more drink. At night they battle each other for sidewalk sleeping space.

Most of them are desperately sick. The sauce eats them up. It burns the nerves of their brains, it swells up their bodies. . .

A former executive for an employment firm threw away a \$75,000-a-year salary, a wife, four children, a home and all respectability to booze. "Drunks are the living dead," he says, "like zombies. You take me. Right now I haven't had a drink in two years, so I look young and clean. But give me a bottle and I'd look like a corpse in a few minutes.

#### MISUSED DRUGS IS SIN

In California juvenile arrests on marijuana charges, it is written have jumped 3433%. There is some evidence of lasting damage to some users, genetic that might be passed from one generation to another. In the use of marijuana is medical danger—it toxically lodges in the liver. There may be damage to the brain, eyes, respiratory tract.

There is a telltale lack of ambition to one so chained. Other sad effects are lack of muscular coordination, hallucinations, sometimes delirium. Motor control and judgment decline. Inhibitions which governed normal behavior are torn down. The person becomes giddy, irresponsible, very open to suggestion. There is a false sense of bravery—impulsive, danger of doing dangerous things.

A medical school professor stated, four out of five young people who rioted at the convention in Chicago smoke marijuana regularly.

#### THE MODERN DANCE

An eminent specialist in nervous disorders, of Chicago and Los Angeles, makes this indictment of the modern dance: "I attack the modern dance as a reversion toward savagery. As a medical man I flatly charge that modern social dancing is fundamentally sinful and evil. I charge that dancing's

charm is based entirely upon sex appeal. I charge that dancing is the most advanced and most insidious of the maneuvers preliminary to sex betrayal. It is nothing more or less than a diabolical, animal, physical dissipation.

"A young girl enjoys the dance because she is drugged by suggestive music and emotional overstimulation into fanaticism. We doctors know there are mysterious currents, affinities that seem almost chemical. I tell you frankly it is not safe to subject even the strongest men and women to the subtle temptations of the dance. A trail of broken homes proves this.

Another says: "In 1890 I was a jailor and night man in a dance hall in a suburb of Chicago. The last words of my employer the night I quit were, "Remain with us three months longer, and you won't have any conscience to bother you: and as for a heart, you could not scratch it with a diamond point."

The dance has been the downward step for man, according to the agreeing testimony of reform workers and others in a position to know.

An ex-dancing master investigated the moral situation in Los Angeles, and found that 81% of the fallen women of the city entered their life of shame by way of the modern dance.

A New York reform worker says, "Of 1,000 girls under my personal care, every one of them traced their first step downward to the dance."

The dance HAS caused many to fall.

#### ASCHAFFENBURG, GERMANY Harlan Metzger

Each step we take is just one day nearer to that glorious day when He comes to take us, as we pick a flower for a bouquet, only to be pick-planted in His Eternal Bower.

Once again the beauty of spring has unfolded, bringing many tourists to Europe. Among these, we were richly blessed by the presence of Adrian and Dorothy Kellenburger. One evening as I was sitting in my barracks, I heard my name called out front. I went to the window, and was greatly surprised to see Adrian and Dorothy. So we spent a wonderful evening together at a Water Castle. The next week end we were able to get together at the

Heinz Maurer family at Neuhutten, and also sat and listened to the good and holy word Sunday.

We feel so thankful for the way the German families treat us over here. We always find their heart and door open to us soldier boys. May God richly bless them for their deeds of kindness and hospitality.

This is the season of the year we receive many replacements, and would deeply appreciate it if you would let me know, if you know anyone coming to Germany for their duty station. . . And also anyone coming over to visit Germany. We certainly find a blessing in visiting with someone from the States.

#### WOLCOTT, INDIANA Arles Kropf

We want to thank Bros. George Yergler and Sam Aeschliman for their words of encouragement and comfort which they gave us on their recent visit to our congregation.

Our high school graduates are Bro. Darl Schieler and Glenna Blume. May the Lord bless them and be their guide in whatever they choose for the future.

Sis. Lena Kyburz is welcomed back into our assembly, after spending the winter with her daughter and family, the Ben Joos' in Peoria.

Dianne (Lehman) Hopkins has been hospitalized for surgery, but is recuperating nicely. Dwight Waibel, son of Bro. Leon and Sis. Reva, was injured while playing at school, but is also home again. Jon Schwab, son of Bro. Vernon and Sis. Arlene, fell from a farm tractor and suffered a broken arm. Sis. Sophie Farney was released from

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the hospital to Lake Manor Home at Monticello. Bro. John Anker has been dismissed from the hospital. We trust the Lord will be with each one in their shut-in hours and give them courage.

Kenneth and Judy Kyburz are parents of a new baby boy. Sis. Jean Kyburz is the grandmother.

Ronald Kyburz, son of Bro. Roy and Sis. Edna, was married on June 1 to Donna Criswell of Reynolds.

Through inspiration from the Lord, the following poem has been written in memory of our beloved Bro. Irwin, whose presence and ministry is so greatly missed by all of us.

#### OUR PRAYER IN MEMORY OF BRO. IRVIN

Our Brother Irvin now is gone,  
His lips forever still;  
And though our tears are falling,  
We know it was God's will.

We grieve not for our brother's  
soul;

It is at rest with Thee,  
Enjoying all of Heaven's bliss,  
From pain forever free.

Oh God, we beg Thee do forgive  
Our errors, one and all;  
Where we did cause dear Irvin  
grief,  
His many tears to fall.

He meant so well in all he did,  
Though oft not understood;  
Yet all his words and all his deeds  
Were for our eternal good.

May the teachings that he left us  
Ever strengthen heart and mind,  
Chasten, keep us ever fearful,  
Make us loving, gentle, kind.

May we all be as forgiving  
As was he, while here he trod,  
So that all our names be written  
In the autograph of God.

Dear God, now for our church we  
pray.  
Give courage, faith and grace  
That though we small in number  
be,  
Successfully run the race.

Yes, God, give grace to us the  
sheep,  
Who now are left behind;  
Be Thou our Shepherd, lead us on,  
Till we too can Heaven find.

For his dear wife, our sister dear,  
And for the children all,

Help them to bear the awful loss,  
And always on Thee call.

May we all through tears of sor-  
row,

Hand in hand, the pathway trod,  
Till our circle be unbroken,  
Yonder there, at Home with God.

What joy again to greet him.  
Our brother, shepherd, friend;  
We'll sing again together,  
Thy praises without end.

—Your Reporter

#### FRANCESVILLE, INDIANA Mrs. Herman (Chris) Wuethrich Mrs. Otto Wuethrich

Our Graduates—

Who we think are dear Gradu-  
ates: Gary Albrecht, Mike Eschle-  
man, Jill Getz, Barry and Jerry  
Gutwein, Becky Howat, Kathy and  
Peggy Huber, Lona Pfladderer,  
Carolyn Metzger, Virgil Von Tobel,  
Brenda and Marsha Wuethrich.  
They all received a Bible from their  
Sunday School teacher, after a very  
touching evening program for  
them. We know they will store all  
the good things that were said to  
them in the corner of their hearts.  
We certainly love them all, and  
God has a still greater love for  
them.

Heaven has been brought closer  
to Bro. Ronnie and Sis. Vickie An-  
liker, as they know they have a  
little son **there**. God gave them  
Baby Rodney, and nine months  
later took him back, after the lov-  
ing care they gave him. Someday  
He will give them their reward for  
their faithfulness.

Dear Sis. Mary Wuethrich was  
again sent to Mayo's, to try to get  
some relief from this earthly pain.  
Her dear companion, Leon, never  
shuns his duty and love for her.

Two brothers came to us to do  
a service of love, in serving us Com-  
munion, Elders George Yergler and  
Theo. Beer, and the third one was  
our dear elder, Wendell Gudeman,  
for his first time. They surely  
made us feel our untold blessings.

"You don't know what you  
missed" was told me about Bro.  
Joe Schrock's visit and showing his  
slides of Japan. That is one of life's  
disappointments, when we have to  
be gone from home, when good  
things are told of God's workers.  
May God richly bless you, Joe, your  
wife and family.

Closing with the past two  
months' memories of mother's and  
father's . . . To everyone, they have

been dear, to one in one way and to  
another in another way. My moth-  
er went to her reward 10 years ago  
and father five years ago. Our  
father's sweet prayers stay with  
us, don't they?

#### SHIODA, JAPAN

Toshio Uchida

"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall  
not want." We pray God's blessings  
on the brothers and sisters in  
America who are in the midst of  
God's grace.

Our Shioda Church has been  
richly blessed by good attendance.  
Bro. Willis is going to the nearby  
schools to teach English and to  
speak of God, and in this way is  
working for God.

Our two teaching sisters are  
guiding the children with high  
spirits. The problem of who would  
come as our next teacher has been  
solved (Sis. Carol Schrenk, Chica-  
go). Thanks to all of you for your  
cooperation. May blessings be upon  
the new teacher who comes from  
faraway America to Japan.

If it is God's will, four souls will  
be baptized at Shioda church this  
summer. "May the grace of our  
Lord Jesus Christ be upon these  
four abundantly.

I heard from Bro. Willis about  
"kinderdorf" (homes for orphan  
children where single girls become  
the mother in the home), and I  
think it would be wonderful if it  
could be started in Japan. We ask  
all of you in America to consider  
this matter with us. I think it  
would be good if God's grace could  
also be shared with those children  
who have no parents. It is said,  
**Though you have faith to move  
mountains and have not love, it is  
nothing.** If our church would start  
"Kinderdorf", it would be a good  
testimony.

All of you brothers and sisters  
in America who are in the hands of  
God, please do me the favor of  
working in God's vineyard.

**Rejoice! And again I say Re-  
joice! For great is your reward in  
heaven.**

Translated by Willis R. Ehnle.

#### TAMAHATA, JAPAN

Willis Ehnle

I shall use the space for Tama-  
hata Church to report briefly of  
our Brother Meeting held on Sun-  
day afternoon, June 1, at a hotel  
about midway between our Tokyo  
church and our country churches.  
It is an extremely scenic spot, with



lofty mountains covered with a mass of green growth, a river widening into a lake, the trains from Tokyo winding their way speedily along the bank heading for the country, and the new expressway for automobile traffic—far above the train tracks.

It was a wonderfully blessed meeting. Some of the main points were how to share the message of the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ with new people, and the need for definite and respected leadership in each local church so that the work and leadership of the Holy Spirit be not hindered. In regard to the former, it was emphasized that every believer or friend who comes to our church services or English Classes should be asked to pass on to others in the course of natural conversation and contacts the printed page bearing God's message. Booklets containing selected Bible verses for the unchurched are available here free of charge; the Japan Bible Society prints portions of Scripture in an extremely attractive cover, and some explanatory booklets such as "Ye Must Be Born Again" are approved for distribution. Many friends here in Japan do not profess to believe in God, but I have come to the conclusion that they too should be asked to work in this way and encouraged to say to their friends, "Let's go to church and see."

#### BREMEN, INDIANA

**Pauline Laidig — Helen Zimmer**

"Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies." We thank Bro. Walter Rager of Toledo for his inspiring message to us on May 11 (Mother's Day). He reminded us that motherhood is a privilege and honor. After services, our Sunday School children paid their tribute to all mothers, by verse and song.

A number from our congregation attended the monthly hymn sing at Ft. Wayne on May 18. They enjoyed a blessed hour of singing and fellowship.

And no one knows God or sees Him  
as plain  
As those who have met Him on **The  
Pathway of Pain.**

Sis. Rosena Hueni is able to be back in her home. We praise the Lord that she is improving daily. Sis. Lydia Heuberger has been re-

leased from the hospital. We are happy she can now worship with us. Bro. Will Leman's condition is unchanged. While visiting him, one is reminded of his love for friends by his warm radiant smile and his firm handclasp. May God's blessing be upon him and Sis. Anne.

Graduation time is here again. We extend our sincere congratulations to Mark Unsicker, who is our only high school graduate this year. We welcome our college students who are home for the summer. It is a joy to have them fellowship with us.

#### A Tribute to Dad

God took the strength of a mountain . . .

The majesty of a tree . . .

The warmth of a summer sun . . .

The calm of a quiet sea . . .

The generous soul of nature . . .

The comforting arms of might . . .

The wisdom of the ages . . .

The power of the eagle's flight . . .

The joy of a morning in spring . . .

The faith of the mustard seed . . .

The patience of eternity . . .

The depth of a family's need . . .

Then God combined these qualities . . .

And when there was nothing more to add,

He knew His masterpiece was complete

And so He called it—Dad.

#### FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS Wendell Anliker

In Acts 2:38 we read: "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins. . ." We rejoice with the angels in Heaven over two souls that have turned unto the Lord in repentance. Jim Wagonbach, Tremont, and Duane Schrenk, Alto, realizing there are much greater joys in living for our Lord and Saviour than what the world could ever offer, have accepted God's tender calling. We trust that God will be with them and grant them much grace in their new walk of life.

Those who have arrived for basic training this month of May are: Bros. Bill Baumgartner and Jerry Drayer, Bluffton; Bro. Fredrick Wahl, Elgin; Duane Schrenk, Alto; Jim Wagonbach, Tremont; Lynn Dorneward, Lester; Tom Martin, Peoria; and Sedric Messner, Phoenix. Those who have moved on to new duty stations are: Rodney Maller and Ralph Aeschliman,

Bluffton, and Bro. Merle Rocke, Eureka, to Viet Nam. Sam Somerhalder, Gridley, Melvin Hartter, Eureka and Duane Laukuf, Latty, to Germany.

May 12, ministering Bro. Joe and Sis. Mary Aberle, Sabetha, journeyed here to be with us. Ministering Bro. Gene and Sis. Delores Metzger and family were with us on the 12th. They brought us many wonderful teachings. Ministering Bro. Roy and Sis. Donna Grimm, Taylor, spent the weekend of the 25th with us. On June 1, Elder Bro. Dan and Sis. Carol Koch and Bro. Simon and Sis. Louise Wagonbach were with us.

We cannot appreciate enough the efforts put forth by our ministering brethren to come down here to bring us words of strength and encouragement.

For those who will soon be entering the service, it is well if you send some civilian clothes to the apartment, so you have something to wear on week ends. It also is advisable to write and let us know when you're getting inducted, so we can make an effort to look you up when you arrive. The apartment address is: 504 Elmhurst Apt. 4, San Antonio Tex 78209. Phone—TA4-9803.

#### FORT SCOTT, KANSAS

**Wanda Kraft — Marie Zaugg**

"Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit." May we use this portion of his Spirit He has given us in righteous works.

Hospital patients this month are: Sondra Sinn, daughter of Wayne and Waneta Sinn, for a tonsillectomy. Bro. Will Sinn has missed coming to church for several Sundays, on account of illness; he is now in the Santa Fe Hospital in Topeka for a check-up. Sis. Wanda Kraft had surgery; she is now home and doing fairly well.

Our sincere thanks to Bro. Al Langhofer of Wichita for feeding us richly from God's holy word. With Bro. Al were his wife, Judy, and their family.

Our friend, Donnie Banwart, has received peace and desires to be baptized. The Lord willing, his wish will be granted June the 29th.

#### LATTY, OHIO

**Dolores Grant — Iva Stoller**

Bro. Dennis and Sis. Nola Stoller were blessed with a baby girl on May 9. She is named Sheila Ma-

rie, and was welcomed home by two brothers and two sisters.

We have had several hospital patients. Sis. Alice Stoller has been in for tests and is home. Sis. Irene (Dave) Stoller has had major surgery. We pray for her complete recovery. Carl Laukhuf has again been hospitalized, due to a heart attack. He is home and improved. May the Lord ever bless and keep him.

Bro. and Sis. Kent and Gloria Miller are moving from our community to the Ft. Wayne area, where Bro. Kent is employed. We will surely miss their presence, but sincerely hope they will often visit us.

Dwain Laukhuf, son of Bro. and Sis. Lester and Vera, has been sent to Germany. He is stationed at Aschfenburg. Our prayers go with him that he may return home safely.

