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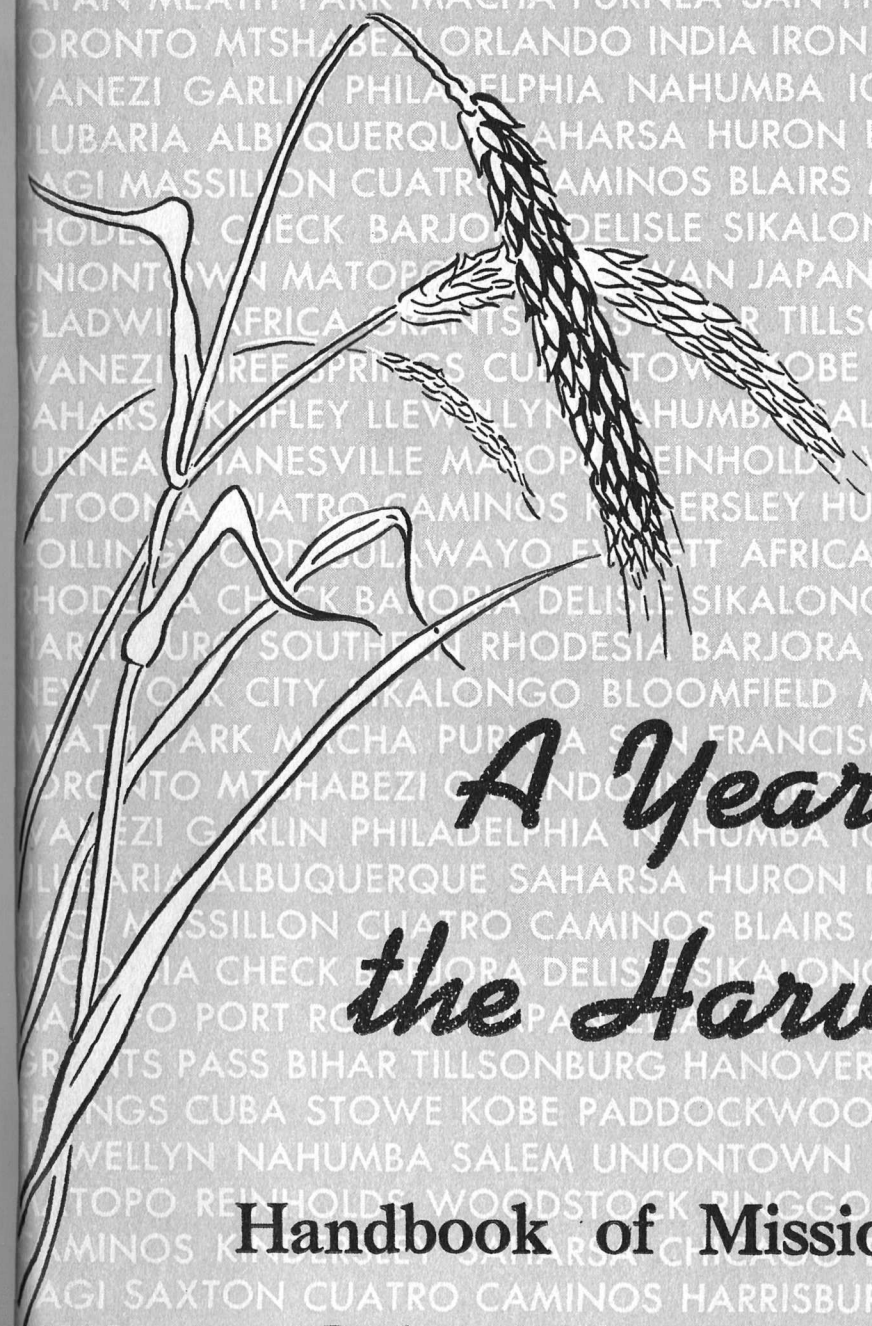
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## FOREWORD

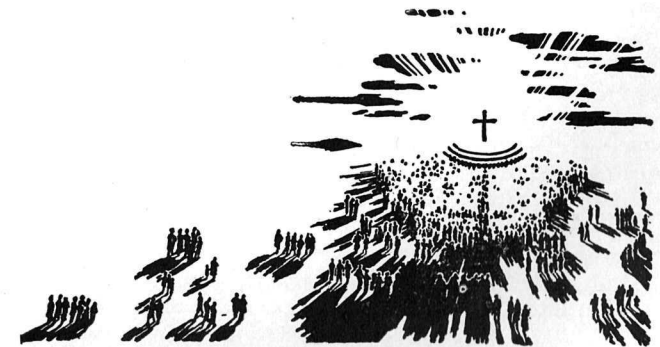
Since the last edition of this *Handbook* we have stood perilously near the precipice of war that could easily have gulfed the entire world. It carried with it so many earmarks of the last great war described in the book of Revelation, that one wonders whether this is the lull before the day of God's wrath. During this period of time the world has also been shocked by men's mastery of space. The spirit of nationalism has continued to perplex and foster contention in many areas. National income in U. S. A. has risen to an all-time high. And mankind continues to wrestle with his world problems in an atmosphere of increased fear, dread and insecurity.

In the midst of such world headlines the message of Jesus Christ as the Prince of the Kings of the earth and the Saviour of the world has continued to be proclaimed by His church. Its ability to lift the burden of sin and bring peace instead of fear and insecurity is just as effective in today's world as yesterday. As for His people they await the day when the triumph of the Prince of Peace shall overshadow every world news headline of the last nineteen centuries.

While the steps of progress here reported are not as new and novel as some of those which you have read in the headlines of the newspaper, we are sure they are just as significant and probably even farther reaching in the lives of the multitudes of men and women. To us who have been intrusted with this message of reconciliation which is to be carried to all men, these pages should be of deep and significant interest. If our gifts of money and expenditures of energy which have made possible this report has represented an undivided devotion to the Lord Jesus Christ as God has designed it should, this report may be as significant in your life as outstanding world events. We trust you shall be able to see the mighty workings of God in these reports and will be challenged to a continued aggressive presentation of this message to all mankind.

# Part I

## *Home Missions*



# Our Part in America's Hour of Challenge

*Albert H. Engle, HMB Secretary*

Many scientists and statesmen agree that we are approaching the zero hour of western civilization. Some are so pessimistic as to forecast racial suicide. No alert, thinking person can escape concluding that we are in perilous times.

This we associate with Paul's prophetic picture of the "last days" in II Timothy 3. It is sickening how this picture is being fulfilled today. Metropolitan newspapers serve as commentaries on Bible prophecy.

True Christians know that Christ is the answer. But the cancerous disease of sin has so saturated the social fabric of the world that we are threatened with a complete disintegration of the entire social structure. We appear to be in the last stages of the disease and are engaged in a life and death struggle. The cure must be administered quickly. We have done so little compared to what needs to be done now and what we believe can be done that we think we are warranted in making this more of a challenge than a report.

We must fearlessly analyze the situation and decide on an effective course of action. The world is being divided into three camps: Atheistic

Communism, Roman Catholicism which is more and more effectively courting the favor of an apostate Protestantism, and Evangelical Christianity.

Evangelical Christians constitute an extremely small minority. Of this the Brethren in Christ Church is an extremely small part. Under its Home Mission Board administration are 124 workers (including 49 pastors' wives) distributed in 13 states and 2 provinces. We are using the best we can get and all of them would like to do more effective evangelism. But if we are to meet the challenge of this sick world, we must have a special anointing of spiritual power. We fear many American Christians think they are "rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing" whereas they are "wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked." We are so impotent. Before we claim immunity let us study Rev. 3:18. We need *this* "gold" to help a world about to perish.

Evangelical Christians in America are in a most strategic situation. While doors are being closed to missionary activity in foreign countries, we have among us millions of repre-



representatives of almost every nation on the earth. No other country has so many representatives of so many different nations. No other country has such freedom of speech, nor such material resources. If we would consecrate our resources for evangelism and evangelize the representatives of other nations within our borders, and they would be challenged with a missionary passion for their own nationals, world evangelism could be done quickly, economically, and efficiently.

America is like a big Jerusalem, or perhaps better, New York City—with its millions of representatives of many nations and its 10,000 students from foreign countries—is like a big Jerusalem. Give us another Pentecost with proportionate results in which these people would hear, in their own tongue, the wonderful works of God and we would see the world turned up-side-down. The resources of the first Pentecost are available today. Give us comparable consecration and we will have comparable results.

#### WHAT HAVE WE DONE?

What have we done toward our part to meet this challenge? A study of the history of Brethren in Christ Missions reveals that true consecration and the accompanying power of the Holy Ghost does produce results. Multitudes of lives in many states and provinces have been transformed—some of these conversions compare with the most outstanding ever recorded. Entire communities have been changed. "Hot spots" of sin have been replaced by attractive places of worship attended by converted drunks, saloon keepers, nightclub patrons, self-righteous moralists, respectable church members, etc.

We are happy to indicate that in the following pages there are accounts of real miracles in all kinds

of communities varying from isolated rural areas to residential and "skid row" areas of our great cities. Church growth is in evidence with increase in attendance in 1957 in some places as high as 75%. The consecration of some of our pastors to full-time Gospel work is paying off. God is working today through qualified and consecrated personnel. Give us more real consecration shared equally by pastors and laymen and God's work will move forward.

Perhaps we should not think of laymen as such but learn from governments in the late World War. They promoted the idea that everybody—men and women in factories and offices, miners, farmers, doctors, nurses, and all—everybody was to be consecrated to the cause of winning the war. Let the church recognize that evangelism is the job she must do and let her be empowered and organized for the job; then let each person faithfully do his part, and under God we will see greater results.

#### WHAT ABOUT THE COST?

In previous years we have included summarizations and analysis of costs. The records tabulated in this *Handbook* can be analyzed. We recognize valid grounds for reporting how the Lord's money is being used. But perhaps we have been too much interested in the cost, and how much we have given toward it. We have been too self-satisfied comparing ourselves favorably with certain other groups who themselves may not be doing the job.

Acts 2 records the number of conversions but not the cost. Perhaps if we would die out to our materialism, and forgetting the cost, break the alabaster box of precious treasures, and go all out to accomplish the task, we would have much greater results to record. May God hasten

the day when our *Handbook of Missions* will be more like the Book of Acts! We propose that as the alternative to no *Handbook* or one for mere reference.

Briefly we record a few general observations:

1. Definite steps are being taken to promote ten or twelve of our mission congregations within a year or two. They will be transferred to their respective regional conferences.

2. In connection with the assignment of Sister Mary Wenger to carry on a witnessing and exploratory program in New York City, the Board has pursued with renewed vigor efforts to discover a practical approach to this stronghold of western paganism.

3. A new and promising work has been opened in connection with the work at Canoe Creek. An old church building at Mt. Etna has been purchased and improved. The Sunday school here has an average attendance of 49. Interest is good in other services also.

4. As indicated in a recent issue of the *Evangelical Visitor*, the Home Mission Board is making a study concerning conducting a more aggressive Gospel Work among the American Negroes. In the light of its social implications, and above all, the salvation of their souls, we should consider this in the light of being our "brother's keeper."

5. Reports from some congregations indicate very encouraging progress.

6. We regret that we had no direct report from some congregations and had to prepare some from various sources of information.

7. We are glad to recognize the progress in some of the units of work carried on under the "Parent-Church Plan." The work at Searights which is conducted by the Montgomery

District with William Martin as pastor has realized some growth and encouraging aspects. Sister Iola Dixon helps in that work.

The Cincinnati Work carried on by the Central Conference with Rev. Irvin Hoover as pastor is encouraging. They have made definite plans to purchase property and place the work on a more permanent basis.

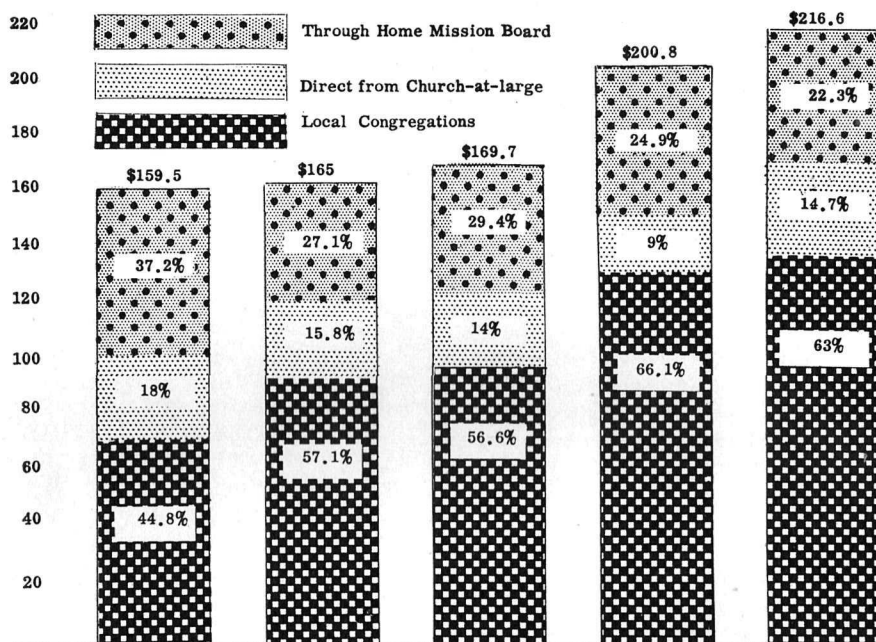
8. Some light on the financial aspects of our program are revealed by the accompanying graph.

We want to hereby express the appreciation of the Home Mission Board for the consecration and hard work of our staff of workers who have made the reports of this *Handbook* possible. We also recognize that the prayers and liberality of our constituency were necessary to this achievement and we hereby express appreciation for all this. We pray God's blessing on all who have thus shared the cause of evangelism.

We trust the reader will recognize the propriety of this being more of an effort to challenge than a report and share the burden of this concluding paragraph. We submit that if today we are only scratching the surface of American paganism, it is because we are only scratching the surface in consecration. The urgency of the hour calls for all-out consecration—a consecration equal to that of the true Communist who scoffs at giving only a tenth. He makes all possible resources available for the promotion of Communism. The challenge of Christ is infinitely greater. We know Christ will rescue His Church from the forces of the enemy. His cause will ultimately triumph. Lest we find ourselves among the "foolish virgins" let us go all-out to win souls for Christ while it is "day." Tomorrow may be too late.

## Distribution of Gifts for Support of Home Missions 1953-57

240 THOUSANDS of DOLLARS



**NOTE:** (1) Of the \$32,000 from the church-at-large in 1957 about \$20,000 was for the Navajo Mission. Of the remaining \$11,300, only about \$3,000 went to the 37 Mission Pastorates. This shows progress toward self-support. (2) About \$15,600 of the "Local Congregation" support came from the Navajo Mission itself. (3) Of the \$45,000 which is indicated in the Philadelphia Report only the \$20,000 which is in the tabulated report was included in this compilation. Most of the remainder presumably comes from their radio work. (4) Most of our congregations are now almost self-supporting except the allowance our pastors receive from the Home Mission Board.

## Treasurers' Financial Report

### HOME MISSION BOARD REPORT

United States and Canada  
Year Ended December 31, 1957

	United States	Canada	Combined
Balance on hand, January 1, 1957.....	\$ 1,749.26	\$ 349.01	\$ 2,098.27
<b>Budget Receipts:</b>			
General .....	37,806.68	4,360.76	42,167.44
Specials .....	5,010.58	1,103.75	6,113.33
<b>Total receipts for the period.....</b>	<b>42,817.26</b>	<b>5,463.51</b>	<b>48,280.77</b>
	44,566.52	5,812.52	50,379.04

### Budget Disbursements:

Administration .....	5,503.78	726.16	6,229.94
Personnel .....	26,076.01	3,051.50	29,127.51
Tuition .....	1,161.90	198.90	1,360.80
<b>Field:</b>			
Rent .....	2,775.50	300.30	3,075.80
Hamilton extension .....		263.00	263.00
Specials—gifts .....	3,463.99	982.15	4,446.14
Institute .....	2,961.98		2,961.98
Jewish Work—New York .....	225.00		225.00
Retirement .....	150.00		150.00
General expenses .....	319.78		319.78
Annuity interest .....	327.50		327.50

	42,965.44	5,522.01	48,487.45
<b>Balance, Receipts Less Disbursements .....</b>	<b>1,601.08</b>	<b>290.51</b>	<b>1,891.59</b>

### Other Disbursements

Trailer .....	525.00		525.00
Navajo Well .....	1,820.00		1,820.00
Navajo Mission Station Wagon .....	1,798.75		1,798.75
	4,143.75		4,143.75

Deficit balance .....	2,542.67	290.51	2,252.16
Transfer from annuity savings account....	3,000.00		3,000.00

<b>Adjusted balance, December 31, 1957.....</b>	<b>457.33</b>	<b>290.51</b>	<b>747.84</b>
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Non-budget receipts .....	16,522.08	785.21	17,307.29
Non-budget disbursements .....	15,855.08	779.15	16,634.23

Balance, non-budget receipts .....	667.00	6.06	673.06
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<b>Total General budget and non-budget balances, December 31, 1957 .....</b>	<b>\$ 1,124.33</b>	<b>\$ 296.57</b>	<b>\$ 1,420.90</b>
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### Other income and expense:

Virginia parsonage—receipt .....	\$ 41.46		41.46
Virginia parsonage—disbursement .....	41.46		41.46

### Savings Fund:

Balance, July 1, 1957 .....	8,050.68		8,050.68
Less: Transfer to general fund .....	3,000.00		3,000.00

	5,050.68		5,050.68
Government bonds .....		2,100.00	2,100.00
Collingwood Lot loan .....		425.00	425.00
Savings Bank, Port Colborne, Ont....		400.00	400.00

<b>Balance, Savings, Dec. 31, 1957.....</b>	<b>\$ 5,050.68</b>	<b>\$2,925.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,975.68</b>
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<b>Total general and savings funds..</b>	<b>\$ 6,175.01</b>	<b>\$3,221.57</b>	<b>\$ 9,396.58</b>
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I have made a limited examination of the cash receipts and disbursements of the Brethren in Christ Home Mission Board of the United States, and have accepted without audit the Canadian report, for the year ended, December 31, 1957.

J. R. Aiken, Auditor

# Home Mission Stations Financial Report

## RECEIPTS

	Balance *Deficit	General Local Offerings for Missions	For Pastor	For Other Workers	Evangelism	Mission—Home and Foreign	Other General Church Needs	Special Needs and Projects	From the Church-at-large	From Home Mission Board **Loan	TOTAL Receipts	TOTAL Cash Available
<b>CITY MISSIONS</b>												
Chicago.....	\$ 24.98	\$ 2,165.51	\$ 443.36	\$ 44.77	\$ 135.00	\$ 461.76	\$ 137.50	\$ 1,392.90	\$ 401.13	\$ 100.00	\$ 5,137.16	\$ 5,162.14
Detroit.....	*1,670.22	3,816.47	617.11	54.77	386.20	50.00	250.88	195.67	398.70		5,899.08	4,228.86
Harrisburg.....	21.22	3,328.91	373.12	19.26	86.83	47.11	94.50	637.66	80.55		3,990.46	3,981.68
New York City.....	311.76	79.58					24.68		522.58	272.02	874.18	874.18
Philadelphia.....	1,119.20	5,703.40			441.95	396.23	21.70	12,199.42	1,563.52		20,326.22	20,637.98
San Francisco.....		6,226.21							2,716.40		8,942.61	10,061.81
<b>RURAL MISSIONS</b>												
Blandburg.....	\$ 37.18	\$ 677.96	\$ 420.10		\$ 86.71	\$ 42.76	\$ 105.91	\$ 139.05	\$ 8,842.27	**\$6,460.70	\$ 1,472.49	\$ 1,509.67
Bloomfield (Navajo Mission).....	1,167.24	15,551.41			38.87	141.47	78.31	11,848.84			42,961.87	44,129.11
Ella, Ky.....	86.41	598.91	60.00		170.00	96.61	94.50	200.00	637.66		1,744.09	1,637.48
Meath Park.....	58.41	206.69							1,068.50		1,475.19	1,533.60
Port Rowan (Walsham Centre).....	*169.22	558.70			91.77	108.03	24.72	543.29	814.81	500.00	2,636.32	2,467.10
Uniontown, Pa.....		206.20					15.00	63.00	98.00	315.00	698.20	

# Home Mission Stations Financial Report (Continued)

## EXPENDITURES

<b>CITY MISSIONS</b>																				
Chicago.....	\$ 742.49	\$ 362.58	\$ 986.17	\$1,632.90	\$ 52.50	\$ 414.39	\$443.36	\$133.00	\$461.76	\$135.22	\$ 395.67	\$ 83.85	\$ 6.60	\$ 4,983.33	\$ 178.81					
Detroit.....	679.13	361.53	1,781.83	342.87		414.39	671.88	386.20	50.00	230.88	248.15	3.89	3.89	3,826.44	*1,600.00					
Harrisburg.....	613.87	365.69	998.80	1,139.65			403.38	80.00	47.11	109.59	49.41	61.48	61.48	3,921.48	60.20					
New York City.....	170.36	170.36	314.43											824.61	49.37					
Philadelphia.....	1,106.65	187.24	1,770.30	1,152.95	14.50	4,486.07	441.95	396.23	21.70	38.86	12,199.42	63.40	11.36	20,363.64	74.34					
San Francisco.....	624.45	531.33		1,770.60				40.00			5,124.49	149.44		10,049.47	12.34					
<b>RURAL MISSIONS</b>																				
Blandburg.....	\$ 143.65	\$ 396.82	\$ 111.98											\$ 1,441.59	\$ 65.08					
Bloomfield (Navajo Mission).....	5,238.36	\$2,690.75	2,380.52	3,772.63	\$176.70		684.04	527.96	141.47	78.31	26,466.87	\$928.72	3.00	43,089.33	1,039.78					
Ella, Ky.....	326.11	698.36	215.05	35.10	41.36		60.00	170.00	96.61	94.50				1,737.09	7.00					
Meath Park (North Star).....	542.12	383.42	132.73					25.00	63.19		125.50	128.54		1,432.29	81.31					
Port Rowan (Walsham Centre).....	605.70	397.90	300.27	32.84	63.00			91.77	103.03		844.39	10.00	16.87	2,489.99	*\$2.89					
Uniontown, Pa.....	200.00	27.30	361.12	80.00							50.00			718.42	*\$0.22					



# Mission Pastorate Financial Report

## RECEIPTS

Name of Mission Pastorate	Balance *Deficit	General Local Offerings for Mission	Local Pastoral Offerings	Evangelism	Missions—Home and Foreign	Other General Church Needs	Special Needs and Projects	From the Church-at-Large	General Home Mission Board *Loan	TOTAL Receipts	TOTAL Cash Available
Albuquerque.....		\$ 3,072.43	\$ 647.28	\$ 192.06	\$ 477.58	\$ 67.80	\$ 2,540.09	\$ 422.00		\$ 6,090.10	\$ 1,526.42
Allisonia.....		155.12	783.00	347.43	42.16	100.08				1,526.42	3,953.61
Altoona.....	\$ 154.64	626.31				375.19	1,566.96			2,340.00	2,340.00
Blair's Mills.....										2,334.77	3,115.70
Check.....	*3,200.00	1,145.31	202.88	13.40			84.28	680.00		3,030.70	4,785.56
Collingwood.....	85.00	343.67	960.00	140.00	1,537.03		50.00			5,664.45	5,701.81
Delisle.....		141.00	160.00	70.00	8.56	99.00				1,945.19	831.77
Everett.....	37.36									814.17	831.77
Garlin.....		205.15	1,340.34	250.92	148.78	112.85				3,853.20	4,584.91
Gladwin.....	17.60	114.42	380.21	145.48	21.60	56.50	95.56			9,023.06	9,591.59
Grants Pass.....	731.71	3,149.06			502.19		201.95			1,357.57	1,369.51
Hanover.....	568.53	1,749.48	1,190.57		70.44	1,000.00	4,317.97	694.60		884.48	827.31
Holidaysburg.....	11.94	346.02	720.90	188.65	80.00	22.00				719.09	747.71
Hunlock Creek.....	*57.17	171.33	554.33	158.82					\$ 60.00	1,245.17	1,269.63
Huron.....	28.62	612.50		15.00	6.59		58.45	25.00		3,780.22	4,229.74
Ickesburg.....	24.46	465.86	154.21	133.01	26.35		465.74			3,324.23	3,663.53
Iron Springs.....	449.52	1,118.90	866.42	110.00	321.40		1,250.00			734.56	
Kindersley.....	339.30	1,049.96	591.71	251.00	193.85	88.56	1,149.15			1,374.88	1,374.88
Knifley.....			441.38	133.00	40.11		120.07			1,057.13	1,095.27
Little Marsh.....		588.88	385.00				21.00	20.00	360.00	1,459.48	1,532.62
Llewellyn.....	38.14	84.87	140.12	145.75		42.50	643.89			130.00	
Massillon.....	73.14	799.43		353.75		176.30				121.83	
Mountain Chapel (one month).....		36.83	36.83	85.00				100.00		319.13	368.91
Paddockwood.....	49.78	11.72	70.35	77.25	1.34	12.40	46.07			1,491.43	
Reinholds.....										1,311.46	1,385.48
Ringgold.....	74.02	1,084.84			90.50			136.12		3,987.11	4,159.56
Saxton.....	172.45	599.09	1,062.24	250.00	143.97	179.13	1,477.68		275.00	498.52	572.48
Shanesville.....										5,842.36	5,842.36
Sherman's Valley.....	73.96		407.85	71.86	20.00	10.00	138.05	838.83	*4,000.00	4,244.98	4,244.98
Sparta.....		355.77					412.00			3,850.26	3,875.12
Stowe.....	534.78	3,398.20								494.97	511.07
Sylvatus.....	24.86	1,110.55	375.49	140.80	17.18	48.29	2,157.95			1,370.75	1,532.83
Three Springs.....	16.10	89.33	249.72	100.00	19.00	36.82				1,565.87	1,615.75
Tillsonburg.....										4,012.59	4,463.38
Frogmore.....	162.08	1,370.75								5,182.81	5,426.35
Houghton.....	49.88	1,565.87								1,370.75	1,532.83
Toronto.....	450.79	3,413.89		158.62			279.39	142.69		1,615.87	1,615.75
Uniontown, Ohio.....	243.54	1,326.26	978.28	366.65	340.00	205.90	1,965.72			5,182.81	5,426.35
MISSION CHURCHES										2,734.09	2,830.96
Orlando.....	96.87	953.43	1,290.00	200.00	83.60		207.06			1,701.46	
Salem.....											

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## EXPENDITURES

Name of Mission Pastorate	Hall and/or Church Maintenance	Pastoral Offering	Evangelism	Missions—Home and Foreign	Other General Church Needs *Projects	Promotional Advertising	Miscellaneous	TOTAL Expenditures	Balance *Deficit
Albuquerque.....	No classified report				\$ 2,540.09			\$ 6,090.10	\$ 42.82
Allisonia.....	\$ 197.95	\$ 1,069.28	\$ 192.06	\$ 477.58	67.80			1,569.25	
Altoona.....	626.31	783.00	347.43	100.08	*1,168.50	\$ 52.43		3,452.94	500.67
Blair's Mills.....					375.19			1,914.77	420.00
Check.....	699.85	202.88	208.90	13.40	*764.28		\$ 25.46	1,914.77	
Collingwood.....					45.00	6.50	56.00	388.56	90.00
Delisle.....		160.00	70.00	8.56	186.00			5,555.96	145.85
Everett.....	1,151.03	1,412.60	325.23	78.56	*2,342.54			1,945.19	
Garlin.....	205.15	1,340.34	250.92	148.78	112.85			829.27	2.50
Gladwin.....	198.28	380.21	145.88	2.50	27.50	34.20	11.70	3,923.11	661.80
Grants Pass.....	883.82	1,980.00		502.19	398.73	158.37		8,697.42	894.17
Hanover.....	5,853.61	1,490.57	98.00	70.44	1,184.80			1,367.42	2.09
Holidaysburg.....	355.87	720.00	188.65	80.00	22.00			847.50	20.19
Hunlock Creek.....	134.35	554.33	158.82					747.19	58.97
Huron.....	4.36	39.61	21.70	28.18	*579.91	66.28	7.15	1,243.17	26.46
Ickesburg.....	571.05	161.71	100.00	26.35	*384.06			3,446.52	783.22
Iron Springs.....	514.20	866.42	110.00	34.40	*1,620.50		14.00	3,324.23	339.30
Kindersley.....	2,199.11	591.71	251.00	193.85	88.56			779.96	*45.40
Knifley.....	165.47	441.38	133.00	40.11				1,202.00	172.88
Little Marsh.....	50.00	745.00	75.00	262.00	50.00	20.00		1,056.23	39.04
Llewellyn.....	84.87	140.12	145.75		*695.49			1,527.81	4.81
Massillon.....	417.95	416.06	353.75		306.30	33.75		121.83	
Mountain Chapel.....		36.83	85.00					229.38	139.53
Paddockwood.....	20.34	70.35	77.25	2.07	59.37			1,342.50	148.93
Reinholds.....								749.58	635.90
Ringgold.....	221.06	186.12	65.64	90.50	177.69	8.57		3,623.25	536.31
Saxton.....	755.15	1,062.24	250.00	143.97	*1,351.89	60.00		567.31	8.17
Shanesville.....								5,707.48	134.88
Sherman's Valley.....	14.72	25.00	255.00	96.70	157.51		18.38	4,302.32	78.37
Sparta.....	220.89	407.85	71.86	20.00	*4,976.88			3,837.25	37.37
Stowe.....	1,469.84	1,588.81	142.14	147.23	*882.83		35.76	484.35	26.72
Sylvatus.....	1,145.83	375.49	140.80	17.18	*2,157.95			1,365.15	167.68
Three Springs.....	78.71	249.72	100.10	19.00	36.82			1,514.10	101.65
Tillsonburg.....								4,302.32	95.54
Frogmore.....	49.94	420.00	68.00	306.20	*514.95	6.06		5,376.29	50.06
Houghton Center.....	196.50	434.00	469.00	290.72	60.10	16.00		2,457.60	373.36
Toronto.....	1,380.62	2,220.00	294.00	90.75	214.37	99.03	3.55	1,600.00	101.46
Uniontown, Ohio.....	1,525.38	978.28	360.00	341.01	*2,171.62				
MISSION CHURCHES									
Orlando.....	728.46	1,290.00	210.00	229.14					
Salem.....									

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# GENERAL REPORTS

## CITY MISSIONS

### CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Carl Carlson  
Alice Albright, Sara Brubaker,  
Grace Sider*

#### YOUTH WORK

With the emphasis of the whole world on the importance of reaching and training youth for their purposes, our purpose is to train them for Christ. As goes that child beside us, so goes the world of tomorrow. Thus each Wednesday after school from October to April, we have Bible School with 100 enrolled. Two weeks in July we have Summer Bible School with 150 enrolled.

Each Sunday at 6:00 P.M. is "snack" time for the young people and children, after which they stay for Christ's Crusaders and Evangelistic Services. Our field is among Southern families. While it is difficult to get the parents into church, we gain access to their homes through their children and an opportunity to witness. Crime and juvenile delinquency are a definite hindrance to night church attendance, thus we escort many home after church.

Six young people were baptized in March. Another class of young people are now receiving instruction and await baptism.

#### REVIVALS

Several week-end revivals were held during the year. Rev. Louis King, jail chaplain, Rev. Samuel Wolgemuth and Rev. Hubert Mitchell were speakers. At each of these a

number of young people and some adults came to the prayer room. We have reason to believe they received experiences of divine grace.

#### OTHER SERVICES

Communion Services were held in November and March.

Bible Conference Sunday featured Dr. C. N. Hostetter, Jr. as special speaker. He spoke on his European trip after a congregational dinner.

Many funerals were conducted during the year.

The Sunday school is encouraging. Two young ladies from Moody Bible institute teach in our Sunday school and assist with our youth work. Their passion to win souls has been inspiring.

#### PHYSICAL PLANT

Brother Mike Engle, Thomas, Oklahoma, assisted in installing a washroom and storeroom for our basement classrooms. It became necessary to install a gas hot water heater. Also new sidewalks were installed. Payment has been made for these.

We give thanks to God and express appreciation to all His faithful stewards used to pray and stand by His work in this needy and wicked city.

**"The streets and lanes maybe filthy  
The lives of men sordid and mean  
When the Master walks through  
With me and with you,  
They are radiant, happy and clean."**

*Reported by Rev. Carl Carlson*

### DETROIT, MICHIGAN

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Paul Hill,  
Superintendent*

*Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Palmer,  
Mission Pastor*

As we review the work of the past year, it is with a sense of satisfaction, knowing that the Lord has added His blessing to our labors.

#### GOD'S LOVE MISSION

The Mission has presented a real challenge again this year.

The total attendance was 12,089. There were 9,262 meals served.

There were 194 seekers at the altar with many receiving definite help.

