



Thou shalt not kill.

Neither shalt thou commit adultery.

Neither shalt thou steal.

Neither shalt thou bear false witness against thy neighbour.

Neither shalt thou desire thy neighbour's wife, neither shalt thou covet thy neighbour's house, his field, or his manservant, or his maidservant, his ox, or his ass, or any thing that is thy neighbour's.

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

THE SILVER LINING

A LIGHT for BELIEVERS

... UPON EVERY WINGED MOMENT...

From a book, the footnote date,
1914

... For us upon every winged moment there flames the light of all the abiding eternity . . . Set your mind on the things that are above is a command suggesting the concentration of attention, and intensity of consideration. Set your

minds upon those upper things; not upon the material and transient, but upon the spiritual, the true, the abiding. Set your mind upon these things as you go forth to seek them. Do not look to rebuild the ruined world out of its own debris. Do not hope to set up a great social order by organ-

izing men who are in themselves poisoned with the virus of sin. Not on the things on earth, let your mind rest, or your hope, but on the things that are above, where Christ, the Redeemer, Ransomer, Renewer, is able to touch the most bruised, broken, withered life into new glory and new power . . .

BECOMING INVOLVED

(Editor's note: Where does the good we should do stop, and the partaking of things we shouldn't do start? When is being friendly and helpful left behind, and associations not profitable started? Let us carefully listen. Give ear to a beloved brother, and search.)

I am deeply concerned over some ministers and lay brethren taking part in public forums and rallies (on such subjects as "Human Growth and Development", "Sex In Our Schools"), public discussions at political rallies, taking part in many other worldly programs. To be well informed on these subjects, especially parents of children going to school, is very important, but to become speakers, join organizations, and become involved is not only fruitless, but it could permanently make our Christian life less effective.

How can we WALK EVEN AS HE (Christ) WALKED (1 John 2:6), if we spend valuable time pursuing this course, instead of spending our time in pursuit of things that are to His honor and glory?

I was sitting in a doctor's office, pondering this very subject, when I reached and picked up a magazine. I opened and read the following, as if God was giving something to encourage me to write. It was relative to a question and answer session between a staff member and an ex-drug user:

Ex-drug user, "Like religion has no meaning unless you get involved." Staff member, "What do you mean, getting involved?" Ex-user, "Working for Jesus. Go out and tell people about Jesus."

We note he did not say, "Go

tell them its dangers, or what the end results will be if they use them, but TELL THEM ABOUT JESUS. What a lesson this former dope addict here is teaching us. Will we listen?

We have this beautiful hymn:

Hark 'tis the shepherd's voice I hear,
Out in the desert dark and drear,
Calling the sheep who've gone astray,
Far from the Shepherd's fold away.

Bring them in, bring them in,
bring them in from the field of sin,
Bring them in, Bring the wandering ones to Jesus.

Who'll go and help this shepherd kind?
Help him the wandering to find?
Who'll bring the lost ones to the fold?
Where they'll be sheltered from the cold?

Yes, we have a full-time occupation working for the Lord. It is enough to have to work for a living and spend time with THOSE THAT ARE WITHOUT, but to willingly spend and be spent for a cause that can bring decay, spiritually, should not once be named among them that have become Christians. 1 COR. 10:31, "... Whatever ye do, do all to the glory of God." 2 TIM. 2:4, No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may PLEASE HIM who hath chosen him to be a soldier.

EPH. 6:12 — We wrestle not

against flesh and blood, but against principalities . . . against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. If we through the power of God succeed in being victors over the devil and his spirits, the things of "flesh and blood" will fall victim to this power. We can't subdue flesh and blood without first subduing the devil through Christ our Lord.

WHEREFORE COME OUT FROM AMONG THEM (the world), AND BE YE SEPARATE, SAITH THE LORD, AND TOUCH NOT THE UNCLEAN THING, AND I WILL RECEIVE YOU . . . AND WILL BE A FATHER UNTO YOU, AND YE SHALL BE MY SONS AND DAUGHTERS SAITH THE LORD ALMIGHTY.

1 PET. 4:18 And if the righteous SCARCELY be saved . . . This brings to mind one of the important teachings of our time: REV. 3:8—(to the Philadelphian church) "... for thou hast a little strength." The church is a type of the present, true, godly church who love the Lord and keep His commandments. If these God-fearing people HAVE LITTLE STRENGTH, then we don't have any energy left to squander beyond our call to work diligently in His vineyard. None of us have strength to give away, for we hope we are part of the church. Let us keep our lamps trimmed and burning, for in such an hour as we think not the Lord will come. Are you ready, my brethren for that day? OR ARE YOU UNDULY BECOMING INVOLVED IN THIS WORLD?

DANGER, TAKE TIME TO PRAY

(When in Wichita, I asked Bro. Al Langhofer for a copy of some words on "Mental Health". The following is from those pages.—the editor.)

The real purposes and objectives of those BEHIND the movement are very different than those of its loyal supporters. The evidence indicates for instance that the prime aim of the promoters behind mental health is not care, but the re-shaping and re-moulding of religious and social values which underlie behaviour, conduct and actions (and special 'treatment' for those who resist this new shape and mould).

Those who have not yet grasped the enormity and totality of the world revolt against God and man's freedom to walk according to His precepts will find the evidence of anti-Christian victories in this field within our borders almost incredible.

"Former American Senator Jack Kenney stated at the end of his report on **Mind-Washing in America**: "Under ordinary circumstances the efforts of a small fraction of society to brainwash the overwhelming majority of its citizens or build insane asylums for them would be incredible and fantastically funny. But these are not ordinary circumstances nor ordinary times. We are in the age of Great Delusions — when black appears white, and white appears black — when the sane are made to appear insane and the insane act as the world's psychiatrists. . . ."

Matt Cvetic, former FBI undercover agent warned: "When I was posing as a Communist for the FBI, up to one-third of the Party's Professional unit was involved in social, health and welfare work. They included psychiatrists, psychologists, medical doctors and social, health and welfare workers. The primary purpose of every one of these Party members is to use his or her profession to promote Communist revolution in America.

Relevant and significant is the following evidence concerning the background and objectives of key individuals behind 'mental health.'

Brock Chisolm points out that the World Health Organization, in addition to its more traditional du-

ties . . . is specifically enjoined to . . . foster activities in the field of mental health, especially those affecting the harmony of human relations.

Dr. Chisolm, the first Director-General of the WHO, borrowed and refined some of the brainwashing techniques of the Soviets.

"Let us accept our own responsibility to remodel the world," said Chisolm. World government may be established by developing world citizens with a "state of emotional maturity which fits one to be a citizen of a democracy, able to take one's part in making a world fit to live in." This so-called state of emotional maturity, said Chisolm, can be achieved by destroying traditional moral values. He put it: **"The re-interpretation and eventual eradication of the concept of right and wrong which has been the basis of child training. . . ."**

Chisolm summed the whole thing up when he said: There is something to be said for . . . gently putting aside the mistaken old ways of our elders. . . . If it cannot be done gently, it may have to be done roughly or even violently.

Chisolm, Director General of the World Health Organization from 1948 to 1953, now President of the World Federation for Mental Health and Vice President of the World Association of World Federalists in 1945 delivered three lectures . . . His main theme in these lectures was that psychiatrists must assume the lead in securing world peace by changing the thinking of mankind — again, particularly, Americans. Specifically, psychiatrists must rid mankind of all ancient or preconceived notions about good and evil."

Weston LaBarre, one of Chisolm's contemporaries, spoke of this "re-interpretation and eventually eradication of the concept of right and wrong" process as a way to "manufacture world citizens." LaBarre gave the remodelling plan: "Through anthropological and psychiatric knowledge and control of the bringing up of our children, we are potentially able to shape almost any kind of human personality that an increasingly integrated world requires . . . it is not the knowledge, but the social

implementation of it, that is lacking."

Institutions for 'Non-Conformists': In the 47 pages of Mental Health and World Citizenship is a blueprint for legislation designed to complement the remodelling programme. In the event non-conformists should refuse to become part of the "stable and contented" society and become a "nuisance to the community" and the powers that be, it will be simple to remove them from circulation. Thus it was that the Federal Security Agency (now Department of Health, Education and Welfare) in 1950 published and presented to the States, the Draft Act Governing the Commitment and Hospitalization of the Mentally Ill.

Since 1950, about 30 states have passed in whole or in part large portions of the Draft Act. The "world government" boys have been so adroit in pulling mental blinders over the legislators' eyes, that no one questioned the surrender of hitherto Constitutionally guaranteed right to life, liberty and due process of law.

Separate Mothers from Children: If parents are unable to raise children with the proper respect for world government and without the "knowledge of good and evil," Chisolm had suggested community intervention. In terms of action this means, so say California and New York mental hygiene departments, that "Prevention here encompasses the implication of maternal separation . . ."

The non-conformist in a controlled society will have no defence

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against imprisonment under a legal code which sweeps away all protective red tape for the individual vaguely accused of being "mentally ill" or having a psychiatric disorder". As defined by one state mental hygiene department, "psychiatric disorders" shall mean "psychotic reactions, neurotic reactions, mental deficiencies, behaviour disorders, addictions, perversions, and psychosomatic disorders insofar as they are amenable to prevention, rehabilitation, or treatment."

The "Alaska Mental Health Bill" passed by the US Congress sets aside a large area in Alaska for the treatment of 'mental' prisoners from all other States. Commitment of 'patients' may be upon 'written application of an interested party,' or may be by "any health, welfare, or police officer. . ." Proceedings for commitment may be held in private without even the "prisoner" being notified of such hearing; and rules of evidence do NOT apply to such hearings.

This 'mental health' programme

is primarily concerned with REMOULDING man to fit, en masse into a new and anti-Christian world order. 'Mental health' supplies the pretense for arresting and imprisoning those who resist this new mould. It is the instrument for removing all non-conformers.

I am the way, I am the truth, I am the life, said our Lord. To the Christian, mental health reaches its apex when a human being is completely committed to living in harmony with the spirit and teachings of Jesus Christ.

TRAVEL - TIME

The editor

The little old Santa Fe railroad station is part of the small town of Gridley Kansas. Miles away is the large city of Wichita.

Wichita . . . with its vast production of small aircraft . . . its quiet corner of Lulu and Lincoln, where brethren meet. Not too far away an imposing edifice of other voices calling who say they are "Christian Science." . . . Wichita, with sad memories of tragedies of human hearts, of buildings burning . . . and its wheat country.

Adventure is human hearts standing graciously, sweetly, quietly calling while the guns of spiritual warfare rage in the night. What all is possible where two agree. . .

No stranger shall partake of Communion, warns Bro. George Lambert. Bro. Al Langhofer finds help to point out to a young man why long hair was wrong for him.

Another young man came to Bible discussion. George was in charge. This young person told his parents to this effect, There is more to life than we know. There was the hospital, **Constant Care**. George was sent for (he was the only minister he knew. George said). The young man couldn't talk, but seemed to grasp that George was there to help. Soon silence . . . and the lad was in the Great Beyond.

There in quiet worship services was little Todd Farney, whose lips moved to the beautiful "Jesus Loves Me" . . . the quartet in the Sis. Young home singing, "Glory To His Name. "Pictures of real happening . . . things that help and teach . . . that confess that

Jesus touches and rules in His love.

Bro. Sam Anliker was on his garage roof working, in Madison. He has found the value of doing all tasks in a hearty way. "October Morn," a picture of colorful autumn is in their living room. The prettiest pictures of his are those touched with the Master's hand—the work in God's church. Sam rightly should be held in esteem for his diligence and gentleness in our Lord's work. We heard the good news of those repenting. . . Driving through the country, we came to the farm home where lives his son, Glen and family. He opened the church, and we viewed firsthand where our people meet at Lamont.

Gridley is a small village, kind of a Christmas card scene. The lumberyard brought face to face Bros. Loren Strahm and Eldon Metzger and some information. Sis. Somerhalder, the new reporter lives in this village. How many treasures are hidden, awaiting our information seeking, in the wisdom of another.

We drove into the country place of Rudy and Eileen Bahr. Here was where she had wrote — of cold and the snow, and "the warm fires of home", Rudy was rotilling; she had patterns around (was taking a sewing class). They showed us the Gridley church, where both teach. Where two agree, rich pictures are lived in heavenly charity.

Real history is being made by God's pioneers. Our frontier is today, rich with opportunity. . . Everlasting Treasure. There's true riches in homesteading in God's work.

Life is counting when God is the manager.

MORTON, ILLINOIS

Mrs. John Oberlander

Mrs. Ken Getz

Six more dear souls gave their testimonies and were baptized. They are Bros. Joe Zimmerman, John Kelley, Mark Wuthrich and Bruce Zimmerman; Sisters Merna Grussey Zimmerman and Wilma Zimmerman Ward.

Many inspiring words have been received during this time of awakening of souls. Our visiting ministers this month were: Bros. Earl Zeltwanger, Edward Lanz, Eugene Bertschi and Joe Zimmerman Sr. Our congregation is truly blessed.

Sis. Lydia Dallinger Schmidgall, 82, died at Restmor Nursing Home on June 22. She is survived by seven sons: Bros. Clarence, Irvin, Sam and Harry and William, Elmer and Ben; three daughters, Sis. Irene (Mrs. Howard) Musselman, Sis. Ruth (Mrs. Lester) Martin, and Lydia (Mrs. Fields) Mooberry.

Those who spent some time in the hospital are: John Hauter, son of Bro. Edward and Sis. Shirley Witzig Hauter; Sally Belsley, daughter of Bro. Louis and Sis. Vilas Birkey Belsley; Bro. Joe Witzig; and Sisters Martha Glaser and Ann Kaufman Kaiser.

Sis. Beulah Martin Runnbold and Bro. Leo Funk were united in marriage June 10. Jerry Stetzler, son of William and Lois Stetzler, and Linda Lemm, daughter of the Roland Lemms were married June 13 and will make their home in Chattanooga, Tenn. Marcia Grimm, daughter of Bro. Henry Duane and Sis. Mary Lou Blunier Grimm and Jim Rinkenberger, son of Bro. Verdin and Sis. Elma Kaiser Rinkenberger gave their wedding vows on June 27. We wish these newlyweds many years of happiness.

Bro. John and Sis. Rose Schamach Teubel plan on leaving Aug. 10 for a six-week trip to Germany, Switzerland and Austria. Both were born in Germany and will be renewing memories. May God be with them over the many miles they travel.

VALPARAISO, INDIANA Alma Morris

There's an open gate at the end
of the road

Through which each must go alone,
And there, in a light we cannot see
Our Father claims His own.

Our community was saddened by the death of our dear Sis. Mildred (Meiss) Ames on June 14. She leaves her husband, three daughters and four sons. Services were held at the church on the 17th of June.