With the passing of Memorial Day, we have fond memories of our loved ones gone on before.

We had quite a number of high school graduates. They are as follows: Mary Ann Breitwieser, daughter of Henry and Sis. Katie; Philip Grant, son of Bro. and Sis. Tom and Dolores; Wayne Klopfenstein, son of Bro. and Sis. Alvin and Ellen; Jerry Price, son of Bob and Aldine; Jerry Schlatter, son of Bro. and Sis. Dick and Viola; Benjamin Schlatter, son of Bro. and Sis. Ben and Helen; Barry Stoller, son of Ralph and Ruth; Mark Stoller, son of Bro. and Sis. Louis and Mildred; Larry Wenninger, son of Bro. and Sis. Don and Josephine; Suzanne Wieland, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Clem and Elizabeth; and Caroline Zeltwanger, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Al and Rose. We wish them well in their future lives.

June 15 is the day for our fathers. In appreciation, may we express our love for them.

### I LOVE YOU DAD

Dear Dad, this note is to say

I love you more and more each day;

I love you for your years of toil,  
And lessons taught me of the soil,

Your struggle to provide for me  
And for each blessing given free.

I love you, Dad, for gifts unseen,  
And your father shoulder on which to lean,

Your firm, yet gentle touch of hand,

And the magic way you understand.

Thanks for patience kind and strong,

And the way you straightened out the wrong.

Yes, Dad, I love you for your smile,

And prayers of thanks at eventide;

Good things you've taught I hold in store;

These gifts and many, many more.

Of all the blessings I have had,

One of the greatest is you, dear Dad.

### PULASKI, IOWA Mrs. Dave Wiegand

We were happy to welcome Bro. Uriel Gehring into our midst. We thank him for the blessings he brought, and hope he will return soon.

We were happy to have Bro. Dale and Sis. Carol Strassheim assemble with us again. Dale is serving in the army, and is being sent to Bangkok, Thailand, for about a year. Carol will stay here with her parents, Bro. Cleo and Sis. Esther Rinkenberger.

Sis. Hattie Miller is again able to assemble with us, for which we are thankful. She is feeling fine, after having had surgery, and wants to thank everyone for their cards, gifts and prayers.

Most of the crops are in and up. We must plant, water and pray for an increase from above. "So then neither is he that planteth anything, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase."

### PURDUE UNIVERSITY

Carol Schieler — Shirley Anliker

How swiftly another school year has come to a close and we find ourselves looking back over all the precious memories that it brought. Most of the students will be returning next fall, but for a few the time has come to bid farewell. Those graduating this year are: Bro. Dick Meister (Ft. Wayne), who has accepted a teaching job here in West Lafayette and will also be working on his Master's degree; Bro. Roger Levy, transferring to the University of Illinois (Champaign) to work on his Master's degree; and Sis. Elaine Stefan, who has completed nurse's training and will be moving home to work at the hospital in Rens-

selaer. We trust all of you will be rewarded for your many hours of hard study.

Furthering her education will be Sis. Mary Heinold (La Crosse), who plans to go to Germany and spend some time with a German family this summer.

Working in Detroit for the summer is Bro. Artie Bucher, from La-Crosse.

We wish to thank everyone who felt it worth their time and made an effort to assemble with us throughout this past year. We are especially grateful to our ministering brothers who so lovingly brought us the word each time we assembled. We trust it was as much of a blessing to each of you as it has been to us at Purdue. We wish to thank those at Champaign who invited us to assemble with them for services. A blessed evening was enjoyed. Host for our last meeting was Francesville, with Bro. Elmer Bucher sharing God's word.

Following services, officers were elected for next year as follows: President, Bro. Ron Keipfer; Vice Pres., Bro. Clint Bucher; Treasurer, Sis. Sandy Clauss; Silver Lining Reporters, Deb Wuethrich and Veronica Bucher.

In closing, we wish all the students a restful summer vacation, and we look forward to meeting again next fall.

The following poem was written by Bro. Clint Bucher:

### YOUR WAY

I often get discouraged as I travel  
down life's road;

It seems my cross is heavy and  
I fain would drop my load.

I walk a little slower than I know I  
really should;

I stoop a little lower than I ever  
thought I could.

Alone, depressed, I stumble on;  
I veer off from the right.

Sin draws me like a magnet, to  
Satan's great delight.

He sees me falling once again; His  
gain will be my loss,

Then in despair I lift my eyes  
and look up to the cross.

A nail-scarred hand is reaching out  
to draw me close once more;

God lifts me up and brings me  
back to where I was before.

Oh God, when will I ever learn to  
put my trust in Thee,

For in this span of life on earth,  
you know what's best for me.

God let me live just for today, for  
yesterday is past,  
Tomorrow's plans are futile, for  
today may be my last.  
You've plotted out a course and  
that's the way that I must go,  
So give me grace to walk your  
way upon this earth below.

### ALTADENA, CALIFORNIA

#### Marilyn Graf

We have been privileged to have several visiting ministers gather with us. Bro. Clarence Yackley and his wife, Sis. Vera, from Phoenix were able to be here one Sunday. Bro. Jim Ramseyer from Bay City was in Los Angeles on business and consented to minister unto us on a Thursday evening.

We extend sympathy to Nathan Moser and family at the death of his father.

Several of our members have left to spend the summer in the Midwest. Bro. Frank and Sis. Elizabeth Beyer have returned to their home in Gridley, Kansas, and Bro. Reuben and Sis. Marie Farney have left to spend the summer at their home in Burlington, Oklahoma. We wish you a pleasant summer and welcome you to return.

Bro. Harvey Kaisner has returned from spending five months in Mexico, where he was working.

Lavonne Kinsinger, daughter of Bro. Carl and Sis. Margaret Kinsinger, has completed training and is now employed by American Airlines as a stewardess. She is based in New York. Her address is: 125-10 Queens Blvd. Apt. 2405, Kew Gardens, New York 11415.

### UNION CITY, NEW JERSEY

#### Mrs. Kaywin Martin

As I write my first article for the Silver Lining, I want to make special mention of Bro. Ed Aeschleman, who has faithfully written each month's news in the past. I'm sure everyone in our congregation would join me in saying, "Thank you, Bro. Ed, for your efforts."

We were thankful for many visitors during the month of May; among them ministering brothers John Bahler, who read the memorandum, and Corbin Bahler from Rockville. We enjoyed every one who came to be with us.

Bro. Louis Schoenleber has been ill, but thankfully is among us once again.

Sis. Mary Diggelman was confined to her home with illness, but

she is again up and about with her usual energy.

Friends Fred and Lillian Welti passed away during the past month. They had lived on Long Island, and were always loyal supporters of our small church in Union City.

### Springtime

Have you ever taken a walk with a child in the spring? Sometimes you can see God's beauty with new eyes if you can listen to and watch a small child. One morning last month, I opened the door to go outside and found my three-year-old son bent over a tulip, touching it gently, for he had just discovered the very center of it.

"What's this Mommy?" he asked. "The look on his face was one of great wonder and amazement, and I thought to myself, yes it is amazing how beautiful the springtime flowers, green grass and trees are. From our backyard I watched the mountain ridge in the distance become green again and the dogwood trees bloom.

An artist can paint a picture of it, but only God can create such beauty!

### ALTO, MICHIGAN

#### Loretta Steffen

We awoke this morning to greet another beautiful day. Our favorite red-headed woodpecker is busy just outside our door; the children have discovered a cute little family of field mice; and the Holland tulips wave gloriously. All these reflect the message of God's creation. He created you and me, too. What are we doing for Him today?

Bro. Bill Gerst had an emergency appendectomy and is recovering rapidly. Sis. Lena Roth is hospitalized for observation, and Sis. Sharon Wingeier broke her ankle. We pray the Lord will send His healing power according to His will.

Here in my monthly notes I read: "Baby's first smile". This may not mean anything to you, but I am a mother and a baby's first smile is beautiful to behold. In that smile is all the baby's love, trust, and confidence that you will not neglect him, but will tenderly care for his every little need. Doesn't Christ teach us to be the same and trust in Him explicitly and completely? Then we can have a child-like smile too, knowing He will never forsake us.

We celebrated Memorial Day and were again reminded of the boys who have given their lives for our country. Roger Root of our congregation was one of the young men that we wish to acknowledge, along with the others who have lost their lives in war.

Father's Day is approaching and I thought this poem conveyed so much:

### TO ANY DADDY

There are little eyes upon you,  
and they're watching night and day;  
There are little ears that quickly  
take in every word you say;  
There are little hands all eager  
to do everything you do,  
And a little boy who's dreaming  
of the day he'll be like you.

There's a wide-eyed little fellow  
who believes you're always right,  
And his ears are always open and  
he watches day and night.  
You are setting an example  
every day in all you do  
For the little boy who's waiting  
to grow up to be like you.

### BAY CITY, MICHIGAN

#### Marlene Mosher

This poem was dedicated to Joseph H. Waibel, elder of the Bay City church on his 70th birthday (May 26, 1969).

### OUR ELDERS

I wonder—does anyone really know  
The example an elder must be  
How his life must be blameless, as  
the steward of God  
Sober, just, temperate, and pride-free?

I wonder—does anyone truly know  
How an elder must feed God's  
flock  
Holding fast to the word that he  
hath been taught  
So in storms he may be like a rock?

I wonder—does anyone ever know  
The prayers that he offers to God  
To grant him the grace and courage  
to lead  
All his sheep on the path they  
must tread?

I wonder—does anyone really know  
All the burdens an elder must  
bear  
And the sleepless nights when our  
sins weigh his heart  
And he takes them to God in  
prayer?



I wonder—does anyone truly know  
His joy when a man can repent  
And the love that he feels when  
this newborn soul  
In baptism makes a covenant?

I wonder—does anyone ever know  
The encompassing role that he  
plays  
As he marries, and buries, and  
fathers us all  
And admonishes all in our ways?

Yes, there is someone who really  
knows  
For the Chief Shepherd shall ap-  
pear

And a crown of glory he then shall  
receive  
In the scripture, this is quite clear.

So let us obey our Shepherds or-  
dained

And never rebuke or disdain  
But respect them, and love them so  
we may be blessed

And our Heavenly Home we may  
gain.

#### BERN, KANSAS Esther and Stella Moser

Anew, Lord, we are bound to Thee,  
Through Thy blest sacrament  
which we partook,  
That joined in heart and hand.  
To Zion's realm and holy land,  
We journey on.

After partaking Holy Communion,  
we closed the service in singing  
those words. Renewed in heart, and  
with new zeal may we go onward to  
a good and blessed end. Our thanks  
to Bro. Gene Marti for assisting  
Bro. Lester Hartter.

We extend our sympathy to Sis.  
Minnie Schrock of the A. C. Home  
in the death of her sister, Emma  
Bauman Wissler.

Sis. Lola Luthi (Glen) is able to  
assemble with us again after sur-  
gery. Other hospital patients have  
been Sis. Louise Esslinger (Pete),  
Mrs. Waymer Esslinger. . . . Jeff  
Baumgartner, six-year-old son of  
Bro. Leonard and Sis. Nancy (ton-  
sillectomy).

A group of members held a sing-  
ing for Sis. Leah Bauman, who ob-  
served her 89th birthday May 24.

We enjoyed our visiting minis-  
ters, Bros. Ben Fehr, Roanoke,  
Charles Marti, Lamar. As it was  
the time Apollo 10 was heading  
for the moon, both brothers touch-  
ed a little on that subject; what  
wonders man is doing and how it

all amounts to nothing when com-  
pared to God's creation. The  
thought comes to mind, why some  
day we can all be astronauts, and  
there will be no need for a space  
ship or special supplies either;  
when that last Trump shall  
sound and the Lord calls His  
elect, in the twinkling of an  
eye we will meet Him in the air.  
May we be ready and waiting.

Congratulations and best wishes  
to all graduates, as they go for-  
ward another step along life's path-  
way.

#### CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

During the past two months our  
visiting ministers were Geo. Lam-  
bert, Wichita; Vernon Feldman,  
Bremen; Herman Kellenberger, El-  
gin; Walter Steffen, Milford; and  
Noah Schrock, Oakville. We thank  
God that our congregations can  
still hear the simple truth and  
word.

We were blessed with the testi-  
monies and the rite of baptism of  
our Friends Philip and Janice Web-  
er, who are now living in the Phil-  
adelphia area. They lived for sev-  
eral years in Chicago and then as-  
sembled with us. Bro. Phil is now  
taking some graduate studies. We  
wish them both the grace of God  
for a long life in His service.

Friends Ray and Marge Young  
believe that God has given them  
the peace that passeth all under-  
standing and have been announced  
for proving and baptism.

Friend Nettie Haab has returned  
to her home in Milford since the  
death of her mother, Sis. Rose  
Haab. Nettie will be staying at  
home with her father, Bro. Elmer  
Haab. We wish her God's grace, as  
she also has been announced for  
proving.

The Sunday School has collected  
clothing for the local Indian Mis-  
sion.

#### CONGERVILLE, ILLINOIS

**Fannie Schieber — Pauline Roth**

This is such a beautiful time of  
the year. We have had nice  
amounts of rain, and the crops,  
grass, trees and flowers look so  
fresh and new. When I look at all  
these things that God made, I  
think how perfect and pretty they  
are, then I think how much more  
wonderful things will be in heaven.  
It is hard for our minds to compre-  
hend all the things God has in  
store for the true and faithful.

Our visiting ministers were:

Bros. Josh Broquard, Fairbury; Si-  
lias Leuthold, Princeville; and  
Harvey Grimm, Sabetha. We thank  
them for their visits and the words  
spoken.

Quite a few from our congrega-  
tion have been in the hospital. Sis.  
Tillie Sauder was in the Eureka  
Hospital, but is home again. Sis.  
Anna Miller is in the Eureka Hos-  
pital and remains about the same.  
She is very weak. Sis. Mae Schock  
was at the Eureka Hospital several  
days. She fell and broke a bone  
above her wrist. She has a cast on  
her arm now, but is home again.

Sis. Emma Reeser fell in her  
home and broke her hip. She was  
taken to the Eureka Hospital, and  
later moved to the Methodist hos-  
pital in Peoria, where she had sur-  
gery on her hip.

Little Susan Knapp, daughter of  
Bro. Fred and Sis. Marjorie, was in  
the St. Joseph Hospital in Bloom-  
ington. She is at home again. Little  
Mark Roth, son of Bro. Keith and  
Sis. Pauline is in the Mennonite  
Hospital in Bloomington. He had  
surgery this week. We hope he can  
soon be home again, and that each  
will continue to improve.

Friends David and Sandy Miller  
have a new little son, Mathew Dav-  
id, born May 24. A brother, Doug-  
las Arthur, will welcome him home.  
Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Vaughn of  
Stanford and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur  
Miller of Carlock are grandparents.  
Sis. Anna Miller of Goodfield is his  
great-grandmother.

Most of the children are out of  
schools and home for summer va-  
cation. Some of the young folks  
who graduated are:

Eighth Grade graduates: Sue  
Schieber, daughter of Bro. Harold  
and Sis. Alma; Mike Hartman, son  
of Bro. Gene and Sis. Carrie; Dale  
Knapp, son of Loren and Evelyn;  
Mardell Grusy, daughter of Bro.  
Elmer and Sis. Minnie; Cindy Zim-  
merman, daughter of Bro. Sam and  
Sis. Louella.

High School graduates: Vera  
Grusy, daughter of Bro. Elmer and  
Sis. Minnie; Connie Knapp, daugh-  
ter of Wilbur and Virginia; Sis.  
Cheryl Schrock, daughter of Bro.  
Roy and Sis. Polly; Sis. Bev  
Schieber, daughter of Bro. Harvey  
and Sis. Fannie; Tim Zimmerman,  
son of Bro. Orville and Sis. Lulu;  
Rick Knapp, son of Bro. Fred and  
Sis. Marjorie; Dennis Knapp, son  
of Bro. Glenn and Sis. Jeanette;  
Dennis Miller, son of Bro. Chris  
and Sis. Betty.