Rev. Ralph Palmer, the pastor, has preached powerful messages. We have appreciated the Palmers and the many others who have so faithfully labored in this place.

#### CHURCH ON MYRTLE STREET

There has been many manifestations of the great power of God. There were 54 seekers at the altar. Brethren Andrew McNiven, Henry Schneider, and Albert Engle served as evangelists.

376 pastoral calls were made. The 140 prayer meetings during the year were a great blessing to the church.

Our Summer Bible Camp proved to be a real blessing again the past year. 74 youth attended with 25 of them seeking the Lord and experienced a new life in Christ.

We are contemplating the re-locating of our congregation to Dearborn Point, about nine miles from our present location.

We thank God for the good interest and spiritual tide throughout the year.

Brethren, pray for us.

*Reported by Rev. Paul Hill*



L. to r.: Elizabeth Kanode, Faithe Carlson, Beulah Lyons, Rev. Joel Carlson.

### HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

(Messiah Lighthouse Chapel)

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Joel Carlson  
Elizabeth Kanode, Beulah Lyons*

"So then neither is he that planteth anything, neither is he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase . . . For we are laborers together with God." I Corinthians 3.

In humble gratitude we survey a year's activities seeking to glorify God, for His never failing faithfulness. He holds the full record in His hands. We feel challenged by the land yet to be possessed.

Visits by the Staff and Home Department total 1,314. Our annual report lists 44 spiritual professions. The regular schedule of services were held. Some new occasions of assembly were enjoyed: early morning prayer hours; one midnight prayer gathering; a Wednesday morning Women's Fellowship.

When souls sought the Lord, we

experienced the joy that Jesus talked about. We do thank God for these times of sacred memory. They occurred in the chapel, in the separate place of prayer, in the home, and in the hospital. Our intercessions continue on behalf of others who though they have heard, have not fully yielded to Jesus Christ.

Outdoor meetings were again held in the summer months on the Park Grounds adjoining the State Capitol. This missionary outreach, taking the Gospel to "the highways and the hedges" carries with it the joy of heaven. Here one may plant; another may water, but God gives the increase.

In the Sunday school area, some gains were registered. There was an increase in enrollment and average attendance. Very good interest is manifested on the part of our teaching Staff in monthly Workers Conferences. Miss Anna R. Engle, Missionary to Rhodesia, now a teacher at Messiah College, is giving regular instruction to our Staff.

We adopted the Unified Plan of Service for Sunday morning, uniting church and Sunday school. Hitherto, it has worked out well, with a larger congregation hearing the sermon.

Some interior decorating in the basement class rooms increased the attractiveness of that area.

Brethren, pray for us.

*Reported by Joel Carlson*

#### NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK

*Worker: Mary Wenger*

As a means of exploring possibilities and doing Gospel Work all the while, the Home Mission Board and the Church has been represented in New York City by Sister Mary Wenger.

Because of certain unexpected circumstances, it was necessary for her

to change locations a number of times. The Board has been aggressively endeavoring to discover the will of the Lord for a pattern of service and base of operations in this city which challenges us as one of the most needy mission fields of the world.

Sister Wenger speaks for herself in her report for this *Handbook* as follows:

#### WITNESSING IN NEW YORK CITY

"Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer for Israel is, that they might be saved." Romans 10:1

Ministering as opportunity affords constitutes the first year of following the Lord Jesus among the nine million people of New York City. Four million of these are unchurched. The summation of this form of service was a personal worker in the Graham Crusade, home visitation, giving literature, Scriptures and witnessing in parks as well as to shop-keepers, and visiting in hospitals. I attended the worship services at the Mennonite House of Friendship in the Bronx.

During the Crusade an eighty-year-old, wicked Negro widow lady accepted the Lord Jesus as her personal Saviour. In her happy state she followed my instructions as to the Scriptures to read for soul food and to pray. Two days afterward in the contact with her she said, "Those Scriptures pop right out at me." Within a couple months she passed away with a hope in the Lord. It was a privilege to lead a Jewess to Jesus her Messiah in the Crusade, too.

The Door of Hope, a Home for expectant mothers out of wedlock, extends an invitation to minister among the girls.

An opportunity presented itself at my door. An orthodox Jewish salesman selling soap for the blind, came. I did not need soap, but I bought a

couple pieces and then he took what I had to offer—my testimony, a New Testament he promised to read, and a booklet of a converted Jewess. He appreciated what I told him and believed I enjoyed my religion.

While witnessing to a jeweler, he told me that from a child, they are aware of the prejudice against the Jews on the part of Christians. After explaining to him that a real Christian loves the Jews, he took the Scriptures.

A Polish Jewess in the park asked me twice if I really loved her.

Tears rolled down the cheeks of a store-keeper when I visited her in the hospital. She said, "To think that you thought that much of me that you would come to visit me."

So little by little we break down the barrier existing between the Jews and the real Christians restoring their confidence by manifesting the love of their Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ. This with much patience, perseverance and prayer must precede their even listening to our witness about the Lord Jesus.

"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem."

*Reported by Mary Wenger*

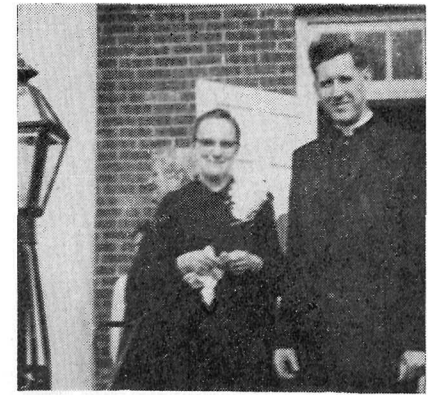
#### PHILADELPHIA, PENNA.

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. William Rosenberry, Anita Brechbill*

As we review last year's work for the Kingdom, the battles fought and won, our cry of confidence and victory for the coming year is, "Then forward still, 'tis Jehovah's will." Not all departments show gains, while in other departments, the Lord has done "more than we asked or thought."

#### EDUCATION PROGRAM

Sunday school averaged attendance of 83, a decrease of 8 from the previous year. Evening Bible School



Rev. and Mrs. William Rosenberry.

held with average attendance of 90, an increase of 22 over last year. An adult class was held for the first time, interest was good and folks attending church as a result. 25 children sought the Lord.

The Home Department greatly widened its influence and ministry, membership increasing from 10 to 25. A city organization has offered its list of 50 shut-ins to our Home Department workers.

The Cradle Roll has 23 babies enrolled.

The Bible Hour was held on Thursday from October to May. Average attendance, 25. In the midst of the story one day, two little boys interrupted by saying, "We want to give our hearts to Jesus NOW."

#### CHRIST'S CRUSADERS

Youth Chorus practices weekly, prayer meetings, slum Mission programs, singing at convalescent homes, and Bible Study were held monthly. Tracts were distributed on the elevated and subway trains totaling 14,150. Carols were sung in hospitals at Christmas time. A day was spent in New York touring points of interest. New clothing was purchased at Christmas time for a



Anita Brechbill

needy family and baskets of fruit given to the 53 patients in a Convalescent Home. This group sponsored the 13th Annual Youth Conference and the offerings (nearly \$400) above expenses were used to pave the church driveway.

#### LADIES MISSIONARY GROUP

Missionary work in six countries as well as fields at home were contacted by letter and/or gifts during the year. Six sheets were given to the Navajo Mission. Four baskets were given to needy families at Thanksgiving. This group sponsored the 13th Annual Missionary Conference with 13 souls at the altar the closing service. Handkerchiefs were enclosed in Christmas cards and sent to the lady missionaries on the Field.

#### GENERAL ACTIVITIES

Three of our members were promoted to Glory during the year, each leaving a testimony of victory. Three were received into church membership, three were baptized, two marriages performed, five funerals conducted, seven babies dedicated. Anointings were frequent in regular services. Street meetings were held during the summer

months, about 3500 tracts were given out in these meetings. One young couple answered the call of God and accepted a pastorate in another state. Two of our young people are attending Bible School in preparation for Christian Service.

In three consecutive services there was no preaching but souls made their way to the altar as glory and conviction fell. In a Thursday night prayer meeting a backslidden lady burst into tears, confessing her need. The saints prayed and she was gloriously reclaimed.

The Spring revival was a time of battles and victory. God was faithful and there were seasons of blessing as souls prayed through, in spite of the enemy who fought against us. Tears and burdens were rewarded on the last night as the glory fell and saints hardly knew if they were in or out of the body, souls fell at the altar and were wonderfully saved.

385 visits were made during the year. 855 garments were distributed, 21½ tons of coal and ½ ton of food given to the needy. Contributions from all departments totalled \$45,725.47.

#### RADIO BROADCAST

We are now in our 11th year of Broadcasting with the program being heard over 10 stations in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, North Carolina, and West Virginia.

For the first time we closed the year with a balance, after being nearly \$4,000.00 behind. The Lord did a miracle in September and cleared this beside our regular budget. An average of 94 letters were received each week. The subscription list of the Gospel Witness, our monthly publication, stands at 7,116. Book Department sales totalled 402. All office work is handled on a voluntary basis.

#### RENOVATION PROGRAM

The old chapel and parsonage building is undergoing a complete change to take care of present needs. New oil burner, complete rewiring, additional bathrooms, relocation of stairways, extensive replastering, etc. are some of the major items in this change.

The old chapel is being divided into three rooms for office space and mailing departments. About \$5,000 is needed to complete this work.

Pray for us.

Reported by  
Rev. William Rosenberry

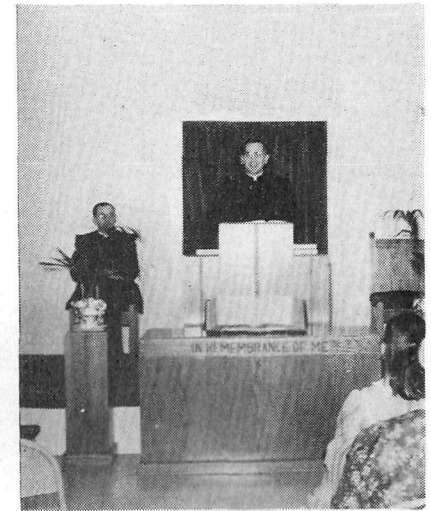
#### SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

(Life-Line Gospel Mission)

Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Avery Heisey  
Rev. Harold Paulus  
Anna Mae Copenhagen

"Is not my Word like as a fire, saith the Lord; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?" Jeremiah 23:29. Perhaps in no other Field of Service do we see more of the powerful effect of the Word than in city rescue mission work. We as workers never cease to marvel at the evidence of God's redeeming grace as it works to transform the hearts and lives of Skid Row derelicts.

We have witnessed a number of outstanding conversions this past year. One was a young man who had been a professional gambler. Drink so ruined his nerves that he had to quit gambling, and from this he slid down to lowest of Skid Row drunkenness. He came in contact with the Word in our mission which reminded him of his praying mother and of his Christian background. A few days later he was gloriously saved in his hotel room. He came back to the mission to make public



Front of remodelled chapel. Rev. Avery Heisey speaking, Rev. Harold Paulus, seated.

confession of his conversion. Since then he has remained true to the Lord. His testimony is an inspiration to all. Others have been saved just as remarkably and are standing true.

The schedule of services continue nightly, except Monday, in the Life Line Mission. The feeding program and the general attendance have taken on larger proportions; i.e., we are feeding an average of 87 each night, with an overall attendance of over 100. This provides labor for the workers and a real challenge for the preachers. The greater share of the work connected with this feeding program is performed by our Christian believers. We wish there would be space to give due praise, to all who so faithfully help in this work night after night. We would especially recognize the outstanding service of our cook who each day prepares the evening meal, and our janitor who is at the hall almost every night for a number of years. God bless each one.



The spiritual phase of the work continues to be the real burden of our hearts. The salvation of lost souls is our chief aim. There are individual ministers and interested groups who come to the mission regularly to help carry this burden. But the workers feel the real weight of this responsibility as we are challenged night after night by the seekers at the altar. The Heiseys are glad for the help of their two daughters, Doris and Audrey. Doris is pianist for both the mission and the church services; also for Rev. Harold Paulus in giving full-time as a worker and minister. Miss Anna Mae Copenhaver joined the staff the first of December as a full-time worker. Together we are laboring to rescue souls from the Skid Row of sin and shame.

The work of renovating and remodeling the new mission property acquired last year occupied much of our time and energy this past year. Mike Engle from Oklahoma, with Mrs. Engle, spent almost three months with the mission staff, Brother Engle taking charge of this project. The cost of this work was considerably under the original estimate because of much free labor. Also much of the material was either donated outright or sold to us at considerable discount by business firms of the city. God blessed by sending in the money as the bills came due. Thus under His direction and blessing, and with the cooperation of many willing workers, we now have a beautiful little chapel for worship in with ample room space for Sunday school and other activities.



Men eating in the mission hall on Sixth Street.

The first service in this new place of worship took place on January 19, with a fine group of members and friends in attendance. Since then the interest has been mounting. We believe the blessing of the Lord is upon this new venture. May the coming year be one of progress and blessing.

It should be mentioned that there is no thought of curtailing the present program at the downtown mission; it means rather that there is now a dual program being carried on of city rescue work and regular church work, with a very close connection between the two. Thus this enlargement and a going forward program which, under the blessing of God, we hope will result in the salvation of many more souls and the building of a permanent church in this city of Golden Gate fame.

And for all this, we give God the glory.

*Reported by Rev. Avery Heisey*

## RURAL MISSIONS

### BLANDBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Herman Miller, pastor, Edith Davidson, Edith Yoder*

This year has brought changes to the work at Blandburg. It was changed from a Mission Pastorate to a mission. Rev. Herman Miller is serving as a nonresident pastor. Sisters Edith Davidson and Edith Yoder are workers living in the parsonage at the church. Rev. Edward Hackman who served as pastor the first half of the year was stationed elsewhere at General Conference. Sister Betty Dixon from Canoe Creek helped in the work for eight weeks. Sister Yoder arrived in October.

Rev. Ross Morningstar served as evangelist in the Spring revival.

The Mission cooperated with the Mountaindale Baptist Church for a Summer Bible School.

The Sunday school attendance remains about the same but we are praying that more may be reached for God.

In October a Sunshine Bible Hour was started for the girls and boys after school on Wednesday. The interest is very good. The hour is spent in singing, memorizing Scripture, Bible stories, surprises, etc.

The group here is small but encouraged, for God is answering prayer in many ways. One answer is the debts being paid and the year closed with no debt. We thank God.

We solicit your prayers as we desire to see a spiritual awakening in this community. We are moving ahead with Christ at the helm in this mountain community.

*Reported by Edith Davidson*

### BLOOMFIELD, NEW MEXICO

(Navajo Mission)

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. J. Wilmer Heisey, Dr. and Mrs. Alvin Heisey, Misses Rosa Eyster, Martha Long, Dorothy Charles, Jane Monn, Mrs. Marion Heisey, Urania Williams, Joan Byer, Verna Mae Ressler, Elaine Zook; I-W workers: Marion Heisey, Earl Wolgemuth, Mary Wideman, V. S. worker; Interpreters—Peter Yazzie, Fannie Scott*

The following report is adapted from a report prepared by the superintendent, J. Wilmer Heisey. Much illustrative and informative portions had to be omitted because of the limited space allotted in this *Handbook*.

The Mission is a living organism. During 1957 it has undergone change—the change that comes with healthy growth. Being exposed to the contamination of a worldly environment, it has had to combat the destructive forces of evil in countless encounters in every sector. The life-giving power of God has been its only weapon.

Little and big problems have been met.

Shortly before the new N.E.C. building was to be dedicated, Gilbert, in a burst of temper, kicked a hole in the dormitory door. The impulsive boy needed correction. A boy was at stake. Remedial steps here included a twice-daily schedule of sweeping the shuffleboard court for the rest of the school year. Summary: Gilbert had ample time to “cool off”—and the door was salvaged.





The Navajo Mission Staff.

... In every department the Mission Staff has known the frustration of wrestling with inadequate equipment, at least "once."

#### NAVAJO EDUCATION CENTER

The N.E.C., erected of concrete, wood, faith, and love, was completed and dedicated on March 24, 1957. This building which has the stamp of the efforts of imperfect men upon it, was presented to the Lord for a special purpose—to draw Navajos into a personal encounter with Christ. In addition to its constant routine service during the first year, four special events dramatized its usefulness:

March 24—A crowd of about 300 mingled together in rare fellowship at the Dedication Services. The spirit with which the Navajos entered into this event was an inspiration and challenge.

May 17-26—The eighth Annual Camp Meeting met in this new center, proving its adaptability for use as a conference grounds.

August 20—The N.E.C. was comfortable to serve as a wedding chapel for the happy occasion on which Rachel Eshelman and Marion Heisey exchanged marriage vows in both English and Navajo.

November 30—The Thanksgiving Feast of the Navajo Christians and their families was an occasion honoring God and blessing the missionaries.

#### HOSPITAL

In 1957 Dr. Heise and his nursing staff served mothers, babies, and an interesting succession of Navajos, getting intimately acquainted with some of Navajoland's most respected characters.

Antonio Begay in his closing

	1955	1956	1957
Admissions, hospital	273	410	474
Hospital patient days	1309	2796	3731
Births	56	92	110
*Out-patient visits	4801	4452	6912
People receiving X-rays	—	370	575
Receipts	\$1,487.06	7,916.66	13,312.07

\*Does not include clinics visited at Lybrook and Bisti, nor routine care of Mission Schools.

weeks displayed a warmth of personality not previously discerned.

John Blackie, a man of stature among both Navajos and whites, fought and lost his last battle under the loving care of Christian attendants.

Maggie Sandoval arrived in time to be led into the hope of the resurrection through Christ.

James Charley with a condition which made him repulsive physically, won the admiration of attendants and visitors by his patient good humor.

Statistically, the Medical Program speaks of its growth in the accompanying tabulation.

An average of 427 different patients were seen monthly during 1957.

#### WELL

The year was young when a major problem developed. Ever increasing demands of essential services brought a crisis late in January. The water reservoir was not holding its own. This meant only one thing—the well, in service less than a year was tapering in production. This led us into a sharing to a greater degree the hardship of other Missions in the desert. However, the Lord was good to us for some have spent more and/or are yet hauling water.

Increasing frustration concerning the 1956 well continued and the period of February to May will be remembered as the "battle for wells."

The Home Mission Board decided to drill again and go to the "Ojo Alamo" sand, 850-900 feet. Then all kinds of difficulties in planning and drilling followed but we were protected by a very advantageous agreement with the faithful drillers. Finally the 1957 well won out with a super-abundance of good soft water at 843 feet.

During 1957 the Boarding School completed its move into the new N. E.C. building. This large family of impressionable youth has grown over the years as indicated in the tabulated report. (See next page).

A tuition fee of \$20.00 per student is made. During the past several years about 75% of this is actually collected.

The growth of the Medical and School programs has brought a slow but steady rise in the size of our staff. These three factors have produced a continuing rise in our operational costs.

From its 4 kitchens, 58,541 meals were served in 1957 as compared with 49,366 in 1956 and 36,133 in 1955. The cost per meal in 1957 was 13.8 cents. Mission transportation during 1957 totalled 44,584.3; 51,905.8 in 1956; 32,094.2 in 1955.

Receipts, during this period of expansion and its corresponding increasing costs, have kept pace. For 1957, mission contributions came from 22 states and Canada plus three foreign countries.

Year	Enrollment	Number in school 50 days	Average Attendance
1949-50	14	?	8.4
1950-51	34	?	22.82
1951-52	34	25	69%
1952-53	25	23	79%
1953-54	34	30	87.6%
1954-55	33	33	87.8%
1955-56	38	38	89.5%
1956-57	48.5	48.5	94.3%
1957-58	56		

The Mission closed out the year with two major items awaiting completion. Shortage of funds caused postponement of construction of the new water reservoir on the hill behind N.E.C. A surface line to the old reservoir had to be improvised.

Now over four years old, the 10KW Kohler light plant has been carrying it heaviest load ever. In early December a much larger plant was obtained from the State Agency for Surplus Property. This plant valued at \$5,720 was obtained for \$35.00. Capitalizing on the mechanical skills of the mission maintenance man to convert to natural gas, this large plant was put in running order for \$230.40 including trucking costs.

#### SPIRITUAL MINISTRY

We entered 1957 with a sense of urgency. Harvest fields were ripening. Throughout the year this urgency has grown. We humbly acknowledge God's gracious movings among the Navajo people.

Statistics from the Sunday school report are pertinent:

	'57	'56	'55
Av. attend. (S.S.)	70.4	46.8	36.8
Av. attend. (Church)	79.5	50.8	—

The growth of Christian fellowship and hunger for the things of God on the part of families is accountable for the increase in attend-

ance. Regularity of attendance by family groups is very commendable.

A baptismal service, September 1, with 10 Navajo believers and Paul Heisey following their Lord in this step, was held under the blessing of God. These babes in Christ need shepherding. Groundwork must be laid prayerfully for the step of church membership. The impact of these developments brought new concerns and deepened old ones.

The many with whom the mission has had only fringe contacts are besieged by cross-currents and degrading influences. In the Chaco area, where Marion and Rachel are working, some have fallen prey to the insidious attractions of the "peyote" cult. The difficulties of wrestling against these "principalities and powers" impel us to send out a call for prayer.

In our ministry to the boys and girls in the mission school, there are those who have not yet turned to the Lord. These *must* be won for Christ.

#### LIFE

Much of this report reflects growth. The real life of the organism, however, resides in the personnel who carry this "treasure in earthen vessels." (II Cor. 4:7). Often the shortcomings of the workers are apparent but it is the "power that work-

eth in us" that makes the ministry of the mission possible.

As a staff, there is need for continuity in our contacts and witness among the Navajos due largely to cultural barriers. We need a vision of what God would do through us.

There is a narrow margin between pursuing with vision our task, and overwork! Without this vision our energies become dissipated in unproductive pressures and frustrations. Accompanying such a vision, there must be a disciplined good sense that is God's provision for His people.

For 1958 it is our prayer that our growth may be in things of the Spirit. Brethren, pray for us!

#### ELLA, KENTUCKY

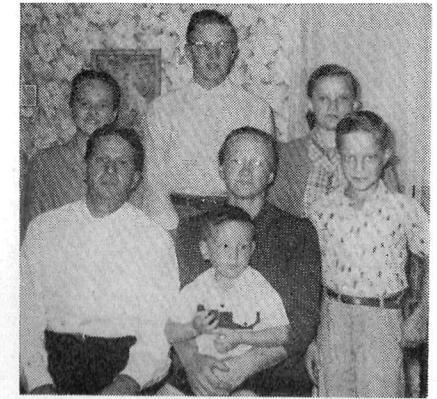
Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Merle Peachy

The work here realized a change after General Conference. Brother and Sister Elam Dohner served the first half of the year. Brother Dohner served for several years as superintendent. They left the Field in August and the Peachys succeeded them. The following report was submitted:

The folks here have given us a good reception for which we are thankful. Though we find spiritual needs, our God is able and greater than any need of the human heart.

The attendance in the Sunday schools remains about the same. The Lord's presence has been realized in the regular services at both Millerfields and Fairview. The Lovefeast at Fairview was a time of spiritual feasting.

Millerfields and Fairview combined in a Vacation Bible School. Six professions were realized.



Rev. and Mrs. Merle Peachy and family.

One man found the Lord in the Holiness Camp Meeting.

We are trusting the Lord to meet with us in a greater way during the coming year. We solicit the prayers of God's people for this Field.

Reported by Rev. Merle Peachy

#### MEATH PARK, SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA

(North Star Mission)

Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Lorne Lichty

"Blessed be the Lord who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our Salvation." (Psalm 68: 19) As we look back and take a census of the work here at North Star this past year, we realize these words have been fulfilled. Spiritual and material benefits have been very definitely ours.

At the time of this report, climatic conditions bring things somewhat to a standstill. Sub-zero temperatures and closed roads are the greatest hindrances. The summer months are well packed with various church activities. North Star enter-



**The Lorne Lichty family.**

tained more guests the past summer than previous summers. Visitors are always welcome. In the winter local people drop in. Twenty-two stopped in during one day recently. Sister Lichty is kept busy making coffee and lunch to warm up these fellow-travellers.

Two revivals were conducted during the year, Brethren Edward Gilmore and Basil Long serving as evangelists. Thank God for all that was accomplished.

Our third Youth Camp was held at Candle Lake. Our hearts were thrilled with the inspiring messages of the speakers. Dale Ulery, Springfield, Ohio; Alvin Book, Africa; Ruth Book, India; and Bishop Gilmore, Ontario were speakers.

We had one week of Vacation Bible School. Forward Enlargement Campaign in October, regular worship services and weekly prayer meetings have been conducted. Also a Christ's Crusaders Meeting is held biweekly.

W.M.P.C. has done a fine job. They distributed clothing to the needy.

Two wedding ceremonies were performed.

The young people have been entertained in various types of social activities. There were two wedding showers for newly weds, singspiration services, recreational entertainment, etc.

Our Provincial Council was held at Candle Lake during the Camp. A District Council was held at North Star by our overseer, Rev. Roy Sider.

Services were continued at Candle Lake until November.

Several sought the Lord for salvation. Our burden is for a deeper experience in the hearts of the believers. Pray for us that they shall have nothing less than the fullness of the blessing.

As workers we praise the Lord for almost three years of service in this frontier area. It has been a wonderful opportunity for service. It was not a duty but a debt we owed. We desire to give God our first fruits, not our left-overs.

We joyfully serve in this Northern Frontier.

*Reported by Rev. Lorne Lichty*

**PORT ROWAN,  
ONTARIO, CANADA**

(Walsingham Centre)

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Heise*

In March, 1958, it will be a year we have been living in the village of Walsingham Centre, in the parsonage beside the church. This has been a definite help to the work at this place.

The Sunday School enrollment has increased by 10 in the last year and is now 68. We were able to conduct

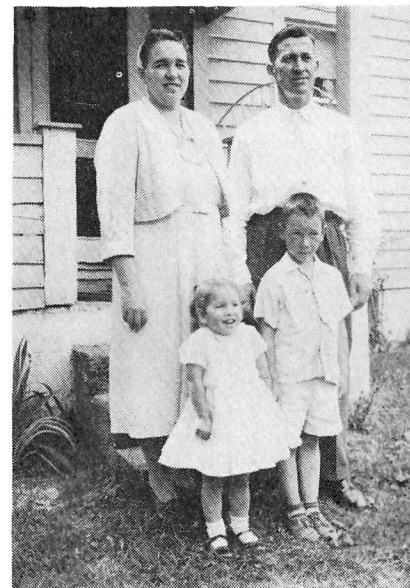


**D. V. B. S. at Walsingham Centre.**

the Vacation Bible School in the church using the mission home for the Beginner's Class.

We continue with Sunday morning Sunday school and worship services, Sunday evening services, and mid-week cottage prayer meetings.

Two of the past year's converts have united with the church and



**Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Heise and family.**

others are regular in their attendance and support of the work here.

We need your continued prayers for wisdom in helping people here to become aware of their need of a Saviour.

*Reported by Rev. Arthur Heise*

**UNIONTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA**

*Worker: S. Iola Dixon*

"And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly." Romans 16:20 We feel God has been working for us in Fayette County, both as a God of peace, and a God of power.

Oliver #3 is a small village called "a patch" fifty miles south of Pittsburgh and four miles north of Uniontown, Pennsylvania. It is called Oliver #3 to distinguish it from Oliver #1 and Oliver #2. At one time these little villages were very prosperous. This is a bituminous coal area.

October 1949 a Sunday school was opened in the basement of the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Lehman. The attendance the first Sunday was 48. The attendance and interest continued to grow. In the Spring of 1952 a church was built by the people of this area, much of the labor was donated and the church was soon free of debt. The church will seat one hundred people. There are three furnished living rooms and two Sunday school rooms in the basement of the church.

Brother John Cole has been the pastor since the beginning of the work. Brother F.B. Keller has served as superintendent for several years. Brother and Sister Martin who are serving at Searight also help in the work here.





S. Iola Dixon

In the Fall of 1956 I contacted the work here in house to house visitation, and following that a door was opened to conduct a Bible Club

Tuesday afternoon for the children and a Bible Study in the evening for the teenagers with a social activity period. During the summer we had an Adult Bible Class.

At present I am living in a house-trailer, located on a lot near the church. This has eliminated much bus traveling and given me a personal contact with the people. I am also conducting a Bible Club at Seairight. A number of Catholic children attend this Bible Club. Many times the children raise their hands for prayer. There have been many interesting accounts of the children taking the Bible stories, songs and Scripture verses home. This Gospel is the Power of God unto Salvation.

*Reported by S. Iola Dixon*

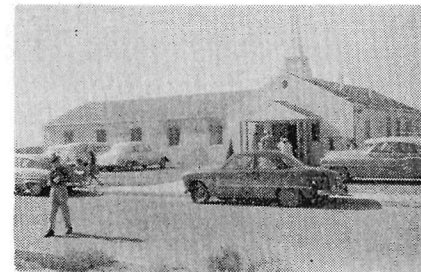
## MISSION PASTORATES

### ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

(Sandia Community Chapel)

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Paul Wingerd*

Reports from the pastor and others indicate a healthy condition of the work while they are engaged in a much needed enlargement program which will double their capacity. They used the basement of the new addition as soon as it was possible because of the urgent need of more space. They expressed appreciation for the privilege of benefiting by the Rotating Loan Fund for Building Churches sponsored by the W.M.P.C. Committee. Their enlargement has been done economically by utilizing donated labor.



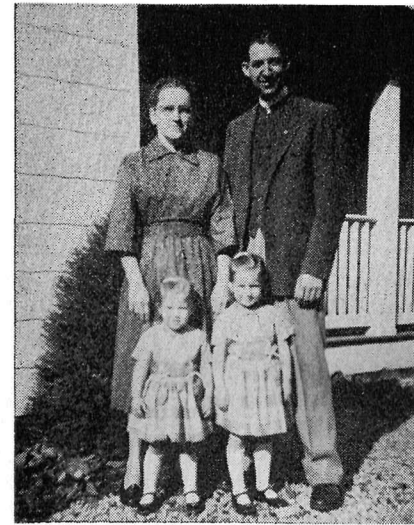
Enlarged Sandia Community Chapel, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

The pastor reports increased activity in their Christ's Crusaders Program, Sunday School, and Worship Services. It is note-worthy that their attendance in the preaching service is nearly equal to that of the Sunday School, sometimes more. We rejoice when we read of souls seek-

ing the Lord in their work at the jail and Detention Home.

It is encouraging to read of the pastor being enriched by more study and reading and that he himself is challenged by an expository type of preaching. Let us pray for this work as the pastor ministers to nearly 100 people and seeks to bring more under the influence of the Gospel.

*Reported by Albert H. Engle*



Rev. and Mrs. Rupert Turman and family.

### ALLISONIA, VIRGINIA

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Rupert Turman*

#### EVANGELISM

God's blessings were upon us, for this we praise Him. Twelve of our young Christian's class sought sanctification. Eight folk from the community found the Lord. Several outsiders in hospitals, homes and by-ways learned for the first time of the peace wanted by all. Thanks to our evangelists Brethren Monroe Dourte

and Sylvanus Landis who served us well.

We are happy for a welcome into the P. T. A. association with evangelistic films. Through these souls are saved.

#### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The superintendent and consecrated staff of teachers and officers showed Sunday School interest that has proved successful. Ten hold Teacher Training Diplomas. Three families totalling eleven moved away. Thus the Sunday school suffered loss. Our average attendance was 55.5.

In the S. S. Standard rating, we gained two points over 1956, our rating 80%.

There was one conversion in the Sunday school and one united with the Church. "One," the Bible says, is worth more than the whole world.

Tables and chairs were a worthy addition to the Beginners Department; also a 7-page map was donated by one family to the cause of Christian Education.

#### SUMMER BIBLE SCHOOL

Again it has been proved that local talent is available and adequate for Bible School Work. Our mothers had a mind to work and with such eagerness among the staff and pupils gave a wonderful Bible School. Our enrollment was 67, average attendance 52, and 28 awards were given for perfect attendance. Our closing program was very commendable.

#### PUBLIC SCHOOLS

A hearty welcome continues to be experienced in our public schools. This is very unusual, especially in a program with a strong evangelistic emphasis. We serve whites and blacks. The three programs given monthly takes program planning and planning with our Lord. Pray for us.





Members of the Youth Camp in Virginia.

#### YOUTH WORK

We were privileged to conduct a Youth Camp again at Independence, Virginia. This Camp was a real blessing. The Lord led a Pennsylvania brother to help with the expenses. This was a blessing for some are not able to pay anything.

We have two youth groups, one known as Christ's Crusaders, the other Junior Christ's Crusaders. Each group meets monthly and their special programs are always anticipated. We are blessed with many good young people. Many need Jesus. Pray.

Seven are enrolled in our Young Christian's Class. We meet weekly for their spiritual good. May they be workers in His Fields.

#### FINANCE

Most of our folks have given to the program with open hearts. This makes our "Board" happy. Contributions for local operation expenses were \$1,743.05; local pastoral offerings, \$647.28; Evangelism, \$192.06;

sent to other general church needs, \$189.76.