James De Haven, son of Mr. and Mrs. James De Haven, announced his engagement to Miss Sue Reile of LaCrosse. Lynn Frieden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Frieden, announced his engagement to Miss Carolyn Misch of Wheatfield, Ind. We wish them God's richest blessing.

Penny Bucher, daughter of Lowell and Evelyn Bucher, was married to Randy Strickwerda on June 13. They are making their home in Prince George Va., where he is serving his country.

SHIODA, JAPAN Willis R. Ehle

On June 9 Sis. Judy Bauer and Sis. Sue Schrock of Elgin arrived in Japan for a two-week visit. A trip can be interesting. There is a trip that we all must take when we leave this world, for which it is well to be prepared. The time of our departure is uncertain, and only if we are walking in the light is our destination certain. "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."

I was in Tokyo carrying my brief case, a tape recorder, and an umbrella on a rainy and sultry day. It being the rainy season and things in general not going as I think they should, I was not as cheerful as I usually advocate for others to be, in fact I was more on the melancholy side.

As I prepared to board a subway train to go to the bank, I thought it would be wise to fold my umbrella and put it inside my brief case. This I did, went to the bank, finished my business, and began to look around for my tape recorder. I decided I must have left it at the entrance to the subway, so I went back to check, all the while praying in my heart that God would help me get it back, how much money it had cost, that I really need it, etc.

Upon arriving at the entrance to the subway, I told the young man who punches the tickets that I had lost my tape recorder; his face lit up, and he told me my tape recorder was in the office right there, where I claimed it and received it in just a few minutes.

Now my countenance was changed. I no longer felt I had a problem of too many things to carry, things weren't going so bad after all. I was thanking God and cheerful once again. Why? I was in precisely the same circumstances which had previously caused me to be melancholy, but there was a difference. That which was lost had been found. "How think ye? If a man have an hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine, and goeth into the mountains, and seeketh that which is gone astray? And if so be that he find it, verily I say unto you, he rejoiceth more of that **sheep**, than of the ninety and nine which went not astray." Someone straying who returns or a lost sinner who repents is certainly ample reason for rejoicing.

FRANCESVILLE, INDIANA Mrs. Herman Wuethrich Mrs. Otto Wuethrich

Date June 22-26; Time — 7:00 each evening. "Welcome all to Bible School." First of all we ask God to bless all those who taught, as we all were blessed who listened. The dear little children, teenagers and adults could hear God speak to them through His holy words. The brother that gave the closing prayer the last evening said that some one should have been called on, who had the opportunity to attend each evening, as they would have had more blessings to pray about. We certainly thank these brothers, who traveled to give us these beautiful evenings of kindness: Norman Stoller, Edwin Ringger, Ar-

thur Gudeman, Harold Zeltwanger and Ben Maibach. Ben was doubly good to us, by also spending part of Sunday with us. We never want to forget his comment, that we want our Father to "Come and check on us." This was said in tears, and accepted in tears.

Closing our Bible School week is with a loss of appreciative words to all for the glorious truths of the Gospel, given in such loving ways by so many. One dear sister could not be present, Nola Wuethrich, as she had to be in the hospital. Our prayers are certainly for her, Bro. Richard and their dear children.

Eric and Donna Gutwein and two sons are back with us, from sunny Florida, but they are "sunshine" to us.

May God bless these marriages with growing joy and happiness—Larry (Sidney) Leman and Pamela Ruff, Larry (Leon) Wuethrich and Alice Cummings.

You have a little prisoner
He's nimble, sharp and clever
He's sure to get away from you
Unless you watch him ever.

And when he gets out he makes
More trouble in an hour
Than you can stop in many a day
Working with all your power.

Quick fasten tight the worry gates
And chain him while he's young,
For this same dangerous prisoner
Is just your little tongue.

REMINGTON, INDIANA Anna M. Waibel

On June 7 Bros. Carl Kipfer, Orville Ringger and Robert Meyer of Bluffton were here to attend the wedding of Bro. James Schwartz of Bluffton and Sis. Sandra Clauss, which was performed by Bro. Edwin Bahler. A reception was held at the bride's home. They will live in Lafayette and continue to further their education at Purdue.

Robert Bahler is home from the hospital, after a sudden illness. Gladys (Bahler) Anderson has had a very serious operation. Her father, Will (deceased) was our cousin. Her mother, Sis. Mary is in a nursing home.

At Buch Creek, Ind., Vacation Bible School was held the week of June 7.

We all were richly blessed the week-end of June 20-21 by the presence of Bros. Wendell Gudeman, Francesville; Herman Kellenberger, Elgin; and Walter Steffen, Milford, who took part in the provings on Sat. night and the services throughout the day, for the baptisms of those taken into the fold, Mich and Coleen Culp and Wayne Steffen.

Intercessory prayer greatly strengthens the one prayed for and the one praying. It is radiant faith, faith which sings, that heals broken hearts . . . All that we are by grace we owe to Christ, who stands clearly revealed in God's own blessed book. Jesus took our place that we might have His Peace; He took our sin that we might have His salvation.

Ken and Faith Waibel (My bro. Arnold's son) were with us a few days. They both teach school in Hawaii, will take a course in their work in California, return to their home around the middle of Aug. She is of Hawaiian and Japanese descent; this is her first time in the U. S. A. She knows only of the Buddhist religion, but were with us Sunday of June 7 when our converts were baptized. Neither have ever witnessed anything like it. Ken has been with the Peace Corps for a number of years, taught school out in Africa and in the slums of Philadelphia.

My brother Paul, Sis. Sarah and I returned from a trip to Puerto Rico, in connection with our massage work. It is very interesting; they grow pineapples, bananas, suger cane and it is very mountainous.

Our brother Arnold's wife and daughter-in-law from Lakeland Fla. flew from Miami and met us over there. We had a family get together.

We were very happy when we got back with God's protection, to hear our nephew and wife Clyde and Mary Sue Waibel are repenting, (Bro. Herman and Sis. Anna's son) . . . also heard recently Johnny Schieler is happy since he has turned to the Lord in Viet Nam. (the son of Bro. Herbert and Sis. Mary Jo). It is indeed encouraging when others come because you "Stood up for Jesus."

Changing address? Tell your reporter. Remember to send zip number!

WOLCOTT, INDIANA

Arles Kropf

Funeral services were held on June 7 for Sis. Sophia (Knochel) Farney, 81, who passed away following a long illness. Surviving are her daughter, Sis. Lena Lou Reuter of here; one grandson, Bro. Jim Reuter of Eureka; and three sisters, Sis. Lydia (John) Pelsy of Francesville, Sis. Lena Knochel and Ida Tyler of Remington. She was preceded in death by her husband and 2 sons. Bro. George Yergler and our home ministers officiated. The family wishes to express sincere thanks for all kindness shown to them during her long illness and death.

Our Sunday School children attended Vacation Bible School at Remington the week of June 8. It is our practice for the two churches to work together in this, alternating each year.

Christian Endeavor for the Indiana churches was held here on Sunday evening, June 21, with the various choir groups participating. Bro. Alfred Bahler spoke to the group, after which refreshments and fellowship were enjoyed by all.

Emily Turner, daughter of Sis. Emma, was married June 21 to Jim Fulcher of Kentucky.

A blessed day was enjoyed on June 28, when Bros. Albert Aberle, Tremont; Wendell Gudeman, Francesville; and Ben Maibach, Detroit, brought us many good teachings. One of them reminded us, "Can we truly say, it is well with my soul?" After services, we partook of Holy Communion with Bros. Wendell and Ben serving.

Our church building received its annual housecleaning, and along with it installation of new carpeting by Bro. Bill Klopfenstein of Leo. Further improvements are now in the planning stage.

BREMEN, INDIANA

Emma Unsicker

"I wish we could have Bible School all summer," was the statement made by one of our primary girls. During the two weeks of Bible School, we all enjoyed studying and learning more about "God's Promises" and "How to Grow and Do for Jesus." Our new Sunday School rooms were ready for us to use, for which we were very thankful. The adults appreciated the wonderful messages brought to them by visiting ministers, Bros.

Joe Schrock, Elmer Harter, and Ed. Bahler. Bro. Don Zeltwanger taught the adult class one night when Bro. Verlin Stoller was unable to come.

Two families of our church were blessed with new babies. On June 22, Mary Ellen was born to our minister and his wife, Bro. Verdon and Sis. Becky Feldman. Sarah Mabee came to live with Bro. J. N. and Sis. Karen Feldman on June 25. This brought double joy to Willard and Sis. Aldean Feldman, who are the paternal grandparents.

On June 28, in a special ceremonial service conducted by our minister, Bro. Earl Zeltwanger, the cornerstone was laid in the new Sunday School addition. Small historical items including a Bible, various song books (English and German), and the names of the people of the congregation were put into a copper box and placed behind the cornerstone.

Bro. George Lambert and Bro. Walter Rager spent Sundays with us. Let us give thanks daily for all our ministers and our church, where we find such comfort, joy and happiness as the word is expounded to us.

Sis. Mary Heuberger wishes to thank everyone for cards, gifts, and letters sent on her 80th birthday. Her philosophy of life could be expressed in this poem:

Look to the day with new courage
and faith;
Trust God to give strength for
the way.
With a prayer and smile on your
lips all the while,
Gladly, gratefully . . . look for
the day!

FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS

Cleve Klopfenstein

To share a joy brings two joys;
To share a grief, brings half a grief.

We at Ft. Sam can testify that this is true, as we have been fortunate to be stationed here with other brothers and friends of like faith. It is a privilege indeed to be able to share our joys and burdens with one another, and to be able to gather to worship our Lord and Saviour.

We were privileged during the month of June to have with us Ministering Bro. Charles Marti,

from Lamar, also Ministering Bro. Will Gudeman and wife Evelyn were week end visitors from Elgin, Illinois June 27-28.

Joining us at Ft. Sam as incoming trainees are Bro. Arden S. Bucher of LaCrosse, Bro. Kurt Bahler of Remington, Bro. Sherman Lanz from Rockville, and Bro. Robert Meiss of Bloomington-Normal. We trust the Lord will be with them as they begin their term of service.

PRINCEVILLE, ILLINOIS Ruth Ricketts

"Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favour of the LORD." Wendy Ehnle, daughter of Bro. Dave and Sis. Beulah, chose June 13 to be united in marriage to Roger Blunier, son of Bro. Sam and Sis. Elizabeth of Eureka. Bro. Dave Kieser performed the impressive ceremony. They are residing near Eureka.

The Fellowship Hall near Peoria was the setting for the wedding of Nancy Trickle and Fred Menold, on June 20, Bro. Dave Kieser performing the ceremony. The parents were the late Mr. Trickle and Helen Regier, and Bro. Leonard and Sis. Marie Menold. Nancy and Fred are living near Princeville and attend church faithfully.

Barbara Hubert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hubert of Peoria, was united in marriage to Duane Streitmatter, son of Bro. Burton and Sis. Martha, June 13. They are residing in Peoria.

We welcome Kathleen Hinrichsen Feucht of Congerville to our community and congregation. She was married to Jordan Feucht, son of Bro. Reuben and Sis. Nathalia Feucht.

Bro. Reuben and Sis. Nathalia Feucht received word from their daughter and husband, Elaine and Woodrow Parris of California, of the birth of a daughter, Kelly Marie, born June 10. She has a little brother to welcome her.

On June 21, twin daughters were born to Bro. Eugene and Sis. Kay (Bauman) Siebenthal. Linda Jeanne and Laura Jane were welcomed home by Luann, Greg, and Becky. Grandparents are Bro. Dan and Sis. Anna Siebenthal and Bro. Elmer and Sis. Mildred Bauman.

A son, Dennis Allen, was born to Bro. William and Sis. Diane Streitmatter on June 28. He has a

little brother, Ronald; grandparents, Bro. Harold and Sis. Anna Streitmatter, and Al and Katherine Baer; and great-grandmother, Sis. Frieda Streitmatter.

Cynthia Baurer, young daughter of Bro. Edwin and Sis. Carol, is able to be about after eye surgery. Bro. Richard Seidel returned to his home, after eye surgery at Marshalltown, Iowa. His convalescence will be quite a long one, but we pray it will be successful. He was treated for a detached retina. Nancy Menold was badly frightened and received painful mouth injuries and bruises, when she was involved in an accident when a truck drove in front of her. We are thankful her life was spared and that she is getting along nicely. Sis. Louise Martin is convalescing at home, after being hospitalized for nearly three weeks.

We are thankful that Sis. Betty Wagenbach is able to worship with us again after surgery. "I wish to express my sincere thanks to all who remembered me in their prayers, and the many cards, gifts, flowers, and visits I received while in the hospital and since returning home. A sincere thanks also for all the food brought to our home. These many acts of kindness were very much appreciated and will always be remembered. May the Lord bless you for your kind deeds and efforts. Sis. Betty Wagenbach.

Bro. Harvey Grimm of Bern reviewed the life of Moses and Paul very thoroughly. We were reminded that the only way to Heaven is through Jesus and His shed blood.

We were happy to have Bro. Charles Hemmer of Peoria and Bro. Vernon Leman of Eureka visit us. Charles was inspired as he read the account of Jonah and warned the ones who have not turned to the Lord that they must repent, or they would find themselves in a great storm and in utter darkness. If we submit ourselves to the Lord's will, we will have a happy, peaceful life. Vernon too gave us timely warning.

God blessed us with a beautiful, sunny afternoon when we had the annual Sunday School picnic; 260 gathered to share the blessing of being together in the great outdoors. . . the little folks singing with all their hearts, "God made the sun to shine above; He made the rain to fall; He made the grass

to grow so green; He made the trees so tall."

WEST BEND, IOWA Anna Schmidt — Mrs. A. Banwart

We rejoice with Mary, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Ervin and Elma Mogler, in that she has found peace with her Lord and is awaiting baptism. How wonderful are the works of the Lord.

The engagement of Sis. Sue Feucht of Lester and Bro. Gary Schneider has been announced. May the Lord bless them in this important undertaking.

We've had two tonsillectomies: Lavilla, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Oscar and Francis Zaugg; and Craig, son of Bro. and Sis. Victor and Marilyn Banwart. Both are recovering satisfactorily. Sam Mogler has spent some time in the hospital for tests.

Many visitors assembled with us that came for the Banwart reunion on July 4. How it makes us give thought to that Great Reunion up yonder, when this life is o'er, as we were reminded the following day, "Let us strive so we can be present there."

ALTO, MICHIGAN Loretta Steffen

June 7 was the wedding day of Bro. Terry Zimmerman and Sis. Sharon Wingeier. Elder Bro. Joe Waibel conducted the services, and we are thankful to God for the wonderful words of life and wisdom. The newlyweds are living at N. Meadow Village, Bloomington, Ill. 61701.

We are very happy to welcome Cathie Gayheart to our community and in our home. She has come from the Dessie Scott Children's Home in Kentucky. Cathie's graduation was this June. We pray the Lord will smile down his blessings upon her and bless her in all her ventures in life. Her new address is R 2, Dorr, Michigan 49323.