Vacation Bible School will start next Monday evening, and will continue for two weeks.

### EUREKA, ILLINOIS

**Cathryn Wettstein  
Salome Schumacher**

"In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths."

The Lord our Shepherd is;  
We shall be well supplied.  
Since He is ours, and we are His,  
What can we want beside?

Our visitors have been few but always appreciated: Bros. Roy Sauder—Peoria, Eli Somerhalder—Burlington, Oklahoma, Albert Aberle—Tremont.

Announcement was made of the engagement of Sis. Arlene Tanner and Bro. Jerry Banwart. He lives in Burlington, Iowa. She is the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Paul and Sara Tanner.

Among the ill are: Sis. Lena Wiegand underwent surgery, but has now returned home. Sis. Hannah Schumacher is in the St. Francis Hospital and is very ill. David Schumacher was in the hospital. He is the son of Bro. and Sis. Robert and Charlene Schumacher.

Saturday evening May 31, our two friends Robert Stoller and his wife Sharon gave their testimonies of the new-found faith they both now have. Both confessed of being in a state of fear of death. . . . If only more souls would realize their lost condition and seek their soul's salvation before the door of grace will be closed. Bro. Roy Sauder helped Bro. Leroy. The next day they were both baptized, and are now our new brother and sister in faith.

Vacation Bible School will begin June 9; it will last for two weeks. This is the first year that it is being held in the evening.

Bro. and Sis. Robert and Jean Knapp and family are leaving our community and church for a period of time (plans—four years.) They are moving to Scotland. This is their address—Robert Knapp, 16 Duart, Newton Mearns, Glasgow, Scotland. They are being sent there by the caterpillar company, where Bro. Robert works. May God watch over and protect them as He always has until now.

Births: A baby girl to Walter and Kay Knecht, born May 23. She is their first child and has been named Lynn Renee. A baby girl

to Bro. and Sis. Joe and Sonia Banwart. She was born May 6 and has 2 brothers and a sister at home. She has been named Joan Eileen.

### FAIRBURY, ILLINOIS

**Joyce Huber**

S-U-N; the U stands for you. If you goes out and I goes in, it spells SIN. The greatest trouble in the world today is I. . . . But if I will humble myself, become nothing, I become zero, nothing. Instead of S-I-N, it would be S-O-N. Praise God! That's what the world is looking for today, but "I" must come to nothing. "I" must be crucified.

Bro. Josh Broquard announced that Sis. Rosemary Meiss will be teaching Snuday School, replacing Sis. Leona Nussbaum, who resigned.

Congratulations to our University of Illinois graduate, who is Bro. Walt Steffen, son of Bro. and Sis. Ben Steffen. Walt has prepared thy work (Prov. 24:27) and found knowledge of wisdom . . . then there shall be a reward (Prov. 24:14)

Guests of Bro. Willis and Sis. Elsie Bachtold were Bro. Joe Stoller and Bro. Nate Stoller, along with others from Princeville and Bradford. We thank the Bachtolds for making possible the visit of the ministers and others.

Hospitalized were Elsie Denick, who had a broken arm; Sis. Lydia Bachtold, who had surgery; Bro. Dave Hartman; Sis. Rose Steffen; Sis. Tillie Kaisner; and Sis. Emma Huette, who has returned home again.

### FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

**Robert and Janice Sutter**

How many times have we turned our eyes to a clear night sky, and stood awed at the incomprehensible void of the heavens. At moments such as these our hearts are drawn heavenward by unseen hands, toward the region we cannot understand. Although we cannot span the gulf that divides our feeble mind from the mind of our all-powerful God, we know that He is there right beyond the stars. We know He is there because of the swelling up inside of our souls that only His voice can accomplish. There is no greater joy or peace on this earth or the world to come than to simply talk with your God. Oh to think that there are really some poor souls who have never at-

tained this most precious of all gifts!

### GOODFIELD, ILLINOIS

**Elna Grimm**

A deep wave of sorrow has swept over our church and our community, as Cindy Sue, the 11-year-old daughter of Bro. and Sis. Wesley Knapp has been laid to rest. Cynthia Sue Knapp was born on April 12, 1958, and entered in rest on May 27. Surviving are her parents, Wesley and Mildred Frank Knapp; two sisters, Donna Lou and Sherry; and one brother, Wesley Charles ("Chuck"), all at home; her grandparents, Bro. and Sis. Kores and Nettie Knapp of R.R. Congerville, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Frank of Morton. Her funeral was held at the Goodfield Apostolic Christian Church on May 29, with services by Bro. Edwin Hohulin.

I couldn't help but think, "How Beautiful Heaven Must Be" with "angels" such as little Cindy. We have seen the works of God portrayed very mightily in her life and in her death. It was easy to love her, for she was indeed an exceptional child. She bore her pain and discomfort very quietly and patiently; but there is more to it than that, for Cindy had exceptional parents, praise God for this! None could have cared more lovingly, or worked more diligently than they to see that Cindy's last few days and years on earth would be pleasant. Never did we hear them utter a word of complaint, though we who love them were aware that many times they groaned in the spirit . . . and very obviously they were granted a special measure of grace to endure this heart-rending experience. Whereas it is a beautiful thing to know that a child is "Safe In The Arms Of Jesus", yet for the parents there is heartache and grief to be suffered. In speaking with Bro. Wes, he said, "If only one soul could repent and be saved through this, it would help ease the pain". Shortly after the funeral, Cindy's Grandpa Knapp, Bro. Kores, drove to the cemetery to see the grave. As he lifted the latch to the gate, he heard a fluttering sound among the flowers on Cindy's grave. Looking, he saw a white dove make its way from the flowers; and with no sign of fear or fright, it circled above the grave, flew near to him, then turned and flew away. "I never saw



anything so pure and white", he told me later. Some say the angel of death has visited us, but I say it was the "Angel of Life".

**Card of thanks:** My sincere thanks to all my relatives and friends, from far and near, who remembered me with prayers, cards, and visits during my stay at the hospital, and since returning home. God's richest blessings to all. Thanks again. Norma Bauman.

Our friends, Alfred and Marie Keiser have confessed peace with God and man, and have been announced for baptism.

Bro. Mike Meece, son of Sis. Eloise Meece, is being married to Sis. Barbara Hodel, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Stanley Hodel of Roanoke, on Sunday June 8. Julie Hohulin, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Lawrence and Laura Hohulin is being married on June 7 to Sam Slick of Peoria.

Sis. Mary Nohl has been confined to bed for the past few weeks, and is to remain bedfast for a few more weeks, due to a fall in which she fractured a bone in her thigh. It is very difficult for Mary to stay in bed so long, as she has always been very active. She is one of our dear old cheerful pillars—we love her and miss her. May God be good to her, and grant a speedy recovery.

Gary Bauman, son of Bro. and Sis. Elmer and Mildred Bauman, has returned from Viet Nam. After spending 30 days with his parents, he will return to Texas to complete his 2 years of service. Since he is home, he has also announced his engagement to Sally Hobbs of R.R. Congerville. Sally's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hobbs.

Bro. Gene Metzger was here to minister to us. He and his family spent a few days here with his wife's parents, Bro. and Sis. Ira and Carolyn Rockey.

### GRIDLEY, KANSAS

Mrs. Rudy Bahr

Mrs. Eldon Metzger

The news correspondent wrote encouragingly that we strive to write more than just making words. Today I can't give the **Silver Lining** number one priority. We are in the midst of the second week of Bible School teaching, tomorrow is our last day, and we are putting up our first crop of alfalfa, long overdue. We have had unusually wet weath-

er, and many fields have still not been worked, with last fall's stalks still waiting. We had close to 3 inches rain again last Saturday night, our creek going over the road bridge again. Everything seems to be "piling up" at once!

Tomorrow the Bible School students plan to take a sack lunch to eat in the park at Burlington, and then sing for the residents of the Golden Age Lodge. They are making cards for the close to 100 residents, since they discouraged any food or tray favors. Evidently these residents treasure each little tray favor; they don't want to throw them away and it becomes a problem.

Little Phillip Metzger is still hospitalized. He had a backset and seems to be making satisfactory progress now.

Kerry Jo Strahm, daughter of Bro. Loren and Sis. Liseten Strahm, had her tonsils removed. Earlier she had been hospitalized with a quincy sore throat. She is in training for an L.P.N.

Rose Ann Strahm was in an automobile accident graduation evening and was fortunate to be only badly bruised. She is a daughter of Bro. and Sis. Loren Strahm.

High school graduates from our church were RoseAnn Strahm; Doug Kraft, son of Bro. and Sis. Lloyd Kraft; Ilene Grimm, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Albert Grimm; Debra Bahr, daughter of the Sylvan Bahrs and granddaughter of Sis. Lydia Bahr.

Friend Ralph Rodgers was home on leave and is now in Viet Nam. Friend Sam Somerhalder is home on leave from Ft. Sam and has received orders to go to Germany. May the Lord watch over them.

Bro. Joe Somerhalder went to Topeka for a checkup, and had part of his cast removed, so that his leg is enclosed to the hip only.

We had a combination Bible School program and church singing Sunday evening, since part of the students are invited for the week end at the Lamar church.

### HONOLULU, HAWAII

Keith and Sharon Kellenberger

After almost a month of traveling in Japan, we're home in Hawaii again. It was a wonderful trip and a blessed experience. We are so thankful for God's guidance and protection. The following mentions a few of our many unforgettable ex-

periences there: Sighting Mt. Fuji's peak through the clouds as our plane descended; our first attempt at buying a train ticket with no knowledge of the Japanese language; all the attention our blonde-haired baby in our back pack received from the Japanese public; meeting and fellowshiping with Bro. Yoshio Yamazaki (how we appreciated his helpful interpreting for us), the Klaus family (Sis. Betty grew up in Elgin, Ill.—Keith's hometown) and Bros. Dennis and Jim Fehr (although it had been eight months since they left Hawaii to be stationed in Japan, when we could be with them again, it seemed more like only eight days since we had parted), seeing Tokyo from Tokyo Tower (the crowding of the houses is amazing—they're so close to each other); the very blessed week when we stayed with the Ehnle family; the cute kindergarten children and their singing; the beautiful scenery of Japan; the good fellowship with Sis. Nancy Schrock and Sis. Marie Neihouser; staying in Japanese-style hotels and eating Japanese food; getting to know and forming friendships with the Japanese brethren and friends, and visiting some of their homes; and then the wonderful evening when we could take Communion at the Shioda church. Yes, we have many pleasant memories which we'll remember a long time. We'd like to thank the brethren and friends in Japan for their generous hospitality and kindness.

Last April shortly before we left for Japan, we enjoyed a day with Bro. Luther and Sis. Helen Steffen of Ft. Wayne, and an evening with ministering Bro. Norman and Sis. Jo Ann Stoller and the Steffens. Helen was from Elgin, Ill., and knew Keith when he was a boy. Luther had been stationed in Hawaii for a while in World War II.

Since we've returned home, Bro. Roy & Sis. Averill Stevig of Phoenix phoned us, and we spent an enjoyable afternoon and evening with them. Yesterday we were delighted to join Bro. Kent and Sis. Jan Ringger of Bluffton. Kent is here on R & R from Viet Nam. We're looking forward to having them visit our apartment Sunday to hear a taped sermon. Kent and Jan were at Ft. Sam Houston for awhile when we were there.

Aloha!

## ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY Christy Koch

"Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years." Bro. Bob Pohl, Burlington, reminded us of the end-time, as he read and meditated on Revelation 20. We were strengthened anew and given new courage to remain faithful in this life, that we might have part in that first resurrection.

Bro. Marvin Schmidgall, Eureka, brought us the message of salvation through the blood of Jesus Christ, as he ministered from Hebrews 12. Bro. Clarence Kachelmuss, Forrest, reminded us that we should not become so busy with our studies that we neglect prayer.

The first week end in May we had the privilege of hosting many of the surrounding colleges—Iowa State University, Ames; University of Iowa, Iowa City; Indiana University, Bloomington; Purdue University, West Lafayette; Ball State, Muncie; University of Illinois, Champaign; Illinois Central College, East Peoria; and some from Bluffton and Indianapolis. Bro. Robert Meyer, Bluffton, ministered to us on Sunday. What a blessed week end of fellowship we enjoyed!

We certainly want to wish our graduates God's blessing and care as they leave us and venture into the world. Those graduating from ISU are: Bro. Sam Bachtold, Forrest; Sis. Pam Baer, Morton; Sis. Sue Beebe, Cissna Park; Bro. Marvin Hodel, Cissna Park; Bob Knepp, Roanoke; Sis. Sue Rapp, Tremont; Sis. Sandy Rudin, Cissna Park; Sis. June Sauder, Tremont; Bro. Richard Stoller, Gridley. Bro. John Huette is graduating from Illinois Wesleyan University.

Officers for the school year 1969-70 were elected. The following were elected: Bro. Ted Witzig (Morton), President; Bro. Jack Miller (Congerville), Vice-President; Sis. Mary Hohulin (Peoria), Secretary; and Sis. Christy Koch (Tremont), Treasurer.

Another semester is behind us. How fast the time went. As we look back, God truly was watching over us and gave us a blessed year. Two souls turned to the Lord—Sis Shirley Getz, Eureka, and LeAnn Hohulin, Goodfield. May God ever be with them.

We want to thank all of our visiting ministering brothers who so kindly labored here this past school year. We especially appreciate the efforts of our ministering Bro. Joe Schrock, who has guided us through another year. May God bless everyone of you. We plan to continue holding services during the summer months, beginning June 19 at 8:00 p.m. in the third floor lounge of the University Union Building. We extend a hearty welcome to everyone to come and worship with us.

## JUNCTION, OHIO

### Henrietta Manz — Betty Manz

Our visiting ministers were Bros. Eugene Fetter, Toledo; George Sinn, Latty, and Aaron Steffen, Alto. It was pointed out that when we think we are strong, then we are weak. We were reminded that when God has us by the hand, it is for the good. A serviceman once went to his elder and said how he was "scared to death", and what should he do? The elder's kindly advice was that he should just go and "We'll pray for you." Afterwards the serviceman felt that it was not his own prayers that saved him, but the many prayers that were offered for him. Let us remember to pray earnestly for one another, as the prayer of a righteous man availeth much. One of our visiting ministers told us that gossip is "Satan's mailman." Let's not forget this.

We can believe many prayers were offered for our sick. Sis. Julia Hale was in the hospital for tests, but is able to assemble with us again. Sis. Evelyn Manz is a surgical patient in the hospital. May God especially bless her sister, Sis. Ruth Weiss, who has come from Mansfield to care for the family for several weeks. She certainly has a great love for her many nieces and nephews. Many God look down in mercy on all the sick and give them much patience to endure.

Sis. Janet Schlatter (Bro. Richard and Sis. Juliet) has returned to her studies at the Defiance College for the summer, after a short vacation. Sis. Lois Schlatter (Bro. Ben and Sis. Esther) has graduated as an X-ray technician from the Toledo Hospital. Bro. Sam Schlatter (Bro. Ben and Sis. Esther) and Bro. Don Manz (Bro. Eli and Sis. Evelyn) are home from college for the summer.

Open house was held for our four

high school graduates: Jacob Manz (Bro. Adam and Sis. Kate); Sis. Virginia Manz (Bro. Emanuel and Sis. Ruth); Tim Schlatter (Bro. Richard and Sis. Juliet) and Kenneth Manz (Bro. Eli and Sis. Evelyn). We wish them many blessings wherever they go and in whatever they do. We are happy that Tim Schlatter has chosen the career of farming and will work with his father here.

## LESTER, IOWA Emelie M. Knobloch

In the Ft. Sam news in May 1967, also when reading past Silver Linings I read the wishes of a mother in her last hours for her family (Sis. Lydia Bollier May '66). Yes, loved ones, I'm sure this is probably the wishes of many a parent. Due to Mother's Day, the first one since God called our mother to her eternal reward, a great vacancy was felt. We can pray if we can only meet up yonder in the "Sweet Bye and Bye".