We are still paying on a parsonage building loan of \$2,268.64.

The pastor, who furnishes transportation for the church free of charge, had a deficit at the end of the year of \$800.00 on the 9-passenger wagon.

#### SPIRITUALLY

Most of the brethren have gained grounds. They feel the need of a holy life. The House of God is their center of worship. The prayer meeting preceding each service is well attended. The pastor asks for your prayers for him and his little flock among the southern hills.

#### ITEM OF INTEREST

The pastor of this congregation has learned that it pays to be honest and sincere. Some months ago a business man in a nearby community applied for A.B.C. (beer) license. Feeling this would be a detriment to his community, this pastor with other ministers banned a protest. The ap-

plication was fought in Brother Turman's County as well as Richmond, Virginia. Knowing of possibilities in this man, our pastor was careful to keep friendly relations and his convictions kept him on the safe side. Other ministers failed along this line. The opposing of the license was successful, and this pastor failed not to keep up contact and friendship. After months had passed, on December 27, 1957, the pastor was called to this bachelor's home where he gave his heart to God. After this the man would confide in none other man than his pastor, even in his business affairs. By the time this is read, this once lost sinner will have turned all his assets over to the Messiah Home and will be getting his spiritual nurture there for life.

*Reported by Rev. Rupert Turman*

#### ALTOONA, PENNSYLVANIA

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. John Rosenberry*

"O Lord by these things men live and in all these things is the life of my spirit." Isaiah 38:16.

This being our first experience in pastoring a church we appreciate the good cooperation and forbearance of the congregation. We are happy to report an increase in all the services and a good spiritual interest. Eight persons united with the church on September 22.

Some of the special services were as follows:

The "Homecoming" on October 19 which was a great blessing for the "old-timers" who came back to worship and fellowship with us that day. The "Watch Night" Service was also a blessing. The church was crowded with many friends and neighbors when we prayed the old year out and

the new year in. The guest speakers were Rev. Jay Sisco and Rev. Homer Martin.

Our men's prayer meeting and also the women's prayer meeting is proving to be a great asset to our services for which we praise the Lord.

The Fall revival was a time of rejoicing when on one evening 25 knelt at the altar and prayed through to victory. Many of the saints' prayers were answered that evening, to God be all the praise.

We are trusting the Lord for the future and expecting this work to go forward under the Banner of King Jesus. Many are in need of Salvation in this city.

Pray for us and come visit us.

*Reported by Rev. John Rosenberry*

#### BLAIR'S MILLS, PENNSYLVANIA

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Roy Beltz*

God has been blessing the small group who hold the fort at this place as the pastor and his wife faithfully carry on a very active program.

The reports of all the activities as given at the Council—the Sunday school, Vacation Bible School, Christ's Crusaders, W.M.P.C., also the worship services and prayer meetings indicated a wholesome church life.

The Vacation Bible School with an enrollment of 87 was blest with nine decisions for Christ.

Though the economic situation of the community creates pressure and some of the leading families are moving out, yet the congregation increased their support of the pastor.

Pray that the Lord will direct for the future welfare of this work.

*Reported by the secretary*

## CHECK, VIRGINIA

(Adney Gap)

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. I. Raymond Conner*

We thank the Lord for His blessings during the past year. Progress has been made as we obeyed His voice and moved forward in His work.

Many were drawn closer to the Lord during the revival meetings conducted by Brother Andrew Mc-Niven. The attendance raised due to people bringing in others to learn about Jesus. The average attendance in Sunday school was 89. The prayer meeting on Thursday evening was well attended.

A Christ's Crusaders unit was organized the middle of the year. Many youth attended and they put forth efforts to bring other youth to the knowledge of Christ.

Two of our congregation are attending Messiah College in preparation for Christian Service. Another young lady is beginning to realize a call to serve in the Lord's work.

Plans were made in the last Council Meeting toward building a parsonage in the community in which the church is located. This would help us to better minister to the needs of the people and give them guidance. We could also increase our visitation program. At present we live 18 miles away.

Recently we visited in a home located away from the road. It is a thirty-minute climb up a steep mountain. It is a one room house with a half window, no electricity, and only a stove pipe for a chimney. The mother is a member of the church and a very consecrated Christian. At the time of her conversion, she had a very definite witness of a change of heart. The husband is a rough sinner and often the wife suffers abuse

in many ways. A son was born into this home three weeks before our visit with only a mid-wife attending. The mother attends church but the husband does not. When I invited him to attend, I said, "The Lord was certainly with your wife the night she got saved." "He still is with her," he replied. He promised to attend when the weather gets warm. Help us pray for the many unsaved folks like him as there are quite a number living near the church who never come.

Last year we obtained possession of the Callaway Church. This church had been closed for a number of years due to disagreement and much sin and confusion among its latest pastor and leaders. We are now in the process of remodelling the building as well as trying to restore its spirituality. A Sunday school was organized with an enrollment of 58. We have worship services once a week. For this new work we request your help both financially and prayerfully.

*Reported by Rev. Raymond Conner*

## COLLINGWOOD, ONTARIO, CANADA

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Isaac Schmucker, Elizabeth Bloomfield*

Again we are thankful for the many manifestations of God's favor and blessing upon the work and workers at this place the past year. We are grateful for God undertaking for Sister Schmucker's physical condition.

Sister Bloomfield has been a real blessing to the work, both in sharing household responsibilities and helping in the Mission Program.

Under the blessing of the Holy Spirit the Gospel has continued to go forth in convicting power and refreshing of the believers.

We have had a year that was filled with great joy and deep sorrow. Each moment has been filled to capacity with memories that have wrought changes in the lives of each member of the flock, and shall linger in our hearts for years to come.

Our one deep passion and concern is that many may yet find Christ as their personal Saviour before the trumpet sounds.

*Reported by Rev. Isaac Schmucker*

## DELISLE, SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Marshall Baker*

The local congregation carried on an aggressive church program without a resident pastor the greater part of the year of 1957.

In the early Fall, Rev. and Mrs. Marshall Baker and daughter, Marsha Lou moved from Stayner, Ontario to serve as pastor.

Soon after the arrival of the pastor there was a revival meeting. Mr. Everett Jones, a visitor from the North Star area, renewed his fellowship with the Lord—a real victory for the work in that area.

The Youth Clubs continued through out the year with good interest, 24 youth attending.

The Camp at Candle Lake was enjoyed by a number of Delisle folks.

New homes have been open for the cottage prayer meeting. 26 enjoyed a prayer meeting in a home in Delisle recently.

Though the congregation is small that meets in the Frontenac school-house each Sunday, yet the Lord blesses.

Pray for this work.

*Reported by the secretary*

## EVERETT, PENNSYLVANIA

(Clear Creek Church)

Another year is in the past. We are grateful for the manifestation of God's presence in the meetings. At present the Sunday School attendance is 103; enrollment 201. We have one new family coming regularly of which the man just got converted in our last revival meeting.

Each Thursday afternoon the women meet at the church for their W.M. P.C. meeting. They also pray for the home church and for the unsaved of our congregation. We believe the Lord is going to save souls here before He comes.

The young people have as their project, the finishing of the nursery. With the increase in our Cradle Roll, the congregation realizes the need of furnishing and completing this much needed part of the church.

Our young people have an opportunity of service at the Old Folks Home in Bedford, Pa. Pray that the Lord will continue to open doors of usefulness for our young people at Clear Creek.

Will you please join us in prayer for an old-fashioned, Holy Ghost revival here, and that He will richly bless the work in the coming year.

*Reported by Rev. Ross Morningstar*

## GARLIN, KENTUCKY

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Wilbur Benner*

### BEULAH CHAPEL

We feel the Lord is leading the saints into a deeper fellowship with Him. Our Sunday night services show an increase in attendance and interest. In one service while the pastor was preaching, a man rose from his seat and made his way to





**Pastor Benner administering baptism.**

the altar of prayer. The saints gathered round and within ten minutes he was gloriously saved.

During the revival four souls sought the Lord. The Bible-centered, prophetic messages of the evangelist, Bishop J. Lester Myers, stirred the community until the house was filled nightly.

Christ's Crusaders meetings are held twice a month.

A week of Vacation Bible School was conducted by Loa Lyons.

A Christmas program was rendered by the children and young people and the offering was sent to Mt. Carmel orphanage.

In October we held our first Joint Prayer Meeting when all congregations of Kentucky met at Beulah Chapel. God wonderfully blessed this meeting.

Congregational Council decided to sell the present parsonage which is badly in need of repairs and build a new parsonage near the church.

#### MT. CARMEL

There is a prayer meeting in this area each week. God's presence is manifested as we meet in an old store building for services. At a missionary meeting here, Brother and Sister Alvin Book told about a missionary's life in Africa. The interest was good.

#### GRASSY SPRINGS

During the past year it seemed advisable to discontinue services in this community. Provisions were made to sell the church. The members transferred their membership to Beulah Chapel.

#### BLOOMINGTON

The hand of the Lord has been on the work in this congregational area during the past year. God gave a gracious revival when twenty souls were saved, most of them were young people. On Mother's Day about 200 people gathered on the banks of Sulphur Creek and 11 obeyed the Lord in baptism. Shouts ascended as mothers and daughters alike obeyed the Lord.

Another time of rejoicing took place in October when we observed our Lovefeast. A number participated for the first time. The schoolhouse was packed for the night service. Two sisters were received into church membership during the year.

In October we realized 156% increase in the Sunday school attendance, winning the banner for the class "C" schools.

Prayer meeting and preaching services are held each week in addition to Sunday school.

An eight day Vacation Bible School was conducted with Sister Loa Lyons serving. The enrollment was 45.

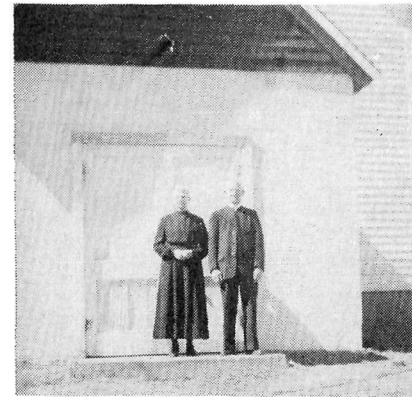


**Sunday School at Bloomington, Ky.**

A Young People's Meeting is held each month in the homes.

God has blest the work here in the past year and we are looking forward to more victory in the coming year.

*Reported by Rev. Wilbur Benner*



**Rev. and Mrs. Gary Lyons at the Gladwin, Michigan church.**

#### GLADWIN, MICHIGAN

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Gary G. Lyons*

We wish to thank God for His presence with us during the past year.

Although we have not seen the interest manifested by some in the community we had hoped to see, we are still encouraged that a few who were not attending the services have attended during the last of the year, and just recently a few children who have begun coming to Sunday school. Also, we have hopes of some more of the older people attending in the near future.

It is also encouraging to hear some of our own group testify to spiritual growth and development. We also feel the Spirit of conviction working on some hearts who have never known the joys of salvation.

We solicit the prayers of all for the work here.

*Reported by Rev. Gary Lyons*

#### GRANTS PASS, OREGON

(Redwood Country Church)

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Diller*

This will be the last time that this church will be reporting through the *Handbook of Missions* as our work is entirely self-supporting and will be given congregational status under the new administration.

1957 was a good year in our Sunday school with an increase of average attendance from 128 in 1956 to 138 this past year. A visitation program was attempted in the late Spring and it is our feeling that this effort was responsible for the increase in attendance. At any rate we are sure that a visitation program produces lasting results.

Six persons were baptized on the first Sunday of September—five of whom were young married people and our teenage daughter. Four of these were saved in a city-wide evangelistic campaign in which our church cooperated.

We experienced a most gracious revival in our midst under the ministry of Rev. Jack Schisler, a former missionary in Borneo under the Christian and Missionary Alliance. Night after night spiritual and physical needs were met and lives were delivered from various types of bondage. The real break came after the evangelist was gone with one Sunday evening given entirely to testifying what the Lord has done. The effects of these meetings are continuing on with the evidence of victorious living and effectual praying.

*Reported by Rev. Glenn Diller*

#### HANOVER, PENNSYLVANIA

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Lady*

As we take a retrospective view of the work here at Hanover the past year, we are reminded of the words

of Zechariah 4:6: "Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit saith the Lord of Hosts."

I believe it will be fitting at this time to express our appreciation for the support of the local congregation, for the pleasure of serving under the guidance of the Home Mission Board, and for our new overseer, Albert Engle, who played no small part in making the following report possible.

We have been worshipping in our new church about two years. The basement was first completed. We moved into it while the upstairs and main sanctuary was being completed. It has been a great thrill to Sister Lady and myself to move into the lovely church and see God work.

In our thirty years of pastoral work, we have seen the "troubling of the waters" in this community as we had never experienced before in our ministry. We are experiencing not only people getting through to victory in the regular services but people seeking God in their homes. We have had the joy of seeing hardened sinners weep, confessing their sinful condition.

The "down and out" are not the only ones that the Lord is dealing with. But the "up and outs" are also finding themselves in God's plan of Salvation. They thought they were saved but found out that they were only good church members.

Since the report for the *Handbook of Missions* was written for last year, the Sunday School and church services have increased approximately 75%. The offerings and other phases of the work have increased accordingly.

#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Last summer our Vacation Bible School was one of the greatest factors in introducing our church and her program to the community. It

was the first school. The average attendance was 132.

#### RADIO BROADCAST

The broadcast every Friday evening at 6:45 over W.H.V.R. Hanover has given us good publicity.

#### REVIVALS

We had two revivals, Spring and Fall. These are proving a great spiritual blessing.

With the upsurge created in the public services, we are finding that a strong visiting program is proving effective to keep the work climbing through the year.

This new work has been demanding our full time and we are having a great time giving it. The thrill of obeying the Lord and trusting Him for our needs is challenging. You cannot out-give God. Just try it.

If you desire to know more than this report can give, write to us and we will be glad to give you more details of how God has supplied and is working.

With all that has been done, we feel we have only seen a little of what God can do. Let us believe God for greater things. Amen!

*Reported by Rev. Samuel Lady*

#### HOLLIDAYSBURG, PENNA.

(Canoe Creek)

We thank God for His presence with us during this year. We have had some blessed times in the Lord, in our regular services on Sundays and prayer meetings. The Lord met with us in a real way during our revival in the Spring. Rev. Joseph Calander of Portsmouth, Ohio gave us the Gospel in an old-fashioned way.

Along with the good times, we have also had some rough going, some mountain climbing and the devil has tried to defeat us, but thank God there is victory in Jesus.

We had a Vacation Bible School for one week. The interest and attendance was good.

It has been very encouraging to see the young people take hold. Their meetings have been blest of God. The Christmas caroling was enjoyed by all.

The interest remains good at Mt. Etna. The vacation Bible School was well attended. The church building was remodelled. The Dedication was the first Sunday of January 1958.

For all that has been accomplished, we give the glory and praise to God.

*Reported by Rev. Sheldon Wilson*

#### HUNLOCK CREEK, PENNA.

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Bouch*

As we review the work of the past year, we think of the words of Paul in I Corinthians 10:13, "But God is faithful." We have found this to be true in the various activities of the church. In business meetings as well as Love Feast occasions, we have enjoyed the presence of the Lord.

Although we cannot report gains in numbers in the Sunday School and church services, we are happy to have held our ground with hopes of a brighter future.

The Spring and Fall revivals have proven a spiritual blessing to us. Brother John Byers and Brother Harry Hock faithfully preached God's Word. We saw some new seekers as well as several of our young people getting a touch from God.

Near the end of the year, a young mother from a near-by community brought her twin sons to the parsonage where she dedicated them to the Lord. We are trusting that this

may be an opening to reach many of her family and encourage them to serve the Lord.

We feel a need of special interest in your prayers at this time.

*Reported by Rev. Thomas Bouch*

#### HURON, CALIFORNIA

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Carl Wolgemuth*

The work at Huron has been carried on in cooperation with M.C.C. as a migrant work. However, the migrant aspect of the work is changing because of the discontinuance of some of the Camps. The population of the area is becoming more stabilized. This is having a corresponding effect on the work.

During the latter part of the year a garage was remodelled for worship purposes. Voluntary labor was greatly appreciated to give the old building the necessary "face-lifting." Someone remarked, "I have never seen a roof being shingled in such a short time."

In the midst of this re-adjustment period, the average attendance for November was as follows: Sunday School 34, Worship 38, Evening Service 31. Best of all, in this month one man sought and found the Lord.

Prayers are solicited that in all these services and various types of youth work, souls may be saved and God's work built up; also that God's plan for the future of this work may be carried out.

*Reported by the secretary*

#### ICKESBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

(Saville Church)

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Roy Musser*

We have realized a deepening of the spiritual life of some of the peo-



ple of the community in the past year. The Lord has been faithful in giving us strength for the needs and problems of this church. The work has not been as visibly successful as it has experienced in past years, but when some testify to God's leadings in their lives, we know that He is blessing the Word as it is preached.

The community enjoyed a Vacation Bible School in the summer. In this way the Gospel message was given to children who do not attend services on Sunday.

The Saville congregation decreased their church debt the past three years from \$2,000 to \$235. This was done by our people who have worked only half the year. We thank the Lord for this liberality.

We need your prayers in this Fortress of the Lord, in the battle against Satan. We need a revival of the spiritual life of a number of the professors. We need prayer for the ministry of the Word.

*Reported by Rev. Roy Musser*

#### IRON SPRINGS, PENNSYLVANIA

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. James Leshner*

The Work in this rural community is continuing its mission in a needy field. God has been moving on adult hearts in various ways. There are those who have started to attend the morning services rather regularly. Some sought the Lord during the Spring revival and have continued their testimony through the year. The Spirit has continued to speak to others about their soul need.

The highlight of the year was our 35th Anniversary. This service had two purposes, the one was to celebrate the beginning of this work in 1922 by Brother C. N. Hostetter, Jr. and Brother Albert H. Engle. The

other reason was to bring our church debt to an end. The new church was dedicated in 1954 and in August 1957 at the close of our Anniversary we had a little more than needed to pay the last note of \$550.00.

In October we had a note-burning service which brought an end to this church debt. This brought much joy to the people here and will make it possible to give in other areas.

God's blessings have made possible these financial and spiritual victories but your prayers for Iron Springs will help to gain new spiritual victories and will continue the challenge of sacrificial giving.

*Reported by Rev. James Leshner*

#### KINDERSLEY, SASKATCHEWAN

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. John Garman*

During the year, toilet facilities were added in the basement of the church, and cement walk and steps were completed at the entrance.

Attendance has been steady at all services, and we have greatly appreciated the number of young people who boosted the ranks this past year. They have been taking charge of the Sunday evening services with topics, special music and a short message by the pastor.

A number of our folks again shared the blessings of summer camp held at Candle Lake.

Bro. Basil Long served as evangelist for our fall revival campaign, and there were several who received definite help.

The Sewing Circle and the Women's Missionary Prayer Circle have been active, and Pioneer Girls' meetings are held weekly.

Three were added to church fellowship this year.

Pray that the work here will continue to move forward under the blessing of the Lord.

*Reported by Rev. John Garman*

#### KITTANNING, PENNSYLVANIA

(Sunnyside Chapel)

The work at Sunnyside Chapel was carried on as well as possible by a non-resident pastor, living 80 miles away and supporting himself. Efforts were made to rent a house in the area but that was not possible. Rev. and Mrs. Norris Bouch gave much sacrificial labor. What they did was definitely a credit to the cause of Christ and the Church.

However, because of a number of factors in the community, the difficulties of such a long range administration, and our shortage of pastors, the Home Mission Board decided to discontinue our work there. Our sense of stewardship of personnel and money causes us to believe we can invest what we are responsible for, elsewhere.

A local evangelical group is conducting services in the Chapel. An official transfer was effected November 17. We are renting the property with option for purchase this Spring.

*Reported by the secretary*

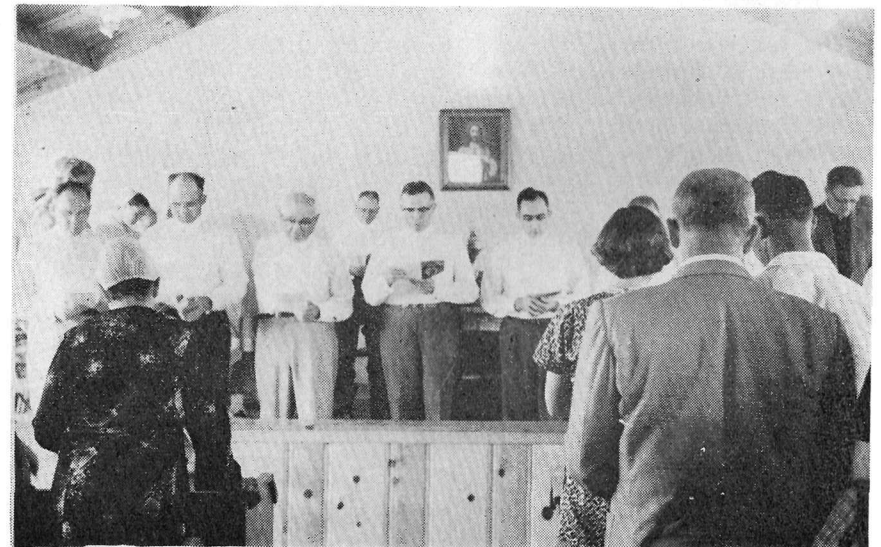
#### KNIFLEY, KENTUCKY

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. P. B. Friesen, Margaret Friesen*

.. "All things work together for good to them that love the Lord; to them who are called according to His purpose." (Romans 8:28)

Here we are in 1958 in our new church for which we are thankful. The dedication was July 28, 1957. It was a very warm day but the presence of the Lord was there. We appreciated the visiting brethren from Ohio and Indiana and the large group of local people. The offering was good.

Following the dedication was a Vacation Bible School. Brother and Sister Jesse Peters served as super-



Dedication service at Knifley, Ky.



Bible Club at Knifley, Ky.

intendent and secretary. The teachers were local people. Enrollment was 104, average attendance 76. Bible Club followed the Summer Bible School once a week with Margaret Friesen as teacher. 45 enrolled.

On November 9 we observed our Love Feast in the new church. The blessing of the Lord was on the service from the beginning to the end. His presence was so precious and shouts of joy made the church ring. It was encouraging to see some take part for the first time. Our hearts were stirred as we listened to the messages given to us by visiting brethren.

Our revival meeting was from November 10-24 with Rev. Edward Hackman, Uniontown, Ohio as evangelist. Six souls sought the Lord and many hands were raised for prayer.

The Sunday School is growing. Regular services are well attended.

Pray for the work at Knifley.

*Reported by Rev. P. B. Friesen*

#### LITTLE MARSH, PENNSYLVANIA (Jemison Valley Community Church)

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Landis*

"All things work together for good to them that love God, to them that

are called according to His purpose." (Romans 8:28)

Echoes are coming from the new Mission Pastorate at Little Marsh, Pennsylvania. We have enjoyed a year of spiritual growth. We had a good soul-reaping harvest in our tent meeting in July, with Albert H. Engle serving as evangelist. We had the first Baptismal and Reception Service the last day of our tent meeting. Seven were baptized and nine were received into church fellowship, including Brother David Yoder who felt led of God to unite with us and help with the work on a self-employment basis.

We were blessed with an outstanding Love Feast Service. One soul sought the Lord during this service.

The passing of Sister Emma Landis to her reward in October with the subsequent removal of our sister helper, Miss Margaretha Fetter, has had its effect on the work.

We request your prayers that God will continue to lead this work forward with a great harvest of souls.

*Reported by Rev. Samuel Landis*

#### LLEWELLYN, PENNSYLVANIA

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Charles Melhorn*

"Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." (Joshua 1:9)

This Scripture brings encouragement to us as we labor for God at Llewellyn. There are times when it seems like we are in a hand to hand conflict with the devil. Praise the Lord for personal victory through Christ.

The beginning of April the Charles Melhorn Family moved to Llewellyn to serve as pastor.

In June we held a twelve-night revival campaign with Brother Walter Winger as evangelist. The attendance was fair with no visible results. In December we had another evangelistic effort with Brother Arthur Brubaker serving as evangelist with no visible results and poor attendance.

We began a Youth Fellowship for the young people of the community the latter part of July. This is conducted on a Saturday night. The program includes choruses, prayer, frequent down-to-earth talks to young people, games, and refreshments. About 30 attend.

Sickness caused a decrease in Sunday School attendance in October. Special speakers during the year were Rev. Paul McBeth, Rev. Roy Mann and Rev. Richard Gordon. The Messiah College Gospel Team gave a program.

There was one soul saved during the year and one person healed.

The building Project is moving along as rapidly as money is available. We hope to dedicate the chapel the coming year.

Brethren, pray for us.

*Reported by Rev. Charles Melhorn*

#### MASSILLON, OHIO

(Christian Fellowship Mission)

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Ressler*

The former pastor, Rev. Eli Hostetler, Sr. and wife continued the work until September. They had served very faithfully and was granted a leave of absence as they desired.

The new pastor, Rev. Glenn Ressler, and wife and son came to Massillon on September 1. The members of the congregation had a food

shower for them just two days after they moved in.

In the Fall the congregation assumed the responsibility of purchasing the church. There was some renovating done in the building so that there would be more room for Sunday School Classes.

We are thankful for an increase in Sunday School and church attendance. September 1 the average attendance was around 50 and by Christmas the attendance was 80.

Rev. Harry Hock was our evangelist for two weeks. A number of souls received help. Some felt they had grown cold and needed reviving.

*Reported by Rev. Glenn Ressler*

#### MOUNTAIN CHAPEL

(Ray's Cove)

*Workers: Rev. Jay MacKie, Rev. and Mrs. Norris Bouch*

During the year there was a change of pastors at this Station.

Rev. Jay MacKie served the greater part of the year and the services were blessed of the Lord. There is a Sunday School and regular preaching services. Also a mid-week prayer meeting was conducted part of the year.

There was also a very good revival held during the year.

Following is a brief report from the present pastor who served only a small part of 1957:

Greetings in Jesus' name: Another year of blessing has passed for the Ray's Cove congregation.

We do not look back on 1957 as a year of failures or defeats but as a year of advancements and victories.

Although we have not served long as pastor here, we have realized that God has met with us.

Visions are good, hopes are high

and faith is being cultivated that we may see many advancements in the coming year.

Please pray for us at Ray's Cove.

*Reported by Rev. Norris Bouch*

### PADDOCKWOOD, SASKATCHEWAN

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Maurice Moore*

Progress in this little northern village has never been spectacular. Nevertheless, the fact remains that "one soul is worth more than all the world."

During the past year two souls sought the Lord and several new children have been attending the services. In view of the adverse weather and road conditions which vary with the seasons, the faithfulness of the congregation in general has been commendable.

Our Summer Camp was conducted at Candle Lake in cooperation with the other Saskatchewan congregations. This event was made outstanding by our visiting missionaries.

Two revival Meetings were conducted, one in July and one in November with Brother Edward Gilmore and Brother Basil Long both of Ontario, serving as evangelists. An extensive program of visitation was carried out during these campaigns.

Progress has also been evidenced in the wiring of the church building and in the purchase of new hymnals. We are indeed grateful to those who have assisted us in making these improvements possible.

Our greatest need is for your earnest prayers.

*Reported by Rev. Maurice Moore*

### REINHOLDS, PENNSYLVANIA (Bethel Church)

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Allen Hoffer*

We would like to express the operations of the work here in the words of I Samuel 7:12, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

The Lord's blessing has been upon the regular services each Sunday morning and evening and in the mid-week prayer meeting. A strong spiritual emphasis has been maintained. The attendance has increased. When the work began in 1956 there was an enrollment in the Sunday School of 25. The average attendance for 1957 was 44.



**Congregation at Bethel Chapel,  
Reinholds, Penna.**

The Vacation Bible School was well attended.

A number of contacts were made in homes and hospitals.

Some of the highlights of our activities during the year were:

The Dedication Service on May 12 followed with a Communion Service.

The two revivals were well attended and there were a number of seekers in both meetings. Bishop Luke Keefer and Brother Harry Brubaker were the evangelists. They preached good spiritual messages which were an up-lift to us.

A baptismal service was conducted by Bishop Ginder. A number were baptized. A number were also received into church membership.

Financially we are self-supporting, and free of debt.

One of our problems is that we need more room for Sunday School.

We thank the Lord for everything He has done for us. May He continue to prosper His work in this part of His vineyard.

*Reported by Rev. Allen Hoffer*

### RINGGOLD, MARYLAND

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Hoover*

The pastor and his wife have endeavored to carry on a program of services at this historic Brethren in Christ Church against difficult odds. The work being not far from Hollowell and there being another church program in the immediate community presents some obvious problems.

A Summer Bible School was conducted and out of that developed a boys' club. The most encouraging report we have is, and I quote the pastor, "One young couple (whom I married) made decisions for Christ at their home."

We solicit your prayers that we may have divine guidance concerning the future of this work.

*Reported by Albert H. Engle*

### SAXTON, PENNSYLVANIA

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Glenn G. Hostetter*

**PRAISE THE LORD:** God is blessing the work. The spiritual tenor of our congregation is going up. This is mainly the results of the fervent endeavor of the Women's Missionary Prayer Circle, "The Life-line of our congregation." Every Wednesday all who can gather at 1:00 P.M. to pray. You can see God working all around us. Souls are hungry and restless.

**STATISTICS FOR 1957:** Three new members added; one saved in hos-

pital contact; one saved at home; one in the W.M.P.C.; several in the regular evening services; numerous hands for prayer; new record in our Sunday School attendance—previous highest, 103; for 1957, 115; the Vacation Bible School was very good throughout.

**REVIVAL SERVICES:** Both Spring and Fall Meetings were blessed of the Lord. Several reclaimed and four sanctified. Brother Harry L. Brubaker and Brother Bruce Grove served as evangelists. Their ministry coincided with Acts 20:27.

**VISITATION:** The calls and demands for pastoral visitation is on the increase. It is leading to an organized visitation program in which the congregation will participate. The "Navigator's Topical Memory System" was introduced (several are taking it) as a forerunner in preparation. God gave definite healing touches on calls, along with spiritual refreshings to individuals. Our desire, Acts 2:42.

A warmer contact is observed with those of other denominations.

**NEW BLOOD IN THE CHURCH:** One of the deepest longings of our congregation is for new material. Our membership consists mainly of women. Perhaps the most outstanding event and blessing that has come to our congregation for a long time is the conversion of the son of one of our elder sisters. He recently sold the saloon he ran for a few years. (See article in November 19, 1956, page 5 of *Evangelical Visitor*.) In this Fall's revival at Sherman's Valley the Lord saved him. About a week later in our revival he and his wife were both sanctified. He is now teacher of the intermediate boys Sunday School Class and also an usher. Best of all is his personal testimony. Both of them are "go-getters." She keeps the telephone go-



ing and he has a contact with people that know his former life, that the pastor doesn't have. He feels a leading toward some type of Christian service. When a boy, he talked a lot of being a preacher some day. Pray for this couple. We anticipate their baptism and church membership.

*Reported by Rev. Glenn G. Hostetter*

#### SHANESVILLE, OHIO

Rev. and Mrs. Atlee Hershberger who were assigned to this work in 1956 continued their services until after General Conference of 1957 when they moved to Pennsylvania.

The Home Mission Board arranged with a member of the congregation, Brother Eli Christener, to carry on services until a pastor could be secured. Our failure to do this and with cold weather coming on, Brother Christener resigned. So the Home Mission Board temporarily closed the work for the winter. We solicit your prayers for guidance in discovering a pastor for this congregation.

*Reported by the secretary*

#### SHERMAN'S VALLEY, PENNA.

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Marlin Ressler*

There are two truths we have learned this past year in a greater way: John 15:5b, "For without me ye can do nothing." Then Philipians 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

We praise the Lord for a small increase in the average attendance in Sunday School. This came about by just a steady increase all year, not by any outstanding attendance at any particular time. We are thank-

ful for new families attending more regularly.

Our Bible School was a precious experience with a higher enrollment and the teachers and helpers all volunteers from our own community.

In the Fall Brother Ralph Palmer from Detroit, Michigan was with us for a series of meetings. The Lord blessed us indeed with challenging truths, folks seeking God and manifestations of God's great power and glory in our midst.

One definite need here at Sherman's Valley is facilities for Sunday School classes in the basement. A building fund was started and by the end of 1957 we had \$500.00, a good sum for a small community with much unemployment. Plans are being made to begin the work in the Spring. We shall be glad for its completion.

We are praising God that our local people are carrying more responsibility in the Lord's work here.

We covet your prayers for the young married couples who need the Lord in their hearts and home, for the teenagers who need to be saved, and for the Christians who are following the Lord, and for us workers, the servants of the Lord at Sherman's Valley.