The evening of the 17th was set aside for our annual collection of our World Relief projects and used clothing. It warms our hearts to glance through the room and see everyone working together, packing and sorting bundles for the needy. In Matthew 26:11 it is recorded "For ye have the poor always with you; but me ye have not always." These were Christ's words and truly he said them for a reason. It is God's will . . . to

prove our faithfulness, and our willingness to share of our abundance.

Sis. Kathrine Grawburg underwent surgery again, having another toe removed. She is assembling with us again and seems to be feeling better. Our friend Ernest Roth is also hospitalized.

One of our young couples, Harold and Sis. Louise Desotell, their two little girls and his mother are vacationing in Germany. We wish them a blessed trip and a safe return, for all we do is under the hand of God.

Here is a recipe that I thought each homemaker might enjoy:

Take 2 heaping cups of patience,
One heartful of love,
2 handfuls of generosity . . .
One headful of understanding;
Sprinkle generously with kindness.
Add plenty of faith and mix well.
Spread over the period of a lifetime,
And serve everybody you meet.

BLUFFTON, INDIANA Imogene Steffen — Pat Isch

On June 13, funeral services were conducted for Bro. Amos Steffen, age seventy-six, who passed away after an illness of two years. His wife, Sis. Mary, preceded him in death last Nov. 15. The survivors include two daughters, Sis. Marie (Nelson) Moser of Bluffton and Sis. Marcella (Charles) Sauder of Mansfield; two sons, Bro. Louis, and Bro. Luther of Ft. Wayne; three brothers, Bro. Herman, Eli, and Tobias; three sisters, Mrs. Calvin Rauch, Sis. Hulda Steffen, and Sis. Mary Steffen.

Here the dearest of ties we must sever,
Tears of sorrow are seen every day;
But no sickness, no sighing forever
When we've gone the last mile of the way.

Bro. Kent and Sis. Janice Ringger welcomed their first child, a girl, Jill Renae, into their home. The maternal grandparents are Bro. Ralph and Sis. Devona Gerber and paternal grandparents, Bro. Orville and Sis. Naomi Ringger.

Friend Bruce Frauhiger, son of Bro. Ivan and Sis. Sylvia Frauhiger, was inducted into the Army. We certainly wish God's grace,

blessings, and protection to lead him each step of his way.

Our love, thoughts, and prayers for the shut-ins are certainly appreciated. Those shut-in have been Dan Fiechter, Rolland Beer, Bro. Charles Drayer, Bro. Emil Reinhard, Bro. Ed Amstutz, Sis. Marjorie (David) Reimschisel, Sis. Esther (Olen) Geisel, Brenda Steffen (daughter of Bro. Ramon & Sis. Lorena), and Kristie Kipfer (daughter of Bro. Art and Sis. Goldie). Greg Leman (son of Bro. Wallace and Sis. Marilyn) had an emergency appendectomy; and Sis. Vi (Raymond) Ringger, Bro. Joe Steffen, and Bro. John Moser have all submitted to eye surgery. "For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink . . . I was sick, and ye visited me. . . . Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

On June 27, the wedding of friends, Clem Reinhard and Karen Haiflich was solemnized. Their parents are Bro. Alphie and Sis. Lucille Reinhard and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Haiflich. Our best wishes to this couple.

The warm summer weather has made it especially nice to travel, thus bringing us many visiting ministers who are always so willing to speak to us through the Spirit. The month of June we were privileged to have Bro. Ben Hartzler of Rittman and Bro. John Steiner of Oakville, who was here for mid-week service. Then on Sunday, June 21, our congregation was privileged to take part in Holy Communion. Elder brethren assisting were George Yergler and Theo. Beer. Other ministers that day were Bro. Walter Rehkau of Toledo and Bro. Simon Wagenbach, Tremont. We are very thankful for the spiritual blessings received on that day. Renewing our vows, the few rules below could be applied to our lives, enabling us to live just for the days ahead, forgetting that which is behind.

Just for today I will try to strengthen my mind by reading something requiring effort and good thought.

Just for today I will do somebody a good turn and not get found out . . .

I will dress becomingly, talk low, act courteously, be liberal with

praise and not criticize one bit nor find fault.

Just for today I will have a quiet half-hour all to myself and in this time I will think of God.

Just for today I will not be afraid to be happy, to enjoy what is beautiful, to love and to believe that those I love, love me.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

We were blessed by the message from our visiting minister, Jim Wieland from Bay City. Bro. Jim and Sis. Jeannie Rinkenger are in Oregon again this summer, continuing their education.

We are sorry to lose Bro. and Sis. Lloyd DesCarpenter and daughter to the Roanoke congregation and Bro. and Sis. Raymond Haerr to the Bloomington congregation. Lloyd is going to continue his education in Normal, and will teach in Eureka this coming year. Raymond is going to set up his medical practice in Bloomington. We wish them God's blessings.

ELGIN, ILLINOIS Louise Steffen Katie Kachelmus

All who would live and spend their days in comfort
Should come and draw unto this Shepherd nigh;
With heavenly bread He'll satisfy their hunger,
Which wordly husks can never satisfy.
No lack of blessings there shall be,
Since to God's treasures He, the Shepherd, has the key.

This was the decision of six dear ones among us, who gave their testimonies, were baptized and taken into the fold. They are Freeman and Lucille Weiss Kellenberger and their son, Douglas; Calvin and Dena Knobloch Weiss; and Stanley Schambach, son of Bro. Albert and Sis. Dorothy Schambach. Bros. Leo Moser of Lester, Paul Butikofer of Elgin, Iowa and Maurice Frank of Leo were with us, and many other guests. It was surely a day of rejoicing and blessings. May God grant it that many more would become reconciled with God.

Sis. Libbie Ann (Gene) Moser, 3 N. Edison Ave., Elgin, Ill. 60120 had surgery, and is back at home with her loved ones. Sis. Louise Messerschmidt is now at the Oliver

Nursing Home, Watch and Raymond Sts., Elgin Ill. 60120. Sis. Minnie Goll, 1558 Maple Lane, Elgin Ill. 60120, had a fall in her home, and is confined to her bed. May God be with the sick, the aged, and those who so tenderly care for them, and restore to health according to His will.

The brothers that came and taught our young people at the four sessions of Vacation Bible School were Joseph Schrock of Congerville, Edwin Bahler of Remington, Perry Zimmerman of Forrest and Dale Eisenman of Chicago. May God bless them for their efforts, and may God add His blessings to this worthy endeavor.

The Sunday School picnic was held in June. It was well attended and enjoyed by all. It is always a pleasure to have this gathering, as it is an opportunity to meet with the friends who we do not see as often as we would like. It seems like everyone is so busy. May God bless all who took part, especially the teachers for their untiring efforts.

EUREKA, ILLINOIS **Cathryn Wettstein** **Salome Schumacher**

Our friends, Harvey and Sharon Martin were given the opportunity to give their testimony before the congregation on Sat. evening June 27, and the next day they were baptized and are now a brother and sister in faith. He is the youngest son of Bro. and Sis. Andrew and Martha Martin. Bro. Eugene Bertschi from Roanoke assisted Bro. Leroy Huber in proving and baptizing.

Vacation Bible school is over. The average attendance was 115 children, from 3-year-old through eighth grade. About 20 teachers were in charge. May each child have learned some things that will long be remembered, and later on perhaps surrendering to the Lord.

The Sunday School picnic was held June 21, with a large group in attendance. For the month of July, there is only Sunday School for the Bible Class. On August 2 all classes will begin again.

Sis. Kathryn Schumacher has been in the hospital, but has recovered enough to be home again.

Bro. Merle Rocke has returned home from Viet Nam, discharged. . . thankful another one has returned home safely.

The new apartment wing of the Apostolic Christian Home in Eureka will be available about Sept. 1. Several apartments are yet available, and any persons interested should contact the Home administration, Bro. Leroy Rocke. The telephone number is 309-467-2311, Eureka. Included in this wing is a craft room, larger than the present one; also it will be used partly for relief sewings. There will be 11 apartments in all, plus a nurse's lounge.

FAIRBURY, ILLINOIS **Joyce Huber**

June is the month of weddings: Bro. Terry Zimmerman, son of Bro. and Sis. Lloyd Zimmerman was married to Sis. Sharon Wingeier, daughter of Bro. and Sis. David Wingeier of Alto. Sharon is studying special education at ISU, and Terry, a '66 graduate of Brookaw Medical Lab School, is studying social work at ISU.

Bro. Larry Leman, son of Bro. and Sis. Chris Leman, was married to Sis. Nada Baumgartner, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Alvin Baumgartner. Larry graduated from Parkland College, is employed at Champaign, and will reside there. J. C. Aberle, son of Bro. and Sis. Elmer Aberle, married Sharon McClellan. He is employed at Oak Motor Sales in Fairbury.

Jane Kaeb, daughter of Bro. and Sis. David Kaeb became the bride of Dale Kaufman, of Cissna Park. Jane is a graduate of ICC, Dale is a graduate of Parkland College, and is employed at Morton Metalcraft, Morton. Duane Bach, son of Bro. and Sis. Reuben Bach, was united in marriage to Barbara Winterland. The bride is a student of radiological technology at Carle Clinic and Duane, having attended U of I, received his army discharge last fall, and is employed by Imagines Enterprises in Urbana.

Sis. Mary Mae Traub, Sis. Donna Hartman, Sis. Nancy Honegger, and Sis. Janice Honegger have returned from a month's trip to Europe. They have had an enjoyable trip with many interesting experiences.

Bro. Bud Kelson was voted to become Sunday School teacher. An annual picnic was held at Lyle's Acres, with Sunday School children, teachers, and parents attending.

Bro. Walter Moser had surgery

at Carle Hospital, and Sis. Edith Huette had surgery at Fairbury. Bro. Chris Steffen and Sis. Tillie Steffen returned home from the hospital. Jean Bachtold, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Lloyd Bachtold, had the mishap of breaking her arm. Sis. Elsie Bachtold entered the hospital.

We praise the Lord for the testimony of Mrs. Helen (Maurer) Vaughan, and baptismal services were held for her.

We were privileged to have Elder Bro. Sam Anliker of Kansas and Bro. Vernon Schwab of Wollcott, who brought us inspiring messages.

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA **Charles and Doris Neuenschwander**

Thy peace shall flow upon our meeting;

The kiss of faith shall be our greeting,

When we are gathered by thy side;
Should only two or three assemble,
In Jesus' name, yet meek and humble,

His peace and love in us abide.

Some Sundays when we are so few gathered together we receive our blessings by listening to a tape recording. On June 14 we listened to a recording made by Bro. John Yergler and Bro. Sam Aeschliman, and on July 5 by Bro. Carl Kipfer and Bro. Wendell Gerber, all of Bluffton.

Ministers bringing us God's holy word were Bro. Jack Bollier from Leo, Bro. Loren Stoller from Latty and Bro. Wendell Gerber from Bluffton. On June 21, we also had Bro. Elmer Bucher from Francescille in our midst in the afternoon. Bro. and Sis. Bucher and Bro. and Sis. Bob Weuthrich and their families brought their daughters, Sis. Becky Bucher and Sis. Linda Weuthrich here to enroll them in secretarial school. Their living quarters are in Beech Grove.

We are happy to have Bro. Ray and Sis. Carol Fiechter, who have moved to Indianapolis, worship with us. We welcome Bro. Steve and Sis. Vicki Bucher and son, Chris. They are making their home in Bloomington. Steve is attending Ball State. Sis. Sue and Kevin Mayer, daughters of Bro. John and Sis. Edith are spending the summer months in Germany.

On June 26, Craig and Sis. Connie Gutwein were blessed with a

new baby boy. He has been named Joseph Allen. They have another son, Jimmy. May God bless them.

LATTY, OHIO

Dolores Grant — Iva Stoller

We had a joyful Sunday when our dear friend LeAnn Laukhuf, daughter of Bro. Lester and Sis. Vera, was added to the fold. We were thankful for the inspiring message from Bro. Bob Meyer, our guest minister for the day.

Tom Laukhuf, son of Bro. Ken and Sis. Marge is still a patient at Parkview Hospital, Ft. Wayne and has submitted to major surgery. Tom has felt the need of a Saviour and has answered His call, for which we are so thankful. We pray for his recovery and that soon he can be in church to enjoy the fellowship.

Ruth, wife of Ralph Stoller, had the misfortune of being kicked by a cow and was hospitalized for a short while with a fractured hand and bruises. Byron Dunham, son of Bro. Charles and Sis. Laura was treated at the hospital, after falling from a tree.

Kirk Stoller, son of Bro. Daryl and Sis. Iva was admitted for a tonsillectomy.

Communion services were held the last Sunday of June, a time of blessing for all who take part.

I once read a story and would like to pass it on. A teacher gave his students two subjects to write about — the Holy Spirit and the Devil. They were to write a half hour on each subject. One student wrote an hour on the Holy Spirit, then added at the bottom of his page, "I had no time for the Devil." How true this is. If we use "all" our time for Christ, we will have no time for the devil.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Alma Baum — Gus Baum

It is here the precious moment which unites our hearts in prayer, when the people of God's covenant 'Round the throne of grace appear. Hear, O Lord, our humble prayer; Unto us Thy blessings share. Truly, this was a precious moment, when the day finally arrived that we could assemble to worship in our newly-remodeled church. Bro. Harold Gramm, Morris, spent those hours with us, and shared God's message. Other visiting ministers were Bros. Noah Gerber and Cleo Rinkenberger.

Our Elder Bro. Paul Fehr, assisted by Bro. Leo Moser, came to serve Holy Communion. What a privilege for our members to go to Calvary's Cross in our own edifice. We are ever grateful for shepherds, who so faithfully watch over His flocks, also for ministers who through the Spirit give us many teachings to ponder over, and renew the desire to serve our Creator.

This being the vacation season, we invite those who might be passing through or nearby. Come visit our little church, and worship with us. It is uplifting to meet new faces . . . an unexplainable joy, this love and fellowship we feel within our hearts, all because of the wonderful Christian love that oftentimes seems to overflow our very hearts.

New address: Corner of 43rd St. and Wentworth. Services 10 A.M. — 12 noon. Church telephone, 612-823-4668.

MAYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

Elizabeth K. Kaisner

Our weather is very warm and dry. We accept it all as directed of God, knowing that He can make various changes all over this earth.

I FIND,

That in doing the WILL of God leaves me no time for disputing about HIS plans.

We were blest with having visiting ministers, Bro. Ed Unsicker from Portland; Bro. Robert Pohl, Burlington; Bro. Roy Luginbuhl from the Rockville church. Bro. Simon Wagenbach stopped over to visit in our area, held services at Altadena on July 5, and left the same afternoon to visit their children and friends in Hawaii. We thank them for their visit and meditation out of the word of God in truth and spirit. May God bless and protect them in their traveling and visits, and return them safely home; we welcome you to visit us again.