One by one their seats are emptied,  
One by one they went away.  
Now the family is parted.  
Will it be complete one day?

We again were grieved over the sudden death of Lonnie Lee Feucht, 21-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Feucht, on May 11. Lonnie was killed instantly in a car accident. It reveals to us how uncertain life is. Services were held May 13. Bro. Uriel Gehring and Bro. Leo Moser conducted the services. He is survived by his parents and one sister, (Judy) Mrs. Ed Martin of Marengo, Ill.

Sis. Martha Feucht (Ernst) and Mrs. Emil Wulf received word of the passing of their father, Bro. Joe Moser at Morris. He also has a sister here, Sis. (Ernst) Mary Knobloch who mourn his passing.

Fred Sparre had been here for the funeral of Lonnie Feucht, suffered a heart attack and passed away the following week. Our thoughts and prayers are with all the loved ones. May God share His sympathy to help share the loss you must endure. May we be prepared, loved ones, for we know not when the trumpet will sound. I read, "Grief knits two hearts in closer bonds than happiness ever can. . ."

Dale and Gary Feucht were home on leave for their grandfather's funeral (Joe Moser). David Moser,

son of Bro. and Mrs. Adolph Moser spent sometime in Thailand, then to Germany and he has arrived from Germany for a leave, enroute to Viet Nam. May the Lord grant peace again on earth, so the loved ones may return to their families.

Bro. Arthur Knobloch and Sis. Elgeva Knobloch were united in Holy Matrimony on May 11 by Bro. Leo Moser. May God share his blessings in their life together.

We voted for Sunday School teachers: Bros. Nathan Knobloch, Alvin Leuthold and Sis. Nancy Gerber (Bob). May the Lord be their guide and support as they proclaim the gospel to His lambs. Our Bible class will have their Youth Fellowship gathering here on June 8 (including the Bible classes from Morris, West Bend, Winthrop, Elgin Ia) and our annual Sunday School picnic.

Among the ill: Grandma Leuthold, Melodie Knobloch were hospitalized for several days. Bro. Wilhelm Wulf had surgery sometime ago. All our loved ones have been able to gather with us again.

We have many loved ones who have graduated, which seems very impressive when these loved ones will be working for their future intentions. Whatever your future goal maybe, do ask God for guidance, as He will surely care for you. Remember the teachings taught in your Sunday School and homes.

Births: To Bro. and Sis. Dennis Warner, a daughter, May 9, Angela Marie. To Bro. and Sis. Melvin Knobloch, a son, May 26, Denton E. To Bro. and Sis. Roger Knobloch a son, Troy Jay, May 28.

Note: May God bless each for their deeds of kindness shared during our recent bereavement. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered. Ben and Sarah Feucht, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Martin and Dawn.

#### MORRIS, MINNESOTA

Mrs. Herman Schaefer

Mrs. Carl Joos

Funeral services were held for Bro. Joseph Moser Sr., who passed away on May 17 at the age of 83. He is survived by his widow, Rosina; five sons, Nathan of Calif., Joseph Jr., Alhai, and William of Morris, and Christian of Hoffman, Minn.; four daughters: Mrs. Emil (Eliz.) Wulf, Mrs. Noah (Emma) Gerber, Mrs. Ernest (Martha) Feucht, all of Iowa, and Mrs. Earl (Minnie) Kussatz of Morris.

John Spohr passed away on May

21 at the age of 71. He is survived by his widow, Esther; four sons, Wilbert, Fredric, and Charles of Morris, and Ed of Ohio; one daughter, Mrs. Allan (Illene) Burnham of Hancock. Our sympathy goes out to both of these dear families.

Hospitalized are Mrs. George Luthi and Mrs. Ron Meiss. Those who have returned home are Louie Stettner, Bro. Dale Koehl, and Denny Joos. We pray their health will soon return.

We had ten high school graduates. They are Lois Nohl, Charlotte Sauder, Douglas Wulf, Sis. Diane Fehr, Rhonda Joos, Bro. Tom Dogotch, Vicki Heil, Vicki Zeltwanger, Judy and Joyce Durkee. We wish them the Lord's guidance in the future.

Karl Koehl, son of Bro. and Sis. Edward Koehl, left for the service.

We pray God will be with Karl as he answers his call of duty.

Bro. Elmer Schmidt of Winthrop visited us; we thank him for his visit, as we all received a blessing from his message.

#### NEW MARTINSVILLE, W. VA.

Mrs. Gus Weltz

Miss Della Witschey

Miss Della Witschey has been a patient in the local hospital for several weeks and at this writing is not able to be returned to her home. She is a medical patient and must stay off her feet for sometime.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Weltz attended the funeral of his daughter, Audrey Weltz Watkins in Cambridge, O., on May 10. She had been quite ill for many months.

R. D. Williams of Akron visited with the Barth families over the Decoration Day holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Witschey of Pittsburgh were the guests of the Witschey family over the Decoration Day holiday.

Mrs. Fred Raulfs, Miss Alma Hagelschamp and Miss Nellie Holb of Akron visited with Miss Della Witschey on May 31.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Durig and Mrs. Jessie Bleuer visited with their families in Huntington, W. Va., on May 30 through June 1. Mr. and Mrs. Elza Ritz, Mr. and Mrs. William Murdock Sr. and son Tim, and several other relatives and friends attended the wedding of William Murdock Jr. and Miss Marilyn McGinnis on June 14.

Mrs. J. C. Froelich is able to be out again, after several days at home. Walter Emch remains about

the same and is still a patient in the local hospital. Mrs. Clarence Durig is somewhat improved and able to be at home.

Mrs. Barbara Wade and sons, Jack and John, of Daytona Beach, Florida are spending two weeks with relatives. They will be accompanied home by Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Wade and family, who will vacation for two weeks in the Florida city.

James Wade, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Wade was a member of the graduating class of Magnolia High School in June, and left on June 18 for Glenville State College, where he has enrolled for the summer term. He plans also to attend this college in the fall.

#### RITTMAN, OHIO

Florence Hartzler

Mrs. Ben Blough

We have four new babies to report. Elaine and John McCreary welcomed little Jill to their home. Jill has 2 little brothers to welcome her also. Linda & Bob Schorle's 1st child, Stephanie Ann arrived at their home. Beverly Sue was born to Leo and Joyce Marty. She is their first child. Sis. Martha Lou and Bro. Dean Marty were blessed with their fifth boy, Paul Lester.

Those hospitalized were: Dean Maibach, son of Bro. Alphonse and Sis. Helen Maibach, Sis. Pauline Hartzler, Sis. Naomi Imhoff, Sis. Anna Hodovan, Sis. Louise Riggenschamp, and Sis. Ella Fankhauser. Sis. Ruth Ingold had the misfortune of fracturing her ankle. We hope all are feeling better and are on the way to recovery and good health.

Our congregation was blessed with two visiting ministers. Bro. Eugene Pamer of Akron and Bro. Henry Wackerle of Bay City brought God's word to us.

The engagement of Bro. Denny Miller, son of Glen and Sis. Ella Miller, and Sis. Doris Indermuhle of Sardis has been announced. We wish them God's guidance and blessings as they plan their life together.

Art Riggenschamp, son of Bro. Will and Sis. Martha Riggenschamp, and Lynn Brubaker were united in marriage. We wish them God's blessings as they start their life together.

On May 26, funeral services for Sis. Emma Maibach were held. This dear sister has gone to her rest at the age of 91, after serving her Lord for 75 years.



**SABETHA, KANSAS****Mrs. Joe Steiner**

We appreciate the visit of Bro. Charles Marti of Lamar, and thank him for ministering unto us.

Sis. Fanny Bahr and Sis. Frieda Strahm were both in the hospital for a time but are both home again.

We welcome my husband's sisters, Sis. Matilda and Sis. Lena Steiner, back into our community. They were born here and spent their youth around Sabetha. They later went to Elgin, Illinois for employment, where they lived for some number of years. They now have moved back and will keep house for their brother, Friend Noah Steiner, who farms near Morrill, Kansas. Work has now been started on their new home, which they are building on the farm. We ask the Lord to bless their home and keep them in His love.

**TOKYO****Yoshio Yamazaki**

May is really beautiful season here in Japan, and we can surely realize that our Creator is wonderful and really living today. "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. **There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard. Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun, Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race. His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.**"

Bro. Keith and Sis. Sharon Kellenberger and their daughter, Rachel, 8 months old, visited here in our country Japan about 3½ weeks, and we had real wonderful fellowship together with them. Certainly they are wonderful brethren. Keith, Sharon, Dennis Fehr and I went on a trip down to Kyushu, where is the southern island of Japan. . . And we dropped at Nagasaki and Hiroshima when on way back. We had very nice trip and hope our brethren when visit here can also take trip around there. I believe you really would enjoy it very much. Also, we had two soldier boys from Viet Nam, Bro. Ed Kupferschmid and Cloyce Gress. We certainly appreciated that we

could have opportunity to have nice Christian fellowship.

Bro. John and Sis. Betty Klaus had a new baby girl on May 10, and her name is Hope Elaine. Mother and baby are both healthy and fine by His precious grace.

Sis. Yoshiko Utsuki was married on May 17. We wish and pray for them to come to church on Sunday Services continually. Her husband is real nice and honest young man.

A girl whose name is Makiko Watanabe, who works at the Ehbles, flew over to the United States on May 30, and I believe that there are three girls in the States now. We wish and pray that they will be able to have wonderful opportunity there and have chance to repent and turn to the Lord by our American brethren's kindly love and witness of the Lord.

**TOLEDO, OHIO****Mary Ann Weigele****Emily Frautschi**

On May 3, David Laidig (son of Bro. George and Sis. Frances) and Joann Dahms were united in marriage. We wish them the Lord's guidance and blessings in their new life together. Their new address is: 4235½ Overland Pkwy., Toledo, Ohio 43612.

Bro. John and Sis. Karen Breitwieser moved into their new home at 621 Brahier Lane, Maumee, Ohio 43537.

On April 27 we were blessed by a visit from ministering Bro. Aaron Steffen and his family, from Alto. Bro. Aaron likened our spiritual life to taking a trip. Often on a trip, we feel we may be on the wrong road because there are no other cars around. We check our map to see if we are going right or not. If going wrong, we go back to where we erred, and go right. Likewise in our spiritual life, we must often check with our spiritual map or guide, the Bible, to keep us on the right way.

Karen Newman has been ill and hospitalized with an allergy to a medication, but is recovering now, for which we are very thankful. Sis. Josephine Rehklau was also hospitalized for surgery, is home and coming along fine.

On May 18, four converts were baptized and added to the fold. We pray the Lord will be their constant comfort and guide in their daily walk of life. They are: Sis. Diane Reineck (daughter of Bro. Homer & Sis. Josephine); Sis. Su-

zanne Rehklau (daughter of Bro. Walter and Sis. Frieda); and Bro. John and Sis. Karen Breitwieser (John is the son of Henry and Sis. Katherine of Latty). Elder Bros. Rudolph Graf and Theo. Beer were with us for the week end.

I have been working in the yard quite a bit lately, and find it amazing how quickly weeds pop up to choke out the flowers, shrubs, etc. In our spiritual life, it is much the same. The bad thoughts (weeds) pop up so quickly, and if not **pulled out** and taken care of soon, will choke out our good thoughts. We must constantly work with ourselves and groom our minds to the praise of the Lord.

**TUCSON, ARIZONA****Tucson Sewing Circle**

Some of the cactus plants are in bloom; other varieties bloom somewhat later. We often wonder how something so vicious-looking, with thorns and barbs, can produce such beautiful blossoms.

Our visiting minister during May was Clarence Yackley and his family.

Sis. Lena Joos of Peoria spent some time here, and we were happy to meet and have fellowship with her son, Chris and his wife and 4 children of here.

Our sewing circle meets weekly and sews cancer pads. We have a monthly fellowship dinner for birthdays and anniversaries.

Our adult Bible class has created quite an interest, since we've began memorizing the books of the Old and New Testament, as we study each book as we go.

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

When I walk through the dark lonesome valley,  
My Saviour will walk with me there,  
And safely His great hand will lead me  
To the mansions He's gone to prepare.

How wonderful to know the Lord walked with Bro. John Fuhrer and led him to the mansions on Sunday May 25. Bro. John was born August 30, 1889, and has been an active member in our congregation, serving as Sunday School superintendent and song leader for many years; he will be missed by us all. Elder Bros. Sam Aeschliman, Noah Bauman and Rudolph Graf con-

ducted funeral services. Our heartfelt love and sympathy is extended to his dear ones: his wife, Sister Katherine Wahl Fuhrer; his son, John W. Fuhrer; and daughters, Sis. Dorothy Durkin (James), Sis. Catherine Morrison (Robert), Sis. Martha Cordrey (Kenneth), Sis. Mabel Banks (Richard), Sis. Marymae Bocka (Harry), Gladys Texter (George), and Sis. Ruth Young (John); his seven sisters, Sis. Tillie Oesch (Karl), Sis. Mary Sauder (William), Sis. Aldine Fuhrer, Sis. Esther Gilliom (Elmer), Sis. Naomi Cordrey (Donald), Sis. Nellie Groh (Herman), and Sis. Martha Fuhrer, all of the Mansfield area.

Our prayers for God's guidance and protection go with Bro. Raymond and Sis. Carol Cordrey and their four children, who are leaving our community to make their home near Brayon, South Dakota. We hope they will return to Mansfield for frequent visits. Ray is the son of Kenny and Sis. Martha Cordrey.

Thanks to Bro. Henry Wackerle of Bay City, who ministered to us on Sunday May 11, and to Bro. Aaron Steffen of Alto, who was here for evening services on May 30. We have also appreciated the visit of Bro. Albert and Sis. Elizabeth Kaisner of California.

It was so nice to have three of our young servicemen home for several weeks. Bro. Gaylord and Duane Dotterer, sons of Bro. LaVern and Sis. Christine were home on visits, but now Bro. Gaylord is expecting to be sent to the Viet Nam area. Jerry Bird, son of Bro. Bob and Sis. Miriam was also home, and after several weeks of special training in Norfolk, he also expects to go to the Far East. We would ever commit them to the Lord for His protection, wherever they may be stationed.

Sis. Katherine Houston has been released from the hospital and is now at the Geriatrics Center. Sis. Ola Froelich is still a hospital patient, and would like to take this opportunity to express her thanks for the many cards, letters and gifts, and also the prayers offered in her behalf. Bro. Paul Froelich from Phoenix as here visiting his mother.

O let us exalt our dear Lord and proclaim,  
In songs of true gratitude, praise to His name.

As songs of the angels In sweetest accord,

Our thanks and our praises shall rise to the Lord.

On Sunday afternoon, May 18, all were invited to gather at the Rural Life Center to join in praising the Lord with song; then we were richly blessed as the Vesper Choir presented their annual program of hymns, full of joy and praise. The blessed kinship we enjoyed with our out-of-town visitors extended through the supper hour, as we asked the Lord's blessings on the food we shared.

The Vesper Choir was also privileged to witness of the Lord's love this past month, when they sang to the residents at the Richland County Home, the Geriatrics Center, and our own Church Home. "... so will we sing and praise thy power."

#### WEST BEND, IOWA

**Anna Schmidt — Mrs. A. Banwart**

Countless were the blessings enjoyed by many, when we were privileged to hear the testimonies of friends Janet, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Nathan and Lilly Mogler, and Cheryl, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Noah and Emma Gerber, conducted by Elder Bro. Paul Fehr, assisted by Bro. Paul Banwart. On the following day, after many teachings brought forth by ministering Bros. Alphi Moser and Paul Fehr, both of Morris, many witnessed their impressive baptismal services. In the evening we were served Holy Communion, which is so uplifting to the spirit, & this in turn brightens our whole lives.