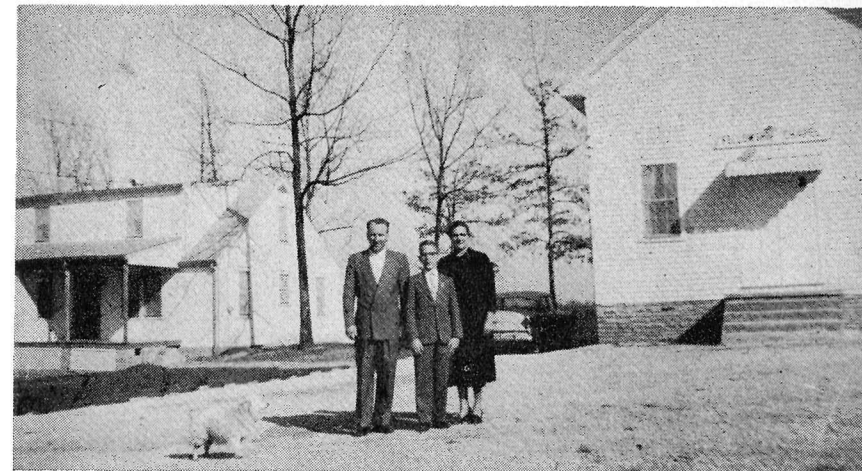
*Reported by Rev. Marlin Ressler*

#### SPARTA, TENNESSEE

(DeRossett)

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. John Schock*

On February 7, 1957, we moved from Virginia to take up the work among the people of White County, at DeRossett, Tennessee. We had learned to love these people during a two-week revival in the summer of 1956 when we served as evangelist. It was easy for us to feel at home



*Rev. and Mrs. John Schock and son Johnnie.*

because of the warm welcome we received.

Immediately we proceeded to build a parsonage next to the schoolhouse, which the Home Mission Board had bought and remodelled into a chapel and parsonage. In May we started to move into the new building, a room at a time. Because of the unusual interest within the congregation, we as a local people took the project of remodelling the schoolhouse into a church. On October 6th Dedication Services for the Church and parsonage were held. We now have a Church-Parsonage set-up which is meeting our needs.

During the year, our Sunday School tripled the attendance of the year before. The Sunday night and Wednesday night services were unusually well attended. Around twenty-five persons were saved during the regular services and revivals. At present the membership at DeRossett is twelve. Among this number is four couples. We have also elected our first steward.

We are looking forward and praying for a community revival in 1958. Already God is answering prayer.

*Reported by Rev. John Schock*

#### STOWE, PENNSYLVANIA

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. John Bicksler*

The outside amplifiers of our public address system, supply this community with good Gospel music prior to the opening of our Sunday and Revival Meeting times. During community visitation the pastor occasionally hears comments of appreciation from people for the blessing of this good music. We feel that it is "beamed" to the people on the sidewalks and those sitting on porches. One family came to Sunday school and has continued to come because they heard these songs that born-again people enjoy.

A total reorganization in our financial pattern gave to us a single treasury with improved book-keeping facilities. The budget system of finance has given us a new sense of direction and has its blessings as well as a few re-adjustments. The congregation has been able to see our building debt brought within fairly easy payment reach. At the same time they moved further toward congregational status by assuming more of the pastor's financial support.



Stowe youth in literature distribution work.

The Sunday School has suffered some because of children moving out of the area, plus other problems. Due to insufficient teacher help the Vacation Bible School was omitted this year.

Christ's Crusaders Meetings had some very good programs. The participation on the part of the young people was most gratifying.

Pray with us for spiritual victories that a greater love and compassion might radiate the love of God to this community.

*Report by Rev. John Bicksler*

SYLVATUS, VIRGINIA  
(Bethel)

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Paul Martin, Jr.*

We are grateful to the Lord for His movings among us. Truly He has been so good to us in many ways. The past year saw great times of refreshing with two good revival meetings. To hear folk say in the community that the Bethel Church is a place where they get fed spiritually is a great encouragement to us.

The average attendance in the Sunday School has raised three in the past year; and the prayer meetings are very well attended. The Sunday night services are unusually well attended, with the church well filled for each service.

To God be all the glory for all that was done at Bethel this past year.

May God's richest blessings continue on the work here.

*Reported by Rev. Paul Martin, Jr.*

THREE SPRINGS, PENNA.

(Center Grove Chapel)

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Marion Walker*

The work at Center Grove has experienced several changes during the year 1957.

Our first Congregational Council was held in January, resulting in greater responsibility resting upon our local people. The Teacher Training Class conducted early in the year resulted in more intensive study habits on the part of the teachers in this area. The Sunday School has shown increase both numerically and financially. Curtains were installed in the Chapel to separate classes.

In our Spring revival several of our boys and girls sought the Lord, and later in the year followed the Lord in baptism.

A Christ's Crusaders group was organized in the Fall resulting in greater service opportunities for our people.

Please remember this work in prayer.

*Reported by Rev. Marion Walker*

TILLSONBURG, ONTARIO

(Frogmore)

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Alonza Vannatter*

We praise the Lord that His hand has been over us for good during the year of 1957.

There is Sunday School every Sunday morning with an enrollment of 64. Sunday evening worship

service and Thursday evening prayer meetings continue. During the winter months the prayer meeting is in homes, which seems to bring the blessing down.

There is a Joint Sewing Circle of the sisters of the three Stations of this area—Houghton Centre, Walsingham Centre and Frogmore. Many bundles of quilts and clothing go out to M.C.C. for distribution to the needy.

In the Spring a Rev. Brown, native of Jamaica, was our evangelist for an eight-day campaign. The meetings were well attended, the Spirit-filled messages were a blessing to all. A number of persons knelt at the altar and received help from God.

The one week Vacation Bible School was well attended.

In December, under the leadership of our Home Mission Board representative, Rev. Roy Sider, a Joint Council Meeting of the Houghton District was held. The main business of this Council was that Frogmore and Houghton Centre congregations should move through the proper channels to become organized congregations under the Canadian Conference.

Please pray for the people and work here that we may move forward.

*Reported by Rev. Alonza Vannatter*

HOUGHTON CENTRE CHURCH

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Basil Long*

The work here has been encouraging as the pastor has endeavored to promote an aggressive soul-saving program.

The wholesome nature of the program is evidenced by the fact that steps are in progress to transfer it from the administration of the Home

Mission Board to the Canadian Conference.

Souls were saved in church services, Vacation Bible School and home visitation.

Pray that God will bless this work.

*Reported by the Secretary*



Rev. and Mrs. Harvey Sider.

TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Harvey Sider*

This work was served by Brother and Sister Ronald Lofthouse the first part of the year. God blessed their ministry. They left Toronto in August to take up further training at Messiah College. The present pastor assumed responsibilities on August 22.

The year 1957 was one of progress in our church at Toronto. We feel as the old prophet felt when he was led by the Lord to say, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit saith the Lord," when we see what was done. We also have this



**Junior Choir, Toronto, Ontario.**

same prayer as we face the year of 1958.

Last year was marked by conversions, especially as a result of the Vacation Bible School and increase in attendance at the services. We appreciate these gains but we feel that with the large field at our doors, there is still much to be done.

A Junior Choir of about fifteen girls from the ages 10-16 as well as a Boy's Club has helped to create interest and maintain the youth of this age group. The choir sings nearly every Sunday.

As God continues to lead us forward, we covet your prayers. Many times we feel limited. It is only according to our united prayers and faith that our work in this great city will result in the salvation of souls.

*Reported by Rev. Harvey Sider*

### UNIONTOWN, OHIO

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Edward Hackman*

We appreciated the warm reception given to us as we arrived here to enter into the work the latter part of the summer of 1957. The time labor-

ing here with these people has been very enjoyable.

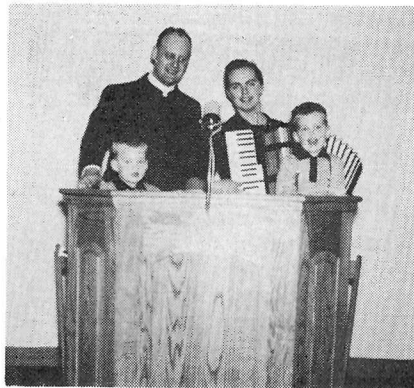
A Bible Conference was held in October with Bishop Carl Stump and Rev. Ohmer Herr administering the Word to us. The high-light of this meeting was the Youth Rally on Saturday night.

Two revivals were conducted with Rev. Andrew McNiven and Rev. Ralph Palmer serving as evangelists. About 25 souls sought the Lord in each of these revivals.

There is yet much land to be conquered. But as the Israelites conquered as they went forward under the guidance of God so may we conquer under His guidance.

Along with the many other programs of the church we are launching an extensive visitation program, with every member a visitor. May we be bound together in Love, Unity, and Prayer for this growing congregation.

*Reported by Rev. Edward Hackman*



**Rev. and Mrs. Edward Hackman and family.**

## MISSION CHURCHES

### ORLANDO, FLORIDA

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. Gerald Wingert*

As we look back over the past twelve months we are made aware of the marvelous workings of the Lord. We are thankful for the souls that have been won during that time.

In mid-July we moved to Orlando to carry on the work which Brother and Sister Harold Wolgemuth had been nobly performing. With only a few months to observe the Field, we do feel quite encouraged about the work here. The splendid cooperation among our people has resulted in attendance growth.

The Christ's Crusaders have been presenting a variety of programs. Our youth group also participated in a Community Chorus which gave a Christmas Program in one of the local churches.

Our Women's Missionary Prayer Circle has been giving inspirational programs to stimulate missionary vision. A part of our missionary work here is to aid in sponsoring the Gems of Grace Broadcast. We are very happy to present this Broadcast to the residents of Orlando. It has been a real source of blessing to many.

Several families moved to Orlando during the past year. These who become permanent residents help immeasurably to strengthen the program of the church.

Pray that this southern Lighthouse will be effective during the coming year for reaching the lost.

When you come to Florida we invite you to look up the church at 1712 Cook Street and worship with us.

*Reported by Rev. Gerald Wingert*

### SALEM, OREGON

(Labish Community Church)

*Workers: Rev. and Mrs. B. M. Books*

Besides the regular services of the church we have a one-hour Week Day Bible School during the school months. There are three teachers. About 34 children attend. 20 of them definitely accepted Christ. We rejoice for this wholesome work. The interest of the parents is much appreciated. Though some of them do not set the children a good example, yet they encourage the children to do the right thing. We are encouraged because we get into such homes with the Gospel. We realize that these people grew up in this community where the Gospel has not been taught and preached. We are thankful for the opportunity to bring it to them.

One of our annual projects is preparing relief clothing for the needy. We had a package of 200 pounds sent through the N.A.E. The women of the community are much interested in this type of work and cleaned and sewed these garments. They were glad to assist in this project.

Pray for the work here as the Gospel is preached, taught and lived among the people.

*Reported by Rev. B. M. Books*



# Statistical Report for

# Mission Pastorates

Name of Mission Pastorate	Membership		A.M. P.M.	Average Attendance		Professions	Prayer Meetings per week—*Month		Attendance	Professions	Children's Meetings per week—*Month		Attendance	Professions	Christ's Crusaders	Attendance	Professions
	1956-57	13 14		3 1	88 40		15 40	1 1			20 25	1 1					
Albuquerque Santa's Chapel	23	21	2	55	25		1	25			*1	8		*1	10		
Almoona	23	31	2	53	56	2	1	32			1	10		1	20		
Holsopple Women's	10	8	2	54	40		1	15						1	40		4
Bair's Mills	36	38	1		100	10	1	55						1	20		
Check Adey Gap Callaway	29	30	2	65	25	10	1	10	2		1	15	15	1	10	2	
Collingswood Oak View Beach	6	6	1	26			*2	15						*2			
Delisle	46	38	2	75	70		1	35									
Everett	25	27	1	72	30	1	1	25			*2	10		*2	20		
Garlin Beulah Chapel			1	60	30		1	30			*2	15		*1	18		
Bloomington Mt. Carmel	14	11	1	26	15		1	13									
Gladwin			2	85	60		1	20			1	15		1	8		
Grants Pass	36	43	3	80	65		1	50			1	25		1			
Hanover	15	13	2	30	40	25	1	18						*1	50		
Holidaysburg Mt. Etna	13	13	2	34	28		1	14									
Hanlock Creek	2	2	2		17	4	1	6			1	20		*2	10		3
Huron	15	15	1	25	10		1	7									
Ickesburg	10	10	2	68	25		1	8						*2	25		
Iron Springs	19	18	1	50	25	2	1	25						*2	20		
Kindersley																	

Other Regular Meetings *Special Meetings	Sunday School	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Offerings	Professions	Vacation Bible School *Wk. Day Bible School	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Offerings	Professions	Revivals	Professions	Total Professions *Seekers	Average Number of Visits per week
Juvenile Detention Home	1	68	55.5	\$ 373.42	1	1	67	52	\$19.00	1	1	4	11	4+
Youth Christian Class Youth Camp	1	85	62	624.00	1	1	67	62	98.21	12	2	25	39	12
Bible Study, Men's Prayer Meeting, W.M.P.C. Homecoming, *Homecoming, *Christians Program	1	75	54	1,396.54		1	87	66	62.63	9	1	3	16	3
Pioneer Band	1	100	85	612.59	10						2	10	10	3
*Summer Youth Camp Boys and girls Clubs	1	100	70	408.77	12	1					1	2	54	10
	1	42	26	163.58	5						1			3
2 Love Feasts Quarterly Youth Meetings	1	104	72			1	22	19	43.07	9	1	8	38	4-
	1	64	45			1	45	42			1	20	38	9.5
	1	23	22	103.57							1	3	3	2.5
W.M.P.C.	1	180	138			1		118						7
	1	120	82	1,050.88	1	1			90.00				30	7
	1	60	53	206.12	1	1	60	52	31.40				20	
	1	49	49	238.14	1	1	51	42	34.06				1	
	1	57	34	177.28	1	1	30	24	12.46		2	26	26	6
	1	15	15	54.91	3	1				3			30	5
	1	42	36	11.29	7	1	40	40	40.54		1			4
Missionary Meetings	1	25	25	497.35		1	110	90	54.70		1	4	5	2
W.M.P.C. Camp	1	95	68			1					1	2	2	2
	1	75	41	889.98										2

# Statistical Report for

Name of Mission Pastorate	Membership		Average Attendance		Professions	Prayer Meetings per week—*Month	Attendance	Professions	Children's Meetings per week—*Month	Attendance	Professions	Christ's Crusaders per week—*Month	Attendance	Professions
	1956-57 26	2	A.M.	P.M.										
Knitley Spout Springs	1356-57 26	2	25	20	8	1	18	1	*1	10		*2		
Little Marsh	9	2	32	14		1	12							
Llewellyn	4	5	50	25		1	20		*1	10		1	30	
Massillon	18	21	28											
Ray's Cove (Mountain Chapel)		1	20			1	14					*2	15	
Paddockwood	6	7												
Reinholds		2				1								
Ringgold	4	4	20			*2	5							
Saxton	29	32	40	45	2	1	27		*1			*1		
Shanesville														
Sherman's Valley	5	5	62	30		1	15		*1			*1	15	
Sparta		12	50	60	10	1	40	2	*1	15		*1	15	
Stowe Pine Forge	47	50	62	52		1	35					1	52	
Sylvanus	31	32	65	58		1	30					*2	58	
Three Springs	6	6	33	22		1	15							
Tilsonburg Frogmore Houghton Centre	30 17 17	27 17 17	40 35 35			1 1 1	14 28 28					1 1 1	26 20 20	
Toronto	12	13	60	20		1	15		1	10		*1	20	
Uniontown	29	31	85	70		1	50			25		*2	20	
Orlando	25	25	63	43		1	26					1	43	
Salern	25	2	30	25		1	10		1	12		1	20	

# Mission Pastorates

Other Regular Meetings *Special Meetings	Sunday School	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Offerings	Professions	Vacation Bible School *Wk. Day Bible School	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Offerings	Professions	Revivals	Professions	Total Professions *Seekers	Average Number of Visits per week
*Easter Service	1	80	48	\$ 232.31		1			\$21.00		2	4	9	4
Youth Fellowship Missionary Meeting	1	35	25	135.00		1					1	4	15	8
W.M.P.C. *Northern Ohio C. C. Mtg.	1	50	34	274.66							2	20	1	4
*Youth Camp *Communion Service *Missionary Services	1	31	22	100.80							2	20	20	3
*Dedication Missionary Meeting	1	50	25	1,016.60		1	20	18			2	2	1	2
*Harvest Praise Service	1	24	20.7			2	36	32	12.50		1	2	3	2
Young People's Class M. M. Sunshine Band. Missionary	1	80	77	1,435.13		1	97	89	89.57		2	12	5	5
*Missionary Meetings *Hymn Sing	1	83	62	476.49							1	13	13	5
*Mennonite Disaster Service *Prophetic Conference	1	73	59	194.15		1	79	67			2	13	25	2
*Missionary Meetings *Council Meeting E.T.T.A. Class	1	109	79								1			5 1/2
*Bible Conference *Youth Conference	1	89	71.7	364.40		1	71	64			2	20	21	3
	1	61	33.3	402.00							1	5	6	2
	1	75	48	273.13							1	3	3	1
	1	55	40	286.72		1	51	44			1	12	7	3
	1	78	48	264.18		1	75	60			2	12	17	14
	1	105	84	419.85							2	50	57	4
	1	64	66	808.00										10
	1	95	65	660.00		*1		34					20	4

# Statistical Report for

Name of Mission	Membership	Preaching Services per week—*Month	Average Attendance	Professions	Prayer Meetings per week—*Month	Attendance	Professions	Children's Meetings per week—*Month	Attendance	Professions	Christ's Crusaders per week—*Month	Average Attendance	Professions
<b>CITY MISSIONS</b>	1956-57		A.M. P.M.										
Chicago.....	18 18	2 2	50 40		2 2	8 18		1 1	15 15		1 1	30 30	
<b>DETROIT</b>													
Church.....	30 29	4 5	58 47	54 194	2 1	3 17					1 15		
God's Love Mission.....						7 7							
Harrisburg.....	44 43	2 2	108 33		2 2	8 21	1 1				1 30		
New York.....													
Philadelphia.....	35 33	2 2	50 62	20 20	1 1	38 38	6 1	1 25			1 52		
San Francisco.....	11 11	7 7	38 93	352 352	1 1	11 11							

## RURAL MISSIONS

Blandburg.....	16 14	2 2	20 15		1 1	15 15	1 1	20 20					
Bloomfield													
Chaco Canyon.....	14 17	*1 1	79.5 10	5 5	*1 *2	16 50	At School	7 7					
Navajo Mission.....						Staff School							
Ellis	23 23	1 1	45 60		1 1	15 30							
Miller Fields.....						30 30							
North Star	11 11	1 1	27 30	10 3	1 1	30 30	1 1				*2 30	3 3	
Howard Creek													
Candle Lake.....		*2 2	20 20			10 10					*2 25	1 1	
Port Rowan	11 13	2 2	25 20	3 3	1 1	10 10							
(Washington).....													
Uniontown.....					1 1	4 4							

# Missions

Other Regular Meetings *Special Meetings	Sunday School	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Offerings	Professions	Vacation Bible School *Wk. Day Bible School	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Offerings	Professions	Revivals	Professions	Total professions *Seekers	Average number of Visits per week
*Christ's C. Day Bible Conference	1 1	136	87	\$ 911.21	25	1 *1 *1	150 100	35		25	3 3		50	15
Christian Home Conf. Michigan Youth Conf. Sunday School Convention	1 1	197	99	414.09		1 1		74	\$525.00	25	3 3		269	8
Capitol Pk. Service Sunday P.M. (Summer) Women's Fellowship Watch Night Service *Communion Service	1 1	187	113	383.33		*1				24	1 1	11	44	14
Radio														
*Youth Conference	1 1	124	83	1,907.04		1 1	130	90	100.00		1 1	30	77	7.4
*Missionary Conference														
*Easter Services (4 days)														
*Bay Area Holiness Association Meetings	1 1	66	52	282.16	3 3						1 1		355	4

*1 Day Gospel Service	1 1	31	27	176.63		1 1					1 1			3
Navajo Reading Class Sunday evening Staff Mt. *Camp Meeting	1 1		70	580.14		1 1		34 70		1 1			24	5
Quarterly Youth Conf. *Love feast *Fellowship Day	1 1	45 70				1 1					1 1	1 1	1	5
W.M.P.C. *Youth Camp Convention Sunday School	1 1		27	62.01		1 1			6.50	7 7	1 1	5 5	28	5
*3 night Missionary Meeting	1 1	68	50	235.96		1 1		85 55	55.24				5	7
Adult Bible Study	1 1										2 2		12	5



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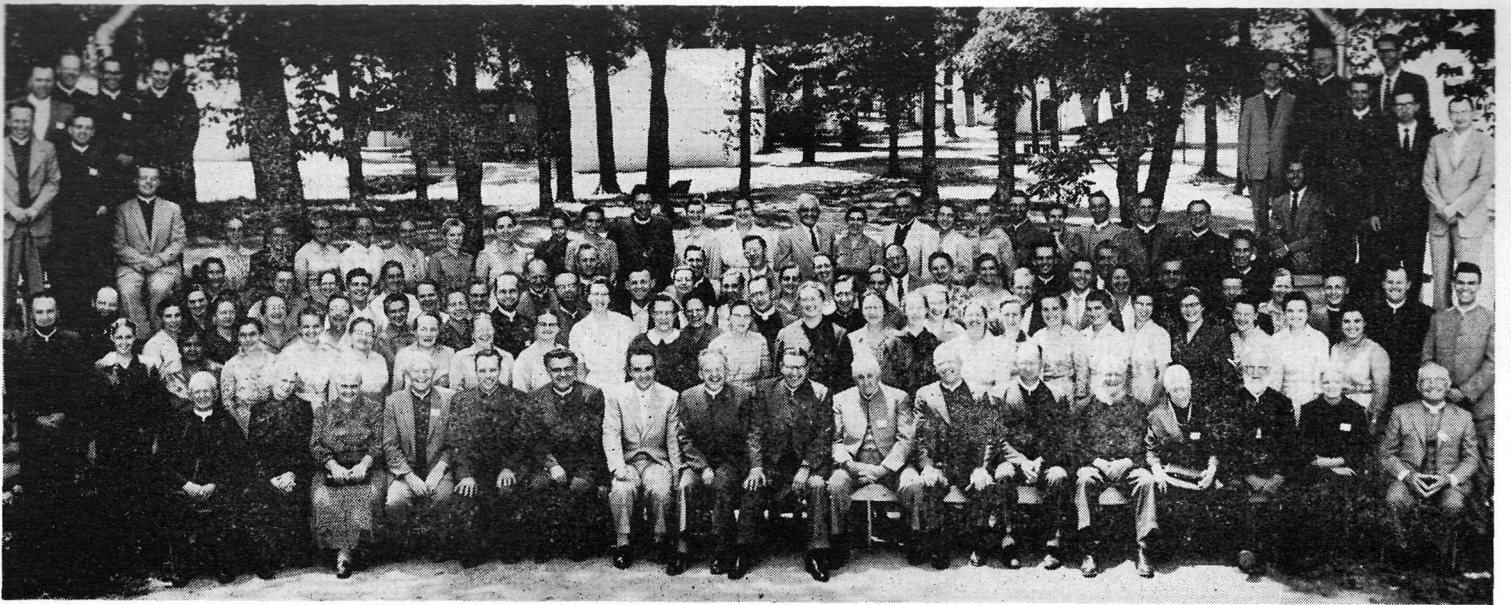
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Mission Workers Institute and Fellowship Retreat June 18-21, 1957,  
Memorial Holiness Camp, West Milton, Ohio

This is the fourth Institute, the first one being in 1949 at the West Milton Camp. The next two at Roxbury, Pennsylvania in 1952 and 1954. Of all these Institutes profuse expressions of appreciation were given of the benefits and blessings received. This one in 1957 was no exception. One person said, "Words cannot express how rich an experience this has been to me, and what a spiritual challenge." Another said, "It has definitely been a high point in my spiritual experience."

Our chief guest speaker, Bishop E. J. Swalm, brought messages on Ephesians and others of a general and challenging character. Board Members and others conducted worship sessions and brought messages on planning services, counselling, financing, and others.

## WHY A WOMEN'S MISSIONARY PRAYER CIRCLE?

Suppose you were a missionary in Japan and after a time of service and intensive language study you learned you were a victim of tuberculosis which meant separation from family, a new baby, the work to which God had called you, the church, and friends. Or suppose you just arrived on the field with your wife and three small children to find a cultured and educated people void of the knowledge of the true and living God, and you have no way of speaking to or understanding the people.

Or suppose after a few years of seeing God work, souls following in baptism and church membership, you see a carelessness and a drifting away from the faithfulness that originally burned in some hearts. And suppose in your Sunday School you were losing your Junior High Boys because there was no man teacher.

Then you see God at work, making a way when there is no way; the mother restored to health, the family, the work; the new worker and family adjusting well to a new country; a faithful old saint remaining steady in spite of the slump which followed the first great interest; and you realize the joy of visiting and teaching the people without the help of an interpreter. That's why there is a Women's Missionary Prayer Circle!

Suppose you, a single lady, answering the call of God to India, having given up the opportunity of marriage, faced a 12,000 mile trip to your destination, without a traveling companion. Perhaps as a missionary that same trip was to be made with a wife and three or four small chil-

dren. Then as you go forward you realize God's protection, His companionship, His care, all along the way. That's why there is a Missionary Prayer Circle.

Suppose because of excessive work and ill health you found you needed to submit to surgery requiring a long convalescing period away from loved ones and friends. Or suppose in caring for your administrative duties you needed to do extensive traveling (not using the fastest mode of transportation in the world), which meant separation from your wife, left at home to labor alone, and your children, many miles away in boarding school.

Then one day a wire came stating your eight year son fell and was in the hospital, and two days later a runner arrived and later letters bearing the news that the boy fell forty feet and lay in a semi-conscious condition, suffering from fracture and concussion—and you not being able to reach his bedside for three weeks.

Or, suppose you were a member of the Executive Committee that sorely needed divine wisdom and guidance to deal with very difficult and intricate problems. Then you take courage, knowing you do not stand alone in the battle against the enemy; because back home are one hundred and twenty-nine groups meeting regularly for prayer.

Your heart sings with praises to God for: a successful operation and return to work of a staff member; the sparing of the young boy's life; for strength and health among the missionaries in spite of contact with disease, depressing weather, and lack of proper diet; for the reviving of the church and the growing of a new





Mrs. Jacob Hock, Chambersburg, Pa., an original member of the WMPC Committee gave eleven years of faithful service—1946 - 1957.

church; for continuous revival in the heart of each missionary; for a feeling of responsibility to feed and teach new Christians; and for wisdom and guidance for the problem of the day. That's why a Women's Missionary Prayer Circle!

Suppose you were a Sunday School teacher in one of the fastest growing cities in the United States and your little church was so crowded that last summer you had your class in a car. And one day in your need you learned of a \$300.00 loan to be made available which would mean so much even though it would soon be needed in another mission church. Thank God for Missionary Circles!

Suppose you were in Cuba, ministering to people practicing spiritualism, saint worship, or Catholicism, to people who know the true way but are held in the grip of Satan and that you were deeply aware

that power in prayer can certainly unlock many doors and tear down many hindrances. Then before your eyes you see God at work; bringing to naught the loud blasting of the juke boxes and annoyances from the place of amusement next to the church; the providing of a Christian Day School toward the establishing of a strong future church. That's why a Women's Missionary Prayer Circle!

In Africa too there are many reasons why Women's Missionary Prayer Circle has proved an essential part of the Mission program. A missionary just recently returned from the field says, "You haven't any idea what it is to know there are groups meeting regularly back home for prayer." The demands of the expanding educational program is almost frightening to those who are in it.

All missionaries at home and abroad need persistent, persevering prayer. There are constant demands made upon them. The strenuous duties of their days and the immensity of their task oftentimes prevents them from times of intercession. They need strength to overcome loneliness; they need victory over irritations, resentments, and criticisms in relation to other missionaries; they need guidance on how to present the Gospel to the people; they need inspiration for their own vital relationship with Christ.

"Prayer must be persistent—not to persuade God, for redemption is of God, but because of the enemy. It is our duty before God to fight for the souls for whom Christ died. Just as some must preach to them the good news of their redemption just so others must fight back the power of darkness on their behalf." This is why there is a Women's Missionary Prayer Circle!—*WMPC Secretary*

## Part II



# Foreign Missions

## FOREIGN MISSIONS PROGRESS REPORT, 1957

If such a report shall present a good cross section of mission activities it must include both the tangible and intangible. The tangible is described in such things as number of personnel on field, new buildings added on mission stations, new preaching appointments opened, baptisms and church accessions and similar other things that can be statistically and materially evaluated. The intangibles are much more difficult to describe and frequently much harder to evaluate; they include such things as spiritual growth, service activity, manifestations of the Spirit, the unknown effect of the message and even the ungerminated seed of the Word which has been sown. By this report and others in the *Handbook* we hope our readers can discern this two-fold presentation.

**PERSONNEL**—Upon the 86 representatives on our foreign staff has rested the responsibility of carrying the front line activity of the work. In addition there have been those who have functioned in many areas as assistants and necessary adjuncts to the work. Going back still another step we have a large group of personnel who have most loyally supported the work. Actually in many ways they are the backbone of the work. There are signs which indicate this group has been more deeply devoted to the cause of Missions than ever before. For this we praise the Lord.

**ENLARGEMENT** — The large and progressive program in Africa has advanced into new areas of spiritual and cultural development.

In India the increased number of Santal baptisms marks this year as the greatest year of success on that mission field.

Japan, through the return of Bro. Willms to Hagi, has enjoyed a more extensive outreach and intensified ministry, which has resulted in new conversions and spiritual growth for former Christians.

The work in Cuba has reached into a new area of ministration to its people by the opening of the Primary School.

But beyond these developments are still many untouched areas that challenge our mission staff to new outreach.

This chart illustrates total gross contributions for the last ten years.

These totals include personal gifts to missionaries, specially designated funds and general fund receipts. We praise the Lord for such liberal support which has made possible some expansion but like most other areas of our economic life, some of this increase has been used to cover increased costs and expansion has not been as rapid as many of us would have enjoyed seeing.

**SPIRITUAL**—The signs of progress in this area are as distinct as in many others. To see older people who have been critical and evasive

of the missionary staff turn serious and seek for mercy helps one realize the truth, "one soweth" and "another reapeth" and represents a phase of progress by the penetration of God's Word for which we are grateful.

To see new and deep dedications to the cause of Christ come to life among the nationals who have had a much more limited understanding of these demands is real progress.

To see hundreds of people come for baptism and church membership on our mission fields is a living witness to progress.

To see youthful nationals challenged to consecration and devotion to Jesus Christ that will cause them to place Him and His work first is

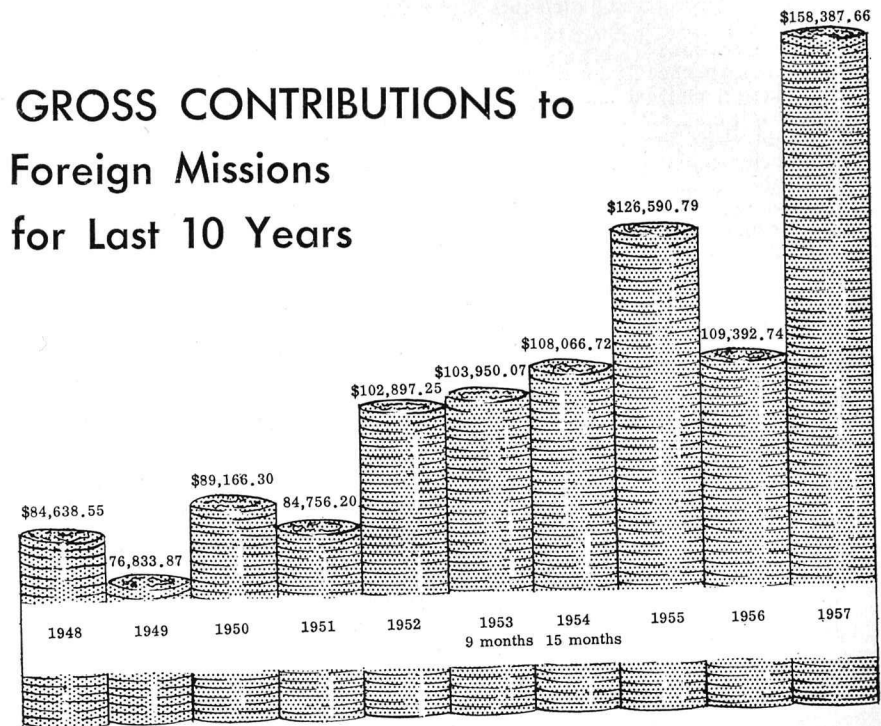
the kind of progress we believe pleasing to the Lord.

To see nationals assume leadership in their church and then to see the work grow in conversions and community respect under the direction of these brethren indicates spiritual progress and maturity.

These signs bear witness to the spiritual progress in the work in spite of the casualties and failures. We rejoice in this progress and to us, the supporters at the home base, comes the challenge to continue in the spiritual warfare in such a manner as to say to these our children as Paul said, "Follow me as I also followed Christ."