Leonard Dockus and their friends traveled through here and parked their travel-trailers in the parking lot at the Maywood church. Anyone traveling in our area with a camper or trailer and looking for a place to park may be able to park at the church parking lot by contacting Bro. John Dapper, 5003 E. 60th place, Maywood Calif. Phone: 587-7022 Area code: 213.

A Christian life lived in the Lord
Does the sermon preach,
And often more than pleading
words
Will into hearts of sinners reach.

Whatever you do, wherever you
go,
Remember God sees all things.
However you stand, whenever you
speak,
Does it all with Him agree?

Let us keep working, trusting,
praying on, till the great battle
here is won.

NEUHUTTEN, GERMANY

David Kaeb

In June there were many visitors in Germany. Sis. Sue Rapp from Elgin Ill. was here with Sis. Kathy Heiniger's grandmother and aunt from Morton. Bro. Carl Kipper and his family spent two Sundays with us. Carl, from Bluffton, ministered to several of us both occasions. Those able to attend and thank Carl for his service were Bill Witzig, Bill Baumgartner, Ced Messner, and David Kaeb. Terry Nussbaum, Al Kuenzi, James Ko, and Ken Koch also assembled.

Bro. Bill Witzig from Gridley just reached Germany and is stationed in Heidelberg. Bill joined Ced, Terry, and I to spend Independence day week-end in Holland.

NEW MARTINSVILLE, W. VA.

Mrs. Gus Weltz
Miss Della Witschey

We were sorry to hear of the death of John Widmer of Sterling, on June 18. Our sympathy is extended to his wife and family.

The all-day service at the country church was well attended on June 28. Kenneth Sauder of Mansfield was the guest speaker. Jesse Emch of Girard and Delbert Indermuhle of Sardis shared in the service.

George Rigggenbach, son of the late Dan and Ella Rigggenbach retired on June 5, after 47 years of continuous service as a teacher in the county schools.

Twin sons were born to Mr. and Mrs. William Stuart on June 13. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Barth are the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barth, the maternal great-grandparents, and the late Mrs. Emma Barth would be the great-great grandmother.

The annual Witschey reunion will be held here at City Park on Sunday, July 26.

Arthur Martin died at his home in Washington, Pa., on June 15. He was a son-in-law of Rosa Witschey Myers.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Witschey of Doylestown, O., Mr. and Mrs. Joe Witschey of Boston visited with relatives here.

Mrs. Pearl Schupbach of Hannibal, O., has been quite ill for some time, Mr. and Mrs. William Witschey and three children, Mrs. Harold Witschey and Miss Mary Witschey have returned from a three-week vacation spent in San Francisco. They attended a National Retail Grocers meeting and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Okey Edge in San Leandro, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Witschey of Pittsburgh visited with relatives here on July 5. Mr. and Mrs. George Cross, Mr. and Mrs. Don Cross of Canton, O., visited with relatives on July 4 and 5.

PEORIA, ILLINOIS

Emily Tanner

Mrs. Michael Weyeneth

Vacation Bible School was held the first two weeks of June. The children were very enthusiastic in their attendance of the evening classes. One of their projects was to bring articles such as tooth brushes, paste, soap, which was donated to a group of less privileged children who were to be guests at a local camp. The Bible Class (high school age) invited the Princeville and Bradford classes to join them. This class was taught by our local ministers, Bros. Roy Sauder, Michael Weyeneth, Jim Hoerr, Chuck Hemmer, visiting ministers, Bros. Dave Kieser, Princeville; Nathan Steffen, Elgin; Edwin Ringger, Gridley; and Bro. Leroy Hartman.

The Sunday School picnic was held June 7. It was a very stormy afternoon, and it was especially nice to be able to assemble in the Fellowship Hall. Some of the children sang hymns and had a short program.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Plattner announced the engagement of their daughter, Richie Ann, to Blair Howard Hills, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard B. Hills of Alexandria, Va.

Patricia Baurer, daughter of Bro. Ben and Sis. Verna Baurer became the bride of William R.

Blank, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Blank of Bay Village, Ohio, on June 13.

Friends Bobbie J. and Lillian Cagle are the parents of Melinda Jane, born April 8.

Bro. Walter Merkle had the misfortune of falling 20 feet, while at work one day. He spent a couple of weeks in the hospital. He is home now and able to do some light work . . . was glad to see he was able to assemble with us in church, too. Bro. Dan Hoerr is a patient at the hospital. I'm sure he and his wife, Sis. Verna would be glad for your prayers. Bro. Albert Hunziker is home and is able to go for an occasional ride.

Note of thanks: The family of Albert Hunziker wish to express their thanks to the ministers for their prayers and for the flowers and many cards given to him during his stay at the hospital. All were greatly appreciated. Thanks so much. Helen and Al

Our visiting ministers were Bro. Cleo Rinkenberger, Noah Herman, Hartzell Kaisner, and his father, Joe Kaisner. It was so nice to see them and their wives in our assembly again, and we thank them for their labors of love.

RITTMAN, OHIO

Florence Hartzler—Janette Blough

After many days of suffering, Bro. John Widmer is now at rest in the Lord. Funeral services were held by Bros. Joe Ramsier and Ernest Graf. Our sympathy is extended to the family who survives: his wife, Sis. Elizabeth; sons Joe, Bro. Robert, Bro. Harold, Dale, and Addison; daughters, Sis. Margaret Everhard and Sis. Jean Stoller. Two sisters and one brother also survive.

"When pure upright hearts, by flames of love ignited, are by the bond of faith more firmly yet united. . . ." Bro. Duane Indermuhle and Sis. Joan Miller were married by Sis. Joan's grandfather, Bro. Noah Bauman, on June 28. We pray the Lord will bless this union as they walk this path together. . . "This union of our hearts shall stand through grace in Jesus."

The Lord has blessed the home of Bro. Keith and Sis. Linda Dotterer with their first child, a girl. She has been named Kathy Jo. A son, Brent Robert, was born to Bro. Dave and Sis. Carole Steiner.

Three brothers welcome little Brent, too, Curt, Dwight, and Scot.

Sis. Bertha Bauman is able to attend church again, following her hospital stay. Other hospital patients were Sis. Dorothy Zollinger, Sis. Elizabeth Widmer, and Bro. Steve Bauman. Walter Beery had the misfortune of falling from a silo. He had extensive injury to his foot and leg, which required surgery. We are happy to report he is able to be home again, but has his leg in a cast and gets around with crutches.

Sis. Violet Baltic and daughter Mary are visiting relatives in Yugoslavia, some whom Violet hasn't seen for many years. Berdene and Fredona Shiffer are leaving this week-end to spend the next three weeks with son Fred and his wife Nancy in Germany. Lois Hartzler has just returned home from Staufien, Germany, where she spent 8 weeks studying at the university in Staufien. She toured other parts of Europe before returning home.

Some of our members have again lost their crops due to high water, heavy rains and wind. We truly can see that God does rule the elements and that man is very small compared to His power and might.

Thank you: A sincere thanks to all members, friends, and relatives for remembering me with cards, gifts, and prayers and visits while in the hospital and after returning home. It was very much appreciated. Sis. Elizabeth Widmer.

TAYLOR, MO.

Mrs. Eli Sutter Mrs. Bill Heimer

The Bible Class, accompanied by some of the parents and teachers, went to Oakville on June 7 for the semi-annual Fellowship meeting. They all reported having enjoyed the day.

We received a blessing from God's word when Bro. Ezra Feller spent a Wed. evening with us.

Bro. Roy & Sis. Dona Grimm returned safely from a trip to Hawaii. They enjoyed the visit with those that are stationed there and with Bro. Lynn & Sis. Mary Ann Feller, who were visiting there.

Bro. Bill Cottrell, son of Bro. Wm. & Sis. Ruth Cottrell, and Sis. Judy Guingrich, daughter of Bro. Ed & Sis. Doris Guingrich, Bradford were united in marriage on June 14. We wish them God's richest blessings.

Mrs. Vernon Huber and children,

Bruce, Brenda and Becky have moved to Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, where Vernon is stationed. We will miss them very much, but hope to have them back with us in about a year, when his service in the Navy will be over.

We had three class reunions in our community and were happy to have visitors for all three. Bro. Dave Wiegand and family, Champaign, were here for the 25th reunion. Dave formerly lived here and was a classmate for all twelve years of our sons, Bro. James and Gerald Sutter, also Barbara (Hoerr) Plank. It was the first time he visited us since he is in the ministry, so it was a special privilege to have him bring us a message from God's word. We were glad to have Bro. Bob Pohl and his family from Burlington here; it was our daughter, Sis. Joyce's 20th class reunion. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wenneker from Sacramento, Calif. were here for her 30th class reunion. Howard is a brother to Sis. Marjorie (Gerald) Sutter, and they often assembled with us before they moved to California.

TUCSON, ARIZONA

Jay Bertsch

We've been having nice, but rather warm weather lately . . . haven't received much rain so far; the ranchers are sorely in need of rain.

Our group is rather small. Several families are on vacation. Our congregation is gradually getting larger, as more people are moving here. A family, Laurin Knapp, his wife, and their six children are moving in the near future. They are from Illinois.

Our visiting ministers were Elder Bro. Roy Farney and Bro. Clarence Yackley, both from Phoenix. Roy served us with Holy Communion. We had a blessed day.

We are very thankful for our church building the Lord has blessed us with. The building is not too big, but it is constructed in such a way that we can add to it. The one thing we are still short of is additional space for Sunday School room; we are using the dining room now. We would like to build space for Sunday School room. We have a building fund started for this purpose. Anyone wishing to make a love gift toward this cause, send it to Apostolic Christian Church of Tucson, 5957 E. 20th St., Tucson Arizona 85711 c/o Jay

Bertsch. Any donation will be greatly appreciated.

We always enjoy having visitors, so if any are traveling through Arizona, we welcome them to stop and worship with us in our little church in the Desert.

AKRON, OHIO

Katherine Ries

He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

Just one small verse, but mountains of spiritual food. When our Lord appeared before his disciples again after his resurrection, he repeated a question which grieved Peter. The first and second time he answered, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. The third time Peter added to his answer, Lord; thou knowest all things . . . and Jesus said, feed my sheep.

In taking our Lord and Savior for granted today, believing that he knows **we love him**, do we follow the example of Peter, when awaking comes to us that he knows all things? Do we help our ministers to help us? Are we an example to our friends and fellow brethren? Do we, because we love him, feed his lambs? These are some of the thoughts brought during services on a Sunday, by our beloved ministers.

Sis. Kathy Graf has a contract to teach retarded children at Copley Ft. Island School beginning in Sept., since graduating from Akron U. in June. Bruce Fritz, son of Harold and Sis. Esther, will continue his education at Akron U., after graduating from Revere Hi. May the Lord's blessings be upon them and others who have graduated and are about to start on their new careers.

Mark Fritz, who had been hospitalized for injuries in the service a few months ago is now home on furlough. We are happy for him and his parents, Harold and Sis. Esther, for his recovery and are glad to see him.

As our guest book fills with the names of our visitors, we are most grateful for their visit, and extend an invitation to all to come and spend a Sunday with us.

BRADFORD, ILLINOIS

Delores Duckworth

Martha Kieser

"For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins."

We were privileged to partake of this Holy Sacrament, with Bros. Herman Kellenberger (Elgin) Silas Leuthold and Dave Kieser (Princeville) serving us. May it move each of us to realize more fully the great price which was paid, and serve Him more fervently each day.

Sis. Lois Endress is able to assemble with us again. Sis. Lucille (Sam) Kieser went to Mayo Clinic for tests. Bro. Herman Dietz had surgery July 7 at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, Minn. He will be there about 3 weeks. Our prayers certainly are with him, that this operation will be successful and he can be healed. May God help him to patiently endure all pain.

"What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder." On June 14 God joined together Sis. Judy Guingrich and Bro. Bill Cottrell. May their lives be blessed with Heavenly joys. We will miss Judy, as they are making their home in Eureka. We were thankful for the visits of Bros. Ben Fehr (Roanoke), Silas Leuthold, and Dave Kieser on that day.

Our sincere prayers go with Bro. David Knobloch and Randy Stisser, who have gone to Viet Nam. Randy's wife, Linda and baby son, Daryl, are living near Princeville.

At our annual meeting Bros. Wm. Elsasser, Larry Endress, and Sis. Mary Knobloch were chosen as Sunday School teachers. Bro. Duane Elsasser was elected trustee, Bro. John Endress, usher. Bro. Roy Ehnlé, was appointed World Relief Treasurer.

We enjoyed our annual Sunday School picnic at the park in Princeton. It was a beautiful day to enjoy God's creation.

Bro. Loris and Sis. Lottie Stisser are enjoying the visit of Wanda Gabbard Dorrance and Sandy, from Desi-Scott Children's Home in Kentucky for a few weeks.

Thank You Note: I wish to express my sincere thanks to all who remembered me in their prayers, cards, gifts, flowers, and visits, while in the hospital and since returning home, and for all the food

brought, and the deeds of kindness. Everything was appreciated and will never be forgotten. May the Lord bless you all. Sis. Lois Endress.

ALTADENA

Freda and Rhoda Minger

"Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord . . . Servants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God: and whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men."

It certainly could not be put any clearer, but how far has man deviated from commands set forth in Colossians 3:18-23. We are living in the time when men do not work to please their employer, children do not obey or respect their parents, and wives and husbands have overlooked the "unto your own" and adultery is commonplace. One would do well to pause and ask "How long Lord?" Perhaps the answer would make us change our pattern of life? Perhaps there are things we are doing from day to day which we would not want to be partaking of when the Lord comes? Is it not a great blessing God still walks and talks with man? Our hearts rejoice that He has sent His servants many miles to exhort once more concerning His most holy order.

On June 28, Bro. Roy Luginbuhl from Rockville and Bro. Ed Unsicker from Portland were visiting us. Sunday, July 5, brought Bro. Simon Wagenbach, Tremont, and Bro. Bob Pohl, Burlington, to minister unto us. Bro. Bob and family are vacationing in California, while Bro. Simon and his wife spent Sunday with us and left in the late afternoon to visit their daughter in Hawaii. We thank God for the four ministering brothers as well as the many other visitors which have assembled with us in the past month. We all should appreciate the fellowship more than we do.

Friends Henry and Joyce Car-doza are the parents of a baby girl, Tanya Annette, born June 28. Another, Nickie, joins in welcoming his sister. Joyce is the daughter of Bro. Wm. and Sis. Freda Minger.

We rejoice that Sis. Helen Klotzle has been able to assemble with

us these past two Sundays for afternoon services. We pray that God will continue to strengthen her.