Sis. Esther (Mrs. Nathan) Banwart is slowly recovering, after sometime in the hospital due to a heart condition. Jackie, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Nathan and Lilly Mogler, has been in Iowa City for a check-up and is improving. Mary, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Ervin and Elma Mogler is recovering satisfactorily from a tonsillectomy.

Two new babies have been added to our congregation. Bro. and Sis. Art and Eula Mogler have a little girl, June Rose, who arrived on June 1; and Keith and Sandy Wirtz have a little boy, Joseph Lee, who arrived May 23. Parenthood is such a blessed experience when guided by our Lord and Saviour. May the Lord bless them.

Thankfulness and joy was felt throughout our congregation when

son of Bro. and Sis. Earl and Edna Banwart from Service in Vietnam safely. His orders are to finish out his time at Ft. Sam.

We wish Sis. Judy, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Verner and Beverly Wirtz many blessings for the future, since she has now graduated from her nurse's training.

A shower was held for Sis. Sharon Metzger, who will become the bride of Bro. Jim Fehr on June 29 in Japan, if all goes as planned. May the Lord add His blessing to this important undertaking.

#### DETROIT, MICHIGAN

**Judith Aberle — Donna Hartzler**

Paul IzGherian gave a testimony of his faith and was welcomed into our fellowship as a brother in Christ on Sunday, May 11. Bro. Paul is originally from Windsor, Canada but is now living in Detroit.

On Saturday, May 17 Barbara Belsley, daughter of Bro. Willard and Sis. Arlene, and Dave Bayne were united in marriage. May God reign in their hearts as the third part of a threefold tie in their life together.

Our congregation was saddened to have Bro. Jerry and Sis. Kay Cargill and their children leave Detroit to make their home in Elgin, Illinois. Bro. Jerry has just completed his residency in internal medicine at Henry Ford Hospital, and is now setting up a private practice. Although we miss them, we know the Elgin congregation will be enriched by their presence.

We were wonderfully blessed by the words ministering Bro. Bob Meyer of Bluffton spoke to us on Sunday, June 1. He so vividly described the many reasons and excuses young people give to put off their repentance, which is what should really be of first importance. Today the youth are taught to question why, and to reason out for themselves to such an extent that they are often hindered from having a simple faith in God and believing and obeying His word. It is so important, therefore, that the youth are taught the truth from childhood and that we who are born again are living examples of what we teach. May we all strive to that end.

We welcome Bro. Arden Scott Bucher into our congregation. Ardie is from LaCrosse, and is spending the summer in Detroit, working at General Motors.

Our best wishes go to Sis. Caro-

lyn Knochel, as she leaves our Detroit congregation to return to her home in Bay City. Carolyn graduated from Henry Ford School of Nursing on Saturday, June 7, after completing three years of nurse's training.

#### BURLINGTON, OKLAHOMA

**Millicent Frieden — Laverne Roth**  
Vacation Bible School was held the week of May 26, under the direction of Sis. Bill Schrock. Although the enrollment was small, we praise God for the interest and the Lord saw fit to return Eldon, enthusiasm shown by these little ones. Also, A special thanks to the teachers for their patience and effort.

We had five from our congregation who were high school graduates this spring: Janet Murrow, daughter of Bud and Sis. Helen Murrow; Kent Kisling, son of Bro. Frank and Anna Belle Kisling; Sis. Aleta Farney, daughter of Bro. Huber and Sis. Helen Farney; and Douglas and Bradley Ott, twin sons of Bro. Marvin and Sis. Irma Ott. We are thankful one has already chosen and taken the most important step in life. **Seek ye first the kingdom of heaven . . . and all rest shall be added.**

Hospital patients have included Bro. Eli Frieden, Sis. Marie Farney, Sis. Myrtle Rathgeber, and Friends Mike Kraft and Pete Farney.

Our World Relief sewing sessions, held weekly in the basement of Sis. Sophia Kircher, have been discontinued for the busy summer months.

Sis. Mabel Springer and daughters, Sis. Debra and Sis. Janice, were hostesses in their home for our hymn-singing, held the first Sunday of the month.

Our harvest season is here; fields are ripe and golden, ready for the combines. Thought: Will we be pure as gold, ready for God's harvest?

#### ELGIN, ILLINOIS

**Louise Steffen  
Katie Kachelmuss**

Our guest ministers were Bros. James Ramseyer, Bay City; Willis Wiegand, Goodfield; and Edmund Kloter, Fairbury. No matter whether from near or far, God through His Spirit by His servants extends kind and sincere invitations to the friend of the truth, to avail themselves of the opportunity to become reconciled with God

while the door of grace is still open, and before the night comes when man can work no more. . . . And to His children He gives many good teaching and timely warnings through His servants. May God give them all much grace and courage to carry on their duties in His vineyard.

We are glad to welcome into our church circle Bro. Jerry (M.D.) and Sis. Kay Cargill and their family. They are living at 994 Marlene, Elgin.

We were sorry that Bro. Fred Wahl was called out of our midst, to go into the Service. He is the son of Sis. Ida Braun Wahl. We hope and pray that God will protect and keep him, as well as all of the boys in the Service, and let them feel His nearness at all times. . . . and also comfort and console the parents who are always concerned for their sons and have many lonely hours wondering how they are getting along. We hope that in due time they can again return to their homes and loved one, if it would be His good will.

Florence Schneider and Ruth Moser have returned to their home, after having been hospitalized due to an automobile accident.

We have a number of sick ones; hospitalized are Sis. Bertha Weichert, Rose Haumiller, and Bro. Richard Klopfenstein. May the Great Physician be ever near the sick and suffering, and also to their families and loved one.

Asleep in Jesus! blessed sleep,  
From which none ever wakes to weep!

A calm and undisturbed repose,  
Unbroken by the last of foes.

This has become the part for our dear, aged sister in faith, Lydiana Moser, on May 15. Her many nieces and nephews wish to express sincerest thanks for the love and kindness shown to them during her illness and passing away, also for the beautiful cards sent to her on her 93rd birthday May 6.—Verena and Caroline Wieland, and the Moser families.

Hospitalized for surgery was Sis. Nina, wife of Bro. Morris Willaert, one of our faithful trustees. Through the years we have been fortunate to have brothers who have served us sincerely and faithfully as trustees and treasurers, have kept everything in a orderly condition, and have put in many

hours of service and labor in their duties. May God bless them all for their efforts.

Birth: A daughter, Nancy Lynn, to Bro. Paul and Sis. Joyce Weiss, born June 6. The grandparents are Bro. and Sis. Carl Weiss and Bro. and Sis. Nathan Kellenberger.

Fred Schock passed away. He left his widow, Sis. Frieda; two sons, Bro. Norman and Howard, several grandchildren. Our sympathy is extended to the family, especially to Sis. Frieda. May God be her comfort and be near her always in the lonely hours ahead.

#### LA CROSSE, INDIANA

**Mrs. Lucille Heiniger**

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Bro. George Yergler and other loved ones in the loss of his sister, Sis. Cora Kauffman; and also to Bro. Ralph Levy and all his family, in the loss of his brother, Bro. Bill Levy of Ft. Wayne.

An announcement of the engagement of Bro. Gerald Banwart and Sis. Arlene Tanner of Eureka was made Mother's Day. Their wedding day is planned for July 13.

The wedding date of Bro. Glenn Pfeifer and Sis. Nancy Roth is June 22. We wish each God's blessings as they begin another Christian home.

Bro. Glenn Heinold left this week for the Armed Services. We wish him God's blessings and protection, so when he has completed his time that he may return to his loved ones.

We are thankful to God for the protection given to Sis. Ellen Troxel and her loved ones who live in Gary, when they experienced going through the fear of the explosions that took place in Gary. Although Sis. Ellen had to evacuate her home for several hours, she was able to return later in the day.

A son, David Allen, was born to Bro. Dennis and Sis. Dianne Bucher May 29. The paternal grandparents are Bro. Arthur and Sis. Esther Bucher. A son, William James, was born to James and Joan (Heiniger) Cambern June 7. Bro. John and myself are the maternal grandparents. Bro. Aaron and Sis. Grace Heinold received word that a daughter, June Rose was born to Bro. Art and Sis. Eula Mogler of West Bend. The Aaron Heinolds are the maternal grandparents.

Our congratulations go out to those who graduated from high school and college. Those from here



were: Bro. Roger Levy from Purdue University . . . from high school were Sis. Emily Heinold, Sis. Joyce Gudeman, Eddie Troxel, David Heiniger, Eddie Bruder and Michael Rinckenberger.

Our son, Paul submitted to an appendectomy surgery. He improved rapidly enough to be able to complete the last two and a half weeks of school.

Sunday June 15 is the day we honor our fathers. We are thankful that we have Christian fathers who with the rest of us honor our Heavenly Father, which should be first and above all.

#### A FATHER'S PRAYER

Help me to be the kind of man  
That You would have me in your  
plan,  
That I would be right, meek, and  
humble  
And ne'er complain, or grumble.  
Should my path lead me high or  
lowly,  
Keep my thoughts serenely holy;  
Grant to me such virtues ample,  
To my family and friends be an  
example.  
Make me strong and true both day  
and night,  
And stand very firm for all that is  
right;  
If there's any of Thy wishes I've  
omitted,  
Help me to Thy will be committed.

#### LAMONT, KANSAS

##### Mrs. Stephen G. Schrader

This season of the year is a time for many things—it is "a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted". The whole countryside reflects the splendor of God's creation—the lush green of the grass and crops, and the garden plants, weighted down by their fruit. For our family, this has been also a time for moving to the country. In preparation for moving, much sorting and discarding had to be done, so there wouldn't be "excess baggage" on moving day. Perhaps it would be beneficial for each of us periodically to have a "spiritual" moving day, when we would discard little and unnecessary things that cling to us like so much excess baggage.

Sis. Emma Wernli suffered a fractured arm several weeks ago; the break is mending well.

Our Sunday School class attended a day of fellowship with other classes in Sabetha.

Roger and Marge Ackerman of Morton were church visitors. They had visited often with Bro. Bill Emch when they were all stationed in West Germany.

#### TAYLOR, MISSOURI

##### Mrs. Eli Sutter—Mrs. Bill Heimer

Our high school graduates this year are Becky Hodel, Randy Sutter, Elwood Yackley and Debbie Heimer. Sisters Sue Henning and Edra Gerst graduated from Blessing Hospital School of Nursing. Edra returned to her home in Oakville, where she plans to work at the Burlington Hospital, and Sue will continue to work at Blessing. We wish all the graduates God's blessing in their plans for the future.

Deborah Ann Heimer, daughter of Sis. Naomi Heimer, and Myron Barkley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Barkley of Taylor were united in marriage. We wish them many happy and blessed years together.

A son, Trent William, was born to Bro. Stan and Sis. Linda Heimer on May 28. He is their first child, the first grandchild for Sis. Naomi Heimer and the first great-grandchild for Sis. Elizabeth Sutter. The maternal grandparents are Bro. Clarence and Sis. Rosella Kolthoff.

We enjoyed the visit of ministering Bro. Arnold Gerst and family, Chicago and appreciated the message he brought us.

#### Know Each Other Better Series

Our present trustees are Bros. Perry Yackley, Don Feller and Robert Hoerr.

Bro. Perry is the chairman, and lives on a farm near Taylor. His parents with their eight sons moved here from Hancock in 1918, being the first church family to come to this area. Perry and his wife, Sis. Clara (Tanner) are the parents of eight children. Faye is married to Ron Hoenes; they have two sons and live at Columbia, Mo.; Sis. Eleanor is a teacher at Gem City College; Sis. Dorothy is a student in the school of surgical technicians at Blessing Hospital at Quincy; Karen will be a junior at KSTC at Kirksville, Mo.; Elwood graduated from high school and plans to farm with his father; Evelyn will be a junior in high school; and Joe is in Junior High.

Perry thinks that being a trustee is an obligation not to be taken lightly. The money they spend in the upkeep of the church is the

Lord's money, and therefore is to be spent wisely on projects that are necessary to maintain the church in good order. In problems to be solved or if confronted with differing views, he tries to adhere to the principles of the Scriptures and not follow the trend of modernism.

He remembered that his father, Bro. Andrew Yackley, Bros. Otto Gerst and Charlie Koelling were the first trustees, at the time the small acreage and house were purchased to be used as our first church building. Many others served faithfully during their term in office. Since the rotation system was started, each trustee serves three years, so a new one is voted in every year.

Bro. Don Feller is married to Sis. Judy (Grimm). They are the parents of four children, two boys and two girls. He works in Quincy. Bro. Robert Hoerr married Sis. Emma Dee (Massner) from Fort Scott. They have five children, two girls and three boys. He farms near Taylor. All three trustees have taught Sunday School. Bro. Perry is the Bible Class teacher at present.

#### VALPARAISO, INDIANA

##### Alma and Jean Morris

#### WHO?

Who made the golden sun-rays?  
Who gives us day and night?  
Who spreads abroad the heavens?  
Who made the stars so bright?  
Who gives us spring and winter,  
The summer and the fall?  
Who plants the grassy meadows?  
Who makes the trees grow tall?  
Who set the hills in order?  
Who made the winding streams?  
Who made the sunny hillsides?  
Who robes the woodlands green?  
Who dots the vale with flowers  
Which bloom so bright and fair?  
Who gives the rose its fragrance,  
The lilies odors rare?  
Who paints the leaves in autumn?  
Who gives refreshing showers?  
Who makes the glistening snow?  
Who taught the birds their flying?  
Who made their cheery call?  
Who gave to man his reason?  
Who set him over all?  
Where'er we look or listen  
In day or starry night,  
There is an unseen presence.  
Have you not felt its might?  
This is a weighty question  
Wherever man may trod,  
Some people say it's nature,  
But I will call it "God."

Henry Beer

On June 1 we were honored by Bro. Henry Beer and wife. Bro. Henry gave us a very inspiring message. Our minister and his wife, Bro. Harry and Sis. Lena Bucher, were on a much needed vacation.

Pamela Bucher, daughter of Lowell and Sis. Evelyn Bucher, was married Saturday, May 31, to Richard Buchanan. We wish them much happiness.

Bro. Dillar Ames and his father were in an auto accident. Bro. Dillar was unhurt, but his father received a broken leg and several other injuries. It proves again that we should live each day as though it were the last.

Our sympathy goes out to Bro. Roy Frieden and family in the death of his brother George in Missouri.

#### BRADFORD, ILLINOIS

Martha Kieser  
Delores Duckworth

We are happy to hear, Richard Tanner is coming home from Viet Nam. While he was there, he received a shrapnel wound and was awarded a purple heart. He is the son of Bro. John and Sis. Margaret Tanner.

We congratulate those who have graduated from high school and a special congratulation to Pat Ehnle, daughter of Bro. Ben and Sis. Audrey, and Sis. Joan Knobloch, daughter of Bro. Clarence and Sis. Emma, who have completed three years of nurse's training.

Debbie Knobloch, daughter of Bro. Jim and Sis. Helen, has had a tonsillectomy and is doing fine. Debbie is almost 7.

We sympathize with Bro. Leroy and Sis. Esther Streitmatter and family in the loss of their father, Bro. Wm. Ehnle of Princeville.

Randy Stisser, son of Bro. Loris and Sis. Lottie has left for service. We trust God will watch over him and safely lead him through.

#### BURLINGTON, IOWA

Mrs. Paul Wagler  
Mr. Wm. Oberman

Surely it was the Lord who used our dear brother Sunday in delivering the messages which were in accord with the words we sang, "Their reward is truly great who unto the end enduring". Our thoughts and sympathies were with Bro. Kenny Scheitlin and his family in the impending funeral of his mother, Sis. Elizabeth Scheit-

lin . . . but we were reminded that we should "sorrow not, even as others which have no hope".

We had a blessed week end when friends Gary and Edith Anliker gave their testimonies of faith and were baptized. We enjoyed the visits of Bro. Joe Kaisner and Bro. Perry Zimmerman of Forrest, Bro. Joe Schrock from Congerville, and others who came with them for the occasion. This was followed on Sunday evening by Holy Communion, which was served by our elder, Bro. Noah Schrock.