*Henry N. Hostetter,  
Executive Secretary*

### GROSS CONTRIBUTIONS to Foreign Missions for Last 10 Years



## Financial Statements

### FOREIGN MISSION BOARD BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH

U. S. A. and Canada Combined Financial Report  
Year Ended December 31, 1957

#### Section 1. OPERATING FUND STATEMENT

Balance on hand, January 1, 1957.....	\$	955.68
<b>Receipts:</b>		
Canada, General Fund .....	\$	8,293.79
Canada, Specials .....		5,362.77
U. S. A., General Fund .....		88,686.89
U. S. A., Cancel fares .....		1,881.15
U. S. A., Specials .....		26,410.97
<b>Total Operating Fund Receipts .....</b>		<b>130,635.57</b>
<b>Total Operating Fund Receipts and balance.....</b>		<b>131,591.25</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>		
<b>Administration:</b>		
Office expenses .....	323.00	
Salaries, clerical .....	855.33	
Travel .....	476.14	
Field visitation .....	651.01	
Mission agencies .....	644.50	
Other .....	113.74	
<b>Personnel:</b>		
Furlough allowances .....	9,410.80	
Travel to field .....	9,678.52	
Promotion .....	2,231.31	
Education, personnel .....	972.98	
Education, children .....	1,077.50	
Medical care .....	891.70	
Retirement and social security .....	3,511.13	
<b>Africa:</b>		
General allowance .....	22,000.00	
Specials .....	5,660.03	
Motor car .....	1,460.56	
Wanezi Bible School .....	2,462.41	
Wanezi Church .....	3,060.51	
Hostel funds .....	1,962.23	
Memorial to Jacob Engle, Matopo Hospital.....	1,403.32	
Peace, Relief and Service Com. contributions.....	370.00	
Personals .....	2,886.60	
<b>India:</b>		
General allowance .....	18,800.00	
Specials .....	19,086.54	
Indigenous church .....	1,530.48	
Peace, Relief and Service Com. contributions.....	2,275.00	
Personals .....	1,896.49	

<b>Japan:</b>	
General allowance .....	8,650.00
Specials .....	1,637.74
Property purchase payment .....	360.00
Personals .....	371.00
<b>Cuba:</b>	
General allowance .....	3,624.00
Specials .....	139.24
Personals .....	104.00

Total Operating Fund Expenditures .....	130,577.81	
Transferred from General Fund (Section 1) to Annuity Reserve Fund (Section 2), Interest on annuity loan .....	27.17	
<b>Balance on hand, December 31, 1957.....</b>		<b>\$ 986.27</b>

#### ANALYSIS OF OPERATING FUND BALANCES

Canada General Fund .....	\$ 2,126.30
U. S. A. General Fund .....	541.41
Medical Doctor Training Fund .....	319.36
Picture Promotion .....	100.00
Specialized Missionary Training Fund (deficit).....	(2,100.80)

Net Total Balance .....	986.27
<b>Section 2. DESIGNATED FUND</b>	
Balance on hand, January 1, 1957 .....	2,481.32
<b>Receipts .....</b>	<b>27,752.09</b>
<b>Total Designated Fund Receipts with balance.....</b>	<b>30,233.41</b>
Transferred from General Fund (Section 1) to Annuity Reserve Fund (Section 2), Interest on annuity loan .....	27.17
<b>Total balance on hand .....</b>	<b>30,260.58</b>

<b>Expenditures:</b>	
Annuity interest payments .....	1,374.32
Mobile Medical Van refund:	
India medical .....	4,000.00
Nahumba fence project, Africa .....	1,309.89
Japan camp site .....	300.00
Cuba land and buildings .....	10,076.35
I-W fares .....	2,247.60
Mexico work .....	50.00
<b>Total Designated Fund Expenditures .....</b>	<b>19,358.16</b>
<b>Balance on hand, December 31, 1957.....</b>	<b>10,902.42</b>

#### ANALYSIS OF DESIGNATED FUND BALANCES

Annuity Reserve Fund .....	\$ 908.42
Cuba Land and Buildings Fund .....	9,050.22
Cuba Special .....	300.00
Mobile Medical Van Refund .....	643.78

Total Balance .....	10,902.42
<b>SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS WERE MADE TO THE GENERAL FUND IN 1957 AS FOLLOWS:</b>	

United Zion Church .....	\$ 3,000.00
United Christian Church .....	5,085.40
Bequest, Estates of D. R. and Agnes S. Eyster .....	300.00

#### REPORT OF SPECIAL FOREIGN MISSION FUNDS

<b>Beginning balances, January 1, 1957</b>	
Bequests .....	1,716.51
Annuity funds .....	14,454.07
<b>Total Beginning Balances .....</b>	<b>16,170.58</b>



**ADDITIONS TO SPECIAL FUNDS**

New Annuities written in 1957 .....	500.00
Payment of Japan property loan .....	360.00
Balance due on Japan property loan .....	545.51
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Total of Special Funds .....	17,576.09
The Special Funds are invested as follows:	
Furloughed Missionary Home, Grantham, Pa. ....	2,500.00
Merchants & Mechanics Savings & Loan Assoc., Sp'fld. ....	7,000.00
Certificate of Deposit, Springfield Savings Society.....	4,000.00
Springfield Savings Society, Springfield, Ohio.....	3,530.58
Investment in Japan property.....	545.51
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Total Investments of Special Funds .....	17,576.09

**REPORT ON "HOME FOR FURLOUGHED MISSIONARIES"**

<b>Receipts</b>	
Balance on hand, January 1, 1957.....	192.48
Apartment Rentals .....	295.00
Adjustment on Electricity .....	50.00
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Total Receipts .....	537.48
<b>Expenditures</b>	
Insurance .....	19.46
Utilities .....	116.93
Furnishings .....	21.27
Repairs .....	246.13
Trailer rent .....	37.50
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Total Expenditures .....	441.29
Balance on hand, December 31, 1957 .....	96.19

This is to certify that I have examined the books and records of Carl J. Ulery, Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board and the Home for Furloughed Missionaries of the Brethren in Christ Church, and that I have examined the investments of the funds of the Foreign Mission Treasury, and hereby certify that the foregoing reports are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. R. AIKEN, Auditor

## The Program and Progress of Brethren in Christ Missions in the Rhodesias (Africa) — 1957

*INTRODUCTION—From the General Superintendent's Office*

The essence of a *program* includes the daily grind—the blood, sweat and tears that go with a missionary's calling. *Progress* indicates growth in several directions. Both program and progress are much in the minds of the superintendents reporting from the various mission fronts. We shall see this spelled out in that which follows.

From the general superintendent's standpoint the program is a combination of an increasing number of Baptism/Communion weekends, chairing new church executives in the constantly developing indigenous church, handling an ever-growing administrative program due to an increasing educational and medical evangelism. This is a sign of progress statistically. The heavy burden of our hearts and our greatest prayer concern is for a spiritual program commensurate and increasingly apparent.

In this regard we thank God for a gracious revival spirit in the brother-

hood. We also note appreciatively the greater spiritual emphasis in the annual Church Conference held at Wanezi Mission in July.

There is a paradox in the developing of an indigenous church program in this, that at this stage of progress in handing over the administration of church affairs to church executives composed in the main of African brethren, the administrative load of the general superintendent as Bishop of the work increases at least for a period. This is due to the necessity for over-all leadership in directing the indigenous committees. But as the Lord tarries, we look forward to the day—perhaps even in the present general superintendent's term of office—when African leadership will be forthcoming on the highest levels of superintendence.

In the meantime how does the program progress in its parts? We spell this out with reports in three fields: "Missions," "Mission Hospitals," and "Outstation Church Districts," and conclude with a brief report on the Bulawayo Church program and evangelistic endeavor.

## SOUTHERN RHODESIA MISSIONS

### MATOPO MISSION

Here in my office I can hear the *pound, pound, pound*, and *hammer, hammer* of Frank Kipe and Dave Brubaker putting the asbestos roof on the new General Science/Domestic Science laboratory. Building has loomed big in our work program again this year. We have built a new Hospital building (73 ft. x 20 ft.), two African teachers' family houses (three bedrooms, living room, kitchen, bath and study) and a Science Laboratory (83 ft. x 26 ft., 6 in.). The foundation is laid and work is ready to start on the walls of a new 60 bed boys' dormitory, and there is still a 30 bed girls' dormitory to build. Much of the building this year presents evidence that the small high school program with very limited facilities must give way to a larger and better educational program, if we shall help provide for the needs of the merging African people.

This year there were several changes in the missionary staff. Alvin and Thata Book were relieved for home furlough the end of 1956 and left us the last of March this year. We were glad for the short visit from Alvin's sister, Ruth Book, from our mission field in India, en route home. Nancy Kreider, Miriam Heise, and Eva Mae Melhorn transferred to Mtshabezi Mission with the moving of the Lower Teacher Training Program. We were sorry to lose them, but glad to welcome Florence Hensel and Elva Lyons (and also the Kipes the end of 1956) to our staff. Don Zook was with us part of the year after his return from theological studies in Johannesburg. We appreciated very much, too, the help of Keith Ulery in his last

months of I-W service here. And we are glad now for the help of Dave and Leona Brubaker.

The spiritual side of the work is ever before us. To this end we are called. The regular Sunday services have been well attended. The Thursday prayer meetings have been an inspiration to those who could attend. The first special evangelistic services were held by evangelist Sandey Vundla (now ordained to the ministry and "Mfundisi" Vundla). Many were deepened in Him and many were saved. Vundla's messages, even though long to our ears, are very much appreciated by the Africans. The second series of evangelistic services were held by Brother Fred Holland. In these, too, much good was done. Brother Holland's messages were unique, and certainly held the attention of the school boys and girls. Most of the missionaries here were able to get out for their annual week of village visitation. As they returned they reported victories, souls saved, believers strengthened, backsliders reclaimed.

In December we were glad to welcome all our Southern and Northern Rhodesia missionaries to the General Missionary Conference here at Matopo. With children, babies, and all there were exactly 80 of us. And it rained! We were glad for the natural rain, but glad much more for the spiritual showers. The ministry of Dr. Stern of the South African Baptist Theological College, Johannesburg, and his messages on the deeper life will long be remembered. The ministry of and fellowship with Rev. and Mrs. Philpott of Bulawayo was very much appreciated also.

As I close, the sound of hammering has stopped and there is instead the strains of a wedding party singing, just married by Mfundisi Dlodlo. Thus program and progress

go hand in hand, physical and spiritual. Pray that we will have strength in the Master's service and be faithful until Jesus comes.

#### STAFF:

Rev. and Mrs. David Climenhaga,

Supt.

Rev. and Mrs. Frank Kipe

Miss Mary Engle

Miss Edna Switzer

Miss Rhoda Lenhert

Miss Elva Lyons

Miss Florence Hensel

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Brubaker

Miss Ruth Hunt

Miss Dorothy Martin



Conference Group at Matopo Mission, Southern Rhodesia, December, 1957

Back row: Mary Heisey, Gladys Lehman, Ruth Hock, Pauline Frey, Edith Miller, Velma Brillinger, Miriam Heise, Kathryn "Becky" Hossler, Norma Brubaker, Edna Switzer, Anna Graybill, Lois Davidson, Mary Engle, Rhoda Lenhert, Martha Lady, Mildred Myers, Elva Lyons, Eva Mae Melhorn, Nancy Kreider.

Middle Row: Ruth Hunt, Dorothy Martin, David Brubaker, Leona Brubaker, Donald Zook, Anna Ruth Zook, Fred Holland (holding Philip), Grace Holland (holding Stephen), George Bundy, Ethel Bundy, Lucille Lady, Jesse Lady, Agnes Lehman, Robert Lehman (holding Susan), June Engle (holding Karen), Joseph Engle, Walter Heisey, Florence Hensel, Fannie Longenecker.

Front Row: Anna Wolgemuth, Glenn Frey (holding Mary), Beth Frey (holding Heather), Frank Kipe, Blanche Kipe, David Climenhaga, Dorcas Climenhaga (holding Denis), Elwood Hershey, Dorothy Hershey, Dr. J. Charles Stern (conference guest speaker), Arthur Climenhaga, Arlene Climenhaga, Gladys Sider, Lewis Sider, Miriam Stern, Ira "Pete" Stern, Ethel Brubaker, Graybill Brubaker (holding Richard), Virginia Kauffman.

Children's Row (seated): Kenneth Kipe, Joan Engle, Ardys Engle (hardly to be seen between Joan and next one to right which is), Daryl Climenhaga, Judith Kipe, Franklin Kipe, Alvera Hershey (holding Judith Bundy), Laureen Frey, Donna Climenhaga, Harriet Sider, Richard Sider, Stephen Lehman, Deborah Lehman, Ray Brubaker, Robert Brubaker.

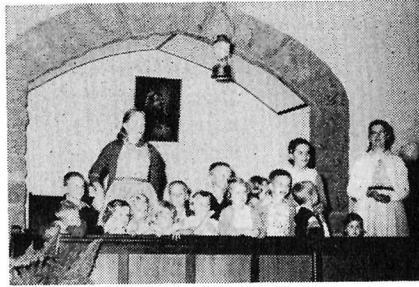
Note: Mabel Frey, absent, in hospital for minor surgery.

## MTSHABEZI MISSION

We should be happy to have you tour Mtshabezi with us. (Map includes only the buildings which we will especially notice.)

As you drive up from the Mtshabezi River the long building (No. 1) you see to the right is the new Teacher Training Block. This being the first year for Teacher Training at Mtshabezi, Sisters Nancy Kreider, Miriam Heise and Eva Mae Melhorn have spent a year of exceptionally hard work. In these four classrooms are trained many of the young men and women who are our teachers in the Outstation schools. What a task to prepare them for a life of service to their people and to Christ. The first class, numbering 29 graduated at Mtshabezi on December 3rd. (See picture below).

Building No. 2, formerly known as the Old White School, has been converted into a pleasant, airy library which, largely due to the hard



Missionary children giving choruses and Scripture recitations.

work of Sister Ruth Hunt, has become a presentable and helpful center. No. 3 is the Central Primary School. This school also under Sister Hunt has had a lower enrolment than for several years due to the opening of higher standards in the outschools.

Sister Mildred Myers has charge of the Industrial work which centers in the Industrial Building, No. 4. The exhibit at the end of the year showed that our girls (and boys)

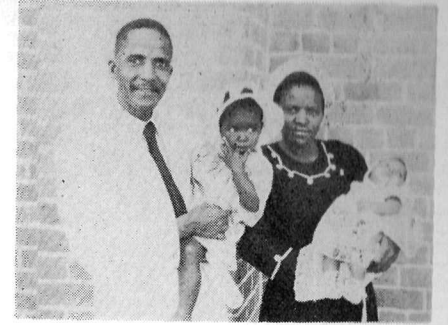


1957 Teacher Training Graduating Class (Mtshabezi).

were learning useful means of using their hands. The knitting especially made a colorful display.

The Girls' quarters includes the Dining Room, No. 5 and twelve double dormitories as well as wash-house and store houses. A new dining room would be a welcome addition. Close by are African teachers' houses, the Clinic and the dormitories. We pass on and come to where the lady missionaries live. A kimberly brick, No. 6, thatched cottage which houses two of the ladies and on to the double brick cottage, No. 7, where two more live. The next building, No. 8, Jacaranda Cottage, is the newest residence on the mission. It houses two more workers and is the home center for all the ladies.

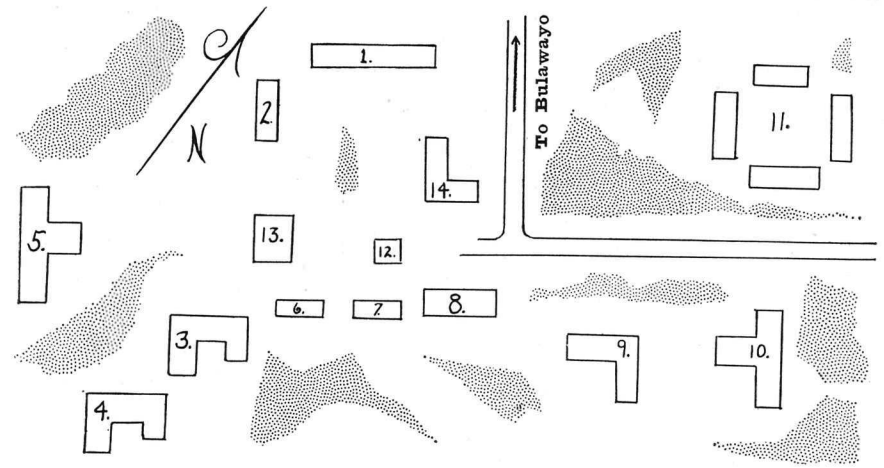
One of the oldest buildings on the mission, No. 9, is the Shop. There was added activity there this year as the Teacher Training boys engaged in their woodwork class. The boys' dining room, No. 10, is a light airy building, which became a necessity with the influx of boys in Teacher Training and the Building Courses.



Mr. and Mrs. Abednego and family. He is a teacher and she a nurse on the Mtshabezi Mission African Staff.

An arena of activity, No. 11, includes the buildings which make up the Practicing School. Here under Sister Kreider's guidance the Teacher Training students take their practice work. An African staff of eleven assist as critic teachers.

Coming back to the residence area of the mission, we pass the office, No. 12, where at any hour of the day, one may see Africans waiting for "Mfundisi" (Missionary). The office took on its present capacity just



Sketch showing Mtshabezi Mission layout.



this year when the old office was torn down to make room for Jacaranda Cottage. So the little cottage which was built in the early "20's" to house Brother H. H. Brubaker is now serving as an important point of the mission.

Going on to No. 13 we enter the Mission Superintendent's home. Children's voices sound here as little ones call to an "Auntie" riding by on a bicycle, or inquire for Mummy who can't be found. Had you been here on August 15th you would have been able to mingle for tea with the friends who came for the Dedication Ceremony of the new Teacher Training Block. Mr. Garfield Todd, the Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia was our guest speaker. We appreciated his positive talk to the Africans and his emphasis on the importance of Christianity.

And now let us make our last stop. No. 14 is the Church. "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalms 122:1. Here in the quiet precincts of the church, we pause to rethink the reason for it all. We find it in Matthew 28:19. "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost . . . lo, I am with you alway . . ." Do we have heart-breaks? So did our Master; but we do have the joy of seeing lives transformed by the power of Christ. There is the couple from neighboring Insindi ranch who came back to the Lord after years away. There is Nguni who came back to the Church at our last Love Feast. There is the mother of one of our boys who gave her heart to the Lord in the office one day. And there are the hundreds of young people's lives we strive to touch for

Christ. We are workers together with you for Him.

STAFF: *Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Frey*  
*Rev. and Mrs. George Bundy*  
*Miss Mildred Myers*  
*Miss Miriam Heise*  
*Miss Nancy Kreider*  
*Miss Eva Mae Melhorn*  
*Miss Anna Graybill*  
*Miss Pauline Frey*

#### WANEZI MISSION

Of the three outstanding events at Wanezi during the year, the tragic drowning of eight-year-old Thomas, son of Jonah Siziba must be recorded first. The father, a man of about 30 repented during the last revival services in September. He testified on Thursday in the mid-week prayer service. It appeared that blessing was upon him and there was joy in the home as the mother was already a Christian of a few years standing. But at midnight we were called and notified that their eldest son had just been found drowned in the river.

We followed for three miles to the spot where they found the body. Evidence seemed to point that while he and a four-year-old boy were herding his grandfather's cattle, he was leaping from rock to rock in the river bed. He probably slipped, knocking himself unconscious and fell into the water and drowned. The four-year-old finally drove the cattle home at eventide to casually tell the people of the village that Thomas was still in the water at the river. An immediate search was started, calling all neighbors with firebrands, lanterns and forked sticks, until finally after searching more than a mile of the river the body was found.

After the police investigation and post-mortem by the Government

Doctor, the Christians gathered at the grave for the service. Tragic though it seems and especially to those who have only recently accepted Christ as their Saviour, yet the providence of a loving God ruleth to teach lessons to all of His infinite and celestial order.

The second event was the completion and dedication of the new church. The foundation stone had been laid by Bishop I. W. Musser during 1956, during his visit to the African Mission field and while his son Earl was erecting the building. It was completed early in March and dedicated by Bishop A. M. Climenhaga in the presence of a large audience of African Christians. Dr. Jesse F. Lady preached the dedicatory sermon. The Rev. Manhlehle Kumalo gave the history of the founding of Wanezi Mission, and 26 elderly men who are current church leaders or were at one time associated with the mission stood to give testimony that it was through the ministry of the founder, the late Bishop H. P. Steigerwald, that they heard the Gospel and repented and took up the work of the church in their various communities.

For the third instance we are pressured to choose between the African Conference which was climaxed in the ordination of four brethren; emergencies and daily contacts at the hospital; the interesting graduating class of the Homecraft department; the very outstanding graduation of the Theological Students; the definite experiences during the revival campaigns; and the many complicated experiences involved in keeping an 8,000 acre mission running.

However, the instance of a father of three sons learning in the upper classes at Wanezi, who had to be called to help counsel one of them, finding his own counseling condemn-



Ordained brethren, l. to r.: Donald Zook, Overseer Sibanda and wife, Overseer Moyo and wife, and Pastor Vundhla and wife. These four brethren were ordained at the African Conference last July.

ing himself, stands out as the third instance. He broke down completely confessing his own backsliding, his bondage to tribal polygamy and a wasted life for the church and his family. Under this burden and remorse he wept emotionally and shook uncontrollably for more than 20 minutes. He asked for prayer and prayed but in the end he saw no way to correct his polygamist marriage. In leaving he thanked us for trying to help his sons and requested prayer that there might be a way in which he could be a Christian again.

The year has been one of general blessing and the staff is encouraged to constantly carry forward the Eternal Truth as revealed in the Living Scripture.

STAFF:  
*Rev. and Mrs. Elwood Hershey, Supt.*  
*Miss Anna Wolgemuth*  
*Miss Norma Brubaker*

#### WANEZI BIBLE INSTITUTE

This year's report concludes the first complete cycle of the two year Theological Course of the Institute. The two terms for the year were divided as follows: first term, January 17 to May 6, second term, August 19 to November 29.



1957 Theological Students, l. to r.: Bafanya Mlilo, Rev. M. Sibanda, Davidson Mushala, Rev. S. Vundla, Philip Mudenda (only first year student), and Rev. N. Moyo.

The highlight of the year was December 1st, when five of our brethren graduated. Mfundisi Vundla spent only the last term at the Institute this year since one term of credit was given him for his time spent at the Union Bible Institute at Sweetwaters, Natal, as well as the two years of Vernacular Course at the Wanezi Bible School. All these brethren gave themselves to their work in a conscientious and studious manner and passed all their courses in a credible standard.

The commencement address was given by Bishop Climenhaga on the timely subject, "Shouldering Our Responsibility!" The day was ideal and the crowd was large and attentive. Along with the awarding of the certificates, a book entitled "How to Win Souls" and a Christian calendar were given as gifts from the home church to each of the graduates.

There were six regular students and several part time students in

night classes in the Advanced Bible Course. Three teachers assisted the principal in the Advanced courses. Sister Mabel Frey taught the course in Missions, Sister Lady taught two Bible classes and First-Aid, and Brother Hershey gave several lectures on Church Administration. Some fine additions were made to our library and office equipment. Mrs. H. Grant of Bulawayo donated fifty volumes from her father's library and Sister Elizabeth Engle gave around twenty volumes from her personal library.

With the coming of Sister Mabel Frey this year a fine addition was made to our staff. Under her leadership, the Vernacular Course was again revived. Four students were enrolled in this course. We believe there is a definite need for this phase of the work and feel sure that continued blessing and interest will follow.

Following our African Church Conference last July 8th, we conducted a ten-day Evangelists' Refresher Course. Fifteen brethren were in attendance. Such courses as Evangelism, Church Doctrine, Bible Study, Preaching, and discussion groups were provided. Fine interest and enthusiasm was sustained throughout the course. Request was made for a similar course later.

The staff with the Bible men were active throughout the year in village visitation, Gospel team programs, teaching Sunday School classes, preaching appointments at the home church and hospital, and the distribution of literature.

STAFF: *Dr. and Mrs. Jesse Lady*  
*Miss Mabel Frey*

## NORTHERN RHODESIA MISSIONS

### MACHA MISSION

"The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad."

Our hearts well up in thankfulness to God for His workings among us. Blessings financially, physically and spiritually were felt.

In spite of the imprint education and civilization have made in the living patterns of our people, we still have a few girls who run to the mission as a "city of refuge." One girl is here because she refused to become a child bride for an old gray-haired man. No doubt she will stay here working until the old man dies.

The power of Satan is keenly manifested when we see the ease with which many old people forsake the Lord and fall back into heathen ways. We give special praise to God for one Shadreck, who repenting, put away his second wife and was this past year reunited with the church. Do join us in prayer for many others



Closing day of school, en route to Choma Station. A few of the girls who come from afar.

who still harden their hearts against the light they know so well.

Educationally, the girls continue on the upward climb. In Teacher Training under the direction of Sisters Longenecker and Davidson there are 29 girls who represent nine different missionary societies and eight tribes. Since some of the tribes are related to the Tonga, the language problem is not great for the majority. These students present a challenge to us to so train them that they will not only be school teachers but winners of souls, winning especially the children to Christ.

In the Girls' Primary School under Sister Hock, the 200 girls present a constant challenge to us. With unchristian background and receiving very little encouragement for the betterment of their lives, they come to us eager to learn. At this stage their hearts are tender and their lives easily moulded. From last year's Standard VI Class two have gone for secondary work at a Methodist school, three have enrolled in Macha Teacher Training, and one is in Nurses' Training at Macha Hospital. We thank God for the cooperation and help of our African Staff. Pray for them and us that the potentialities of these girls may be realized, that they may be nurtured in the faith and led on to become faithful members of the church and a strong force in the community.

Macha Central—the Boys' School—continues to carry on under the leadership of Mr. Simon Mudenda. The Lord has blessed in the building program and has supplied a building teacher. We request special prayer that the teachers at this place would realize their grave responsibility in giving these boys the religious and social training which is necessary to instill in them a sense of Christian balance amid strong nationalistic



sentiments. Since this school is off the mission proper, the boys do not have the same mission contacts as do the girls.

Sister Stern's women's work has progressed in spite of frequent feelings that many are still unchanged. In comparing the Beginners with the Advanced class, definite worth of the work can be seen. Mrs. Mudenda, wife of Rev. Mudenda, has contributed greatly to these meetings with her lectures on the woman's place in the home and community. This is a wonderful contact in touching the lives of women who would not otherwise receive such a personal touch.

Staffwise, Sister Anna Ruth Kline joined us in August, only to leave in November as Sister Zook. The Kline-Zook wedding was a blessing to the African church as it is most unusual to see a happy Batonga bride. The idea and manner of a Christian wedding is more clearly understood amongst our girls now. Replacing Sister Zook, Sister Edith Miller joined us in December to take up duties in Domestic Science.

Will you join us in prayer for a greater Macha Village Visitation program for 1958. It is the burden of our hearts to do more personal work among the village people. A plan has been set up to carry this out. We need prayer that we will find time and energy to push forward this evangelism program with our already busy schedules. Our strength is in Him. Yours for a greater harvest of souls.

STAFF:

*Rev. and Mrs. Ira Stern, Supt.  
Miss Ruth Hock  
Miss Fannie Longenecker  
Miss Lois Davidson  
Miss Edith Miller*

SIKALONGO MISSION

When one looks back over a year one wonders, "Where has the time gone?" This year Sikalongo Mission has been no exception to the one that inspired the words, "Redeeming the time because the days are evil." As we look about us we are impressed with the evil. We wish for more time to spend combating it and we pray for more power to overcome it. Within ourselves we say, "So much to do; so little done," but we must commit our ways to Him and give praise for that which God has accomplished.

The new mission house was completed in the main during the year, but with the continued pressure of demands many of the final touches could not be finished before moving into the house in October. The construction of two teachers' houses was finished. In order to provide a proper water supply an 18 foot water tower was also built.

We closed the school year in May with Standard VI boys doing remarkably well in their examinations. Lists of acceptances from the Education Department indicated 19 of our boys had found places for further training. Pray that these lads may keep humble and Christian in their years of study.

At the end of the school in May we bade good-bye to Sister Kettering as she left for her furlough in America. It was particularly hard to see her go because we knew that no other missionary would come to take her place. However, we had to remember that we had come to Africa to train the Africans to train their own people and thus she was being replaced by one of our African Christians. We have rejoiced in that God has provided a capable stable Christian to carry on the work.

July marked the beginning of another school year with an enrollment of 142. We noted that many of the boys who registered were not church members—a fresh challenge for outreach. Our constant prayer is that while the boys come to get "our education" they may also get "our Christ."

It seems that this was a year of sickness for our staff. Sister Hossler was confined to the hospital with an eye infection. Agnes and I both spent some time in hospital. At the time of this writing we are well and praise God for His care. The patient load among the Africans was on the increase constantly. Sister Hossler found the work consuming in time and strength but also found it rewarding. The Gospel was preached every day to those who received treatment. Responses followed the invitation and we trust that the Spirit will lead these babes in Christ.

While farming operations are a secondary part of our work, we are glad to report success in this field. We realized a fair crop of maize (corn), beans and sweet potatoes. In addition God has been blessing Sikalongo's pig raising project. All these extra projects help provide financial aid in carrying the mission program.

Spiritually we feel that there has been growth. Revivals carrying blessings were held twice during the year. Mfundisi Mudenda and Bishop Arthur Climenhaga were God's mouthpieces. In October's baptism and communion services eleven were taken into church fellowship. Through the year a number joined the enquirers' class after having repented. Offerings have been increasing slowly. This makes us feel that some people are getting a vision concerning the work of the Lord. Pray

with us that the church here may be a glorious growing church until Jesus returns.

STAFF:

*Rev. and Mrs. J. Robert Lehman, Supt.  
Miss Kathryn Hossler*

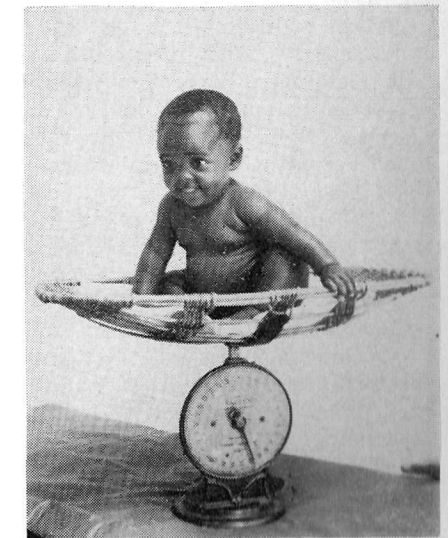
MISSION HOSPITALS  
REPORTS

SOUTHERN RHODESIA

MTSHABEZI MISSION HOSPITAL

We have had our busiest year in number of patients, number of treatments given and number of ambulance trips. The flu epidemic hit here the end of August and the beginning of September.

Shortly before Brother Earl Musser and family left for home, he supervised the completing of our new maternity unit. After we moved into the new building we had the



Well-baby Clinic "Patience Ndlovu" on the scales.



ward that had previously been used for maternity as an extra general women's ward. Even with this there were some people sleeping on the floor part of the time.

The prenatal clinics that we have been conducting are very well attended and increased our number of maternity patients this year. There are still many who will come into the clinics for a regular check-up but have no intention of having their baby at the hospital.

Some have repented during 1957. At every service there are many who will raise their hands for prayer but few who will seek the Lord as their Saviour. The ones who have repented need our prayers. The spiritual help they get is very little but the temptations are many and great. It is difficult to do much follow-up work on most of them as often they have come for some distance to the hospital.

One realizes the darkness in which many of them live when getting into the villages on ambulance calls. Here one usually sees the people in their everyday setting which is often different from what one would expect if the patient is seen only at the hospital or around the mission. Part of this mission is to distribute tracts to all in the village. Just recently there have been two different individuals come into the hospital not wanting treatment but asking for papers. They had seen some tracts that had been given in the villages when on an ambulance trip and they wanted some as well. We trust that this ministry will be fruitful even though we may not always see the results.

With increased numbers to treat it cuts down the time we have to spend doing personal work with the patients. Pray that our lives may be such that although we may not have

as much time to spend with each individual they may see the Love of God shining forth and seek to find the same thing for themselves.

STAFF: *Dr. R. Virginia Kauffman*  
*Miss Gladys Lehman*

#### NORTHERN RHODESIA

##### MACHA HOSPITAL

Dr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Engle and family arrived on the field in September to take the place of Dr. and Mrs. Alvan E. Thuma and family, who left on furlough in October. Dr. Engle is giving two years of alternate service in this medical field instead of in army service. Such consecration is deeply appreciated accompanied as it is by great financial sacrifice and gives a vital witness to the love in the hearts of those on whom the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ has been shed abroad. Dr. Engle writes in the Macha Hospital yearly report:

Most of you have been hearing challenging reports of the work at Macha Mission Hospital from Dr. and Mrs. Thuma. This report will be from a slightly different point of view, that of a new arrival on the African field. Our arrival was nineteen days before Thuma's left Macha. These were nineteen valuable days of instruction in the various aspects of the work here, such as operating the truck, managing the building program, treating tropical diseases, and some of the philosophy of a medical missionary among the Batonga people.