CISSNA PARK, ILLINOIS

Mary Young — Margaret Rudin

Early Sunday, June 21, our neighboring town of Crescent City was declared a disaster area, when a T.P.&W train derailed. Nearly 70 persons were injured during L.P. gas tanker car explosions. In the community of 200 homes, many are not liveable. Fifteen homes were destroyed by fire and explosions; most of the business places were destroyed. Our World Relief has gone to assist in cleaning up. It was only by the mercy of God that no lives were lost. This brings us to realize how quickly something can come over us.

Christian Endeavor was held the evenings of June 14 and June 21. It was a blessing to see our youth come to God's house and lend their voices. Bros. Joe Kaisner and Roy Sauder gave beautiful teaching, beneficial to all. Other visiting ministers were Bros. Edmund Kloter, Clarence Kachelmuss, Ben Weigand, Vernon Leman. We thank them and welcome them back.

Our friend, Anna Reutter is able to be in her home again, also Bro. Art Hari. Others among the sick are Bro. Adam Knapp, who had surgery; Bro. Albert Steiner, a medical patient. Sis. Mary Yergler has been a medical patient, but has been released from the nursing home and plans to stay with her daughter, Anna Marie. Her address is W. D. Brasseau, 1210 S. 93rd. E. Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Jeffrey Howard was born to Raymond and Carolyn Young on July 5. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bohner and Bro. and Sis. Jeff Young.

The marriage of Sis. Nada Baumgartner to Bro. Larry Leman was solemnized June 28 by Bro. Ezra Feller. Our best wishes are extended to them. **When two join hand and heart, We find a three-fold cord Not lightly rent apart.** They will make their future home at Urbana.

CONGERVILLE, ILLINOIS

Pauline Roth — Phyllis Knapp

Our elder, Bro. Joshua Broquard spent a Sunday with us. In addition to having Josh expound to us "wonderful words of life", we also

elected two new Sunday School teachers: Bros. Donald Ott and Duane Steffen; Sisters named were Sis. Lorna Schrock, Sis. Marge Knapp, Sis. Cheryl Schrock, Sis. Betty Miller and Sis. Pauline Roth.

We were privileged to have Bros. Joe Stoller and Geo. Wagenbach of Princeville visit us. We thank these brothers for their visits, and hope they will visit us soon again.

Bro. Ben Zimmerman remains hospitalized, but has improved and is hoping to be dismissed in the near future.

Kenny, son of Ralph and Dorothy (Wettstein) Washer was hospitalized for surgery and is recuperating at home. A few days following his dismissal, he and his uncle, Norman Wettstein, (son of Bro. John), were involved in a very serious accident. There were 2 fatalities as a result, and we cannot be thankful enough that neither Norman nor Kenny were injured seriously enough to require hospitalization.

THO'T—As a tale, so is life, not how long it is, but how good it is—is what matters.

FORREST, ILLINOIS

Carolyn Zimmerman

Jaunita Schneider

Two souls have united hands and heart to serve their God as one; Sis. Carolyn Metz was united in marriage with Bro. Tom Frank of La Crosse. Tom's father, Bro. Ed Frank officiated the ceremony. Bro. and Sis. Joe Metz are Carolyn's parents. Many guests witnessed the ceremony, including Ministering Bros. Art Gudeman, La Crosse; Joe Schrock, Congerville; and Edmond Kloter, Fairbury.

Our Father's Day services were held by Bro. Bill Gudeman, Elgin who was attending an India Army reunion of World War II, which was being held in our area.

Three precious souls have turned to God in repentance: Doris, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Alf Bach-told; Jill, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Willis Nussbaum; and LuAnn, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Dean Nussbaum. They have been strengthened many times with many blessings, as have we all from our visiting ministers, which include Bros. Russel Rapp and Francis Rother, Morton; Hartzel Kaisner, Detroit; Ernie Gerber, Rockville; Sam Anliker, Lamont; Vernon Schwab, Wolcott; and Josh

Broquard, Walter Koehl, Marie Kaisner, Fairbury. We sincerely appreciate every brother who shares his time and talents with us.

Bro. Albert and Sis. Jean Edelman have been blessed with a little girl; she has been named Dora Jenelle. Trent and Kip are her brothers. Grandparents are Bro. and Sis. Loren Strahm from Gridley, Kansas.

Sis. Bena Lehmann has completed some tests at the Carle Clinic, Urbana, and is undergoing treatments. Sis.'s Marlene Kupferschmid, Bertha Maurer, and Leona Wallace spent some time at the hospital for tests. Sis. Ann Maurer is at Brokaw Hospital, Bloomington, submitting to surgery on her legs. Bro. Duane Schneider remains a surgical patient at Mennonite Hospital, Bloomington, where he had extensive work done on a hand that was previously injured; he is reported doing nicely. May God stretch forth a healing hand and show His almighty power.

In this time of much sin and unrest let us each have this prayer upon our hearts: Where there is hatred—let me sow love. Where there is injury—pardon. Where there is doubt—faith. Where there is despair—hope. Where there is darkness—light. Where there is sadness—joy. Amen.

FORT WAYNE, INDIANA

Mary Eisenmann — Marge Gerber

The worst words anyone could hear the Lord say are, "I know you not", stated Elder Bro. Sam Aeschliman of Bluffton at the close of services the last Sunday morning in June. Surely his great concern could be felt and heard as he added, "Dear Friends, may this not be said to you!"

Sis. Mary Martin was hospitalized for eye surgery the early part of June. We are happy to hear reports of her recovery as being good. Danny Newport, son of Gerald and Sis. Nancy, was hospitalized overnight, to have his right arm set and placed in a cast following a fall from the swing at his home, breaking both bones above the wrist. His Sunday School class made get-well cards for him.

We extend our thanks and appreciation to the following brothers for their services in conducting our adult Bible School classes in June: Orville Ringger and Robert

Meyer of Bluffton; Loren Stoller, Latty; Elmer Bucher, Francesville; and Henry Beer, Milford.

Our sympathy is extended to Bro. Luther Steffen in the death of his father, Bro. Amos.

We enjoyed having the Francesville brethren with us for our June monthly singing, and especially thank the young boys for their special octette numbers.

John Lieberenz, son of Floren and Sis. Edith, spent several weeks with his family and friends. His orders were to leave California for the waters of Viet Nam on July 13. We remember him in our prayers. Dennis Pulfer, son of Bro. Raymond and Sis. Mary, is spending a 30-day leave at home. He will then be stationed at Ft. Rucker, Alabama. Bro. Lester and Sis. Florence Pulver and Barbara, Carl, and Chris spent the past week-end with Dan at his base port in Norfolk, Virginia.

New address for the Dave Pulvers is: R. R. 2, Grabill, Ind. 46741.

GIRARD, OHIO

Caroline Emch

One of our older members of our congregation is Sis. Elizabeth Thomas Games. She was born in New Martinsville W. Va. Her parents were Bro. Fred and Sis. Rose Widmer Thomas. Fred was a minister at the West Virginia church for many years, the little church on Limestone Hill. William Games, her husband, died at the age of 33 years, leaving Elizabeth with 6 children. She raised her family alone, taking in washings and doing housework, making all her children's clothing, lots of them out of used clothing. Elizabeth knitted sweaters for the soldier boys and the Red Cross during World War II. She was baptized at the age of 35.

Since Elizabeth lost her eyesight, she does knitting, making slippers and afgans, taking some to rest homes. She lives with her children, all taking turns, and they taking good care of their mother. One son died 5 years ago last April. She is now 82 years of age. She loves to visit, and her greatest joy is when she is able to attend church; she always has an encouraging attitude. May God ever be near to her, and to those who so lovingly care for her.

Our monthly song services were held at Bro. Don and Sis. Monell

Stolls; many beautiful hymns were sung to God's praise.

GOODFIELD, ILLINOIS

Elna Grimm

What Is Marriage? It is sharing and caring, Giving and forgiving, Loving and being loved, Walking hand in hand, Talking heart to heart, Seeing through each other's eyes . . . Praying together, And always trusting And believing And thanking God For each other.

This pretty little poem was read by Bro. Ed Hohulin at the wedding ceremony, which he performed for Bro. Bill Hart and Sis. Terry Grimm at our church on Sunday June 21. Bill is the son of Mr. Chuck Hart of Eureka, and Terry is the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Bob and Elna Grimm of Goodfield. They are making their home in Eureka, where Bill plans to continue teaching history at the high school in the fall. He is employed at Bob Grimm Chevrolet in Morton. Terry is employed at the 1st National Bank of Eureka.

Sp.4 Douglas Reeser, son of Bro. and Sis. Harold and Violet Reeser arrived at Bong Hai, Viet Nam on May 30. Douglas, a meteorologist, is assigned to the 39th artillery unit. He left Ft. Lewis, Wash., after a month's leave with friends and relatives: His wife, Sandra, is employed as a registered nurse in St. John's Hospital, St. Louis, during his absence. Let us remember to pray for God's protection of our soldier boys; and if you find the time and the inspiration to write to them, please do, as they are always happy to hear from loved ones back home.

Our Summer Bible School was in session each evening (Mon. thru Fri.) during the 2nd and 3rd weeks in June. The annual Sunday School picnic was held on Sun. June 14; as is our usual custom, Sunday School and regular Wed. eve. services will be discontinued thru July and Aug.

Sis. Ruth Hohulin has been a hospital patient for the past couple of weeks, as a result of a ruptured appendix. She has suffered considerable pain and discomfort as a result, and is still confined to her hospital bed. We pray that she will soon regain her normal health and be allowed to return to her home.

The amount suggested for the Silver Lining, \$2.00 per year.

GRIDLEY, KANSAS
Mrs. Joseph Somerhalder
Mrs. Andy Young Jr.

"The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest." We rejoice that our prayers have been answered. Elder Bro. Samuel Anliker revealed to our congregation that the lot has fallen on Bro. Lloyd Kraft to assist Bro. Loren Strahm in the ministry. Duties as correspondent minister was laid upon Loren. As these brothers assume their new duties, we wish them God's grace and strength. Bro. Samuel Huber spent two Sundays with us. Although we now have help in the ministry, we welcome them often.

Rhonda Rochell is the first baby born to Steve and Marilyn Owens. Marilyn is the daughter of Andy Jr. and Sis. Wilma Young, and Steve is the son of Lorraine Owens. This is Young's first grandchild.

We extend our sympathy to Sis. Leona Kraft and family in the passing of Thurman Caudell, 47 yrs., husband of former Louise Kraft. Death was due to an apparent heart attack. What a wonderful way to go—if one is prepared.

We welcome Bro. Wayne and Sis. Gloria Drayer from Forrest into our midst, as Wayne attends summer college in Emporia.

Janice Young, daughter of Andy Jr. and Sis. Wilma Young, and Dale Isch, son of Bro. Floyd Isch were united in marriage, June 27. They are living in a mobile home on his father's farm. Dale is associated in the dairy business. We wish them joy and success. A church shower was held for them at Kelly Hall.

Sis. Lydia Bahr had another recurrence with a hip condition, that originated three years ago following surgery. After spending three weeks in Wichita for treatment, she has returned to her home in Gridley. She is able to be about on crutches and attend church.

Bro. Frank and Sis. Elizabeth Beyer have returned to Gridley, after spending the school term in California with their daughter, Beulah Wenger and family. Their granddaughters, Lisa and Gemma Wenger, accompanied them home and will spend the summer here.

The temperature has been near 100 several days. What a pleasure to awaken to a cool morning and

enjoy cool weather the past three days. Up to now the crops look good . . . would appreciate moisture.

HONOLULU, HAWAII
Bill and Sharon Dotterer

With vacation time here, the season has brought a few visitors to the islands. We enjoyed sight-seeing and visiting with Bro. Lynn and Sis. Mary Ann Feller from La Crosse. Bro. Leo and Sis. Beulah Funk from Gridley picked the 50th state to spend their honeymoon, for which we were glad. It was nice getting together with Sisters Sue Schrock and Judy Bauer, from Elgin, who stopped on their way home from Japan.

Bro. Keith Steffen from Fairbury had a 2-hour layover on his way to Viet Nam. We were happy to see him, especially after being with him at Ft. Sam. Our prayers are with Keith and all those away from home and loved ones. It is a wonderful thing that no matter where we are, the Lord is with us and will protect His elect.

We were glad to spend some time with Bro. Roy and Sis. Dona Grimm from Taylor. It was a privilege to have Roy with us on Sunday. Though we have enjoyed listening to sermons on tapes, it was certainly nice to have a minister with us. The wonderful opportunity of being able to go to church every Sunday is a privilege often taken for granted, until it is no longer available.

Our little group has increased this summer. We welcome Barbara Pelsy from Francesville, who is studying at the University of Hawaii.

If any are planning a vacation or R&R in Hawaii, we hope you will get in touch with us. Our address is 1224 Ala Kapuna, Apa. 103, Honolulu, Hawaii 96819; phone, 839-0965.

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
Ames, Iowa
Mary Jo Metzger

Our congratulations are extended to Charlen Banwart, Linda Rauhous and Bob Kuntz, who have graduated from Iowa State University. We wish them God's blessings, and will certainly miss them.

We enjoyed having Bro. Eugene Metzger from Lester with us in Ames. Gene was attending a business short course.

Last week-end we were privil-

eged to hear the testimony and witness the baptism of our dear friend Patty Steiner, who is a student at ISU. May God grant her much grace in her new walk of life.

LAMAR

Evelyn Marti — Bonnie Braker

Mrs. Clint Davis, mother of Sis. Bonnie Braker was hospitalized, but now is home, for which we are glad. Bonnie's father was in the Lamar Hospital, but was later taken to the Springfield Hospital, in critical condition. He has improved some and is now considered to be serious. If it can be God's will, we wish him a full recovery. Betty Thiebaud was in the Joplin Hospital and is now home again. Sis. Marie Stewart is home from the hospital and able to assemble with us.

Sis. Bertha Marti still remains in the hospital. Some days she seems to be a little improved; now she is very low. May God be with her and her family, who have cared for her all this time.

After a long stay in the hospital, Sis. Lizzie Remm was permitted to go to her home. Her two sisters will care for her. It is nice to have someone to care for us when we need it. God always cares for us, even though we fail him sometimes.

Wheat harvest is nearly over. Will we be gathered in to God's shelter, or will we be left in the field of sin to burn? We have only a season to make ready for the harvest. Soon it will be too late.

God's world, God's word, his breeze,
 his birds,

No hand can rob you of,
 Wrong comes too late, for hearts to hate

There is so much to love.
 Life isn't long, just time for song
 And love, and things sublime,
 Be not concerned with thoughts
 that burned,

Good friend, there isn't time.

Dale and Connie Robertson are parents of a baby girl named Theresa Mae. They have two other children. Connie is the daughter of Bro. Noah Schlupp.