We are glad to report that Lewis Frank (husband of our Sis. Tillie Wagler Frank) has returned home, following surgery. We hope his recovery is swift and complete.

#### CROGHAN—NAUMBURG, NEW YORK

Carol Virkler

Mrs. David Shamback

Lynn Virkler, son of Bro. Howard and Pernal Virkler, escaped serious injury when his clothing became caught in the power take-off of some farm machinery. He was hospitalized a few days for minor injuries; we are very thankful that it was not more serious.

Others hospitalized have been Bro. Arthur Herzig, Sis. Lucy Hany, Pernal Virkler and Bro. Leon Ebersol. We are happy to report that each has been able to return to their homes.

Sis. Cora Beyer is hospitalized following a fall in her home, but suffered no serious injuries.

Louis and Janet Beck are the parents of the girl, Kristina Marie. Maternal grandparents are Larry and Sis. Louise Purvines. Paternal grandmother is Mrs. Water Lasher. Little Kristina is their first child.

God has been very good to us, as on June 8, ministering Bros. Corbin Bahler and Roy Luginbuhl and their families from Rockville were with us. Many, many precious teachings from God's holy word were vividly brought unto us. We wish to thank them for their efforts and extend a hearty welcome to all to visit us.

#### GRIDLEY, ILLINOIS

Lydia and Eunice Kammerer

In loving memory of our two dear ones, Bro. Alph and Sis. Carolyn Stoller, who passed away June, 1967.

Their smiling ways and pleasant faces

Are a pleasure to recall.  
They had a kindly word for each,  
And they died beloved by all.  
Some day we hope to meet them;  
Some day we know not when,  
To clasp their hands in the better  
land,

Never to part again.  
We do not forget them,  
We love them too dearly,  
For their memory to fade  
From our lives like a dream.  
Our lips need not speak  
When our hearts mourn sincerely,  
For grief often dwells  
Where it seldom is seen.

We have a number of injured folks in our congregation. Bro. Philip Moser is in the hospital with a broken back.

Sis. Elizabeth Stoller is confined to her home with a back injury. Sis. Sophie Schlipf is suffering with an injured shoulder, resulting from a fall down a number of steps.

Sis. Katie Funk is a patient in Fairbury Hospital, and her sister, Elizabeth is again able to attend church services, after being hospitalized due to a fall.

Sis. Lena and Sis. Mary Funk are also able to attend services, after being absent for some time due to illness. Sis. Ethel Meiss is a surgical patient in Brokaw Hospital.

Sis. Mary Alice Witzig left for Washington D. C., where she will be employed in the Library of Congress for three months.

We held our annual election on Wed. evening. Retiring trustees are Bro. Eli Kiefer, Bro. Harold Schmidtgal (who is our new minister), and Bro. Carlton Klopfenstein (who with his family attend services in Bloomington).

New trustees are Bros. Dan Kaufman, Henry Gramm and Richard Kiefer. Sunday School teachers are: Sis. Carolyn Schlipf, Bros. Fred Ringger, Dale Wiegand, and John Gramm; Usher: Bro. Bill Romersberger.

Bro. George Gramm received a letter from friend William Schmidtgal, who repented just before entering the service, saying he has received peace from God. William is stationed in Ft. Sam Houston Texas.

#### MILFORD, INDIANA

Marguerite Hoerr

The engagement of Sis. Nancy Herman of Morton and Bro. Joe Beer of our congregation has been

announced. May God shower His blessings on this young couple as they plan their future together.

A son, Christopher Edwin was born to Sis. Cindy Stoller and the late Bro. Edwin Stoller, who met his death in Korea. We rejoice with Cindy over this little boy who was given to her. We wish for her a special endowment of wisdom and grace, that she can raise little Chris so that he might learn to know his Saviour as his father did.

Bro. Phil and Sis. Millie Beer have been blessed by the birth of a little boy, Benjamin August. Little Benji was also welcomed home by his six sisters, Terry, Jan, Peg, Chris, Heather and Heidi, and his two big brothers, John and Phil.

Henry and Sis. Anna Stieglitz have received the good news that twins have been added to their list of grandchildren. Their son, Dr. John Stieglitz and his wife of Sun Prairie, Wisconsin announce the birth of Allison and Kurt, born on May 14.

Seven members of our Sunday School Bible Class have received their high school diplomas. We congratulate Larry Kammerer, Phil Price, Dick Steffen, Dan Beer, Jim Beer, Charles Baumgartner and Tyranne Beer. Their plans include farming, business or college. Whatever they have in mind for their future, we feel sure they will consult the Lord for guidance.

We're sorry to report Phil Price was not able to attend his graduation ceremony. Instead he spent that evening in the hospital, where he'd been admitted previously with a rather severe case of mono. We're glad to say he's home again and getting stronger each day.

Bro. Chas. Good has also spent some time in the hospital. Upon returning home, he reported feeling some better and said he could feel the prayers of those concerned for him. We're so thankful God has seen fit to answer those prayers in such a gratifying way.

Bro. Stan Wuthrich was inducted into the service on May 28. His parents report he has arrived at Ft. Sam Houston. May God be near him and all other boys in the service of our beloved country.

### OAKVILLE, IOWA

**Martha Steiner**

We enjoyed the visit of Bros. Perry Zimmerman, Forrest, and

Bert Butikofer, Elgin, Iowa, who were with us for morning services recently.

Bro. Conrad and Sis. Roletta (Farney) Gerst are the happy parents of a baby boy, whom they brought home when he was only four days old. Daniel Alan, born May 24, is welcomed by a brother, Roy and a sister, Linda.

Among our graduates this year is Sis. Edra Gerst, who has finished her three years of nurse's training at Blessing Hospital in Quincy, Illinois. Her parents are Bro. Leslie and Sis. Sarah Gerst.

Our Sis. Elizabeth Scheitlin, wife of ministering Bro. Gust, was called to her heavenly home on June 6, after a long illness. Those mourning her passing include her husband; sons, Don, Denver, Colorado; Rollan, Mediapolis; Bro. Ken of Burlington; daughters, Sisters Mildred, Burlington; Arlene (Milo) Weissinger, Burlington; Lucille (Roy) Rauhaus, Oakville; a sister, Sis. Della (Herman) Kellenberger, Elgin, Illinois; two brothers, Elmer, Twin Falls, Idaho; Paul, Kimberley, Idaho. Sis. Elizabeth was born in 1894, the daughter of William and Ida Mathys Messner. She married Bro. Gust on Nov. 16, 1919. We will greatly miss her presence in our congregation, but we are thankful that her suffering is ended.

### SARDIS, OHIO

**Doris Indermuhle**

The engagement of Sis. Doris Indermuhle to Bro. Dennis Miller of Rittman was announced this month. The Lord willing, they hope to marry in mid-summer. May our loving God be ever with them as they plan their future together.

Bro. Carl and Sis. Whiletta Indermuhle wish to thank all those who remembered their 50th wedding anniversary.

Sis. Almeda Brake had been hospitalized, but is now well and able to assemble with us again.

The Mansfield Choir visited us this month. They were truly inspired, and so inspired the Sardis congregation with an hour of praising God through song.

"Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. . ."

### TREMONT, ILLINOIS

**Josephine Schaefer  
Mary Jane Leuthold**

The visit of Bro. Elmer Bucher of Francesville left us many reasons to rejoice. We were thankful that God still inspires the brothers to bring forth words of truth which are so precious to us, and also that Bro. Elmer was willing to lend himself in our behalf.

After the services, Bro. Elmer spoke briefly about the home for the handicapped, wherein he mentioned that the head of one such home stated that they must turn away an average of two handicapped persons every day—regardless of how badly they might need a home and a place to stay—because they have no room, and he further added that if we were only to build a cabin for six, it would at least be that many more provided for. Surely there is a great need in this area.

Both Sis. Barbara Moser, the wife of Bro. Ray, and their son Alan were hospitalized. However, we are thankful that they have recovered and are again assembling with us. Alan, who suffered a broken arm, still has it in a cast.

June 21 has been set for the date of the marriage of Jon Griener, the son of Bro. John and Sis. Emma, to Peggy Ann Kirby of Atchison, Kansas. They will be married in Kansas.

As the angels rejoice in heaven when a sinner repents, so also does the church here on earth. We, therefore, rejoice that Richard Sauder, Ed Koch and Jim Wagenbach have turned to the Lord in repentance. Richard is the son of Bro. Bob and Sis. Elizabeth Sauder, and Jim who is presently stationed in Ft. Sam Houston, is the son of Bro. Simon and Sis. Louise Wagenbach. Ed Koch recently moved here from Boston, Massachusetts and is making his home with his sister Hanna.

### WICHITA, KANSAS

**Mrs. Larry Farney  
Mrs. Harvey Smith**

We welcome Sis. Barbara (Fluckinger) Hangartner to our congregation. Barbara was of the Rockville congregation before her marriage to Bro. Dave Hangartner.

Elections were held this month. The newly-elected officers and Sunday School teachers are as follows: Sis. Karlene Wheeler, Kindergarten & pre-school class; Bro.



Howard Warner, Junior High class; Bro. Max Remschisel, Senior High class and Sunday School Superintendent. Bro. Milton Bowers was elected clerk on the board of trustees, and Bro. Dave Hanguartner was elected to complete the unexpired term of chairman of the board vacated by Bro. Wayne Strahm, when he moved to the Bern congregation.

Once again our spirits were lifted as we enjoyed holy communion. It is hard in these days of "hustle and bustle" to stop and realize the sufferings our Lord endured that we might be saved. At the time of Communion we are able to collect our thoughts and think of what our Lord did for us.

We also were blessed at hearing the testimony of Jocelyn Langhofer and her experience of the saving blood of Jesus Christ. Jocelyn's wish to be baptized was granted her. It was announced that Marth Langhofer has received peace and desires to be baptized. Jocely and Marty are the daughter and son of Bro. Al and Sis. Judy Langhofer.

#### FT. SAM REUNION

The Ft. Sam Reunion for those servicemen whose active service began between July 1, 1961 and January 1, 1965 will be held on Aug. 2, 1969 at the West Side Park in Nappanee, Indiana. Bremen and Milford will serve as hosts. Each church is receiving information. The Committee.

#### AKRON, OHIO

Kathy Graf

Sis. Grace Schuckert is at home now, after treatment at the University Hospital in Ann Arbor, Michigan. She is grateful for "all your prayers, gifts, mail, and goodness to her in her illness, and prays that the Lord may return it to you in good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over."

Our visiting ministers were Bros. Joe Ramsier from Rittman and Robert Beer from Mansfield. We were happy to have both, and wish them both God's blessings for their service.

Sis. Jane Greenbank graduated from nurse's training at Akron City Hospital. She has started working at Barberton Citizen's Hospital.

We are happy to report the progress on the new church we are building. At the present they are laying bricks for the 1st floor walls.

Ernest Graf Jr. has just been discharged from the army. He is the son of Bro. Ernest and Sis. Louise Graf.

Sis. Mary Zollinger, who has been living in the Kaufman home, has moved to the Rittman area. She is now residing with Sis. Lydia Steiner in Marshallville, Ohio.

#### FORREST, ILLINOIS

Carolyn Zimmerman

Juanita Schneider

Teach us that marriage is not living merely for each other; it is two uniting and joining hands to serve Thee. Give us a great spiritual purpose in life. May we seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and the other things shall be added thereunto.

On May 18, Sis. Maribeth Ebach and Bro. Richard Kupferschmid were married by Bro. Perry Zimmerman. Parents of the bride are Bro. and Sis. Jake Ebach and of the groom, Bro. and Sis. William Kupferschmid. God bless their union.

On May 27, a little son, Aaron James was born to Bro. Bill and Sis. Mary Masters. A brother, Ronnie and sister, Lisa welcome him home. Ed and Sis. Mary Ann Plattner are Aaron's grandparents. Jeffrey Scott, the first child of Dale and Mary (Gaston) Leman was welcomed on May 28. Grandparents are Bro. Sidney and Sis. Helen Leman.

Sis. Ruth Schlatter was a surgical patient at Carle Hospital, Urbana; she has returned home. Sis. Laura Knapp, Bro. Andy Koehl and our friend A. P. Loomis are in the hospital. Edith Honegger was a patient in a Bloomington hospital; she also has returned to her home. May they all put their trust in God, the Divine Healer.

**Budded on earth to bloom in Heaven.** All our hearts weeped with the loved ones of tiny Kristie Kupferschmid, 8-month-old daughter of Bro. Gary and Becky Kupferschmid. Little Kristie was born Sept. 20, 1968, with a heart defect, and after 8 months of devoted care, on June 1 God called her home. Surviving besides her parents are maternal grandparents, Bro. and Sis. Merle Kaisner, Fairbury; paternal grandparents, Bro. and Sis. William Kupferschmid, Forrest; great-grandparents, Bro. and Sis. Louis Zimmerman and Bro. and Sis. Joe Kaisner, both of Forrest; and a great-grandfather, Bro. William Kupferschmid, Peoria.

The following Sat. evening, our friends, Gary Kupferschmid and Jim Platter gave their testimonies of a true repentance; assisting our ministers were Bro. Josh Broquard, Fairbury. The baptisms followed on Sunday. Bro. Jim is home on a 4-week furlough, following his tour of duty in Vietnam. He will return to Ft. Lewis, Washinton for the remaining 6 months of his tour of duty.

James Honegger, son of Bro. and Sis. Frank Honegger is home again after serving in Vietnam. We must thank God again, for His care of these loved ones.

We thank ministering Bros. Dave Wiegand, Champaign; Simon Wagenbach, Tremont; Sam Kilgus, Remington; Merle Kaisner, Fairbury, for their visits.

**Thank You**—I wish to thank all my relatives, members, and friends for the cards, gifts, visits and prayers during my recent stay in the hospital and after returning home. May God bless you. Sis. Ruth Schlatter.

**Thank You**—We wish to sincerely say **Thank you** with gratitude and deep appreciation to our friends, relatives and brethren for the prayers, cards, gifts and kind deeds we received during my recent illness. Bro. Harvey and Sis. Leona Leman.

**NOTICE TO FORREST SUBSCRIBERS:** The annual collection for your Silver Lining is due during the month of July. Please give you contribution to Bro. or Sis. John Eisenmann.

#### ROANOKE, ILLINOIS

Norene Herbst — Mary Hoffman

Friends, Les Sauder and Pam Rocke were united in marriage by Bro. Gene Bertschi, at the home of the bride. Les is the son of Bro. Curtis and Sis. Edna Sauder, and Pam is the daughter of Mrs. Lawrence Rocke.

Melvin Fisher, son of Bro. Fred and Sis. Wilma Fischer, has been discharged from the army and is home again.

Sis. Emma Bowald was in the hospital, but is able to be home again.

Our friends, Jim and Marge Braker gave a testimony of their repentance and were baptized on Sunday June 1. Their parents are Bro. Howard Saunders and Bro. Ben Brakers.

Bro. Ben H. Martin and his wife, Sis. Lena were able to assemble and

worship with us Sunday, after being ill and in the hospital. Our Bros. Joe F. Leman and Fred Siebenthal are in the hospital.

Bro. Aaron and Sis. Bina Bertsch celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on June 1. It falls on the same day as the Silver Anniversary of their daughter and her husband, Bro. Gene and Sis. Dorothy Bertschi.

This is the time of year when our young folks, brothers, sisters, and friends graduate from high schools and colleges. We wish them all God's blessings and guidance.

Vacation Bible School has started again, and each day our little children assemble to learn about God.

Our friend, Benjamin Beer passed away at his home, after a lengthy illness. He was able in his last days to find his salvation, and testify to the goodness of the Lord. He is survived by his wife, Jane; three daughters, Mrs. Jeanette Wagner, Mrs. Judith Blunier, and Mrs. Joan Umphress; and a son, Benjamin; four sisters, Sis. Florence Hangartner, Sis. Dorothy, Sis. Elsie, and Mrs. Esther Vinyard; and three brothers, Raymond, Elmer and Melvin.