September, October and November were spent in the old hospital. That experience gives me a much greater appreciation for our present hospital.

On Tuesday, November 19, we loaded everything on the truck or



Dr. Engle laying sewage pipe for the drainage system.

packed it in the car and moved to the new hospital. After several days of hard work things were going quite smoothly and by the following Sunday we were ready for the Dedication Service. This was well attended by the local people; however, it is anticipated that after the completion of the entire Hospital building there will be an official opening to which government officials and others will be invited.

The unfinished half of the hospital is under roof and the plastering practically completed. A second African nurses' dwelling residence has been completed and is in use. The European nurses' dwelling toward which many of our nurses in America have contributed is almost ready for occupancy.

In reporting building achievements, special mention goes to the I-W man, Walter Heisey, for his skill and work as a carpenter has been a tremendous asset. The addition of a second nurse in the person of Sister Mary Heisey who is responsible for training African girls in the hospital work, is a blessing to the work. Sister Martha Lady continues her work as nursing supervisor. Julia

Moyo, our faithful African nurse, is on duty seven days a week.

Upon arriving here it seemed that everyone either had a new tropical disease or, if they had a familiar one, were in the advanced stages. The diseases seem more familiar now but we do see some very sick patients. For the past few weeks we have been having a polio epidemic. There are currently three paralytic polio patients in the hospital.

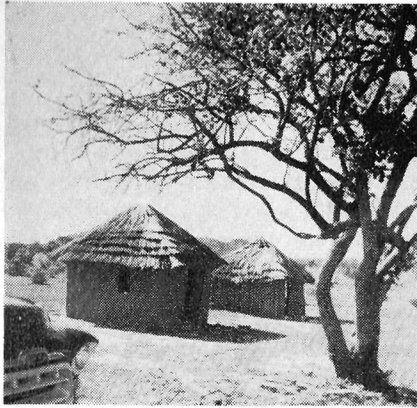
We solicit your prayers so that we may be able to reach those who come to the hospital with the Gospel. Attention in the services has been good but we would like to see more results. The program of services includes daily prayers with patients. On Friday mornings there are services in charge of Overseer Mudenda and Sunday mornings we have special services in the hospital prior to the regular church services. Also there is a weekly children's service.

We anticipate continued blessing during the coming year as the church continues in prayer and we obey Him.

#### CHURCH AND OUTSTATION DISTRICTS,

##### BULAWAYO DISTRICT

It had rained all day—all of two days. The pick-up truck sank deep into the soft mud as we crossed the open field. After about three miles of mud and water and an hour of furious driving, we arrived at the small school. There were two buildings. One was new but of the same sun-dried mud-brick construction as the older one. We hoped the newer grass roof would give a little better protection, so I slid the truck near the door and stopped. The rain slackened for a little while and we un-



An illustration of an old and new missionary hut at the Outstation schools.

packed the camping equipment and tried to get a fire going with wet wood. Finally supper was cooked and eaten, the children asleep and the kerosene lamp shining out into the darkness.

"Well," I sighed, "out with the light and to bed." It was so pleasant to think of it—sleep. The soft beating of the gentle, steady rain which had begun again soon had us caught in its spell, and soon—soon we realized that the roof leaked! I was up with a start as one drop splattered into my ear. "Grace, let's try to move the cots; the roof is leaking."

"I know it," came the weary reply. After a few attempts to put the cots here and there we concluded that it leaked everywhere.

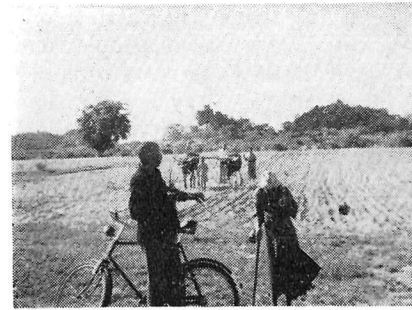
So the days and nights go—some quite routine, others containing experiences like this one. At least an outstation staff gets variety in its activities. On the other side of the scale is the dry, scorching heat of last week in the Gwaai, giving the school children their examinations. Rain would have been a blessing even coming through the roof. Excitement came one night when Grace heard a noise near Philip's bed. It

was a deadly adder snake. We killed it and then tried to sleep.

We told you last year about the lack of medical aid in the Gwaai area—they're still there, those needy people, crying for medicine and more schools. We have four schools there now with ten teachers teaching almost 400 children. There are ten regular preaching places with Sunday services. This year also saw the election of the area's first deacon, a man who was saved years ago at Matopo.

We filled one Sunday by visiting two of the new places, Mkauzaneni and Elangeni. It was my first visit to either place. You would have rejoiced as I did to see the 167 people at Elangeni. We have also made a contact with a settlement of bushmen. Usually these people are nomadic, eating roots, insects, plants and occasionally a feast of buck or elephant. A number of families have been induced to build houses and settle near our work, and one of our brethren has agreed to minister to them. The future possibilities for the Gwaai work are terrific. Several mission stations are to be opened during the next few years, one of which should be Brethren in Christ. It is an open field for work and an open door for us. But there is no money. When the general budget will hardly balance, how can we think of new work? Yet, how can we not think of it?

There are 37 outstation preaching appointments on the Bulawayo Outstation Circuit now. There are some young teachers and local Christian men who are doing great work for Christ. One teacher goes on bicycle 22 miles each Sunday, another 18; twelve more make trips of ten miles or more to reach the circuit's places without regular resident preachers. People are being saved. At many



"Bicycle evangelism."

places new buildings are up and people ready for schools. They are our people to evangelize and to win for Christ. Thank the Lord for the young men on bicycles going to their people.

There are women going out too. At one old school, the mothers asked if they could have permission to go to the mountains and help the people by preaching to them. Practically all of our new outstations have been started because someone had a vision and was willing to go and sacrifice.

In our 28 schools there were nearly 4,000 children this year. More than 16,000 school time Bible lessons were taught and more than 2,000 sermons preached. There were prayer meeting talks, Sunday School lessons and morning prayers at each school. At one church where they worked hard for a special Sunday School Rally Day, their attendance for that day jumped from the usual 100 to a record 875. At another church the Rally Day program ran from 11:30 to 4:30. The children in school had written letters of invitation and many new people came.

The Bible speaks of the fields white unto harvest. The number of contacts for the Gospel through our outstation schools and churches is as uncountable as the heads of grain in a vast harvest field. We wish our

people would share in prayer for these great numbers.

STAFF: Rev. and Mrs. Fred Holland

#### MTSHABEZI (GWANDA) DISTRICT

"You've been a father to me, just like Mfundisi Winger." Thus spoke a middle aged church member, Vayi Ndlovu, from Sizeze Outstation, when he heard we were being transferred to Northern Rhodesia. He was referring to Brother W. O. Winger of course. This is the Africans' way of giving a vote of confidence, but we do believe that they were also genuine in their comments.

Another touching incident occurred yesterday morning. This man, Vayi Ndlovu, had been asked to fill in as evangelist at Sizeze Outstation in place of the regular evangelist who failed to serve. He was given about \$4.35 as wages for his services for the two week meeting. He brought the entire amount to me asking to have it put in the church offering. He did not want to keep it for himself. We long for the day when such a spirit of giving will often be seen among our African brethren.

Truly God has blessed. We had 28 outstation schools and four additional preaching places under our supervision this year. There was a total of more than 4,000 children enrolled and 100 teachers employed. When we consider that this vast number of school children is a fertile field for evangelism, it gives an idea of the great possibilities open for the Gospel.

Baptism and communion services were held at three places, at Sikamaswe in the southern area, at Lumene in the eastern area, and at Gwandavale for a combined group



from the western area of the Mtshabezi circuit and part of the Matopo or Bulawayo circuit. A total of 77 were baptized at these meetings and 13 returned to the church with 2 being received from other churches. This does not include the number from Brother Holland's circuit that were baptized at the combined meeting.

Revival meetings were held at all of the preaching appointments with African evangelists in charge. A Christian Life Conference was held at Shake outstation for teachers of this circuit. A total of about 25 were present and many expressions of appreciation were given for the project. Dr. J. F. Lady was the main speaker with Sister Mabel Frey and Brother George Bundy also participating.

There was a total of 696 church members counted this year and a total of 1134 members of the Enquirers' class. Most of the work has been carried forward by local preachers, teachers and evangelists. What a noble work they are doing.

Our hearts were saddened by the death of the older overseer, Mfundisi N. Dube in August. His passing was triumphant and it is with joy mingled with sadness that we remember his little talk with Jesus and his anticipation of going to be with the Lord. He was beloved by the people and many expressions of condolences have been given by the people throughout this circuit and the African church at large. Truly he was a prince in Israel.

The mantle has fallen on a younger man, Mfundisi N. Moyo who has been studying at the Wanezi Bible Institute. However, with his completion of the course he will be serving the circuit full time during the coming year. What a touching scene it was when at the Wanezi Confer-

ence in July he and his wife along with two other African couples and Brother Donald Zook were ordained to the ministry. Pray for him and for them that they have fruitful service.

As Dr. Stern of Johannesburg so aptly put it during our recent Conference at Matopo, the coming of Jesus may be very near. We may have the privilege of helping to bring in the last of the redeemed. We have left our homes in America for the mission field. We do not have to go back (to the homeland) but we must go on. May we pray from the depth of our hearts with sincerity, "Master, we will follow Thee to the last step."

STAFF: *Rev. and Mrs. Lewis B. Sider*

#### WANEZI OUTSTATION

Conducting church services under a tree gives one a pioneer feeling in this day of improving facilities. It was between 90° and 100° in the shade of the large tree at Sababa on that Sunday morning in October. Several of the missionary sisters had made a quick visit to the nearby villages inviting as many as possible to the services and distributing tracts to those who seemed indifferent or unable to attend. Some had heard of this "place of meeting" but had never been present. One hundred people gathered for the service—among them could be found some of the indifferent ones to whom the Spirit had spoken.

Everyone listened intently to the Gospel messages; conviction was evident and we were happy to see

one backslider remain for prayer, many others asked us to pray for them. Twenty-eight similar Sunday contacts were made during the year. Each visit would make a story of its own. It was encouraging to see better methods in the Sunday School, to see cooperation between preachers and teachers, and to hear the rustling of Bible pages as congregations followed Scripture references.

The African seems to have an unquenchable thirst for education which is intensified by the increase of government restrictions. During this past year alone sixteen new classrooms were erected. The government no longer allows school buildings made of poles and mud. Today they are made of burnt bricks or cement blocks. The people are no longer satisfied to have classes up to standard one (grade three) or standard three (grade five). Today they are crying for standard six (grade eight).

In all of this searching for education the missionary has a unique opportunity to witness. In addition to the direct witness of the missionary every school day 3,600 children receive one-half hour of Bible instruction in Wanezi outstations; a total of ninety-five hours per child during a school year.

The week-ends of Baptism-Communion services are always high-lights in outstation work. Great joy springs up in the heart as one sees both old and young following the Lord in baptism. This year 108 were baptized and ten returned to church fellowship. Certainly the angels in heaven rejoiced as spontaneous testimonies and prayers arose from these services. Had you been present you would have seen not only crowded benches but also crowded floors for every square foot of floor space was utilized. Outside both windows and

doors sat the overflow congregation.

"Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised." (Psalms 48:1)

STAFF: *Rev. and Mrs. George Bundy*

#### NORTHERN RHODESIA

##### NAHUMBA MISSION

Outstation work in this area is in the main under the supervision of Brother and Sister Graybill Brubaker. Their home residence is at Nahumba Mission which is the center of the Macha and Sikalongo outstation districts and thus does not have a mission program in the sense of the other mission units.

"And it shall be, when thou shalt hear a sound of going in the tops of the mulberry trees, that then thou shalt go" . . . This Scripture has been an epitome of the activity of Nahumba Mission throughout the past year; i.e. when God is moving, that is the time to move. We at Nahumba have seen the moving in several spheres.

There is the physical effort. We have seen the new classrooms for children to study in during the week and for local Church congregations to meet in on Sundays. We have seen new houses for teachers and not the least important to us has been the new mission house for us. These have brought great physical blessing to all the recipients and we are grateful to God for all those who have helped in this way.

There is the sphere of the teaching ministry. 3,320 children have been enrolled in the schools of this circuit. This means a lot of souls under the care of our teachers and pastors for five days of the week. The instruction in Scripture that is a part of their curriculum is important but important also is the Christian



approach in all academic and industrial subjects. This is especially true among emergent peoples who are likely to call into question anything that does not seem to contribute directly to their aims, most of which are material. If we can get them to see that life is a complete whole and that "In Him all things consist," they will be sturdier Christians and the future will have a firmer foundation.

We have seen developing this year the pastoral system and the appointment of pastors by the Church Executive Committee, nearly all of whom are African leaders. This has been a great step forward and signs of a greater sense of responsibility among a number of our Church people. This brings much encouragement to us. These are signs the infant African Church has now reached adolescence and we look forward to maturity.

We have 30 local churches in Northern Rhodesia, each with a pastor appointed by the Church Executive Committee. At some of these there is a congregation of fifty or sixty and others we have found to have well over a hundred in service. Sunday Schools are conducted with the help of year old materials sent to us by the Home Church. Many children look forward to receiving a used "Christmas Card" picture to carry home from Sunday School. Some recorded impressions of these services read as follows:

Mwebo: 7/4/57 Present—84. Services appeared well run and efficient though punctuality did not seem important.

Mbole: 26/5/57 Present—62. Service well conducted. The pastor preached a sermon and I followed with another on "Beware of False Prophets." Well conducted Class meeting followed.

Hamonde: 5/12/57 S. S. Prompt

and well conducted. 88 present. Well conducted worship service, 128 present.

One report reads: Service started after nearby beer-drink moved in. Several drunken interruptions. I read with comments II Peter 2 for lack of suitable interpreter. The Pastor carried on bravely amid the drunken crowd. 39 present.

What we have been able to do in God's work here has been through the prayers and support of God's people which has been deeply appreciated. As we see the great unfinished task we ask for more prayer and more support that the Gospel may triumph in this land.

#### EVANGELISM: URBAN AND RURAL

##### URBAN EVANGELISM: BULAWAYO CHURCH ACTIVITIES

The establishing of a Brethren in Christ Church program in the African townships of the city of Bulawayo was reported last year. This year (1957) saw the consolidation and expansion of the program. While Brethren Musser, Kipe and Zook all had a hand in the direction of the work at various times, and Mfundisi Vundla took his pastoral duties with the exception of his period of absence in the second term at the Wanezi Bible Institute, Sister Velma Brillinger in charge of the Sunday School program gave missionary service during the entire year and reports:

Early in the year a second Sunday School was opened in the African Townships—this one at the new Insukamini Government School a short distance from our church site (now building) in Mpopoma. Mrs. Lazarus Dube (nee Abbie Moyo) has

been my faithful assistant and Mr. Samuel Mlotshwa and Mrs. Kamanga (nee Hluki Moyo) have been in charge of the Sunday School at Lobengula School. Attendance at these schools has not grown by leaps and bounds but most of those on the roll have been very faithful in coming.

At Insukamini two of these are Cain and Abel, little brothers of pre-school age and no one seemed to know just where they came from. But they never missed a Sunday *until* we gave them each a little poem to recite at the Christmas program early in December, then they failed to show up and have not been back since! Maybe they will soon venture out again. At the beginning of 1958 we plan to transfer this Sunday School to the Mpopoma church as many of the houses in that immediate area are now occupied and many children seem to be roaming the street.

One of the greatest thrills in the visitation program was when Sister Mary Engle and I were visiting one of the local African headmasters of a large new school in one of the African townships. This headmaster of a Government school was at one time a teacher at Matopo. He had to be dismissed from teaching for us and started to smoke and drink. But on our day of visitation he not only asked about many of the older missionaries (as they usually do) but seemed very eager to speak of spiritual things. Quite unexpectedly he said, "I've stopped smoking and I want to come back to my own church." Yes, our hearts were thrilled and we realized how much this African leader and others like him do need our prayers. Such contacts also made us realize that there is a "salvaging" as well as "evangelizing" work for the Brethren in Christ in Bulawayo.

During Mfundisi Vundla's time at Wanezi Bible Institute the latter part of the year, Teacher P. M. Kumalo from Matopo has given very good assistance in the work. He seems to have a sense of call and of spiritual vision and insight which is most heartening. Late in October we were encouraged when twenty went forward with the Lord in baptism and 72 gathered for the second communion service in our Bulawayo work. Just before Christmas the Vundlas moved into the parsonage right next to the church and his enthusiasm and consecration to the task ahead of him are already giving new impetus to the Brethren in Christ Church work in Bulawayo.

#### RURAL EVANGELISM: THE RHODESIAS

The entire work, of course, is one of evangelism. One could therefore title this section evangelistic work. The winter and spring months of June to November are the days of evangelistic campaigns. A full schedule was held in both Rhodesias with a total complement of eleven regular evangelists in the south and three assistants and four in the north on regular assignment.

Perhaps some of the most amazing reports came from a pro tem evangelist who is an old faithful member and a former teacher, Matsotsha Dube. He told of meetings in which the power of God was so manifest that hardened sinners came under intense conviction. For instance, at Mbezingwe in the Matopo district, a man who had backslidden from being a teacher, had become a hard drinker and roustabout, was renowned for despising and fighting the Lord and the church, was marvelously reclaimed. He arose in one

Name of Evangelist	No. of Revivals	Attendance	Repentances	Prayer Requests	Offerings
Masotsha Dube	8	12,821	1,089	2,071	\$15.31
Mdinwa Kumalo	10	13,915	1,118	2,231	14.74
Cita Moyo	9	10,239	284	644	9.19
Feya Moyo	10	10,563	220	640	9.25
Mlobeki Moyo	10	8,449	425	609	7.91
Ngula Moyo	8	7,942	540	1,480	6.89
Philip Mpofo	8	8,171	263	497	9.87
Gwanyana Ncube (with Zwanizwani Ndlovu)	9	6,129	221	674	7.91
Ntekelo Ndlovu	9	8,891	318	1,139	10.97
Mtshazo Nkala	6	6,736	474	1,214	19.87
Masotsha Sibanda	9	9,724	115	387	12.43
Noti Sibanda	1	517	15	36	1.86

#### SUMMARY OF EVANGELISTIC WORK IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA

of the concluding testimony meetings and said, "You all know my former conversation and habits—that when you visited my village I wanted to talk about nothing but the sins of my life and the pleasures of the world. But now I don't want anybody to come to my village to see me to talk of the old ways. If you come to my village, come to talk about the Lord Jesus Christ. Then you will be welcome in my village."

Another point worth noting is that particularly in Southern Rhodesia the evangelistic offerings increased for the year in several churches.

To give you a picture of what was done we present a summary of Evangelistic work in Southern Rhodesia, 1957 in the accompanying chart.

#### CONCLUSION

Our staff has been richly blessed during the year. We believe the Lord still has a great work for us to accomplish. We feel very much in the words of a Divisional Inspector of the Department of African Education in Southern Rhodesia who said,

"You have an excellent staff of consecrated workers. How fortunate you are!"

Brethren, pray for us that through this consecrated group the Lord's name will be praised and His work go from grace to grace until He comes!

*Arthur M. Climenhaga,  
General Superintendent*

## African Field Mission Treasurer's Report for 1957

### Receipts

Maintenance .....	\$22,377.83
Specials to Missions and Missionaries .....	1,952.65
Specials to Trust Funds .....	31,200.10
From Foreign Mission Board—Support of Bible Institute Personnel....	1,265.43
Interest and Rent Income .....	3,239.56
Refund—Outcoming Missionary .....	84.56
Deposited from Grant Fund Pool (See 1956 Conference Minutes).....	1,568.00
Receipt from Grant Fund Pool—amount earned above allocations to mission units .....	2,229.72
Payment from Matopo Book Room for Personnel .....	280.00
Breachbill Account .....	47.54
Deficit, December 31, 1957 .....	119.00

\$64,364.39

### Expenditures

Deficit, January 1, 1957 .....	1,709.97
Maintenance .....	2,660.12
Allowances .....	5,230.75
Children's Allowances .....	893.20
Children's Education .....	677.85
Specials to Missions and Missionaries .....	1,952.65
Specials to Trust Funds .....	31,200.10
Furloughs and Train Fares .....	7,535.50
S. R. C. C. Dues .....	137.90
N. R. C. C. Dues .....	16.80
Rhodesian Christian Press—church paper .....	97.72
Bank Charges and Treasurers' Supplies.....	11.21
Conference Cable to U. S. A. ....	3.44
Payment to Wanezi Mission for Bible Institute Personnel .....	1,750.00
Inter-Church Mission Fellowship Dues .....	2.80
1956 Deficit—General Superintendent's Establishment .....	298.55
Home and Family Week Dues .....	14.00
Missionary Health Statements .....	17.22
Missionary Medical Expense .....	62.51
Rates and Insurance on Bulawayo Property .....	388.30
Roof Repair—Bulawayo Property .....	289.02
Sub-dividing Bulawayo Property .....	221.20
Return Entry Permits .....	8.98
Allotments to Motor Fund .....	1,120.00
Nahumba Mission Residence .....	3,430.07
Sikalongo Mission Residence .....	1,735.93
Christian Workers' Fund—Mfundisi Dube's Pension.....	33.60
Evangelists' Wages .....	625.00
Conference Specials .....	336.00
Macha Mission School Roof .....	560.00
Cassia Cottage Furnishings .....	98.00
Special for Bulawayo Church Transportation .....	140.00
Matopo Mission Shop Roof .....	350.00
Nahumba Mission 1956 Deficit .....	420.00
Northern Rhodesia's Overseers' Wages .....	336.00

\$64,364.39

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	General Sup'ts Home	Bulawayo Outstation Maintenance	Bulawayo Outstation Circuit	Matopo Mission	Mtshabezi Mission	Mtshabezi Medical Unit	Mtshabezi Outstation Maintenance	Mtshabezi Outstation Circuit
Balance January 1, 1957.....	\$ (298.56)	\$ 64.28	\$ 396.90	\$ 98.70	\$ 44.48	\$ 163.67	\$ (36.77)	\$ 530.51
Receipts 1957:								
Foreign Mission Board.....	\$ 333.57			\$ 1,918.00	\$ 2,800.00		\$ 83.92	
Government Grants.....	2,128.00	\$ 975.80	27,324.86	21,163.19	17,514.85	\$ 5,577.60	1,156.40	\$29,995.70
Medical Receipts.....				300.65		1,661.94		
African Contributions and Tuition.....			1,072.82	7,659.91	12,459.90	81.08		2,325.82
Miscellaneous.....	272.22	658.86		2,862.51	2,012.34	683.66	999.73	
Total Receipts.....	\$ 2,733.79	\$ 1,634.66	\$28,397.68	\$33,904.26	\$34,787.09	\$ 8,004.28	\$ 2,240.05	\$32,321.52
Expenditures:								
Household Improvements, Repairs, Expansions.....	\$ 1,163.52	\$ 367.07		\$ 4,974.69	\$ 6,968.22	\$ 1,233.69	\$ 755.39	\$ 28.00
African Personnel, Supplies, School Equipment.....	269.78	190.68	\$28,728.61	25,766.97	25,717.45	2,278.79	229.69	32,073.71
Medical.....				23.71	33.98	2,998.75		
Miscellaneous.....	1,078.83	994.04		3,206.05	1,984.87	1,426.96	978.06	135.81
Total Expenditures.....	\$ 2,512.13	\$ 1,551.79	\$28,728.61	\$33,971.42	\$34,704.52	\$ 7,938.19	\$ 1,963.14	\$32,237.52
Balance December 31, 1957.....	\$ (76.90)	\$ 147.15	\$ 65.97	\$ 31.54	\$ 127.05	\$ 229.76	\$ 240.14	\$ 614.51

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	Wanezi Mission	Wanezi Outstation Maintenance	*Wanezi Outstation Circuit	Macha Mission	Macha Hospital	Nahumba Mission Maintenance	Sikalongo Mission
Balance January 1, 1957.....	\$ 114.33	\$ .35		\$ (3191.11)	\$ 2,580.04	\$ (716.30)	\$ 12.44
Receipts 1957:							
Foreign Mission Board.....	\$ 1,170.54	\$ 47.39		\$ 1,504.93	\$ 7,163.60	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 2,483.72
Government Grants.....	13,859.25	1,071.00		12,906.85	6,417.22	281.93	8,314.32
Medical Receipts.....	357.42				404.77		
African Contributions and Tuition.....	7,469.22		\$ 1,120.84	2,032.96			2,821.54
Miscellaneous.....	4,823.39	974.25	11.76	4,906.80	4,618.23	873.53	4,158.61
Total Receipts.....	\$27,679.82	\$ 2,092.64	\$ 1,132.60	\$21,351.54	\$18,603.82	\$ 2,555.46	\$17,778.19
Expenditures:							
Household Improvements, Repairs, Expansions.....	\$ 5,357.15	\$ 901.76	\$ 175.89	\$ 6,460.57	\$15,443.58	\$ 924.09	\$ 4,125.23
African Personnel, Supplies, School Equipment.....	18,436.05	233.25	1,052.55	8,728.92	1,968.79	300.57	9,514.09
Medical.....	207.32				2,739.98		1,613.79
Miscellaneous.....	3,737.13	750.02	22.41	3,166.17	1,227.91	889.41	2,205.16
Total Expenditures.....	\$27,737.65	\$ 1,885.03	\$ 1,250.85	\$18,355.66	\$21,380.26	\$ 2,114.07	\$17,458.27
Balance December 31, 1957.....	\$ 56.50	\$ 207.96	\$ (118.25)	\$ (195.23)	\$ (196.40)	\$ (274.91)	\$ 332.36

\*Teachers' Wages not Included.



## Statistical Report on Missions in Africa December 31, 1957

MISSION STATION	Missionary Staff	Native Workers	Preaching Appointments	Communi- cants	Enquirers Class	Average S. S. Attend- ance	Day School Enrollment	Boarding Enrollment
Superintendent's Residence	3							
Bulawayo Outstation	2	45	37	603	1,329	1,900	4,009	
Matopo Mission	10	1	3	312	146	500	525	291
Mtshabezi Mission	7		1	318	130	430	418	330
Mtshabezi Mission Hospital	2	1	1					
Mtshabezi Outstation	2	38	32	696	1,134	1,300	4,036	
Wanezi Mission	8	9	5	184	99	362	171	234
Wanezi Outstation	2	39	31	671	866	1,493	3,594	
Macha Mission	6	1	3	252	150	431	251	338
Macha Hospital Unit	5		1					
Sikalongo Mission	3	1	1	120	53	139	61	142
Nahumba Mission (N. Rhodesian Outstations)	2	37	32	358	834	2,312	3,320	
Bulawayo		4	2	72				

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## INDIA SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Brethren in Christ Mission's blueprints for policy and operation have undergone some revisions. The list of targets we can reach is being re-thought. This is due to new conditions surrounding our work.

Although Saharsa, the headquarters of the Mission and the Church is strategically an important place, it is no longer looked upon as a unit needing a large amount of assistance from overseas. The Church building and the adjoining Pastor's house provide an adequate plant for the worship activities. The evangelistic outreach will be carried on in Saharsa by the Indian Church. The dispensary and the school for girls shall constitute our institutional and mission activity. Offering the best we can in education and health, in a way that Christ will be central and souls and minds be healed.

The decision to open our hospital in Madhipura a few years ago set in motion an urgent need for buildings. A nurses' bungalow and a base unit for the hospital have been completed and are in use. Permanent ward buildings have not been erected but temporary ones have served a large number of people.

It should be noted that the hospital along with serving the needs of many non-Christians has been of real blessing to the Church. This is especially true of a number of our Santal brethren who have recently come to know the Lord and have found physical healing and a practical demonstration of the love of Christ in the service rendered them in this hospital.

Missionaries and nationals stationed at our northernmost point, Barjora, must be skilled in numerous ways. In the orphanage and educational work they are faced with some tremendous problems, the solution of which is not easily obtained. Because of finances in overall mission operations we may either have to give less efficient service or reduce our numbers to a more select group and provide for them a complete training, which we favor if necessary.

If the Barjora Institution is to serve the church of tomorrow, we must have an indigenous income for the work. We shall continue to investigate a number of possibilities in the hope of finding a solution to this most urgent financial need.

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In the Banmankhi-Purnea area there are strong signs that the Holy Spirit has placed His seal of approval upon the Church. It is energetically supported by a group of believers with a simple child-like faith who are impelled to tell their friends and relatives and neighbors about Jesus, their new found friend and Saviour. The numerical growth of the Church continues. Many of these families are blessed with children and the desire for education is normal, and at present we have no facilities. The spiritual problem of feeding the flock scattered in forty or more villages is not easy and calls for prayerful consideration. We have a limited number of Bible trained natural leaders in the communities but we will need to meet the challenge of this growing work among the Santal people.

Numerically, our missionary staff has been lower than it has been for a number of years. Evelyn Bohland due to illness was flown to America in April. Ruth Book left on regular furlough about the same time. Erma Hare had a major operation and several months were required for recuperation. Arthur and Phyllis Pye and family returned to begin their second term of service.

In the midst of these experiences the year has been one of advancement. We also have been faced by the wiles of Satan, but the Lord has brought us through victoriously.

*William R. Hoke, Supt.*

#### M. C. C. WORK

The Mennonite Central Committee of India has interest in and has been active in at least three areas. The Historic Peace Church testimony, relief, work camps and similar projects, and fellowship of Far East

National church leaders. In some areas definite benefit has accrued to the work as a result of some of these activities.

#### BIHAR CHRISTIAN COUNCIL

The membership we hold in the Bihar Christian Council is our means of maintaining a relationship to the National Christian Council which is urgently necessary if we as a Church want to continue missionary work, and provides a contact with the Churches and missions in Bihar.

#### WOODSTOCK SCHOOL

Slowly, steadily the trunks arrived carried by the mountain coolies. On the trunks we read such names as Nepal, Pakistan, Thailand, India, United States, New Zealand, England, Wales, Denmark and others. With the trunks and bedding rolls came the 432 children running, laughing and shouting. The school year of 1957 had begun.

During the year we have been conscious of the Lord's working among both students and staff. In September about twelve of our young people decided for Christ and took their Church vows. One of our kitchen supervisors came to the school as a Catholic but did not have a clear understanding of the ways of the Lord. The Lord spoke to her and gave her a hunger for His Word. She definitely accepted Christ as her Saviour.

Many times during the year as I have counseled with students or been faced with difficult problems, it has been a privilege to rely on God's promise to the Apostle Paul—"My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness." (His grace has always been sufficient!)

*Mary Stoner*

#### AMONG THE WOMEN

Weekly women's meetings have become an integral part of the life of the Christian women at Saharsa, Madhipura and Barjora.

In each group the women together with the lady missionaries, have chosen a leader, usually an Indian. She has charge of the devotional programs. The Saharsa group has been using "Atma ki Talwar"—the Sword of the Spirit, as a study book. Barjora has been using a book called "Christ in Our Homes." As the women prepared these topics they searched the scriptures and received added blessing. Young women from Saharsa have been inspired to go out on bi-monthly Gospel teams in the villages.

In Banmankhi, Santal women come in at different times during the year for teaching in reading, singing, Bible and worshipping. In October a retreat was held for all the Santal women—particularly new converts. Approximately forty women and as many children at-

tended. The staff at Banmankhi feels that in the future it may be more advisable to call in smaller more selected groups of women and concentrate on teaching them. Perhaps they in turn could be the leaders for regular women's fellowship and teaching in their own villages.

#### SAHARSA

The Church of Christ has been planted in Saharsa because God willed it. Today a group of His children live here and represent His great offer of salvation to those around them.

There are only four missionaries. We do what we can for His glory. We talk to shopkeepers, we witness on the trains, we visit the educated and the uneducated, we operate a school and a dispensary and carry on a relief program. We participate in the Sunday School work and the evangelistic outreach of the Church. We conduct services for children. We participate in all the



Saharsa Staff—Back row, l. to r.: Leora Yoder, Anita Hoke, William Hoke, Mary Hoke, Mary Beth Stoner (Woodstock), Esther Book.  
Front row: Carlton Hoke, Kenneth Hoke.

normal functions of the Christian community. God has blessed our efforts.

However, we know that four missionaries is far from the whole story of Saharsa, as the life of the Christian community is very important in effecting a real spread of the Christian message to others. The manner in which the school is operated, the effectiveness of the dispensary work, the success of the relief distribution all enters into what the community thinks about our Saviour Jesus Christ.

The community has seen so much this past year of contrasts that it is difficult to analyze just what they are thinking. One Sunday they saw a few people worshipping in their homes instead of attending the regular services in the Church. What did the non-Christian think?