LANDERSVILLE, ALABAMA
Billie Jo Harville

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." It is indeed a blessing when we

see our loved ones come to the Lord. We have had a wonderful week of Vacation Bible School and revival. Our ministering brethren were Bro. Verlin Stoller and Bro. Darrell Klopfenstein. We received a wonderful blessing from the Lord's word.

Two souls turned to the Lord in repentance, which we think was an answer to our prayers: Dyars Harville and Gail Harville.

What a joy it is to be a lamb of Jesus, to have a faithful shepherd to lead us on our way.

Three more of God's children have been added to our fold; John and Betty Byars and Gail Harville. May the Holy Spirit lead and guide their dear soul on thru life.

We were glad to have with us our Elder Bro. David Bertsch. Always grateful to have our elder brothers with us.

We were glad to have with us at our Sun. evening service, Bro. Harold Zeltwanger. The message was on love; God is love. Love is one of the beautifullest words used in our language.

We are glad to have on our report, that Bro. Richard Frost is at home from the hospital, after suffering a severe heart attack. We pray that God will restore health, and he will soon be able to be back in church.

MILFORD, INDIANA

Marguerite Hoerr

Bro. Joe and Sis. Jan Beer have welcomed their first child, a little boy, whom they have named Joel. Congratulations to his happy parents. May God bless their little family.

A light has been taken from the midst of us. God has called Sis. Janice Kaiser and her unborn child to His heavenly kingdom. We express our heartfelt sympathy to her husband, Bro. Steve; her parents, Bro. Carl and Sis. Ann Frautsch of Bloomington; and her brother, Bill. We feel a keen loss, as her sunshiny countenance is gone from us, but we also feel a great comfort, because we know she was ready to meet her Maker. Her joy in her salvation was often expressed. By doing so, she would renew the joy we have in our own assurance of eternal life. We'll miss her friendly smile, but we like to think even Heaven will be a bit brighter because of it.

Bro. Dick Hunsberger fell from

a hay wagon and was hospitalized with a broken pelvic bone. While in the hospital, he had major surgery. We are pleased to report he is home and making a satisfactory recovery.

Sis. Mary Armbruster and Sis. Betty Knochel were both in the hospital for medical treatment. Both have been dismissed. Sis. Ann Troup had surgery. She, too, has returned to her home. We are grateful God has given health again to all of these loved ones.

The engagement of Sis. Esther Beer and Bro. Elmer Haab has been announced. We ask God to bless them with a special measure of happiness as they plan their wedding in the near future.

Our Vacation Bible School seemed to bring a bounty of blessings to young and old. We are especially grateful to Bros. Verlin Stoller, Orville Ringger, Elmer Bucher and Ed Bahler for making the trip to Milford and filling each evening so full of rich and timely instruction. A big **thank you**, too, to all who helped in any way. You will surely be blessed.

I will be collecting for the Silver Lining during the month of August. Those who have not paid previously may mail the checks to my home, R. R. 1 Milford, if it is more convenient.

OAKVILLE, IOWA

Martha Steiner

Thomas Alan Lanz is welcomed by three sisters and two brothers into the home of Bro. Ed and Sis. Joan (Wiegand) Lanz, one of our ministering brothers. Tommy was born June 29. His grandparents are Bro. Ed Sr. and Sis. Anna (Bahler) Lanz and Sis. Edna (Fisher) Wiegand, all of this congregation.

We spent a blessed week-end hearing the testimonies and witnessing the baptisms of my sisters, Patricia and Gwendolyn Steiner (our parents are Bro. Orel and Sis. Rose Steiner). We are grateful for the timely visit of Elder Bro. Roy Farney from Phoenix (visiting their daughter and family for several days). Roy assisted our Elder Bro. Noah Schrock in the Lord's work. Other ministering brothers visiting us that week-end were Bros. Henry Grimm, Morton; Fred Knapp, Congerville; and Arnold Gerst, Chicago.

We enjoyed the visit of Bro. James Hoerr from Peoria, who

spent a Sunday with us and then showed his slides from his trip to India, that evening.

We look forward to hearing the testimonies of four more souls who have been announced for proving, as they have found peace with God. They are Jane Wiegand (Bro. Joe and Sis. Lois), Gail Eisenmann (Bro. Dave and Sis. Kay), Wallace Gerst (Bro. Richard and Sis. Liberty) and Ron Schmidgall (Bro. Hartzell and Sis. Marian). Ten more souls have decided to forsake this world and seek their soul's salvation. We are very grateful for each one, but cannot stop praying that more might find the way.

Bro. Dale Strassheim, son of Sis. Mayme Gerst, has safely reached home after fulfilling his military duty in Thailand. We rejoice with his wife, Sis. Carol, and little daughter Angela (whom he had never seen), in his safe return.

Our best wishes go to Friends Wayne Gerst (son of Bro. Chris and Sis. Nettie (Hodel) and Jo-leen Luttenegger (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Luttenegger), who were united in marriage on June 28. The couple will live in the Oakville area.

Sis. Linda (Mrs. James) Gerst has been in the hospital; we wish her a good recovery.

ROANOKE, ILLINOIS

Norene Herbst — Mary Hoffman

Sis. Dena Aeschliman has been absent from our assembly, because of eye surgery. She is convalescing at her home. Bro. D. B. (Happy) Hodel spent a few days at Mayos, where he had the plate removed from his hip. (This so-called plate had been inserted two years ago to help strengthen and support the bone. Since then the bone has healed and strengthened sufficiently). He is getting along well. Our friend, Nettie Aeschleman has been able to return home from the Washington Nursing Center, where she was convalescing from a fractured hip. Danny Leman, son of Bro. Bill and Sis. Helen, is recovering from an appendicitis operation.

Friends Keith Hohulin, son of Bro. Bob and Sis. Marie Hohulin and Connie Tessier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Tessier of Pecatonica, Illinois, were married June 27. They are at home at 1721 Barker, Peoria Ill., this summer.

They plan to attend the University of Illinois this coming school year.

Sadness visited families of our congregation twice within a short time. Sis. Mary Bucher, wife of Bro. Bill Bucher, died suddenly at her home June 22. She had been dismissed from the hospital and was able to attend services on Sunday, but passed away early the next morning. She is survived by her husband, and five brothers and sisters: Will, Joe and Chris, and Sisters Anna (Mrs. John B. Sauder) and Elizabeth (Mrs. Herman Luginbuhl). Two brothers preceded her in death. Fred Gudeman passed away suddenly June 26, while working on his farm near Magnolia, Ill. He is survived by his wife, the former Lillian Locke, and a son Eugene of Normal. Also surviving are Sisters Amelia (Mrs. Joe) Zuercher, Minnie (Mrs. John) Hodel, Martha (Mrs. Andrew) Martin, Bena (Mrs. Edward) Steffen, Cordelia (Mrs. David) Zimmerman and Viola.

We enjoyed the presence of our visiting ministers, Bros. Leroy Huber (Eureka). Edwin Bahler (Remington) and Ed Aeschleman (Union City). We thank them for their services and wish them the Lord's blessings.

Vacation Bible School was held the first two weeks in June. Evening classes were held for the Junior Bible Class. The Senior Bible Class attended joint evening classes in Eureka with their Senior Bible class the third week in June. The annual Sunday School picnic was held June 28 at the Roanoke-Benson High School.

We extend our welcome to Sis. Judie Bittner, who has returned from California, where she had been living the past three years.

WICHITA, KANSAS Mrs. Dave Hangartner Mrs. Larry Farney

We are happy to have Bro. Dennis Fehr of the Forrest congregation with us this summer. Dennis is staying with Bro. Dave and Sis. Barbara Hangartner during his employment in Wichita.

Jodi Lyn Reimschisel was born to Bro. Max and Sis. Judy May 23, and is welcomed home by her older brother, Mark. Paternal grandparents are Bro. David and Sis. Marjorie of Bluffton. Maternal grandparents are Bro. Harvey and Sis. Ann Farney of Wichita. Max

has taken on the duty of minister in our congregation. We pray for him God's grace and strength in this new responsibility.

June 28, Monty Joe Farney was born to Bro. Larry and Sis. Jackie. Monty has three brothers and one sister to shower him with love. Maternal grandparents are Bro. Milton and Sis. Lillian Bowers. Paternal grandparents are Bro. Harvey and Sis. Ann.

Terry Farney, son of Bro. Harvey and Sis. Ann, has received the grace of the Lord to change his way of living to that of serving our Lord and Saviour. We pray that God will give him the grace and strength to finish what he has started.

WINTHOP, MINNESOTA

Delores Messerli — Carol Messner
Whoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God. Take caution who your friends are and who you associate with. We all enjoyed blessed Christian fellowship when Bro. Leroy and Sis. Joanne hosted a July 4th church picnic.

Sis. Rose Alice Howk (Roy) was a medical patient. Mary Messner, daughter of Bro. Don and Sis. Viola, suffered a broken elbow in a bicycle accident. She was hospitalized several days.

Our annual youth fellowship was held at Morris in June. We want to thank them for all their kindness and hospitality shown toward us.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Donna Hartzler — Judith Aberle
Our best wishes go to Linda Belsley and John Reardon, who have announced their engagement. Linda is the daughter of Sis. Lois and Bro. Ben Belsley, and John is the son of Sis. Marie and George Reardon.

BAY CITY, MICHIGAN

Carolyn Knochel—Marlene Mosher

We surely cannot doubt that the Lord has truly blessed us this month; four dear souls have testified of the ages-old story of salvation, how they denied Christ for years, and how, through His great love, He gave them grace still to repent. Surely the angels rejoiced as we greeted our new brethren in Christ. Bro. Frederick and Sis. Delores Munsel, Sis. Corrine Wieland (daughter of Bro. and Sis.

Howard Wieland), and Sis. Julee Wackerle (daughter of Bro. Frank and Sis. Faye Wackerle).

After the baptisms, we partook of Holy Communion. How wonderful to know that Christ left a remembrance to strengthen us in our walk of life; we cannot appreciate enough the wonderful plan of salvation.

We heard the gentle invitation to our dear friends to turn to the Lord while He gives grace; and how the saddest words ever to be heard will be those spoken on the Judgment Day: "Too late." We fear for our dear friends who are still hesitating, and plead with God that they may not have to hear these words.

We wish to thank Elder Bro. David Bertsch for being with us and assisting our elder, and the many brethren who rejoiced with us. How often do we really thank God for our fellowship which we enjoy?

Hospitalized were Dean Ramseyer and Sis. Loretta Mosher. Dean is again assembling with us, and we pray for a speedy recovery for Sis. Loretta. Anyone who has ever been ill knows how much we depend on the prayers of our brethren.

We were taught one Sunday by Bro. Al Schneider of Rockville and Bro. Floyd Wieland of Detroit. We thank all our ministers for lending themselves to spreading God's word.

"Though this toilsome world, alas!
Once and only once I pass;
If a kindness I may show,
If a good deed I may do
To a suffering fellowman,
Let me do it while I can.
No delay, for it is plain
I shall not pass this way again."

BERN, KANSAS Esther and Stella Moser

Our Sunday School Bible Class and their teachers spent a week-end in Elgin (Iowa).

Louis J. Meyer (Bro. Louis and Sis. Mavis) enlisted in the National Guard and left for Ft. Leonard Wood for his four month's active duty.

Seems as though we have had a good measure of mishaps and hospital patients . . . Bertha Liechti was unable to work, due to a sprained ankle caused by a fall on the stairs, at her work at the A.C.

Home. Sis. Julia Plattner (Bert) was hospitalized with second degree burns on both legs, when gasoline fumes caught fire from some clothes she had washed. Bro. Frank Hertzog has a crushed thumb, when a heavy piece of steel he was working with at Wenger Mfg. fell on it. The thumb may still need to be amputated; he was hospitalized a short time.

Other hospital patients . . . Carol Jean Rokey, (Bro. Joe and Sis. Lila). Sis. Marie Leuthold (Ben), Sis. Pearl Stoller (Harlan) . . . Sis. Martha Bauman of the A.C. Home is a hospital patient. We take them to the Great Physician in prayer. May He grant them the patience to bear their suffering, and in due time restore a fair measure of health.

There are things we cannot understand,

There are things we cannot know,
But God in His infinite wisdom
Has seen fit to make it so.

But this we know, as days go by
And the years roll on apace,
We'll learn and know what is best
for us
Through faith in His wonderful
grace.

BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL, ILL. **Virgil and Shirley Funk**

Visiting ministers during the month of June included Francis Rother, Morton; John Rocke, Goodfield; August Bolliger, Tremont; and Robert Walters, Congerville. We appreciate their efforts and hope God will be their rich reward.

Bro. Carl and Sis. Ann Frautschi were greatly saddened by the death of their daughter, Janice Kaiser. The congregation extends their sincere sympathy.

Lasting Memory

I would like to relay an experience of my days of youth, age 14. My mother had submitted to surgery and was progressing very well, when on and about the third day my father and I went to the hospital to visit in the afternoon, only to find that mother had taken a very serious setback and had developed pneumonia. The look on her face was a very grave one, and you could see that she was very ill. I was no doubt too young to understand the seriousness of it until,

when at home later in the evening after dinner, I wanted to speak to my father. Searching in a number of rooms in our home, I was unsuccessful in locating him. Deciding to try again, I went to his room and for some reason opened the closet door, only to find him standing with hands folded, and praying . . . Only then realizing the seriousness of mother's illness and that my father had sought his only avenue of refuge and relief, through the ever-open channel that we have through prayer to our God, who always can help, if sought with a true and sincere desire. This I will never forget. Is it not a wonderful thing, when we have sought our Lord and Saviour in repentance and He has granted peace, that the freedom of mind is worth so much to us. Submitted by a brother in the Bloomington-Normal congregation.

BURLINGTON, IOWA **Rosella Obermann** **Verna Woodward**

We were privileged to have Bro. Willis Wiegand of Goodfield minister to us. He told us that we cannot choose when we will be born or when we shall die, but the intervening time is ours. We may choose whom we will serve . . . but where we spend eternity will depend upon the choice we made.

We had Bro. Roy Farney with us. It is always so uplifting to have our dear elder brothers guide us on our journey toward that heavenly goal.

CROGHAN — NAUMBURG **Carol Virkler** **Mrs. David Schamback**

On June 20 many gathered to hear the testimonies of three dear souls, the following day to witness the baptisms of Floyd Graves Jr., son of Bro. Floyd and Sis. Loretta; Marilyn Schamback, daughter of Dave and Sis. Lois; and Ronald Herzig, son of Ted and Gertie Herzig. We were blessed to have with us Bro. John Bahler and Bro. Rudy Graf, to assist us.

College graduates are Henry and David Virkler, sons of Bro. Clayton and Sis. Lillian, and Linda Herzig, daughter of Ted and Gertie Herzig. High School graduates are Mark Virkler, son of Bro. Clayton and Sis. Lillian and Ronald Herzig, son of Ted and Gertie.