Our friend, Steve Leman, son of Bro. Rowland Lemans, has repented and found peace with God. He has been announced to be proved and baptized in the near future.

On Sunday, June 8, Sis. Barbara Hodel and Bro. Mike Meece were united in Holy Matrimony by Bro. Ed Hohulin, uncle of the groom. We wish them God's rich blessings as they begin their life together.

Our visiting ministers were: Bros. Bob Grimm, David Bertsch, Henry Wackerle, Edwin Ringger, Ed Hohulin. May God bless each of them for the services they so willingly render us.

### PHOENIX, ARIZONA

**Carolyn Dotterer — Lois Heiniger**

Visiting ministers were Bro. Wayne Gerber, from Lester, and Bro. Sam Huber, of the Gridley, Kansas congregation. We thank them for their willingness in ministering to us.

We are happy to welcome Bro. Ken and Sis. Lynn Beer into our congregation. They have moved here from Bluffton, and plan to teach in the Phoenix area. Also planning to make her home in Phoenix is Sis. Ella Mae Trent,

from Rittman. May God bless them in their new homes.

Steve Lemons, son of Bro. and Sis. Floyd Banwart has finished his four years active duty in the Air Force Reserves, and plans to continue his work in Washington. We are thankful for God's protection.

### LEO, INDIANA Mrs. Elias Souder

The Sunday School children of Junior High age visited the Milford Sunday School and then rest of the day at the James Winzellers' at Wawasee.

Our friend, Joe Rice has been at the hospital. He is the brother-in-law of Ernie Stoller. Edward Bertsch is about the same.

We all were saddened with the passing of our Bro. Fred Wiggs. He seemed so appreciative to have found his salvation. We had funeral services, which were at a Butler funeral home. We were glad when his mother attended our church one Sunday, following his death.

Bro. Joel Souder has entered eternity's portal. Bro. Sam Aeschliman, with Bros. David Bertsch and Theo. Beer had the funeral services. Joel was a minister of the gospel for many years. He is survived by his wife, Sis. Mary; two brothers, Bro. Henry, of Bremen, and Bro. Elias; and one sister, Sis. Mary Gerber of the Latty area.

### PRINCEVILLE, ILLINOIS

**Ruth Ricketts — Anna Marie Baer**

**Remember to measure your happiness by home, and friends, and health. That's really wealth.**

"And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him." Kenneth Gehrig, son of Robert and Helen Gehrig, and Donna Knobloch, daughter of Bro. Edward and Sis. Lucille Knobloch, were united in marriage May 18 by Bro. Roy Sauder of Peoria. May the Lord bless this union, and may they enjoy many happy years together.

Fifty years ago May 25, Bro. Will Huber and Sis. Ida Wieland were united in marriage. A number of their relatives and friends called on them during the day of their Golden Anniversary, and many others remembered them with cards. May the Lord be with them, and bless their remaining days.

A number of relatives and friends helped Emil Stahl celebrate his 80th birthday. We wish him

many more blessed years.

The school term has once more come to an end, and many of our young people have graduated and will experience new beginnings in the days to come. We hope they will put their trust in God and let Him help guide them in what is best for them. Some day there will be a graduation for us, when the Lord comes to claim His own. How many of us will be in that class to pass on to that eternal home?

The Death Angel has again come into our congregation and called a dear brother Home. Bro. Will Ehnle closed his eyes to the weary world June 2, after being in failing health the past few years. Funeral services were held June 5, with our local ministers officiating. He was laid to rest in the church cemetery. Bro. Will was born April 27, 1890, in Oberheimbach, Wuerttemberg, Germany and came to this country in 1906. He was married to Sis. Emma Heubach, who passed away in 1962. In 1964, he married Sis. Margaret Bertsch, who survives. Also surviving are three daughters, Caroline Haworth of Phoenix; Frieda Feucht of Wyoming, Ill., and Sis. Esther Streitmatter of Bradford; four sons, Albert and Ben of Wyoming, Bro. David of Princeville and Bro. Willis in Japan. May the family find comfort in the words of the 90th Psalm, which was read.

We were happy to have Bro. LeRoy Huber minister to us. We always receive many blessings from his teachings and enjoy having his family visit us.

We had the pleasure of having Mrs. Hilda Ashe of Wellington, New Zealand spend two weeks with us. Nineteen years ago, when I was in Switzerland, I met Mrs. Ashe on top of Mount Pilatus, and we have been corresponding over the years. Seven years ago she visited us, and as she was on her way to visit relatives in England stopped over for a "fortnight" with us again. She had many interesting experiences to share with us. At the same time, Bro. Eugen and Sis. Elsa Christ were entertaining his aunt, Rose Fauser of Germany. How small the world, when we can be brought together so easily and quickly.

Sis. Hulda Martin is receiving therapy treatments in the Methodist Hospital in Peoria. Hulda suffered a stroke a few weeks ago and has been very ill. May she put her trust in the dear Lord, the Divine

Healer during her convalescence. May she have the assurance that all her loved ones are praying for her complete recovery.

A precious little girl, Robin June, was born to Bro. Harold and Sis. Karen Steiner, June 4. Happy grandparents are Bro. Dave and Sis. Ruth Kieser and Bro. Dan and Sis. Sophia Steiner of Tremont.

### PEORIA, ILLINOIS

#### Emily Tanner

#### Mrs. Michael Weyeneth

Bro. Allan and Sis. Lois (Reisinger) Herman are the parents of Debra Elaine, born May 8, their first child. A son, Ronald Noah, was born May 23 to Ron and Sis. Mary Ann (Sutter) Herman. Paternal grandparents of both these babies are Bro. Noah and Sis. Lorraine Herman of Tucson.

Richard and Marilyn Hermann are the parents of Joseph Richard, born May 7. Paternal grandparents are Bro. Joe and Sis. Lydia Hermann. Bro. Paul and Sis. Rhoda Meister are the parents of Daniel Joe, born May 14.

Bro. John and Sis. Dorothy (Weyeneth) Hoerr are the parents of Jane Rose, born May 20. Little Jane Rose was born just 8 days after her grandmother, Rose Hoerr, died.

Sis. Rose (Yoder) Hoerr died May 12 at Methodist Hospital, where she had been a patient about two weeks. She was married to David A. Hoerr on December 23, 1918. Surviving are her husband, Bro. Dave; six sons, David Jr., Ralph (Rudy), George, and Bros. Carl, James and John; four daughters, Mrs. Reuben (Sis. Marie) Huber, Mrs. Arthur (Mildred) Moser, Mrs. Stephen (Eloise) Meister, and Miss Florence Hoerr; three sisters, Miss Ruth Yoder, Mrs. Harvey (Naomi) Johnson and Mrs. Gilbert (Berth) Reed; and two brothers, Fred Yoder and Ernest Yoder. A son, Irvin died in service during World War II, and a daughter, Ruth, also preceded her in death.

Charles McDermott died May 27 at St. Francis Hospital. He had been a patient there since March 8. He married Alvena Unsicker May 30, 1937. Surviving are his wife, Sis. Alvena; two sons Richard and David McDermott, four brothers and four sisters. One son, G. Dean, preceded him in death.

Sis. Matilda Jaus died June 5. She had been a patient at Proctor

Hospital since May 15. Surviving are one brother, who lives in Germany; one nephew, Eberhard Jaus, Peoria; 2 nieces and two cousins, Sis. Minnie Frank and Gertrude Mundle, both of Peoria.

Funeral services were held at Gauss Memorial Chapel on May 23 for Mr. Charles Brawner. Bro. Michael Weyeneth officiated. Several nieces and nephews survive.

Starting in June, church services will be held the first Thursday of every month at our A. C. Church Home on Skyline Drive, at 7:00 PM. I'm sure the residents will appreciate this and would also welcome visitors.

Hospital patients are Sisters Hulda Martin and Johanna Rapp, Lydia Siebenthal and (Miss) Emma Binkele.

### BLUFFTON, INDIANA

#### Delutha Moser—Carolyn Gerber

"Faith in God is not enough; we need the power of the Holy Spirit to activate us."

Births: A daughter, Michele Sue, to Bro. and Sis. Tom Kipfer. A daughter, Tonia Sue, to Bro. and Sis. Wm. Tonner.

Shut-Ins: Sisters, Karen Stultz, Mary C. Moser, Elizabeth Liebig and Mrs. Joel Kehn; and Bro. Elmer Isch.

During the past month we were privileged to hear and witness the provings and baptisms of three dear friends, Melanie Gerber, Sue Chaney and Sam Habegger.

### GIRARD, OHIO

#### Jesse C. Emch

"The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork." We can well be in accord with the Psalmist, when we observe new life and the beauty all around us at this season of the year. God be praised!

**The uncertainty of life:** As mentioned in May news, we were privileged to partake of Holy Communion Sunday May 4. Bro. Martin Emch was with us and seemed to be so happy throughout the whole day. He offered prayer at the noon lunch. Martin had a small greenhouse in the rear of his home and spent many hours there, as he enjoyed it so much. On Monday morning after his breakfast, he went as usual to his greenhouse, and that is where Sis. Charlotte found him, shortly afternoon time. Martin died Monday, May 5 at age

76. Funeral services were held from the church May 8. Elder Bro. Rudolph Graf officiated, assisted by Elder Bro. Bauman and Bro. Robert Stoll. He leaves to mourn his passing a daughter, Mrs. John Gren; a sister, Sis. Charlotte Emch; a brother, Samuel and a grandson, Mark, all of Girard. We all miss him very much. Martin was a son of the late Isaac and Sis. Kathryn (Schupbach) Emch, and formerly of New Martinsville.

Stevie Lance, aged 9 of Andover, Ohio, is in the Warren General Hospital Warren, Ohio, where he had surgery for a ruptured appendix. He seems to be on the way to recovery. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Lance and a grandson of Sis. Louisa Lance. Mrs. Joseph (Irene) Bernice is in the St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Youngstown, due to a liver condition. We wish both a speedy recovery.

### LAMAR, MISSOURI

#### Marie Marti

"The Sunday school is our delight; We love it more and more.

'Tis here we learn to do the right And live for ever more.

We hear the truth, so pure and clear,

Of Jesus' love so sweet and dear; There we are taught to lift our eyes

To Him who lives on high "

One of our dear Sunday School teachers whose love shines forth not only in the Sunday School but also as she greets us on Sunday morning gave us this "Parents Prayer"—

Oh heavenly Father, make me a better parent. Teach me to understand my children, to listen patiently to what they have to say, and to answer all their questions kindly. . . Make me as courteous to them as I would have them be to me. Forbid that I should ever laugh at their mistakes, or resort to shame or ridicule when they displease me. May I never punish them for my own selfish satisfaction or to show my power.

Let me not tempt my child to lie or steal. . . And guide me hour by hour, that I may demonstrate by all I say and do that honesty produces happiness. And when I am out of sorts, help me. O Lord, to hold my tongue. May I ever be mindful that my children are children, and I should not expect of



them the judgment of adults. Let me not rob them of the opportunity to wait on themselves and to make decisions. Bless me with the bigness to grant them all their reasonable requests, and the courage to deny them privileges I know will harm. Make me fair and just and kind. And fit me, O Lord, to be loved, respected and imitated by my children.

Our Sunday School will host the Gridley and Ft. Scott Bible classes this week end. Bro. Eugene Marti will be our guest speaker.

**Thank You, God, For Our Baby . . .**  
 . . . and help us to be worthy of the trust in those little eyes. You have entrusted us with a human life to care for and to love. You have placed in our hands an innocent soul, so fresh from heaven, and we are humble before your gift. How well we realize that in our wonderful task we will need the help of the greatest Teacher. Give us your guidance, dear God, so that we may set those tiny feet in the right direction on the path of life and guide that dear little mind into the right channels. May your loving Spirit forever be a guest among our family and in our home we pray.

A girl was born to Donald and Eileen (Banwart) Braker on June 3. She has been named Michelle Jane and has one little sister, Lynn Marie, 3, anxiously awaiting to welcome her home. The grandparents are Oscar and Sis. Caroline Banwart and Bro. Ben and Sis. Clara Braker. Sis. Bertha Marti is the baby's great-grandmother.

Bro. Fred Marti is grateful to be home again, after spending four weeks in the Ft. Scott Hospital. He wishes to extend this note of thanks: "Wish to express our heartfelt thanks to all our loved ones for their many fervent prayers, visits, flowers, gifts, cards and encouraging words. Special thanks to the Ft. Scott folks. May our God bless each one." Fred Marti.

Fred Frieden, sixty-two, passed away June 5, following an apparent heart attack. His mother and father were the late Bro. George and Sis. Minnie (Marti) Frieden. Our sympathy is extended to his wife, Ruby; two sons, Dale, ensign in U.S. Coast Guard, Yorktown, Virginia, and Dennis with the Seabees in Vietnam. He also leaves 3 brothers, George and Bro. Virgil of Lamar, Bro. Roy of Valparaiso; and

two sisters, Arlene Gastel of Nevada and Virginia Parkison of Liberal. May God comfort the loved ones.

### WINTHROP, MINNESOTA

**Delores Messerli—Carol Messner**

Four young friends have graduated from high school. They are Jeff Messner, Jenny Messner, Sue Nelson, and Arlen Messerli. May they look to the Lord in their future walk of life.

Virgil and Susan (Feuchtenberger) Wehking are parents of their first child, Shari Susan, born May 16. Alvin and Sis. Donnabell Nelson have their eighth child, a son, born May 30. We wish their families God's blessings.

Sis. Esther Messner (George) has been hospitalized, first for observation and again for major surgery. She seems to be making a satisfactory recovery. Surely the many prayers offered were not in vain. Mona, Duane Messner's wife was hospitalized also.

It was my privilege to go with Bro. Leo and Sis. Georgia Messner, when they went to Mountain Lake to deliver the fruits of our labor. There were several boxes of articles we had helped sew at our monthly sewing meetings and in our homes. An older couple accepts these boxes, and stores them on their front porch until a truck comes for a load.

There were long benches of homemade soap drying, ready to be packed for underprivileged people. These retired people devote their whole being to working for charity. She told us she buys old coats at rummage sales, rips and washes them, and sews mittens for a project. She had made 90 pair of mittens in her home this past year. There are many other articles she makes, such as slippers, caps, ladies slips, baby clothes and quilts. We could truly feel the wisdom of our elders in choosing these people to distribute our offerings.

I would like to share a pleasant experience that followed our evening of delivering our contributions. An elderly couple was sitting in the same waiting room I was. We started to visit, and told each other where we lived. He said they were from Mountain Lake, and when I inquired, they knew the people who accepted our boxes. They work together on the same committee, knew of those Winthrop people and had had such a nice vis-

it. When I left, I felt this is really a small world in which we live.

### FORT WAYNE, INDIANA

**Mary Eisenmann — Marge Gerber**  
 I have two fathers, each living now . . . HAVE YOU?

The first I've called Dad since my childhood days,  
 Have sought for advice and counseling, too,  
 And from whom I learned of my **Heavenly Father's Ways.**

How often Dad's quiet ways do reflect  
 Those patient and understanding **Ways of His,**  
 And though Dad's had trials and burdens to bear,  
 He's always had love and comfort to share.

Our Heavenly Father is preparing a place  
 (Where we both look forward to go)—

Where we hope to see Him face to face  
 And say, "Our Father", with reverence aglow.

May our Dads realize how much they mean to us, as we pay tribute to them on "Fathers' Day".

Visiting ministers were Bros. Henry Beer, Milford, and Orville Ringger, Bluffton. We thank them for their visits and inspiring messages.

May our high school graduates, Joyce Eisenmann, daughter of Bro. Lee and Sis. Mary; Al Pfister, son of Bro. Levi and Sis. Lillian; and Roger Stoller, son of Bro. Gene and Sis. Minerva ever remember the words directed to them, as they go forth, whether to further their education or to seek employment. Those graduating from schools of higher learning include Kay Fulkerson, daughter of Bro. Sy and Sis. Velma; Bro. Jim Braker; and Bro. Richard Meister. To all these we ask God's richest blessing.