At other times they saw the entire group of young people led by their pastor go out to nearby villages and preach Jesus Christ the Saviour of the world. What did the non-Christian think?

They have seen about twenty-five girls come daily to the girls' school. The majority of these girls are from non-Christian homes. They enter into the fifteen minute Christian devotional period each day. They hear and tell Bible stories and their applications in life. They carry this message home to their parents. What do they think?

They saw the Christians from three Church Districts gather in Saharsa for business and worship. They heard the singing, they read the scripture verses on the large signboards in front of the Church, they got books to read from the reading room and library operated by our pastor. What did they think?

They heard the story of Jesus told daily as they came for medicine.

They listened, some argued, some agreed, some consented to the truth taught. They saw the kindness of the nurse and felt the warmth of a loving hand in caring for their illness. What did they really think?

Drought has caused crop failures and high prices. With available relief products monthly we were able to assist several hundred people in a very practical way. What did they think?

Saharsa is the administrative center for the Church and Mission. This brings many callers to our doors. There are frequent committee meetings. As people contact us they gain many of their impressions of the Christian faith and way of life. What do they think?

The Mission Superintendent and his wife are often away from the station contacting the entire Church. As the people are contacted and see this coming and going what do they think?

This is only a glimpse. After all, nearly one hundred Christians live in this District headquarters. The non-Christians watch us. They see the work we do, they see the way we walk, they hear the words we say and note the expressions on our faces. What do they think?

Many of us feel this has been a very good year. Our tasks have been performed, our religious life has been mostly normal. Have we really been successful? It seems to me it depends a great deal as to what impressions have been made upon the non-Christians and to what extent the Christian group is developing in character, as to how successful we have really been. Through the maze has Christ been made known? In many cases I know He has been given His proper place but sometimes we have failed.

We pray for a spiritual deepening in the entire fiber of this Christian community to make us all truly Christian.

STAFF:

*Rev. and Mrs. William R. Hoke, Supt.  
Miss Esther Book  
Miss Leora Yoder*

## MADHIPURA

In review of the passing pageant of 1957 there are several thoughts and events to remark. A general atmosphere of severe privation due to drought and failure has prevailed in the villages. Asian flu swept the area, incapacitated 60% of the population and left its aftermath of pneumonia and sinusitis, still evident. Widespread malnutrition has predisposed those afflicted with the ubiquitous amebiasis to complications of hepatitis and anemia. Young people look thin, older people look gaunt. And yet we are in a struggle not against that which is primarily flesh and blood, but against the rulers of the darkness of this area and spiritual wickedness in high places. Our hospital work ministers to flesh and blood, our relief and supplements seek to relieve sickness and hunger, but through this open door of access to each person we have given ourselves to the spiritual ministry of bringing sick and gaunt spirits, blind hearts and dead souls to our Lord and Master who heals them.

Throughout the year the Madhipura congregation has had its numbers swelled by the patients staying for treatment. Most of those who have stayed on the hospital premises have been Santals, Christian and non-Christian. They attend church eagerly. We have used sev-

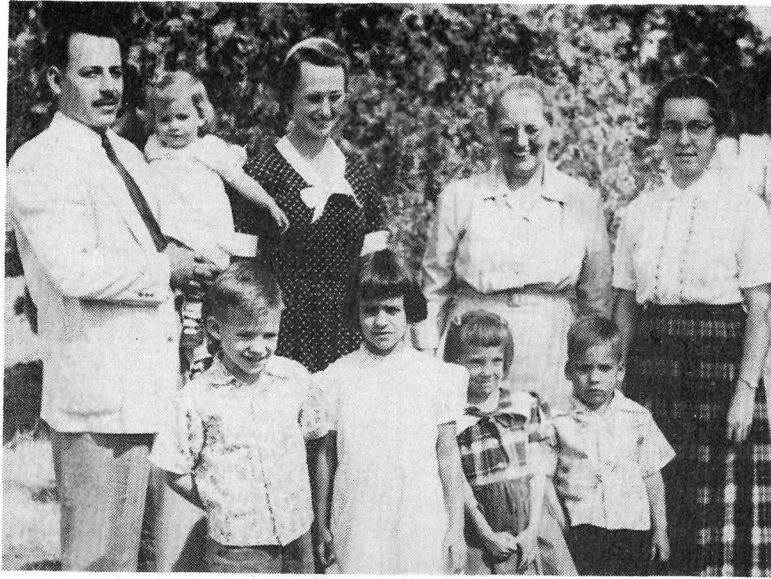
eral languages in our services, both Hindi and Santali songs and prayers. We who speak mostly Hindi welcome our Santal brethren. They understand ordinary Hindi, and every effort is made to retain simple vocabulary so they can follow the sermons. On two special occasions preaching was in Santali: Rev. Benjamin Marandi visited in June for two days' special conference, and Miss Hilder Milde visited in September.

The hospital clinic facilities are complete and daily general clinics are held. We have about five to fifteen patients staying for protracted treatment. Our daily clinics run from thirty-five to sixty-five. We are purposely curtailing the patient load to give us time for a well-rounded total program.

An integral part of the hospital work has been personal witnessing. We have seen Santals who came for treatment receive their first Christian witness at Madhipura Mission Hospital and before being discharged been won for Christ. This is unprecedented. There have also been those who have heard their first witness in the village and being ill have exhausted heathen sacrifice and pooja for cure, without success, and come for treatment believing in the efficacy of Christian faith and prayer and medicines; and before being discharged made a final commitment to Christ.

One such woman incapacitated by eight months' illness with amebic hepatitis and ridden with fear from nightly visions of evil spirits who woke her and terrorized her, heard her first witness in the nearest Santal village. She came for treatment. Our Bible workers told her the Gospel story and taught her to pray. For a few nights the visions woke her even after she prayed at bedtime.





Madhipura Staff—Back row l. to r.: Dr. George Paulus holding Catherine, Gladys Paulus, Erma Hare, Mary Jane Shoalts. Front row: Bruce, Lorene, Barbara and Kenneth Paulus.

But she dispelled her visions and fears by prayer. She stayed eight weeks for treatment. Before going home, she was baptized. There is no more idolatry in her house. She and her children pray and sing. Her husband is sympathetic and interested.

A number of new converts have had long periods of treatment for tuberculosis and kalazar. They, along with the other patients, enter into the twice daily prayer and study periods in Santali and adult literacy classes. Several have already learned to read the Scriptures and the song book. In this ministry have been employed Daniel Murmu and his wife Rebecca. Daniel is a graduate of the Banmankhi Bible School, both are good teachers. Miss Shoalts has entered into this part of the work with increasing interest.

In January the Church selected me

for Saharsa Church District Superintendent. How blessed the privilege has been to me. Immediately I took the local preachers on a survey tour of the area for twenty miles east, south, and south-east over the area of Madhipura Civil Subdivision (akin to County Districts). We located many large and small villages of Santals within our area of responsibility and searched for camping sites, met the headmen, and received their permission to hold tent meetings. Between the times for Supaul and Singheswar Melas and executive duties, camps were held in the two close villages for several weeks each. Follow-up witness maintained through family ties, patient contacts, weekly visits have resulted in a total of eight baptisms. There are about a dozen small children of these converts who are to be dedicated as soon as arrangements can be made for the

service. This year two young Muslim men and two of the boys from our Christian families were baptized.

In prospect we anticipate good things from the Lord. The people have open and receptive hearts. We have a long list of invitations for village camps. At Madhipura we lack slides and projects and sound amplifier. We hope to get some simple equipment. Illiterates can best be taught by pictures and singing, and we are using charts, large picture rolls and flannelgraphs. Each camp is also a contact for medical work. We hold small clinics during the camp. We intend to continue periodic medical visits to the receptive contact areas and we want to put into practice a program of Bible instruction and adult literacy camps to aid in follow-up. We are counting on the aid of the new converts in all our efforts. The challenge of the work is compelling; the call to prayer is impelling, our spirits are willing, the Spirit of God is leading and blessing. We intend to follow our Lord throughout the coming year.

STAFF: *Dr. and Mrs. George Paulus*  
*Miss Mary Jane Shoalts*  
*Miss Erma Hare*

## BARJORA

The picture of India appears fairly simple at first. It can be broken down quite easily into its prime factors and it is obvious that a little more of that and a little less of something else is the answer. As months wear into years the problem advances, the answer recedes, and the oldest sage confesses to know little or nothing about a solution. We from the West can scarcely understand this—it's contrary to all we have learned and taught. Here it must be accepted as part of the way of life.

Thus India remains an enigma to much of the world. Barjora is a part of that India and the missionaries from the outside world—still puzzled and wondering, trying to share and help, entering into the suffering of these people and yet separated from it and them by a great gulf. We look for a way to measure but fail to find a standard of measurement; we try to heal but discover the disease is beyond the reach of science. We touch and see and hear and still do not understand—because the soul of India stays within itself and all too seldom does it reach us or can we find it.

The small village of Barjora with its community of Christians and non-Christians is in no way an exception. A small Christian church was started here some years ago in an area often declared spiritually "sterile" in respect to the Gospel, in an out-of-the-way spot lacking communication and almost everything that might ordinarily recommend it to one's thinking. But in this spot God has raised up and is raising up a Church and may well have chosen this "weak" thing to confound the "mighty."

A few who join the Sunday morning worship service in the evening join the group in the local temple several hundred yards from the Church and exalt the deities of Hinduism till far into the night. Others—men, women, boys and girls—have steadfastly refused to bow the knee to Baal in any form and through severe adversity and temptation have declared their loyalty to Christ. Some of our best leaders have come from this church and institution and we expect more from it in the future.

At the present time about 175 Christians make up the District of Barjora. This includes about 65 children and young people connected



Barjora Staff—Back row, l. to r.: Beulah Arnold, Phyllis Pye, Arthur Pye (holding Brian). Front row l. to r.: Elwood, Elaine and Wendell Pye.

with the institution, and an Anglo-Indian community of nearly 50. These Anglo-Indians are considered a definite part of our program and are visited regularly. The most distant group is about 25 miles north almost on the border of Nepal and close to the Kosi River.

The orphanage program during the past four years has been co-educational and we have attempted to give as much training here as possible rather than send our young people off to other schools. Boys and girls study in the Barjora school to the end of Grade 9 and then boys capable of high school education walk three miles daily to the local bazaar high school. The girls take their advanced training elsewhere or domestic science training of an elementary sort at Barjora. When an

opportunity affords Gospel team groups are sent out to the melas and villages. This is especially true during a rather lengthy fall vacation known as Durga Puja. Religious instruction is given to the older boys and girls daily in a special class and all in the hostel must attend all religious services. A tremendous need is existing now among the young people of the growing church and our energies are being directed more and more toward their training rather than that of orphans. However, the costs almost equal that of a strictly orphanage program as the parents can pay little of the cost of the education of their children.

The organization of the church as separate from the mission has resulted in an Indian pastor, Rev. A. M. Charan, being in charge of most

of the religious activities at the station. He serves very capably as District Superintendent and Pastor. He is just now in the process of completing the remodelled Barjora church, a very fine but rather expensive job. The financial assistance from home for this has been much appreciated.

Miss Ruth Book, after serving very capably as matron for several years left on furlough. Arthur Pye succeeded Miss Erma Hare as station overseer. In the absence of both Miss Book and Miss Hare, Mrs. Pye and Mrs. Charan have been in charge of the girls' hostel and Homemakers Course. The work of the dispensary at Barjora has always been significant and it is none the less so now. Miss Beulah Arnold, as did those preceding her, has won the confidence and respect of the people in a very wide area surrounding Barjora and draws numbers daily varying from 50 to 150. The community depends so much on this service that it is a painful experience to close the dispensary for the nurse's regular summer hill leave.

An inseparable part of this program has always been the preaching ministry. In the healing of the body we trust that there may also be found the healing of the soul. During the past several months the original dispensary building was enlarged and remodelled to provide much better facilities for the medical work. The aluminium building erected five years ago is now serving as a ward building.

As we look into the months and years ahead it is not without questions, doubts and some fears—but also with faith and trust. Periodically, major decisions in the work, especially in the training program, have to be made and we may be not far from some of these again. Let us

pray and share together in this work that God will accomplish His purpose and His Kingdom will be extended in this vineyard where He has called us to labour.

STAFF:

*Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Pye, Supt.  
Miss Beulah Arnold*

#### BANMANKHI AND PURNEA

“Couldn't we have another week of Bible teaching? What we had was very good. It would be so good to have more.”

It was Kanai speaking, one of the seventy Santals who accepted Christ as his Saviour this year. One need only see and speak with Kanai to be assured that he knows the Lord and has found the peace which dispels all fear. How we praise the Lord for the hunger for God's Word in the hearts of these new believers, especially of such as Kanai who give promise of taking on the leadership of the small Christian Centers which are so rapidly growing.

To develop this leadership this year in addition to having the two regular Bible School sessions, two for the men and two for the women, the pre-Christmas and Easter Institutes, a school for adult literacy, etc., we have felt led to call in the young men like Kanai, who show promise of leadership for two short periods of training. For the first session, we invited eight, for the second eleven. How they drank in the Word. They said, “It is good for us to know what is in the Word so when problems come up we know what the Word says about it.”



The Santals being "folk of the soil" cannot break away from the field work for long periods of time, so, of necessity, the training must be given in short sessions. This year, too, we have sent one of our young men to a Bible School quite a distance away, in order that he may be able to get a longer and more concentrated training. He is not a land owner and could leave his home.

Not all of the approximately two hundred believers scattered in forty or more villages are fortunate to be close to a Christian center. Many of them are in isolated spots. Some are alone in their pagan villages. We with our leaders, Benjamin and Patros, contact them as frequently as possible and we pray that the message of God which has transformed their own lives may be quickly carried over the natural bridges of family ties. It is the carrying of the message over these natural bridges which has caused the rapid growth of the Christian Centers. The new believers witness to brothers, sisters, fathers, mothers, friends and neighbors. In Bahlia, a village first contacted last year, there are now eleven new believers and Asaph, who was one of the first to accept Christ, although he reads little, conducts services every Sunday. He has built a place of worship which is a very small mud house with a cross on the thatch roof and pictures on the walls. It is our first Santal Church in the villages, but in the very near future we hope to have more.

Hasoli is in great need of a place of worship. In this area there are now close to fifty Christians. Philip ministers to this group. Harinkol, a village first contacted about fifteen months ago now has a Christian group in the area of around twenty-five. In this group Jesi leads the group in services. Kanua, the first

Christian Center and in which for the last years there has been much opposition to the Christians is growing. Just two weeks ago several of the older men were baptized and even Benjamin's enemy who a few years ago said he would drive Benjamin and all the Christians from the village has attended Bible School. He is now seriously considering baptism. Stephen and Sara now live here. We expect "more fruit" in this village in the near future.

From the four directions of the large area the Brethren in Christ work covers come calls from the villages—they want to hear, they want to be taught. There are numbers who are asking for baptism. We have kept them waiting until we can camp in their villages and teach them more clearly the meaning of the Way of Salvation.

Patros is an untiring worker, a man with keen insight into administration problems and has a real burden for his people. We have marvelled at his wisdom in handling matters. He has not only shepherded the flock round about Purnea in the absence of resident missionaries, but has carried the concern of the entire area—going miles to feed the flock and encourage the leaders. Each Sunday he holds services in several villages.

Benjamin carries the same burden and concern. Benjamin and Dena, his daughter, are of incalculable help in the Bible Schools.

Miss Milde, the Norwegian missionary living at Banmankhi and carrying most of the burden of the teaching in the Bible Schools in Santali, has been a tremendous blessing from every angle—not only in teaching and in advising us and helping us to understand the Santals better, but also in guiding and training Dena and Benjamin in teaching



Banmankhi-Purnea Staff—Charles and Kathryn Engle, Miss Milde.

new believers. We thank the Lord for her.

In 1954 in the few months we worked among the Uraons, a large tribe living around Purnea, we had the wonderful privilege of giving the Gospel to hundreds who had never heard before. The burden for these needy and hungry hearts never left us. We asked missionary friends from South Bihar who work among Uraons to come up and have meetings. They came, the Lord blessed.

We could never tell you the feelings of our hearts as we stood with a large crowd of heathen Uraons and a few of our Christian Santals on the banks of a tank on a lovely May

Sabbath and watched Benjamin baptize the first two Uraons—Sohan Lah and Suresh. They have had much persecution and hard things to go through, but Sohan says, "I have found peace and I will not let it go. I will not return." They came at our invitation for Bible teaching. How they did appreciate it.

The demands of camps, Bible Schools, tent campaigns, village trips, etc., press deeply the consciousness of need of prayer backing and prayer power by the home church for both the missionary and the national.

STAFF: Rev. and Mrs. Charles Engle



# India Mission Treasurer's Report

October 1, 1956 to September 30, 1957  
GENERAL MAINTENANCE ACCOUNTS

Receipts	
Balance on hand, Oct. 1, 1956 .....	\$ 4,314.54
Furlough Fund Debit Balance .....	946.53
Foreign Mission Board .....	22,424.39
Refunds .....	1,964.85
Sale of Old Jeep .....	525.00
From Relief and Dearness .....	865.83
<b>Total Receipts .....</b>	<b>\$ 31,041.14</b>
Expenditures	
Missionary Maintenance and Medical .....	13,577.36
Administrative, Station Operations .....	4,010.92
Auto Operations .....	2,138.91
Loans .....	2,369.18
Miscellaneous and Language Study .....	328.71
Furlough Expenses .....	4,689.05
<b>Total Expenditures .....</b>	<b>27,114.13</b>
Balance on hand, Sept. 30, 1957 .....	3,927.01

## PROPAGATION

Receipts	
Balance on hand, Oct. 1, 1956 .....	2,710.79
Foreign Mission Board and gifts .....	6,746.81
Relief and Dearness .....	2,199.86
Fees .....	815.46
<b>Total Receipts .....</b>	<b>12,472.92</b>
Expenditures	
To Church Executive Committee, Evangelistic .....	3,408.96
Santal Bible School .....	310.12
Educational, Hostel and School .....	4,908.23
Medical .....	1,015.98
Benevolent .....	434.70
<b>Total Expenditures .....</b>	<b>10,077.99</b>
Balance on hand, Sept. 30, 1957 .....	2,394.93

## BUILDING, LAND AND RELIEF ACCOUNTS

Receipts	
Balance on hand, Oct. 1, 1956 .....	\$ 4,936.05
Foreign Mission Board .....	3,212.07
Sale of Land and Relief .....	1,135.76
<b>Total Receipts .....</b>	<b>\$ 9,283.88</b>
Expenditures	
To Other Funds .....	4,971.57
Loan to Barjora .....	210.00
To Relief Items .....	338.90
Building Projects .....	3,762.15
<b>Total Expenditures .....</b>	<b>9,282.62</b>
Balance on hand, Sept. 30, 1957 .....	1.26

## SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Receipts	
Balance on hand, Oct. 1, 1956, Deficit .....	(388.71)
Foreign Mission Board .....	2,945.13
Relief and Dearness .....	223.19
Ladies Lodge and Refunds .....	80.30
<b>Total Receipts .....</b>	<b>2,859.91</b>
Expenditures	
Matching Fund .....	957.32
Station Specials .....	777.94
Santal Chapel Fund and Literature .....	36.64
Banmankhi Shortage .....	26.40
Duties .....	10.38
<b>Total Expenditures .....</b>	<b>1,808.68</b>
Balance on hand, Sept. 30, 1957 .....	1,051.23
MEDICAL EXPANSION	
Receipts	
Balance on hand, Oct. 1, 1956 .....	\$ 756.77
Foreign Mission Board .....	5,352.98
<b>Total Receipts .....</b>	<b>6,109.75</b>
Expenditures	
To Madhipura .....	1,467.38
Loan, Banmankhi Shortage .....	420.00
<b>Total Expenditures .....</b>	<b>1,887.38</b>
Balance on hand, Sept. 30, 1957 .....	4,222.37

# India Missions—Station Treasurers' Reports for 1957

	Saharsa Mission	Barjora Mission	Madhipura Mission	Banmankhi Mission	Purnea Mission
<b>Balance Oct. 1, 1956 .....</b>	<b>\$ 3,142.18</b>	<b>\$ 1,852.61</b>	<b>\$ 935.77</b>	<b>\$ 462.36</b>	<b>\$1,268.07</b>
<b>Receipts:</b>					
Foreign Mission Board .....	5,243.04	8,681.91	4,792.33	8,288.51	937.26
Medical .....	909.71	1,696.58	761.09	.88	
Education .....	63.16	843.06		731.50	
Relief .....	19.11	48.19	9.01		107.15
Miscellaneous .....	2,609.77*	1,730.15	1,700.86		856.53
<b>Total Receipts .....</b>	<b>8,844.79</b>	<b>12,999.89</b>	<b>7,263.29</b>	<b>9,020.89</b>	<b>1,900.94</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Missionary Maintenance .....	1,387.19	472.50	1,303.00	4,420.96**	315.00
Administration, Station Operations .....	3,497.68	2,758.65	1,135.86	400.43	537.75
Auto operations .....	351.91	358.02	290.40	885.17	290.73
Evangelistic .....	294.61		28.21	595.85	134.61
Relief and Benevolence .....	466.57	45.70	112.42	15.30	
Medical .....	1,199.98	2,662.32	2,467.34	28.84	44.48
Education .....	230.11	5,399.17			10.32
Miscellaneous .....	3,405.80	1,519.13	1,840.28	2,598.03	1,158.28
<b>Total Expenditures .....</b>	<b>\$10,833.85</b>	<b>\$13,215.49</b>	<b>\$7,177.51</b>	<b>\$8,944.58</b>	<b>\$2,491.17</b>
<b>Bal. Sept. 30, 1957 .....</b>	<b>1,153.12</b>	<b>1,637.01</b>	<b>1,021.55</b>	<b>538.67</b>	<b>677.84</b>
* Saharsa Land Sales					
** Banmankhi Furlough Expenses					

## JAPAN GENERAL REPORT

In the last paragraph of last year's report I mentioned something to the effect that not much need be said about the outlook for 1957 except that we expected to finish school and take over from Books in Hagi when they return to America and that Graybills were expected to enter school immediately upon arrival. But God had great blessing in store for us, many of which were to come via the road of problems and sickness. A skeleton calendar for the year is as follows:

*Jan. 5*—Bonnie Jean Willms born.

*February*—Books visit Willms in Kobe. Would God have Books stay on as missionaries?

*April*—Easter blessings including first feet-washing service in Hagi and a spontaneous revival.

*May 27*—Mary enters hospital for TB treatment.

*July 1*—Anna Haldeman arrives and we move to Takarazuka. Soon thereafter Books go to Mennonite Conference in Hokkaido. Hoke visits Japan, including Hagi. Youth Camp in Hagi and evangelistic services in church with Gotoh of YFC.

*Aug. 5*—Mary comes home from hospital!

*Aug. 19*—Graybills arrived!

*Sept. 8*—Baptisms at Hagi. Five candidates. Total Hagi membership now 19 nationals.

*October*—Books move to Kobe, Willms to Hagi.

*November*—Anna Haldeman returns to USA. Mary sits in on mission business meetings.

*Nov. 15*—Kanakubo-san, faithful interpreter and co-worker for over two years, returns to Tokyo.

*Nov. 16-17*—Our first experience with a literature booth at annual religious festival.

The HAGI BRETHERN IN CHRIST CHURCH is showing more and more its ability to handle its own affairs, excepting in the area of preaching. It seems that so far no one has been called to that ministry, or at least has not obeyed.

Eight rather faithful members, some very faithful, are carrying most of the following load: a budget of around \$200 (including missionary giving but I do not know what percentage is such. \$200 is the average per capita income in Japan so that gives you an idea of what our people are doing financially); a total of five Sunday School classes held in four locations by five teachers for ages ranging from kindergarten through Junior High; a prayer meeting-Bible Study once a week conducted entirely by nationals although of course we missionaries answer many questions and otherwise contribute to an understanding of the material being studied; a Sunday morning worship service which they chair but do not preach.

The leadership is in the hands of three of the older members. So while



Standing: Peter Willms, John Graybill, Doyle Book. Seated: Thelma Book holding Margy Willms, Mary Willms holding Bonnie, Brenda Graybill, Edward Graybill, Lucille Graybill, Michael Graybill.

there are problems and slackers we still can see slow and gradual progress. We would wish for the Hagi church a sense of urgency for the lost, the ability to intercede for lost souls and backsliders, more members who will put Christ ahead of jobs and other interests, and a Japanese pastor. Won't you help us pray for these things even as together we praise Him for all He has done?

The JAPAN BRETHERN IN CHRIST MISSION is also growing. With Books changing from I-W to "professional missionary" and the Graybill's coming the missionary staff trebled this year! We thank God and all our supporters for making this possible. Health, with the exception of Mary, has been good, in fact remarkable when one considers the loads all of us carried through the year.

The mission owes a debt of thanks to both Doyle and Thelma for their two years of voluntary service. Doyle finished out his I-W program with mounting success and blessing. During his first month or so as "missionary" he helped the church lay the groundwork for the Willms' return to Hagi.

Thelma continued her various classes with both children and adults. She did a lot of counselling. Her biggest single project has perhaps been the weekly meetings with Sunday School teachers whom she had in shape to continue their work without supervision from us when we returned to Hagi.

The very able interpreter, and, by the time she left, a Sunday School administrator in her own right, was Kanakubo-san who has given the

mission and her Lord over two years of excellent service. Please pray for her while she is living with her parents in Tokyo trying to lead them to Christ. She misses her Hagi work and contacts severely at times.

Mary interrupted her formal schooling for Bonnie's birth and in order to gain strength, take care of the girls, and clear the way for my unhindered studies. Since sick her schedule has been adjusted to the physical needs and the recovery God has granted has been unusual.

I (Pete) was in school January through May during which time I also had weekly classes on two university campuses and occasional preaching in the Kobe Mennonite Church. Since coming to Hagi in October I have been trying to hold all the ground the Books and the church had gained during our absence and at the same time forge ahead with new approaches and projects.

The Graybills after arriving in September spent a month getting settled and making a brief trip to Hagi. Then John dug into school as planned. About a month later Lucille also started school. This plus the myriad perplexities of just exist-

ing in this country about sums up the present activities of the Books and Graybills. They will be living in more convenient and cheaper apartments in the house owned by the General Conference Mennonites.

We have looked forward to starting more local congregations in the general Hagi area. But language and other considerations always seemed to indicate that for the time being Hagi itself was enough. We feel now though that the time has come for us to try to establish a church congregation in another center somewhere in this general area. We have agreed to start the initial campaign sometime before our furlough. We are hoping to have an extended tent campaign that will stress evangelism for a few weeks and then for the latter few weeks concentrate on working with converts and seekers. The fruit that results will then be formed into a local group which will be served by whoever is in Hagi.

Pray for us your workers in Japan as we venture into new areas.

STAFF: *Rev. and Mrs. Peter Willms*  
*Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Book*  
*Rev. and Mrs. John Graybill*

#### JAPAN FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 1957 to December 31, 1957

##### GENERAL FUND

###### Receipts

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....	\$ 257.25
Foreign Mission Board .....	7,228.50
National Contributions .....	35.15
Miscellaneous .....	84.40

Total Receipts with Balance .....

###### Expenditures

Mission and Personnel .....	7,089.49
Propagation .....	131.68
Miscellaneous .....	372.73

Total Expenditures .....

Balance, December 31, 1957 .....

#### SPECIAL FUNDS

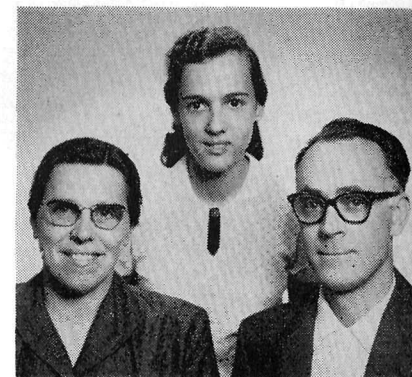
	On hand or (Deficit)	Receipts	Expenditures	On hand or (Deficit)
"As You See Fit" .....	\$ 3.62			\$ 3.62
House & Property .....	(27.59)	\$300.00	\$54.43	217.98
Literature .....	(38.28)	103.78	86.12	(20.62)
Tent & Equipment .....	6.79			6.79
Welfare .....	50.00		23.15	26.85

## CUBA

All praise to His name for all that has been accomplished. There are two reasons why our mission work continues to be largely concentrated in one area. First, we have not been able to find native workers who will assume responsibility, and, second, the work has grown in Cuatro Caminos to where the responsibilities here demand all our time.

As it happens in nearly every case where there is no evangelical work in the area, the Catholic church was rather inactive in Cuatro Caminos before the work was opened, but now the more we work the town, the more they are stirred to action. It is not unusual for us to invite a large family to Sunday school, only to learn later that they went to the other church. Or they may come a while and then be influenced to change. The Catholics have a lot of young people. Though this competition does generate a certain amount of strife, we are happy that outwardly we continue to enjoy the respect of all even though our efforts conflict in many homes.

In the Sunday School the Lord



Howard and Pearl Wolgemuth with daughter Judy.

has continued to bless our efforts. We have had an increase in average attendance from 82 in 1956 to 105 in 1957. The attention in Sunday School has been remarkable considering the customs of this land. Nevertheless, it is a week by week struggle to keep many of them coming since there is no particular desire on the part of most parents to send them.

The church services held three times a week in the church are well



attended. In February and again in March we had a week of revival with Rev. A. L. Haywood, a Free Methodist and Rev. Henry Schneider of Michigan. A number of visiting ministers and friends from the States also added to the inspiration of our services. The Saturday evening services are held in a home at the sugar mill center, Portugalete, with the exception that when the weather permits, the first Saturday of each month it is held in the Perdoma home, thus reaching another neighborhood.

The interest shown is encouraging but our hearts are saddened by several who do not attend the services any more. We have not seen as many new faces in our congregation as we desired and generally there is not as much interest and desire for the Gospel among the people as when the mission first came to town. Juana Garcia, our Cuban helper, continues to serve faithfully in the home and in the Sunday School and worship services. The faithful services of Brother Guillermo Bolet who is a good speaker and an interpreter in the Sunday evening services is of unusual benefit in the work.

In July, Rev. Edward Case, Child Evangelism Director of Cuba, met with us each night for two weeks of study in a short Bible Study Course on personal evangelism. There were 32 enrolled; seventeen took the examinations and received their diplo-

mas at a special graduation service. It was a challenging step of progress to see these—both young and old—prepare themselves to win the children of the community for the Lord and to do personal work with souls.

One of the outstanding decisions of the year was to purchase property adjoining the church for the opening of a Christian Elementary Day School. The Board was represented on the field by Bishop Carl J. Ulery, Rev. Henry N. Hostetter and Bro. Jacob Kuhns. The school was opened October first with sixteen pupils in charge of a Christian teacher, Mrs. Perla Durant. Because of the important place private schools fill in the educational system of Cuba, this step was especially meaningful. There are many private schools conducted as a business enterprise but none in our town except a small Catholic school. Therefore, it was a need and presented a real opportunity to extend our witness. We trust it will produce much fruit for the cause of Christ.

The visitation program throughout the year is one of the important phases of our ministry. The jeep continues to give good service and is a very necessary tool in our present pattern of operation.

We move forward as the Lord directs and the Lord moves as God's children pray. We do covet many, many in our town for the Lord.

*Howard and Pearl Wolgemuth*

### CUBA FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 1957 to December 31, 1957

#### GENERAL FUND

##### Receipts

Balance, Jan. 1, 1957 .....	\$ 568.73
Foreign Mission Board .....	4,050.00
Tuition .....	69.00
Miscellaneous .....	75.00
Total Receipts with Balance.....	4,762.73

Expenditures	
Staff Maintenance and Support .....	\$ 2,294.99
Motor Car .....	586.89
National Workers & Propagation .....	340.95
Education for Nationals .....	1,120.69
Miscellaneous .....	118.37
Total Expenditures .....	4,461.89
Balance, Dec. 31, 1957 .....	300.84

#### BUILDING AND LAND FUNDS

##### Receipts

Foreign Mission Board .....	\$10,000.00
Total Receipts .....	10,000.00

##### Expenditures

Purchase of School Property, including incidental costs .....	9,618.54
Repairs & Construction .....	334.24
Total Expenditures .....	9,952.78
Balance, Dec. 31, 1957 .....	47.22

#### SPECIAL FUNDS

Balance, Jan. 1, 1957 .....	58.33
Receipts .....	387.73
Total Receipts with Balance .....	446.06
Expenditures .....	317.87
Balance, Dec. 31, 1957 .....	\$ 128.19

## Foreign Missionary Personnel With Furlough Dates

#### AFRICA

**General Superintendent's Residence**  
P. O. Box 711, Bulawayo,  
Southern Rhodesia.  
Bishop and Mrs. Arthur M. Climenhaga, 1958.  
Miss Velma R. Brillinger, 1960.