Harold and Barbara Taube are

the parents of their second girl, Lori Elizabeth, born July 4.

Funeral services for John Stockburger were held in the Naumburg church by Bro. Robert Beyer. He is survived by four brothers, Gordon, William, Casper, Bro. Raymond, and a sister, Elizabeth. We extend sympathy to Bro. Elmer Taube in the death of his only sister, Anna Taube Walseman.

Roy Sturtz is hospitalized for tests. Those convalescing are Pam Herzig, daughter of Bradley and Sis. Regina; Sis. Betty (Bro. Arthur) Herzig; Sis. Deborah Hoppe; Pearl Colgrove; and Sis. Cora Beyer, from a fall at her home.

FORT SCOTT, KANSAS **Ida Sinn**

Last month's news needs a little correction . . . the omission of names. Wayne and Juanita Sinn and their daughter Linda are the father, mother and daughter who are repenting together.

The week-end of June 14 our Bible classes entertained the Bible classes from Gridley, Sabetha and Lamar. When I viewed the rows of young folks in the front pew of the church that morning, as they listened so intently, the thought came to me, "In these young folks lies the fate of our future church." Bro. Uriel Gehring of Burlington was our guest minister. Bro. Earl Banwart of West Bend was another visiting minister of the month.

Bro. Charles Sinn has arrived in Viet Nam safely. Those of us who saw the plane soar into the clouds, as he left Kansas City, knew that God was in the sky, the same as on the ground. May God be his constant companion wherever the duties of the laws of the land may lead him.

GRIDLEY, ILLINOIS **Lydia and Eunice Kammerer**

Bro. Noah Hermann, from Tucson, was guest speaker Sun., July 5. He brought us a very impressive message, stressing the importance of how swiftly lives are snuffed out of this world. We always appreciate Noah's visits and messages. Bros. Harry Bucher, Val paraiso, and Bro. Fred Knapp from Congerville, also visited our congregation.

New converts since our last report are, Kathy, daughter of Bro. Herbert and Sis. Jane Gramm;

Denise, daughter of Friends Jack and Jerry Siever; Donita, daughter of Bro. Alan and Sis. Delores Marty; and Susan, daughter of Bro. Arthur and Sis. Ruth Gramm. We wish them God's grace in this most important step in life.

We held our annual election for trustee, Sunday School teachers and ushers: Trustee, Bro. John Schlipf; Usher, Bro. Paul Zehr; Sunday School teachers, Bro. Roy Hodel, Bro. Don Gramm, Sis. Carol Miller and Sis. Lillian Ringger. Bro. Raymond Kuntz is our newly-elected treasurer.

Bro. Bill Witzig, who has been stationed at Ft. Sam Houston, spent eighteen days with his parents, Bro. Edward and Sis. Dorothy Witzig and family, before departing for his new post in Germany.

We are happy to report, Sis. Minnie Stortz is home, after having heart surgery in Mennonite Hospital, Bloomington. She is recovering nicely. Sis. Elizabeth Stoller remains a patient in Brookaw Hospital, Bloomington.

The annual Sunday School Picnic was held on Sunday, June 28 in the Ridley Park.

Open House for our new church will be held Sunday, July 26, from 2:00-5:00.

Alma Lou, daughter of Bro. Emil and Sis. Ella Schlipf, is on a tour of Japan.

Nancy, daughter of Bro. Alwin and Sis. Alice Funk is on tour in Belgium and other foreign lands.

In Memory of Bro. Alph and Sis. Carolyn Stoller: Their lives were like a song unfinished, When they were called to their home on high, With knowledge profound, and ideals high, And though their voices are stilled, Memories of things they used to do and say Will always be an inspiration to those they left behind, Until the end of time.

JUNCTION, OHIO

Henrietta Manz — Betty Manz

I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord. What a wonderful verse to start out the day when Ministering Bros. Ernest Graf, Akron, and Eugene Fetter, Toledo, spent a very blessed Sunday with us. We were asked, "How can they find anything if nobody shows them?" If our lights don't shine brightly, how can others see? "Anything done half-way we don't get any-

where." "Faith and obedience go together, they are inseparable." These gave us much food for thought.

Bro. Bill Schlatter (Sis. Juliet) is home from college for the summer.

Bro. Eli Manz was chosen to fill the office of appraiser and representative for personal property aid, left vacant by the death of our dear Bro. Fred Wahl.

LA CROSSE, INDIANA

Lucille Heiniger

Bro. Ed and Sis. Lea Frank had open house for their son Tom and his bride Carolyn, on June 28. They were married at the Forrest church June 14. They are making their home at Brownstown, Indiana. May God bless them as they begin their Christian life together.

Bro. Emil Hitz in his last days here on earth turned to the Lord in repentance. He was baptized and taken into the fold just a few days before he passed away. We are glad that he was able to obtain his soul's salvation before he had to leave his loved ones. He passed away July 2 in the early morning hours. He leaves to mourn his loss his dear wife Esther; 3 sons, Bro. Leonard, Jerry and Ted; two sisters and four brothers. Funeral services were held July 4.

Our visiting ministers were Bros. Joe Kaisner of Forrest, Ray Banwart of Ft. Scott, Andrew Virkler, of Bay City, and Elmer Bucher of Francesville. We enjoyed each one's visit and the inspiring messages that they gave to us.

TREMONT, ILLINOIS

Josephine Schaefer

Mary Jane Leuthold

Richard Woerner, son of Bro. Chris and Sis. Wilhelmina was called to serve his time in the armed forces. We certainly will keep you in our minds and prayers wherever you will be stationed.

June 13 brought forth the marriage of Don Koch and Carrie Schefelbein of Dundee. He is the son of Bro. Ralph and Sis. Til. Sue Staker became the wife of Warren N. Mura on June 20. She is the daughter of Bro. Weldon and Sis. Doris. May these new couples find the peace and love of God in their union.

Colleen Ruth is the name given to the new daughter of Bro. Alvin and Sis. Carol Beutel. She arrived

on June 14 and is now making her home with her sister, Amy and three brothers, Dan Dick and Gene.

We were privileged to have the Bible class of Bluffton spend a week-end with us. Bro. Noah Herman of Tuscon ministered unto us this same Sunday. We thank him and all those coming from Bluffton for their visit.

Bros. Chris Pflederer and Charles Sauder have now the responsibility to teach Sunday School. May God grant unto each words of wisdom.

Bro. Les and Sis. Betty Schweigert, as well as all in our congregation and the angels on high, are rejoicing over one soul who has turned his back on the world and Satan. Friend Alan has started his walk down the straight and narrow path to that long-hoped-for eternity in heaven.

Thank You Note: We would like to sincerely thank all neighbors, friends and brethren who have freely given of themselves and their earthly possessions in the loss of our home by fire. May God bless you for your kind deeds. John and Rose Schurter.

URBANA, ILLINOIS

Susan Zimmerman

Bill and Barb Thomas are the parents of a son, Michael Charles, born June 19. Michael is the first grandchild of Sis. Verna Roth. A daughter, Anne Renae, was born June 23 to Bro. Steve and Sis. Velma (Steiner) Rinkenger. Anne has a older brother, Doug.

Our visiting minister was Bro. Vernon Leman from Eureka, who brought us many precious teachings.

At our annual meeting, Bro. Larry Leman was elected trustee, and Sis. Nada Leman Sunday School teacher.

As we have mostly students and teachers in our congregation, we decided not to have services in Champaign-Urbana on August 16, 23, and 30 to give an opportunity to visit our home churches and families.

SABETHA, KANSAS

Mrs. Joe Steiner

He Washed My Eyes With Tears
He swept away the things that made me blind,
And then I saw the clouds were silver lined;

And now I understand twas best
for me;
He washed my eyes with tears that
I might see.

He washed my eyes with tears
that I might see,
The glory of Himself—revealed to
me.

I did not know that He had
wounded hands;
I saw the blood He spilt, upon the
sands.

I saw the marks of shame, and
wept and cried;
He was my substitute, for me He
died,
And now I'm glad He came so
tenderly,
And washed my eyes with tears
that I might see.

We are happy to welcome Joe
and Tillie Menold as our dear
brother and sister in faith. May
they always have the grace of God
as they make their pilgrim journey
together.

Sis. Susan Plattner and Bro.
Daryl Meyer were united in mar-
riage July 5 by Bro. Eugene Marti.
A reception was held at the Fel-
lowship Hall. May the Lord be with
them and bless them as they estab-
lish their new home.

Bro. Loren Strahm of Gridley
visited and ministered unto us. He
came to attend the wedding of Sis.
Susan and Bro. Daryl.

PULASKI, IOWA **Mrs. Dave Wiegand**

Bro. Albert Wuthrich and Sis.
Minnie Getz spent a few days in
the hospital. Albert has a blood
clot in his leg and has been receiv-
ing treatment. He is improving
nicely, but still has to stay off his
leg quite a bit. He feels good, so
it is pretty hard for him to be as
careful as he should. Minnie's hip
has been bothering her quite a bit,
but when you ask her how she's
getting along she'll say, "Pretty
good".

We had a surprise visit from Bro.
Carl Kinsinger. We are always
happy to have him with us.

Our annual Sunday School picnic
was held on June 28. Many were
on hand to enjoy it.

Our two graduating seniors are
Vera Schaer, daughter of Bro. Ber-
nard and Sis. Leah Mogler Schaer,
and Tony Funk, son of Bro. Wil-
liam and Sis. Verl Moser Funk. The
Schaers had 3 graduating from the

eighth grade, their twin daughters,
Janet and Jane, and their son,
David. Kenny Wuthrich (Bro. Rus-
sell and Sis. Karoline's son) and
Ginny Wuthrich (Bro. Joel and Sis.
Shirley's daughter) also will be
freshman in high school this fall.

We are enjoying having Carol
Leuthold from Lester assemble
with us for the summer, while she
attends school at Kirksville, Mis-
souri. She is staying with Bro. Bill
and Sis. Ernestine Wuthrich. We
are glad to see Rick Vierling at
church. He also goes to Kirksville.

We miss Sis. Carol Strassheim
and her little girl, Angela, in our
congregation. They were staying
with Carol's folks, Bro. Cleo and
Sis. Esther Rinkenberger, while
Bro. Dale was in the service over-
seas. He is "home" now and of
course so happy to be here, as he
hadn't met his little 9-month-old
daughter. They are living in Texas,
as he is going to school there.

"I wish to thank the many mem-
bers and friends for their prayers,
cards and gifts." Bro. Albert Wuth-
rich.

TOLEDO, OHIO **Diane Reineck**

Sis. Frances Laidig has returned
home from the hospital. Although
she has not yet been able to attend
church, we are happy to hear that
she is continuing to improve.

Bobby Beard, young son of Mr.
and Mrs. George Beard, is in the
hospital. He was operated on this
week for a tumor on his upper arm.
We pray for his speedy recovery.

On June 28, the Mansfield young
group visited Toledo for our annual
Sunday School picnic. All were
thankful for the blessed day of
fellowship we shared.

ELGIN, IOWA **Mrs. George Butikofer**

The song of a chipping sparrow
is breaking the stillness of the eve-
ning. The second growth of alfalfa
is well on its way, the corn and oat
fields are making good growth, and
the pastures are affording excellent
feed for our herds of stock. Speak-
ing of beauty, there are some
stately hollyhocks with red, pink
and rose-colored blooms and some
white daisies with yellow centers
which are gracing our garden's
edge.

Visited with Sis. Aunt Ella Geh-
ring today . . . she is now at the
Good Samaritan Nursing Home

at West Union. She seems to be
feeling quite well. We pray that
her hip will be healed so that she
will be able to walk and go about
as usual.

Sis. Lena Schupbach is feeling
well enough to assemble with us
at our services. We hope she con-
tinues to grow stronger.

Our midweek meetings are again
in progress. One Wed. evening is
devoted to regular church services
and the next three in each month
are given to Bible study. As we
study the Book of all Books, we
can readily see that the author of
it is divine. As its teachings are
expounded, its great revelations
become ever new.

Alfred Schlupp, 90 years old,
passed away, and was buried in
our cemetery. He was the adopted
son of Sam and Lisetta Schlupp.
He had spent many years at the
Fayette County Home as a helper.
My father, Bro. Fred Schneider
often employed him to do carpenter
work. He was an old friend of our
family. We hope that he found
grace and was at peace with his
maker before his departure.

We appreciated Bro. Ed Lan-
and Bro. Uriel Gehrings' expound-
ing of the Scriptures.

MORRIS, MINNESOTA **Ann Meiss — Helen Joos**

On Saturday eve, June 13, and
Sunday, June 14, we had as our
guests approximately 150 Bible
Class young people from Lester,
West Bend, Winthrop and Minnea-
polis. Along with these young
folks were many teachers and two
visiting ministers, Bro. Al Langho-
fer from Wichita and Bro. Harvey
Grimm from Bern. Al spoke to the
Bible class and other guests on
Saturday evening at our fellow-
ship Center. The subject matter
was very timely and covered
many of the newer dangers and
serious pitfalls we face in this per-
ilous time. We hope and pray that
we can all benefit from these sound
teachings.

On Sunday, we were blessed rich-
ly as we gathered with the young
folks in church to hear the precious
word of God, and could feel the
deep inspiration that came over our
gathering. It was again fulfilled
the sowers went forth to sow, and
the sheep and lambs were fed. In
the afternoon we gathered with
the Bible class in our Sunday
School auditorium for a Scripture

lesson and a question and answer period. These questions became very interesting. The teachers, along with Bro. Al found answers out of the word of God for these inquiring young minds.

Last but certainly not least in our worship hours was the beautiful and uplifting sound as the youthful voices were raised to praise and worship God and our merciful Savior. It is our hope that the beautiful hymns we love so much will be long remembered.

We thank all for coming and making it such an enjoyable occasion, especially to the ministers who were willing to spend and be spent to further the word of life.

Written by a teaching brother. Bro. Ernest Kellenbarger.

We have enjoyed the fellowship with many and extend a hearty welcome to any who can come and worship with us. We feel very blessed to have our own sheltered picnic area, where all are invited. Our children look forward to the evenings spent there as much as we do, and we feel that it has created a closer tie among parents and children.

The Family

The family is like a book;
The children are the leaves.
The parents are the cover that
Protective beauty gives.
At first the pages of the book
Are blank and smooth and fair,
But time soon writeth memories,
And painteth pictures there.
Love is the little golden clasp
That bindeth up the trust.
O break it not, lest all the leaves
Shall scatter and be lost.

After spending considerable time in the Morris Hospital, Bro. Henry Nohl Sr. is home. Esther Spohr and Ruby Luthi were hospitalized at Morris, and Bro. Henry Nohl Jr. was a surgical patient in a Fergus Falls hospital. We wish them all God's healing strength and power and look forward to the day when they can assemble with us again.