Christopher Edwin Stoller was born May 21, the son of Sis. Cynthia Beer Stoller of Milford and the late Bro. Edwin. Grandparents include Bro. Levi and Sis. Kathryn Beer of Milford and Sis. Leonora Stoller (George) of Ft. Wayne. May he ever be a joy and a comfort to his mother.

Sis. Katie Stoller has been transferred to the long-term unit of Lutheran Hospital. Her address is Lutheran Hospital, Moellering Unit Rm. 214, 3024 Fairfield Ave. Ft.

Wayne. She sends her greetings to all, and wishes to thank those who have remembered her in any way.

A beloved one, Bro. Ed Gudeman, closed his eyes to this life at 4:30 AM, May 31 at Parkview Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient five weeks. Those left to mourn from our congregation include his wife, Sis. Anna, and a daughter, Sis. Joan Stoller (Norman). Funeral services were conducted June 2 at 1:30 PM at the church by Bros. Verlin Stoller (Ft. Wayne) and Loren Stoller (Latty). All who knew and loved him will miss his quiet ways and cheerful smile. The family wishes to express their thanks and appreciation for cards, gifts, prayers, and all deeds of kindness and love during the illness and passing away of their dear one.

II Lt. David Levy arrived from Colorado Springs June 5 to spend a few days with his parents, Bro. Bill and Sis. Lillian.

Our dear friends, Jim and Marge Sauder Braker have been assembling with us since their marriage last December, while he completed his education. This past Sunday they were baptized and became members of our precious faith, in the church at Roanoke. We rejoice with them, and pray the Lord may ever direct them in their new life in Christ. It was only recently that Jim decided to seek employment in Ft. Wayne, where they will continue to make their home. We sure extend to them a hearty welcome! Their address is 901 W. Washington, Ft. Wayne 46804.

### REMINGTON, INDIANA

#### Anna M. Waibel and Sisters

Betty Braker (Bro. Ben), Marcella, and Barbara Wasner (Bro. Art) had a car accident. All were in the hospital for cuts, bruises and head injuries. Betty was in the hospital over a week, the rest just overnight. All are very thankful their guardian angel protected them from more serious injuries.

Bro. Sam Kilgus told us in his sermon of an interesting letter he received while in the Army 50 years ago, from Bro. Andrew Lehman, Bro. Irwin's father, who also was minister at Wolcott. He wrote in part, after wishing him much grace from the Lord, that he could enjoy himself over that one thing which he received from the Lord. . . That no one could take it away

from him, or away from the Lord if we stay true to Him. Even tho' we can be parted from our loved ones here. These few lines were often a comfort to him.

Would that we all be more helpful to one another in word and deed.

A good deed is never lost.  
He who sows courtesy  
reaps friendship.  
He who plants kindness  
reaps love.

We have a number of young folks graduating from high school, including Brenda Kilgus (Bro. Earl), Kieth (Bro. Richard) Lehman, Marcella (Bro. Art) Wasner, Daryl (Bro. Robert) Schieler and Wanda (Art Knochel). We trust each one will be under the Lord's guidance and Protection as they go out into the world in search of their life's work.

A number of Purdue students and parents and Bro. Kipfer of Bluffton were with us.

Bro. Herbert Schieler was a surgical patient a few days, for nose surgery, due to an old injury. Ed Frey had back surgery at a Peoria hospital. He is at the Eureka Home again.

We had the privilege of having Bro. Joe Waibel, Bay City, Bro. Herman Kellenberger, Elgin, and others for supper Saturday night, May 24, at which time our nephew Ralph and his wife, and Helen Waibel (Bro. Herman and Sis. Anna) gave their testimony of faith, and were baptized on Sunday. We rejoice with them, as we know the angels in Heaven do, and especially so as this is our fifth couple to be taken into the fold this year. May God in His mercy grant more grace to many in our midst, that they too find that peace that passeth understanding. "O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him."

We were privileged to attend the beautiful church at Roanoke, especially enjoyed the day, being we've never been there since they have their new building. In the evening, supper was at the church, as there were around 150 or so Sis's. young ones, & aged, gathered from the surrounding churches, which is a yearly event. In the afternoon we went to the Eureka Home to visit all the Remington folks there.

A number of couples went to

Roanoke to hear the testimonies of Jim and Marjorie Braker. Bro. Ben and Sis. Clara Braker of here are his parents. They are still living in Ft. Wayne.

### MORTON, ILLINOIS

#### Joan Getz — Mrs. Ken Getz

Once again our Morton congregation has been saddened, by the loss of four dear souls. Sam Grimm, husband of Sis. Clara Miller Grimm passed away in his residence May 13. He is survived by his wife, along with five brothers: Ben, Oscar, Bros. Henry, Daniel and William Jr., and one sister, Mrs. Frank (Naomi) Bauman. Miss Lydianna Moser, 93, formerly of Morton, while in later years Elgin, passed away on May 15. Funeral services were held on May 10 for Mrs. Viola Welsch, daughter of Bro. Caleb and Sis. Lydia Moser Miller. Mrs. George (Martha Huette) Frey died May 28. She is survived by her husband; three sons, Don, Wendell and Robert; a daughter, Mrs. Howard (Marjorie) Goodyear; and three sisters, Mrs. Esther Millim, Miss Emma and Sis. Mary Huette.

Mother's Day services were spiritually rewarded by the visit of Bro. Clarence Kachelmuss. Other ministers visiting our congregation were: Bros. Harvey Grimm, Ed Ringger and Elmer Witzig.

Another dear soul, Sally Witzig Fritz, has repented and was baptized May 18. We are glad for each new Lamb of God. She is the daughter of Bro. Ed and Sis. Dorothy Schlipf Witzig and the wife of Ed Fritz.

Announcement was made of the forthcoming marriage of Sis. Janice Herman, daughter of Bro. Clarence and Sis. Emma Endres Herman, and Bro. Joe Beer, son of Bro. Levi and Sis. Kathryn Kupferschmid Beer of Milford.

Those who have been in the hospital and are now recuperating are: Sisters Christina Woerner, Clara Grimm, Louise Getz, Bob Rassi and Henry Menold. A few of our loved ones who have been confined to their homes for a period of time are Bros. Henry Rapp and Paul Schambach and Sis. Laura Hauter.

Sons were born to: William and Doris Martin Michel. William Michel III was welcomed home by two brothers. To Bro. James and Sis. Carolyn Springer Isbell, Andrew James, was born; he has two sisters awaiting him at home.

**CISSNA PARK, ILLINOIS****Mary Young — Margaret Rudin**

Sis. Kay Baumgartner and Bro. Duane Reutter were united in Holy Matrimony, May 25 by Bro. Al Fisher. As you begin your married life, may God bestow on you the truest joys that life can bring as you share the future years. May God our Father bless your home and all you do with lasting happiness.

To our Graduates, we wish them God's blessings and success in their future days, as they commence their years of higher learning. May they look for help from God in all that they undertake.

**Births:** A daughter, Roxann Rae, was born to Bro. Roger and Sis. Joy Hari, May 14. Bro. Ben and Sis. Arvilla Yergler and Bro. Ray and Sis. Emma Hari are the grandparents. A son, Jeffery Owen, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Knapp. Bro. and Sis. Clarence Knapp and Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Reed are grandparents.

We are having Vacation Bible School from June 2 through June 13. We have an enrollment of over 180 children. The theme is "Jesus Leads Me". May the seed that is sown bring forth good fruit.

Our guest ministers have been Bro. Al Fisher and Bro. Arnold Gerst. We thank them for sharing with us the precious word.

Sis. Ida Eisenman has been confined to her home. Bro. and Sis. Albert and Katie Steiner have been both hospitalized but are now able to be in their home again.

Sis. Elizabeth Martin was hospitalized, due to a broken arm. She is now in the nursing home. Sis. Lena Feller is a hospital medical patient.

Sis. Cora Kaufman passed away at the age of 78, after a brief illness. Funeral services will be held Sunday, June 8. She leaves to mourn: four brothers, Bro. George Yergler of La Crosse, Bro. Will, Sam and Henry of Cissna; four sisters, Sis. Anna Beer and Mary Baurer of Cissna, Ida Wackerle of Bay City, Fanny Zimmerman, from Roanoke.

**ELGIN, IOWA****Mrs. George Butikofer**

It is spring . . . and we have the buds, blossoms and birds to prove it. In addition we sight farmers working in the cornfields, witness school closure, and learn of graduation exercises throughout our

land. The scriptures make mention of how there is a time for everything. We marvel at how exact our Maker conducts the coming and going of the seasons. May we ever be in awe of His greatness and righteousness.

There is no one hospitalized in our congregation; there has been, however, since our last writing. Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gehring were both operated on at Iowa City. The former had a cataract removed and the latter a tear duct condition was worked upon. Arthur Schneider, my brother, took some more treatments at Rochester and is now feeling fair. Mrs. Andrew Braker submitted to an operation at Iowa City and is now getting along quite well.

We expect Bro. Leo Moser from Lester to be with us on June 15, at which time he plans to serve Communion to the congregation. May the Lord's will be done in this matter, in that we may fully understand what a supreme sacrifice He performed for us all, out on Calvary.

Greetings to all of the **Silver Lining** readers from us here in what is termed the Switzerland of America.

**PORTLAND, OREGON****Connie Steffen**

Greetings from Oregon. We have been having beautiful spring weather, which makes the flowers and gardens a joy to behold.

We are beginning to have "company" again, and it gives us a joy to greet those whom we've not seen for a while, and meet those we've not met before. It's a pleasure to have moments of fellowship with people from across the country.

Marlise Miller has returned home, from nurse's training, for the summer. We are very happy to have her with us again, but are saddened to think of our friend, David Rumbold, leaving for military service. May the Lord watch over all who are parted from families and friends.

Once again we would like to extend an invitation to all who plan a vacation, to visit Oregon. Please call any of these members, and we will be very glad to welcome you to our homes. If you are in the Silverton area call either: John and Betty Kaufman, 873-4844 or Sis. Margaret Wanner, 873-6546. In Portland; Bro. Ray and Sis.

Margaret Banwart, 777-1138; Bro. Ray and Sis. Virginia Cooper, 659-5122; Bro. Leroy and Sis. Florence Lemman, 761-5904; Bro. Art and Sis. Betty Metz, 292-6477; Bro. Robt. and Sis. Pearl Miller, 771-7834; Sis. Rose Miller, 236-4029; Bro. Paul and Sis. Anna Rumbold, 656-4572; Bro. Ed and Sis. Elva Unsicker, 771-5500; Bro. Garth and Sis. Connie Steffen, 761-4531.

Give us today, Lord, showers of blessing,  
Some heavenly rain, for parched is the land.

Long have we waited for times of refreshing,  
Waited a blessing from Thy mighty hand.

Give us today, Lord, spiritual vision,  
A vision to see the hosts of the Lord  
Encamped round about us, ready for battle  
To overcome Satan by blood and His word.

Give us today, Lord, strength beyond measure,  
Strength, like the eagle to soar above strife,  
Daily renewed by One who is mighty,  
Ever to live the victorious life.

Sp4 Jack Alltop US54823743  
243 Assault Helicopter Co  
10 Bn 17 BOE **Elgin II**  
APO San Francisco 96377

Pvt Bill Baumgartner US55951587  
Co E 4th BN Class 23B USAMTC  
Ft Sam Houston Texas 78234 **Bluffton**

Sp4 Max A Beer RA68034625  
Co B 4th Bn 18th Inf  
APO New York 09742 **Milford**

Pfc Arthur M Beery US51841371  
Co D 4th Med Bn  
4th Inf Div **Rittman**  
APO San Francisco 96262

Pvt Jerry L Drayer US55951568  
Co E 4th BN Class 22 USAMTC  
Ft Sam Houston Texas 78234 **Bluffton**

Gary D Feucht B63-87-20  
USS E A Greene [DD711]  
FPO New York 09501 **Lester**

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Sp4 Gordon J Grimm NG 26950788 HHT 1/10 CAV 4th Inf Div APO San Francisco 96262	Bern	Sp4 Larry D Marti E487-58-8701 Co C 9th Sig Bn APO San Francisco 96370	Lamar	Fred Wahl 54843765 Co E 4th Bn Class 24B USAMTC Ft Sam Houston Texas 78234	Elgin II
Sp4 Alfred L Kupferschmid US54828565 HHC SPT Cmd "BAND" American Division APO San Francisco 96374		Pvt Thomas R Martin 54842997 Co E 4th BN Class 23B USAMTC Ft Sam Houston Texas 78234	Peoria	Sp4 Roy Weigand US54824844 Co C [Senior Medic] 2/505 Inf 82nd Airborne Div APO San Francisco 96288	Goodfield
Pvt Dwain A Laukhuf US51842202 Co C 3rd Med Bn 3rd Inf Div APO New York 09162	Latty	Pvt Cedric J Messner US56913903 Co E 4th Bn Class 24B USAMTC Ft Sam Houston Texas 78234	Phoenix	Mr & Mrs Roy H Winemiller 24 Fleet St Mary Esther Florida 32569	Morton
Pfc Gerald W Marler US54828822 Co B 547th Engr Bn APO New York 09175	Elgin II	Sp4 Ralph E Rogers ER17767957 Co A USAD QuiNohn [Admin Pers] APO San Francisco 96238	Gridley Ks	M J Yergler CTSN Box 33 USN Com Sta Roto Spain FPO New York 09540	Tremont
		Pvt E2 Wm H Schmidt Gall US54842755 Co A 1st BN Class 265 USAMTC Ft Sam Houston Texas 78234	Gridley II		

## HAPPINESS SATISFIED

Henry Souder Jr.

How will it be, living in the future? What does the great adventure, resurrection, hold? The Bible says of the body: "It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption."

Our bodies are pretty well worn at the end. They are not perfect now. Disease destroys. Some remains are unrecognizable, but God never loses sight, no matter what happens. Morning shall be beautiful, with a whole, perfect body. That one cannot be worn, hurt, nor destroyed.

How will it be? "It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory." We walk in humility. We know what **Limit** is. We must keep our flesh crucified with Christ. The body withers, fades like a flower. When Jesus comes, we shall be raised in glory. Never have the skies been so beautiful as they will be on that day. In glory. What must that hold!

At our best, we are weak; "it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power." Thought and labor tire. Sickness soon can distress. We must rest, and regain strength lost. What wonderful might will surge on that golden day. What mighty emotion will flow, lifting in perfect happiness, day without

end?

"It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body." Two kinds. The Lord is able to see what is coming, and understands the all about each. Now we have the nervous system, the heart beat, the mental picture that is limited. We have the body we so intimately know. We perceive firsthand. The spiritual is powered spiritually. Remember our Lord's words? "... handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones. . ." It is more than a spirit; it is a spiritual body.

"And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit." Really a GREAT difference. The Head of the new race is a life-making spirit. We live unto Him. Joy has come to us because life has come. Then: with Him living with us, what untold happiness will abound. To see, to talk face to face, what shall it be?

"Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual." If we can cherish God's spiritual things, can be heavenly-minded, then comes "afterward". "The first man is of the

earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven." The same materials that compose a handful of dust make up the human body. We are influenced by weather, horizon, feelings. What vast beautiful reaches show in our Lord from heaven. Space and movement? He moves and there is no need of long space travel. He just went into heaven. A simple statement; no need for vast physical properties. Just ponder His wonderful personality.

"As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly." The window of the body does not see into eternity. The body's boundary is the visible, no matter how far man soars. Then we shall live in spiritual dimensions. Notice the unspeakable joy Jesus gave when He appeared after His resurrection. He was recognized. Mary sees. What a beautiful glimpse. How the hearts of two burned while He talked! These are glimpses into His great Adventure.

"And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly." What God says **must be**. Let us hear His voice, so that each of us may be included in the "we".