**Matopo Mission, Private Bag 191 T,**  
Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia.  
Rev. and Mrs. David E. Climenhaga, 1961.  
Rev. and Mrs. H. Frank Kipe, 1958.  
Miss Mary C. Engle, 1958.  
Miss Rhoda G. Lenhert, 1961.  
Miss Edna M. Switzer, 1958.  
Miss Florence R. Hensel, 1962.  
Miss Elva F. Lyons, 1962.  
Miss Ruth T. Hunt, 1960.  
Miss Dorothy Martin, 1963.

#### Bulawayo Outstation:

Rev. and Mrs. J. Robert Lehman,  
1962.

#### Mtshabezi Mission, Private Bag 102 M,

Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia.  
Rev. and Mrs. Glenn C. Frey, 1958.  
Rev. and Mrs. George E. Bundy,  
1960.  
Miss Nancy J. Kreider, 1960.  
Miss Miriam L. Heise, 1959.  
Miss Eva Mae Melhorn, 1960.  
Miss Mildred E. Myers, 1962.  
Miss Pauline E. Frey, 1959.  
Miss Anna J. Graybill, 1963.

#### Outstation:

Rev. and Mrs. Frederic L. Holland,  
1961.

**Mtshabezi Mission Hospital,**  
Private Bag 101 M, Bulawayo,  
Southern Rhodesia.  
Dr. R. Virginia Kauffman, 1960.  
Miss Gladys I. Lehman, 1959.

**Wanezi Mission**  
Private Bag 129 S, Bulawayo,  
Southern Rhodesia  
Rev. and Mrs. J. Elwood Hershey,  
1963.

Miss Anna R. Wolgemuth, 1960.  
Miss Norma Brubaker, 1962.  
**Bible School Staff:**  
Rev. and Mrs. Jesse F. Lady.  
Miss F. Mabel Frey, 1963.

**Outstation:**

Rev. and Mrs. Donald R. Zook, 1963.

**Macha Mission**

Private Bag, Choma,  
Northern Rhodesia.  
Rev. and Mrs. Ira M. Stern, 1958.  
Miss Fannie Longenecker, 1961.  
Miss Ruth E. Hock, 1961.  
Miss Lois P. Davidson, 1961.  
Miss Edith Miller, 1963.

**Hospital Staff:**

Miss Mary E. Heisey, 1958.  
Miss Martha L. Lady, 1960.

**Sikalongo Mission**

P. O. Box 131,  
Choma, Northern Rhodesia.  
Rev. and Mrs. Lewis B. Sider, 1961.  
Miss Kathryn Hossler, 1961.

**Nahumba Mission**

P. O. Box 173,  
Choma, Northern Rhodesia.  
Rev. and Mrs. A. Graybill Brubaker, 1959.

**On Furlough from Africa:**

Miss Edna E. Lehman, Route 9,  
York, Pa.  
Rev. and Mrs. Alvin J. Book, 280  
Eighth Ave., Upland, Calif.  
Rev. and Mrs. J. Earl Musser,  
Grantham, Pa.  
Miss Anna L. Kettering, Campbell-  
town, Pa.  
Dr. and Mrs. Alvan E. Thuma, New  
Madison, Ohio.

**INDIA**

**General Superintendent: P. O. Sa-  
harsa, N. E. Railway, District Sa-  
harsa, Bihar.**  
Rev. and Mrs. William R. Hoke,  
1960.

**Saharsa Mission, P. O. Saharsa, N. E.  
Railway, District Saharsa, Bihar.**  
Miss Esther G. Book, 1959.  
Miss Leora Yoder, 1961.

**Barjora Mission, P. O. Tirbeniganj,  
via Murliganj, N. E. Railway, Dis-  
trict Saharsa, Bihar.**  
Rev. and Mrs. Arthur L. Pye, 1963.  
Miss Beulah Arnold, 1961.

**Madhipura Mission, P. O. Madhipura,  
N. E. Railway, District Saharsa,  
Bihar.**  
Dr. and Mrs. George E. Paulus,  
1960.  
Miss Mary Jane Shoalts, 1959.  
Miss Erma Z. Hare, 1961.

**Banmankhi Mission, P. O. Banman-  
khi, N. E. Railway, District  
Purnea, Bihar.**  
Rev. and Mrs. Charles E. Engle,  
1962.

**Woodstock School, P. O. Landour  
Mussoorie, United Provinces.**  
Miss Mary E. Stoner, 1958.

**Ulubaria Mission, P. O. Ulubaria, Dis-  
trict Howrah, West Bengal.**  
Rev. and Mrs. A. D. M. Dick.

**On Furlough from India:**

Rev. and Mrs. Allen S. Buckwalter,  
338 N. Sixth Ave., Upland, Calif.  
Rev. and Mrs. Joseph B. Smith,  
"Go Ye Fellowship," 1307 Water-  
loo St., Los Angeles 26, Calif.  
Miss Ruth E. Book, 280 Eighth  
Ave., Upland, Calif.

**JAPAN**

**11 Hijiwara, Hagi City, Yamaguchi.**  
Rev. and Mrs. Peter A. Willms,  
1958.

**122 Yamamoto-Dori, 4-Chome, Ikuta-  
Ku, Kobe.**  
Rev. and Mrs. Doyle C. Book, 1960.  
Rev. and Mrs. John W. Graybill,  
1962.

**CUBA**

**Cuatro Caminos, Habana Province.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wolgemuth.

**I-W Workers:**

Mr. Walter Heisey, Macha Mission,  
Private Bag, Choma, Northern  
Rhodesia, Africa.  
Mr. and Mrs. David M. Brubaker,  
Matopo Mission, Private Bag  
191 T, Bulawayo, Southern Rho-  
desia, Africa.  
Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Engle, Macha  
Mission Hospital, Private Bag,  
Choma, Northern Rhodesia,  
Africa.

**Former and Retired Missionaries:**

Miss Lula Asper, 637 Second Ave.,  
Upland, Calif.  
Mrs. Mary Brenaman Brechbill, 214  
N. E. Seventh St., Abilene, Kans.  
Rev. and Mrs. Albert Brenaman,  
R. 3, Owosso, Mich.  
Bishop and Mrs. H. H. Brubaker,  
Ft. Erie, Ontario, Canada.  
Mrs. Katie Smith Buckwalter, 1531  
Corson St., Pasadena, Calif.  
Rev. and Mrs. John Climenhaga,  
Grantham, Pa.  
Miss Anna R. Engle, Grantham, Pa.  
Miss Elizabeth H. Engle, 236 Col-  
lege Ave., Elizabethtown, Pa.  
Rev. and Mrs. Charles Eshelman,  
Grantham, Pa.  
Mrs. Martha Kauffman Eshelman,  
651 E. Arrow, Upland, Calif.  
Mrs. Ethelda Eyer, Third Ave., Up-  
land, Calif.  
Miss Anna M. Eyster, 637 North  
Third Ave., Upland, Calif.  
Mrs. Emma Frey, 2001 Paxton St.,  
Harrisburg, Pa.  
Miss Ella Gayman, 1960 Los Lunas  
Ave., Pasadena, Calif.  
Rev. and Mrs. J. Paul George, West  
Milton, Ohio.  
Mrs. Verna Ginder, R. 3, Manheim,  
Pa.  
Rev. and Mrs. D. B. Hall, 620 N.  
First Ave., Upland, Calif.  
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Heise, Wel-  
land, Ontario, Canada.

Miss Mary Kreider, Campbelltown,  
Pa.  
Mrs. Naomi Lady, 2001 Paxton St.,  
Harrisburg, Pa.  
Rev. and Mrs. Roy H. Mann, Cov-  
ington, Ohio.  
Miss Verda Moyer, 41 Hillside Ave.,  
Souderton, Pa.  
Rev. and Mrs. J. Lester Myers,  
Greencastle, Pa.  
Mrs. Mary Dick Myers, Greencastle,  
Pa.  
Rev. and Mrs. George E. Paulus,  
Box 38, Souderton, Pa.  
Rev. David Rohrer, Pasadena, Calif.  
Miss Effie Rohrer, 2421 Oneida St.,  
Pasadena, Calif.  
Miss Emma Rosenberger, Souder-  
ton, Pa.  
Miss Anna M. Steckley, Gormley,  
Ontario, Canada.  
Mr. Lewis Steckley, 105 N. W.  
Tenth St., Abilene, Kans.  
Mrs. Adda Taylor, 2001 Paxton St.,  
Harrisburg, Pa.  
Rev. Jesse W. Wenger, Englewood,  
Ohio.  
Mr. Andrew Winger, Upland, Calif.  
Miss Annie Winger, Delisle, Sas-  
katchewan, Canada.  
Rev. and Mrs. Bert Winger, Center  
Hall, Pa.  
Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Winger, Up-  
land, Calif.  
Rev. and Mrs. W. O. Winger, Gran-  
tham, Pa.  
Rev. and Mrs. Chester F. Wingert,  
Grantham, Pa.

**Foreign Mission Board:**

Rev. Samuel Wolgemuth, Chair-  
man, 103 Park Ave., Wheaton, Ill.  
Rev. Henry N. Hostetter, Executive  
Secretary, Washington Boro, Pa.  
Bishop Carl J. Ulery, Treasurer,  
1332 Maiden Lane, Springfield, O.  
Rev. George C. Sheffer, Canadian  
Treasurer, Stayner, Ont., Canada.  
Dr. P. G. Lenhart, Arcanum, Ohio.  
Rev. Merle Brubaker, 14132 San  
Antonio Ave., Chino, Calif.  
Mr. Jacob G. Kuhns, R. 2, Me-  
chanicsburg, Pa.  
Bishop Daniel Sipling, 356 East  
High St., Elizabethtown, Pa.  
Elder Irwin Curry, 1431 West Main  
St., Palmyra, Pa.



Part III

*Sunday School*  
*Statistical Report*



# Statistical Report, Brethren in Christ Sunday School Work, 1957

C. W. BOYER, Secretary, Commission on Sunday School

NAME OF SCHOOL	SUPERINTENDENT FOR 1957	Enrollment	1956 Average Attendance	1957	Cradle Roll	Home Dept.	Conversions S. S.	Conversions V. B. S.	Church Accessions	Total Offerings
<b>PENNSYLVANIA ALLEGHENY CONFERENCE</b>										
Air Hill	Avery Sollenberger, Jr., R. 3, Shippensburg	205	170	172	75	64	0	10	4	\$ 3,354.74
Altoona	Cecil Maurer, 316 Lotz Ave., Altoona	85	58	62	17	3	0	12	7	624.05
Antrim	John A. Byers, R.D. 1, Chambersburg	216	163	176	35	12	4	33	2	3,095.69
Blairs Mills	Jay Goshorn, Blairs Mills	71	57	54	15	0	0	9	0	1,596.54
Blandburg	Harvey Oylor, 416 Cherry Ave., Altoona	31	38	27	9	0	0	0	0	151.40
Brush Ridge	John A. Bawel, Belleville, Box 102	40	26	32	0	0	0	0	2	666.94
Canoe Creek	Joe Neumeyer, Williamsburg	66	68	53	5	0	0	0	0	266.78
Carlisle	Roy E. Lehman, Mounted Route, Carlisle	260	227	214	30	12	10	10	13	7,704.32
Cedar Grove	Donald Snyder, Thompsontown	124	116	101	3	15	0	0	0	1,369.67
Cedar Springs	Earl Stern, Mill Hall	96	85	82	15	4	0	0	7	1,968.67
Center Grove	Clyde Frain, Star Route, Three Springs	61	32	33	8	0	0	0	0	402.00
Chambersburg	Glen Gayman, R.R. 3, Chambersburg	314	260	283	31	13	4	74	6	6,640.25
Clear Creek	Kenneth Mellott, 7th Ave., Everett	201	107	103	23	0	0	0	0	3,540.87
Colyer	Charles Fohringer, Centre Hall	81	54	49	7	21	0	21	0	973.21
Conewago	S. Eugene Witter, R.R. 1, Gardners	122	60	86	7	2	0	0	5	1,345.20
Eight Square Chapel	Fred C. Ebersole, Martinsburg	70	49	44	3	0	0	0	0	796.00
Fairview	Kenneth Melhorn, R.R. 1, New Cumberland	115	71	82	10	0	0	0	0	1,149.02
Ferguson Valley	Marvin Haubrick, R.D. 2, Lewistown	85	78	82	6	0	0	0	2	1,251.36
Five Forks	Charles H. Deter, Route 1, Fayetteville	85	61	62	11	0	0	0	0	1,750.56
Good Will	Richard L. Long, Mill Hall	55	48	41	10	2	0	0	0	735.98
Grantham	Isaiah B. Harley, Grantham	256	194	199	25	0	0	15	3	2,766.08
Granville	Milford Fisher, R.D. 2, Lewistown	112	91	92	7	0	0	0	0	844.23
Green Grove	Robert L. Duck, R.D. 1, Spring Mills	78	55	55	28	25	0	25	0	1,983.95
Green Spring	Wilbur W. Stayman, R.D. 1, Shippensburg	150	122	126	33	8	0	0	0	2,092.83
Hollowell	Avery Wingert, Route 3, Waynesboro	326	238	265	54	11	0	0	16	2,948.27
Iron Springs	Clyde S. Sollenberger, R.D. 2, Chambersburg	85	64	68	0	0	3	0	0	2,180.43
Jamison Valley	David J. Yoder, Route 4, Westfield	40	22	25	1	0	0	0	7	181.62
Locust Grove	Walter Bausman, R.D. 9, York	66	62	55	4	0	0	0	2	855.02
Marsh Creek	Israel Ruth, R.D. 1, Howard	100	71	78	14	0	0	0	3	1,055.50
Martinsburg	Hubert L. Stern, Roaring Spring	89	79	66	6	10	0	0	0	2,433.04
Mechanicsburg	Earl J. Lehman, R.D. 1, Carlisle	246	204	209	3	7	0	0	8	6,192.95
Montgomery	Raymon L. Eberly, R.R. 1, Greencastle	168	117	118	15	0	0	0	2	1,257.11
Moore's	Walter Wickey, R.D. 1, Wellsville	121	99	92	11	2	0	0	3	2,199.70
Morning Hour	Joseph A. Stoner, R. 2, East Berlin	72	51	60	0	0	0	0	0	1,255.50
Mt. Etna	W. Sheldon Wilson, R.D. 2, Hollidaysburg	60	55	47	0	0	0	0	0	238.14
Mt. Holly Springs	John Blackburn, Mt. Holly Springs	66	55	52	6	0	7	0	0	1,413.34
Mt. Rock	Benjamin R. Musser, R.R. 2, Shippensburg	153	120	134	15	5	0	0	0	4,195.93
Mt. Tabor	Charles A. Myers, R.D. 2, Greencastle	53	40	24	0	0	0	0	0	101.16
Mountain Chapel	Wilbert Clark, Breezewood	65	40	40	0	0	0	0	0	
Mowersville	Harry Bert, R.D. 1, Newburg	169	123	135	18	1	12	20	0	2,335.49
Newcastle	E. W. Burford, R. 1, New Wilmington	48	28	34	6	0	0	0	0	337.48
New Fairview Chapel	Carl R. Donahey, R.D. 2, McVeytown	47	31	34	0	0	0	0	0	370.51
New Guilford	Eber Hess, Route 1, Chambersburg	270	225	235	49	0	12	28	4	11,436.83
Pleasant Valley	Ray Kitner, Shermansdale	83	51	80	10	4	0	12	0	1,293.83
Ringgold	Herbert J. Hoover, R.R. 4, Waynesboro	24	37	21	0	0	0	0	0	1,311.46
Rocklick	Leroy Grine, R.R. Schellsburg	36	32	25	0	0	0	0	0	676.00
Saville	Jessie Messimer, Ickesburg	25	47	25	5	0	0	0	0	
Saxton	E. Paul Hammon, 905 Main St., Saxton	89	66	77	17	17	0	0	3	1,435.13
Searight	Richard Keller, Smock	53	29	33	11	15	0	3	0	423.19
Sherman's Valley	Elsie Warsing, R.R. 2, Hopewell	82	60	62	24	0	0	0	0	476.49
South Mt. Chapel	Lloyd Martin, 1859 Edgar Ave., Chambersburg	95	82	77	15	9	0	4	0	633.08
Springhope	Oscar P. Miller, R.D. 1, Mann's Choice	67	43	47	6	2	1	0	0	840.53
Waynesboro	Walter Strite, R.D. 4, Waynesboro	217	172	175	26	7	6	0	0	1,120.22
Woodbury	John S. Miller	42	37	37	0	0	0	0	0	652.88
<b>NEW YORK</b>										
Clarence Center	Lester Martin, Clarence Center	140	108	117	15	5	18	0	16	2,025.72
Conference Totals										
		6176	4737	4857	744	276	77	276	115	98,746.89
<b>FLORIDA ATLANTIC CONFERENCE</b>										
Orlando	Paul S. Frey, 1314 E. Harding Ave., Orlando	70	68	59	0	0	0	0	0	631.41
<b>PENNSYLVANIA</b>										
Bethel	Allen H. Hoffer, RD 2, Manheim	50	25	44	7	0	0	0	2	816.25
Conoy	Mahlon Fry, RD 1, Elizabethtown	97	87	90	6	0	0	1	3	2,433.51
Cross Roads	Adin H. Mumma, Florin	205	188	198	26	33	3	17	3	7,544.45
Elizabethtown	Walter S. Martin, 971 Groff Ave., Elizabethtown	153	127	122	1	2	6	17	0	4,975.48
Fairland	Joseph Brechbill, Annville	257	183	191	23	13	10	0	5	4,775.32
Fox Hollow	Roy Chapman, RD 2, Montoursville	25	20	19	4	3	0	0	0	1,030.10
Free Grace	Donald Miller, 537 E. Wisconsin Ave., Tower City	160	138	147	15	17	0	0	8	4,092.58
Gratersford	J. Harold Hunsberger, Box 112, Rahns	90	63	69	7	0	0	0	2	1,411.54
Hummelstown	Charles S. Keim, RD 1, Hummelstown	212	146	152	109	103	12	18	4	2,820.25
Hunlock Creek	Hans Iverson, Hunlock Creek	57	35	34	10	0	0	0	0	177.28
Lancaster	Daniel G. Engle, 47 Wabank Rd., Millersville	180	132	130	0	0	0	0	4	1,030.82
Llewellyn	Dorothy Melhorn, Box 21, Lancaster	50	45	34	0	0	0	0	0	427.68
Manheim	H. Melvin Boose, 1 Fulton St., Manheim	148	122	104	8	6	0	3	8	2,377.23
Manor	John Kibler, Jr., RD 2, Columbia	134	118	118	13	21	0	3	1	2,132.00
Mastersonville	Blain A. Wingert, RD 3, Elizabethtown	82	75	80	0	13	0	0	1	1,113.61
Maytown	Clair H. Hoffman, Box E, Florin	75	61	65	4	20	0	3	2	2,177.76
Messiah Home S. S.	Robert L. Kelchner, M.H.S., 37-A Hershey	265	213	206	32	120	27	22	0	3,285.51
Messiah Lighthouse	T. V. Brehm, Dept. "K", Kinderhaus, Hershey	187	104	113	107	175	0	48	1	1,383.33
Mt. Pleasant	Wm. P. Neyer, Jr., 306 Blanchard Ave., Mt. Joy	172	131	132	13	12	0	6	7	2,835.61
Palmyra	Wayne F. Ebersole, Palmyra	171	137	143	17	8	5	6	7	4,831.69
Pequea	Laban Z. Byers, RD 1, Conestoga	107	92	98	15	4	0	3	4	3,300.17
Philadelphia	Benj. L. Watkins, 3436 N. 2nd St., Philadelphia	129	95	83	23	25	5	25	2	2,087.08
Pine Forge	Paul Buckwalter, RD 2, Pottstown	74	35	39	0	0	0	0	0	487.96
Refton	Clyde J. Slaymaker, RD 1, Strasburg	80	73	73	9	10	0	4	0	391.37
Shenks	Amos Floyd, Elizabethtown	195	172	166	13	15	1	13	0	3,001.68
Silverdale	Roland F. Detweiler, 307 E. Broad, Souderton	84	63	68	7	0	4	4	8	1,369.75
Souderton	Marvin Garis, RD Mounted Route 1, Souderton	140	110	115	12	6	7	5	10	1,576.16
Speedwell Heights	Mervin W. Heisey, RD 3, Manheim	68	49	54	6	8	0	0	1	1,333.04
Stowe	Clarence Krepp, RD 1, Pottstown	115	81	79	23	0	0	0	2	523.10
Tremont	Norman W. Hilbert, RD, Elizabethtown	34	33	33	0	0	0	0	4	1,471.23
<b>VIRGINIA</b>										
Adneys Gap	Burie Aldridge, Check	100	79	85	9	0	0	0	4	612.59
Bethel	Phillip Jennings, RD 3, Hillsville	89	68	72	10	0	0	0	1	364.40
Farris Mines	Edgar L. Turman, Allsonia	68	63	55	5	2	1	0	1	373.42
Conference Totals										
		4123	3231	3270	534	626	81	198	90	88,391.36

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<b>ONTARIO</b>													
<b>CANADIAN CONFERENCE</b>													
Bertie	Arthur Winger, R. 1, Ridgeway, Ont.	268	228	210	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	5,286.84
Boyle	Fred Byer, St. Ann's, Ont.	95	67	63	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	1	343.57
Cheapside	Jos. Sherk, R. 2, Fisherville, Ont.	146	90	102	40	0	0	0	30	0	0	1	817.59
Collingwood	Robt. Osburn, R. R., Dumtroom, Ont.	100	81	71	15	10	7	0	0	0	0	3	669.62
Concord	Murray Wideman, Richmond Hill, Ont.	80	55	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500.51
Donlands	Myrtle Steckley, 4 Davies Crescent, Toronto	78	48	48	6	5	0	15	0	0	0	0	263.67
Falls View	Ross Sider, Ridgeway, Ont.	117	100	108	8	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	1,623.62
Frogmore	Elwood Chapman, R. 1, Glen Meyer, Ont.	75	49	41	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	233.75
Houghton Center	Arthur Long, Vienna, Ont.	65	39	40	7	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	286.72
Maple Grove	Laverne Housser, Box 22, Fordwich, Ont.	64	52	51	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	485.90
Markham	Frank Bennett, Unionville, Ont.	166	116	120	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,659.00
Oak Ridges	Harold Heise, R. 2, Gormley, Ont.	198	125	135	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	1,656.93
Port Colborne	Geo. Sider, Wainfleet, Ont.	97	65	65	13	6	0	0	0	8	0	9	519.84
Puslinch	Edgar Heise, Blair, Ont.	36	36	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	479.87
Rosebank	Alvin Cober, 59 Toronto St., Guelph, Ont.	106	76	83	7	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	1,325.00
Sherkston	Paul Climenhaga, Ridgeway, Ont.	220	151	167	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	1,024.11
Sixth Line	Allen Lebeck, Stayner, Ont.	80	71	64	14	10	0	0	0	0	0	3	522.18
Springvale	Orland Teal, R. 1, Hagersville, Ont.	85	69	66	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	550.16
Vaughn	Gerard Hercher, R. 1, Maple, Ont.	10	16	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	102.87
Walsingham	Arthur Heise, R. 1, Pt. Rowan, Ont.	68	42	50	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	235.96
Wainfleet	James Gilmore, R. 1, Lowbanks, Ont.	225	174	184	10	17	0	2	5	0	0	5	3,645.86
Welland	Jno. Hyatt, 861 Harriet St., Welland, Ont.	51	47	41	4	8	0	0	4	1	0	1	508.87
<b>SASKATCHEWAN</b>													
Delisle	Elmer Zoerb, Delisle, Sask.	40	24	23	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	225.07
Kindersley	Willard Lager, Kindersley, Sask.	61	45	40	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	889.98
North Star	Mrs. Lloyd Davidson, Meath Park, Sask.	36	30	27	1	9	0	0	3	0	0	0	62.01
Paddockwood	Mrs. Doris Merriman, Paddockwood, Sask.	31	9	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100.80
Conference Totals		2598	1905	1919	218	85	17	80	54	24,020.30			
<b>ILLINOIS</b>													
<b>CENTRAL CONFERENCE</b>													
Chicago	Sara Brubaker, 6039 S. Halsted St.	136	94	87	26	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	911.21
Franklin Corners	Chas. Conrady, Milledgeville	65	67	60	3	8	0	4	3	0	0	0	1,181.84
<b>INDIANA</b>													
Christian Union	Thos. L. Richendollar, 5002 Reed St., Fort Wayne	100	52	64	8	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	884.00
Union Grove	Donald Freed, R. 1, Wakarusa	79	94	78	15	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,185.08
Village Church	Ray M. Zercher, R. 1, Nappanee	102	83	80	7	7	0	0	0	0	12	0	1,424.37
<b>KENTUCKY</b>													
Beulah Chapel	W. M. Feese, Columbia	107	82	70	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	370.18
Bloomington	Mrs. Christine Holmes, R. 3, Columbia	77	39	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	122.68
Fairview	Eva Whited, R. 3, Columbia	64	39	40	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0
Grassy Springs	Lottie Goodin, Garlin	15	7	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21.91
Knifley Chapel	Arnold Denton, Campbellsville	71	44	40	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	232.31
Millerfields	Owen Shepherd, R. 3, Columbia	70	68	42	Yes	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	165.00
Spout Springs	Ancil Spires, R. 1, Knifley	21	26	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	140.75
<b>MICHIGAN</b>													
Bethel (Cassopolis)	Lulu Motter, R. 1, Cassopolis	65	44	44	0	12	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Bethel (Merrill)	Judson Hill, 927 Poseyville Rd., Midland	135	87	89	5	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	584.48
Carland	Warren Brady, R. 3, Elsie	71	57	54	11	2	0	0	0	0	4	0	1,189.11
God's Love Mission	Huston Mayle, 3320 Lawton, Detroit	197	108	99	14	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	414.09
Leonard	Daniel Glick, Leonard	82	46	78	0	0	5	0	0	0	2	0	936.60
Sunshine	Ella Brubaker, R. 1, Hillman	67	57	61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	336.55
Mooretown	Raymond Starr, Snover	38	29	33	8	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	285.51
Mt. Carmel	Albert H. Ewald, R. 1, Clare	22	26	22	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	103.57
<b>OHIO</b>													
Beulah Chapel	Glendon Snider, R. 3, New Carlisle	200	179	158	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,146.50
Cincinnati	Katie Rosenberger, 1248 Bates Ave., Cincinnati 25	54	29	37	6	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	1,286.23
Chestnut Grove	Mrs. R. C. Davis, R. 4, Ashland	100	70	75	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	712.05
Dayton	Ida Lue Hane, R. 1, New Carlisle	145	124	122	8	11	10	10	0	0	0	0	1,279.28
Fairview	J. R. Aiken, R. 1, Clayton	135	105	108	16	0	0	23	0	0	0	0	1,801.27
Highland	Virginia Engle, West Milton	57	59	51	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,183.73
Massillon	Galen Oakes, 1025 Perry Rd. N. W., Canton	70	59	50	8	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	576.89
Pleasant Hill	Victor Lavy, R. 2, Arcanum	120	99	96	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,399.44
Sippo	Roman Slabaugh, N. Lawrence	77	66	68	6	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	671.41
Uniontown	Alvin Shaffer, 2427 S. Arlington St.	100	91	84	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	419.85
Valley Chapel	Elsie Bechtel, 858 Trump Rd., Canton	120	97	106	10	0	0	5	3	0	0	0	735.27
West Charleston	Norman Smith, 532 Dawnview, Dayton	65	37	48	10	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TENNESSEE</b>													
DeRossett	Harold Wilson, R. 7, Sparta	73	20	59	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	205.54
Conference Totals		2900	2184	2175	180	78	35	106	54	24,906.70			
<b>IOWA</b>													
<b>MID-WEST CONFERENCE</b>													
Dallas Center	Clarence Keller, Dallas Center	84	78	76	5	2	7	7	6	0	0	0	650.19
Oak Park	Curtis Bryant, 307 Spohn Rd., Des Moines	106	81	94	8	4	12	15	2	0	0	0	680.57
<b>KANSAS</b>													
Abilene	V. R. Brandt, 201 E. 1st, Abilene	70	51	59	3	30	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bethel	Carl Derrick, Detroit	60	60	51	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	561.80
Pleasant Hill	Austin Heise, Hamlin	34	32	34	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1,194.68
Rosebank	Millard Hostetter, Hope	60	53	45	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	0	367.00
Zion	Harry Kuntz, R. 1, Abilene	123	117	119	9	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	2,945.30
<b>OKLAHOMA</b>													
Bethany	A. L. Switzer, Thomas	85	87	74	6	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	4,822.97
Red Star	J. Eugene Blacketter, Leedey	20	15	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	122.56
Conference Totals		642	574	569	37	43	19	30	26	11,345.08			

Tabulation of Schools Having Highest . . .

Enrollment Average Attendance

Upland, Calif. . . . .	409	326
Hollowell, Pa. . . . .	326	283
Chambersburg, Pa. . . . .	314	285
New Guilford, Pa. . . . .	270	235
Berrie, Canada S. S., Pa. . . . .	268	214
Messiah Home S. S., Pa. . . . .	265	209
Carlisle, Pa. . . . .	260	199
Fairland, Pa. . . . .	257	181
Grantham, Pa. . . . .	256	184
Wainfleet, Canada . . . . .	225	176

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Hummelstown, Pa. . . . .	109	175
Messiah Lighthouse, Pa. . . . .	107	120
Air Hill, Pa. . . . .	103	103
Hollowell, Pa. . . . .	75	64
New Guilford, Pa. . . . .	49	33
Cheapside, Canada . . . . .	40	33
Sherkston, Canada . . . . .	36	30
Antrim, Pa. . . . .	35	25
Chambersburg, Pa. . . . .	31	25
Green Spring, Pa. . . . .	31	24

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Messiah Lighthouse, Pa. . . . .	175
Messiah Home S. S., Pa. . . . .	120
Hummelstown, Pa. . . . .	103
Air Hill, Pa. . . . .	64
Cross Roads, Pa. . . . .	33
Pasadena, California . . . . .	33
Ablene, Kansas . . . . .	30
Green Grove, Pa. . . . .	25
Philadelphia, Pa. . . . .	25
Upland, Calif. . . . .	24

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<b>CALIFORNIA</b>										
<b>PACIFIC CONFERENCE</b>										
Alta Loma . . . . .	Kenneth Shively, 8951 19th St., Alta Loma . . . . .	125	111	108	0	0	0	0	0	\$1,346.47
Chino . . . . .	John Zimmerman, 470 N. 3rd Ave., Upland . . . . .	137	129	129	6	6	5	15	0	2,598.00
Comet Court . . . . .	Chas. Rickel, 261 N. San Antonio, Upland . . . . .	33	22	23	0	0	0	0	0	349.35
Huron Community . . . . .	Flora Lewis, Box 66, Huron . . . . .	42	36	36	0	0	10	0	0	66.20
Life Line Mission . . . . .	Mrs. Avery Heisey, 422 Guerrero St., San Francisco . . . . .	66	55	57	2	6	3	0	2	226.05
Los Olivos . . . . .	Lulu Asper, 637 N. 2nd St., Upland . . . . .	60	38	44	0	10	nearly every Sunday	0	0	240.52
Moreno Community . . . . .	Cecil Meares, Box 33, Moreno . . . . .	77	50	65	0	0	0	0	3	284.21
Open Bible . . . . .	Wayne Book, 26660 Ironwood, Sunnymead . . . . .	125	128	110	0	0	0	20	0	937.72
Pasadena . . . . .	Ronald K. Stoner, 1866 LasLunas, Pasadena . . . . .	53	49	40	5	33	1	0	0	1,141.53
Upland . . . . .	Leslie T. Unruh, 373 E. 11th St., Upland . . . . .	409	308	326	23	24	0	0	5	3,510.42
Waukena . . . . .	Landon Charles, R. 2, Box 263, Tulare . . . . .	82	49	62	8	0	1	0	0	632.03
<b>NEW MEXICO</b>										
Navajo Community . . . . .	Marion Heisey, Bloomfield . . . . .	90	47	70	0	0	1	2	1	580.14
Sandia Community . . . . .	Titus Wingerd, 3202 General Somerville, Albuquerque . . . . .	72	57	48	0	0	0	0	0	540.64
<b>OREGON</b>										
Labish . . . . .	Virgil Books, 4045 Fairway Dr., Salem . . . . .	93	67	75	5	0	8	0	0	629.04
Redwood . . . . .	Marvin Winger, 165 New Hope Rd., Grants Pass . . . . .	180	128	138	14	0	0	0	0	1,267.38
Conference Totals . . . . .		1644	1238	1331	63	79	29	37	11	14,349.70
Sunday School Attendance at Camps, Youth Conferences, etc. . . . .				25						
1957 Totals . . . . .		18083	14146		1776	1187	258	727	350	\$261,760.03
1956 Totals . . . . .		17923	*14107		1784	1145	364	974	279	\$248,896.29

\*The figure of 14107, above, is taken from the Handbook of Missions of 1957, and is not the actual total of figures listed in the column. The difference is due to the fact that the list of schools reporting in 1956 is not identical with the list shown above for 1957.