I sincerely thank everyone for the cards, gifts, and visits I received during my two-week stay in the Stevens County Hospital, after I broke my arm on June 5. Your kindness will always be remembered. Debbie Dogotch.

Funeral services were held July 8 for Mrs. Lena Schmidgall (widow of the late Fred Schmidgall), who passed away at the age of 66 years. She had been making her home

with her daughter, and passed away in the Detroit Lakes Hospital.

ROCKVILLE, CONNECTICUT Carlton J. Lanz

Each year as the summer season approaches, an outing or picnic is setup for the Sunday School children. This was done when approximately 350, including parents, the teaching staff and friends worked together, arranged and prepared a variety of food dishes and other necessities. It seems to be an ideal time to relax tensions. The weather was pleasant, and all delighted in the occasion. Some had left early and others remained awhile longer, and Bro. Melvin and his wife Sis. Millie Gerber very generously gave supper to the 100 or so who remained.

John Stockburger, who for many years had made his home here with Bros. Ervin and later with Ernest Luginbuhl, died at a Watertown N.Y. hospital. There were several from Rockville attended his funeral services at Castorland, where burial took place. Somewhat limited in his abilities, John nonetheless enjoyed his life of 82 years. He loved children; he loved to sing hymns, and he enjoyed being in the company of church people. He had no enemies. He carried no malice nor envy in his heart toward anyone. He is survived by several brothers and a sister, living in Castorland.

Close to 200 took part in the celebration of the Luginbuhl families' first reunion here. There were four generations present. Of these, the oldest family member was Bro. Christian Luginbuhl, and the youngest Terry Lou Luginbuhl, daughter of Bro. Marvin and Sis. Rose (Graf) Luginbuhl, 8 yrs. old. A cousin, Helen Braunschweiger, of Geneva, Switzerland . . . a visit to America enabled her to be present. Bro. Herman and Sis. Elizabeth Luginbuhl, Roanoke, came to be a part of this event. This large and ever growing family has brought many together.

Bro. Lester Heintz is a patient at the Rockville General Hospital, where he submitted to surgery. His condition has been reported as good. Sis. Doris Bahler is recuperating at her home, having submitted to surgery.

Births: June 26, a son, Benjamin David to Bro. Richard and Sis. Lanae (Moser) Aberle; grandparents,

Bro. John and Sis. Esther (Fehr) Moser and Bro. Joseph and Sis. Mary Aberle, Sabetha. A son on July 9, Carl Thomas, to Bro. Chester and Sis. Pamela (Wheeler) Luginbuhl; grandparents, Bro. Ervin and Sis. Viola (Gudeman) Luginbuhl and Mrs. Elois Wheeler. A son, David Charles, to Mr. and Mrs. David Reutter on July 8; grandparents, Albert and Sis. Lydia Reutter and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Van Horn. A son, Jameison, on July 9, to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Gottier; grandparents, Jacob and Sis. Betty Gottier.

Bro. Ernest and Sis. Huldah Luginbuhl wishes this column to extend their thanks to all for the many nice cards and gifts they received, in remembering them at their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA Mrs. Gary Anliker

The May meeting was cancelled, due to student disturbances near the chapel.

Our June meeting was the first meeting we have had during the summer months. We were very pleased that many of the young converts from the area were with us. Bro. James Ringger from Bradford spoke about the parable of the sower. Yes, it is important that we always make our hearts good soil that Christ speaks of, that we never allow the tares to smother our hope of life eternal.

Our sister-in-faith, Beverly Mogler, has graduated from the University of Iowa School of Nursing and is now employed at the University Hospital.

We have moved from our mobile home to a house at 1732 East College St. Please visit us if you are in Iowa City.

We wish to thank the ministers and everyone that helps to bring the word of God and Christian fellowship to our group . . . as Bro. Jim explained it, even a dim light in a darkened place gives a lot of light.

LEO, INDIANA Mrs. Elias Souder

Our church services are Sun. 10:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight time. Song service at 12:00, afternoon service at 12:30. Wed. evening services at 7:30, Bible study following.

June 28, Bro. Aaron Steffen

from Alto was our minister. Bro. Sam Aeschliman from Bluffton assisted Bro. David Bertsch in our Communion Service. In the evening, the Bible School children gave their program, praising the Lord in songs and verses.

Our young people are busy getting ready and looking forward to Camp Mack Day.

The week end of July 12, children from the Dessie Scott Home were entertained.

Another has safely entered Home. Sis. Bertha Keller, mother of Sis. Pearl Klopfenstein and Sis. Vera Keller completed her last moment. What must that jubilation of happy voices be when the threshold is reached!

BURLINGTON, OKLAHOMA **Millicent Frieden — Laverne Roth**

Our guest minister has been Bro. Raymond Banwart of Ft. Scott; he taught us from the Holy Scriptures on Father's Day.

Our regular monthly singing was preceded by a church picnic, held at the Burlington Park. The singing followed later in the home of Sis. Mabel Springer.

Sis. Mike (Caroline) Kraft was a hospital patient; we thank God she is now feeling better and able to assemble with us. Friend Pete Farney became a resident of the Kiowa Manor Rest Home. His wife, Sis. Marie, is also a resident.

We are back in our church for services, after having to assemble in the Burlington School for four Sundays. However, we are holding only half-day church, due to the kitchen and dining area not yet being cleaned of the smoke damage. The painting and final decorating is being delayed until the air conditioning and furnace units are installed; consequently we are getting by with fans until we again have air conditioning.

PHOENIX, ARIZONA **Wilma J. Pulfer**

On June 6 a little girl, named Karen Sue, was born to our Friends, Bob and Janet Farney. Welcoming her home were Steve, Cheryl, Keith, Kathy, and Lisa. Her grandparents are our Elder Brother Roy and Sis. Minnie Farney and the Clayton Weavers of Harper, Kansas.

Elder Bro. Carl Kinsinger from Altadena came to assist at the proving and baptism of our friends,

Ron and Evelyn Hoerr, on June 13 and 14. There is a blessing and much joy when a sinner repents, and even more when it is husband and wife . . . together. We welcome them as a new brother and sister in faith and pray they will always feel God's nearness.

Hospitalized with bronchitis was our friend, George Shuster. Bro. Ernie Elsasser burnt his hand and arm seriously when he took the radiator cap off his car. May God heal and comfort them both.

Visiting minister was Bro. Roy Luginbuhl from Rockville. We enjoyed the hours of fellowship, and thank them for their visit.

ATHENS, ALA. **Irene Haggermaker**

Love one another; Thus saith the Saviour. Are we really doing as our Lord commanded? Do we really love our neighbor as ourself? Are we always willing to give of ourself? Even if it means giving up something?

We are sorry to report the death of our sister, Ruthie Smith, on July 3; her funeral was held at Athens, with Bro. Lynn Klopfenstein officiating and Bro. Lloydy Moore assisting.

Bro. Henry Perry has been quite ill, but has improved some.

We held our Bible school the week of the 29th, and we all surely received a blessing by being able to assemble together with brethren and friends for a week of fellowship for the Lord.

We are very grateful for our Elder Bro. David Bertsch for being with us over the week-end and holding our Holy Communion services on Sunday. He reminded us of how very important it is to share the Lord's Supper with each other, and to prepare ourself for this very sacred occasion.

We are grateful to Bro. and Sis. Klopfenstein, Bro. Jr. Hale and Sis. Clara Heiniger for all their help in our Bible school services.

We would invite anyone on vacation, traveling through this way, to stop and share the Lord's Day with us.

MANSFIELD, OHIO **Aaron A. Sauder**

"There shall be showers of blessing:

Send them upon us, O Lord;
Grant to us now a refreshing,
Come, and now honor Thy word."

Ezek. 34:26 "there shall be showers of blessing." Our third year of a week of Vacation Bible School was opened on Mon. evening June 15, by all joining in entreating the Lord to send us "showers of blessings." Those of us who were privileged to attend classes that week, whether as teachers or students of His word, were so richly blessed and refreshed. Visiting brothers who led the discussion of the adult class and their topics were Norman Stoller (Ft. Wayne), "Law and Grace"; Harold Emch (Girard) "Marriage and Divorce"; Ben Maibach (Detroit), "Death"; Ernest Graf (Akron), "Salvation"; and Eugene Sauder (Bremen), "Creation." Our sincere thanks to each who participated during this wonderful week.

Elder Bro. Rudolph Graf visited our congregation on Sunday June 14, and a spiritual blessing was shared as we partook of the Lord's Supper.

We welcome home Jerry Bird, son of Bro. Bob and Sis. Miriam, who returned to the states after his tour of duty in Vietnam.

After the pain and sickness, the tears are all wiped away,
After the flow'rs are gathered, No more of earth's decay,
After the deep heart sorrow, An end of every strife;
After the daily crosses, A glorious crown of life . . .

And after many months of sickness, Bro. Amos Steffen has laid down his cross . . . for a crown of life. We extend our love and sympathy to his daughter and her husband, Sis. Marcella and Bro. Charles Sauder, and their four sons who so lovingly cared for Amos during the seven months he stayed in their home. We extend our sympathy to his daughter, Sis. Marie Moser (Nelson) of Bluffton, who cared for her father in her home during the last few weeks, and also to his two sons, Bro. Louis and Bro. Luther.

Those who have been hospital patients are Bro. Henry Sabo (we are thankful he has returned to his home), Bro. Dave Beer, Isaac Riggenbach and Sis. Christine Dotterer (LaVern).

Congratulations to Jim and Cheryl Zimmer, who are the parents of a daughter, Michelle, born June 17. Paternal grandparents are Bro. Jim and Sis. Clara Zimmer, and great-grandparents, Bro.

Henry and Sis. Louise Sabo; Mae Hammer of Bremen is also paternal great-grandmother.

Cheryl Ann Oesch, daughter of Bro. John and Sis. Katherine (Stoller) Oesch, exchanged wedding vows with Edward Schumacher on June 20. We extend our best wishes and ask God's blessings on their life together.

The attached was given to me by one of the sisters in our congregation, and asked if it might be put in the **Silver Lining**. It really is very interesting and wonderful how exact are God's times.

THE SPACE PROGRAM AND THE BIBLE

Harold Hill, President of the Curtis Engine Company, in Baltimore, and a consultant in the space program, relates the following development:

I think one of the most amazing things that God has for us today happened to our astronauts and space scientists . . . They were checking the position of the sun, moon, and planets out in space where they would be 100 years and 1000 years from now. We have to lay out the orbit in terms of the life of the satellite, and where the planets will be . . . They ran the computer measurement back and forth over the centuries, and it came to a halt. The computer stopped and put up a red signal, which meant that there was something wrong, either with the info fed into it or with the results as compared to the standards. They called in the service department to check it out, and they said, "It's perfect." The IBM head of operations said, "What's wrong?" ". . . we have found there is a day missing in space in elapsed time."

One fellow on the team said, "You know, one time I was in Sunday School, and they talked about the sun standing still." They didn't believe him, but they did not have any other answer so they said, "Show us." So he got a Bible and went back to the book of Joshua. There they found the Lord saying to Joshua, "Fear them not: . . . I have delivered them into thy hand; there shall not a man of them stand before thee." Joshua was concerned . . . asked the Lord to make the sun stand still! That's right! ". . . the sun stood still . . . and hasted not to go down about a

whole day." (Joshua 10). The space men said, "There is the missing day!" They checked the computers, going back into time it was written and found it was close, but not close enough! The elapsed time that was missing back in Joshua's day was 23 hours and 20 minutes — not a whole day. They read the Bible, and there it said, **about (approximately) a day.**

These little words in the Bible are important. The 40 minutes had to be found, because it can be multiplied many times over in orbits. This fellow also remembered somewhere in the Bible where it said the sun went **BACKWARDS**. They got out the Book, and read these words in II Kings, Chapter 20. Hezekiah, on his death-bed was visited by the prophet Isaiah, who told him that he was not going to die. Hezekiah asked for a sign as proof . . . Hezekiah said, it's nothing for the sun to go ahead ten degrees, but let the shadow return backward ten degrees. Isaiah spoke to the Lord, and the Lord brought back the shadow ten degrees **BACKWARD!** ! Ten degrees is exactly 40 minutes! The 23 hours and 20 minutes in Joshua, plus 40 minutes in II Kings make the missing 24 hours . . .

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A THOUSAND YEARS AS YESTERDAY

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Grasping great truths opens marvellous things.

We find our sleep. We awaken to a new day. It is soon passed. We can get a hold of what is time in our mind. God wants us to get a hold of His view.

"Behold, I **am** the LORD, the God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for me?" Habits hold. A thing repeated is often believed. It is not difficult to understand why we have a little view. God releases us from this . . .

It began with that rising to newness of life. Our old man was buried in the waters of Christ's death. Coming up, we came into Something of which there was no clue in the old nature. . . Things and ways above . . . "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God."

What is time . . . This connection of seconds? this never-repeated constant thrust? To Jacob, seven years seemed as a few days, so dearly did he love Rachel. Time is not a constant measure to the mind. Some moments flee. How quickly a good rest is spent. "For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for little time, and then vanisheth away."

There was a day when we became aware that we were. For this earth, there was a beginning. Far beyond, far back, God was. No beginning. He always was . . . un-

searchable regions, beyond all our calculations. "Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou **art** God."

We cannot calculate. We cannot attain by natural comparison. We can believe. We can rest in His Spirit, and have the mind of Christ. There's a lot of view to be explored. We may feel forms of time slipping away, before the majestic believings of forever. To rest in His mind! "For a thousand years in thy sight **are but** as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night."

A thousand years! Who of us has had this experience in passing? Which of us can recall their memory? Days and years of small number seem long to us. God grasps 1000 years as yesterday. What kind of a mind is this? What power of comprehension? What insight! The high and lofty One who inhabits eternity dwells in the humble heart of the believer: "To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory." We have a priceless view of time.

Standing on a high view-place, one there can look across, far below, and see the plain. Standing were these days stop, the view certainly presents a remarkable perspective — things in their true size. Time is seen in its real look. We can stand there with Jesus in

His words: "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work."

We are now in the plain; tomorrow, the height! God has a map in His mind. It is detailed perfectly, and marked for us. He is our place. There is your place. He has marks of Light. "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." What can you do for Him today? Everything unto Him!

We have travelled toward the mountains of the end. They loomed in the distance. Coming closer, it seems there are details standing out in sharper line. The air seems charged with destruction. That travelling has brought us to our opportunity. It is wonderful, filled with glorious power, if we go beyond our power and reach "unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us. . ."

We can have minutes . . . or we can have majestic overtones of the ages of ages. We can have our own thoughts, imaginations, limitations . . . or we can find power breaking the bonds of thought . . . rivers of light flowing through our city . . . thirsting strange kneeling before the Shepherd tr Nothing can hold His power, what He can do.

The time clock does wondrous things when earnestly spent in in His love.