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The Value of Our Publications

J. H. Byer



Why Read the Bible?



Foreign Missions

Acquaint Thyself with God

By Menno O. Brubaker

*"Acquaint now thyself with Him, and be
at peace: thereby good shall come unto
thee." Job 22:21.*

*Acquaint thyself with God,
O hopeless, friendless soul;
For such as thou, He's seeking now,
He longs to make you whole.*

*Acquaint thyself with God,
Poor sinner, sick and sore;
Come, leave thy burden at the cross;
Your soul He will restore.*

*Acquaint thyself with God,
O Christian, in distress:
'Tis oft in tempest, trial, or pain,
We find the second rest.*

*Acquaint thyself with God;
For, Him to know, is peace:
Forth from the riches of His grace,
Flow streams which never cease.*

*Acquaint thyself with God.
Feed on His holy word:
Therein is God in Christ revealed—
Faith comes by what is heard.*

*Acquaint thyself with God—
No human eye hath seen,
No ear hath heard what is prepared
For all who are redeemed.*

*Acquaint thyself with God:
Then by His matchless grace,
We, with the ransomed, blood-washed
throng,
Shall see Him face to face.*

*(This may be used as a hymn. Tune:
"My Soul Be On Thy Guard.")*

COMMENTS and ITEMS of INTEREST

A FEW FACTS TO THINK ABOUT

About 82 per cent of Church members come from Sunday schools. Only about 15 per cent of the Sunday school pupils join the church. If the 85 per cent could be led to Christ the 82 per cent would run to 467 per cent. Of 24,000,000 children and young people in the United States, 8,000,000 are without religious instruction and training, either Protestant or Catholic, and are unsaved. Out of 10,596 Christians a show of hands indicates the ages at which they were saved. Before 20 years old, 9,210; between 20 and 30, 1,098; between 30 and 40, 215; between 40 and 50, 51; over 50, only 22. The total number under 20, 87 per cent; total over 20, 13 per cent. It is vitally important that the youth is saved and trained in the Christian religion.

PLACE OF LONGEVITY

A student examining the register at Hodmezo-Vsarshely — in a district famed for the long life of its inhabitants—found these entries:—Janos Bente, died August 5, 1794, aged 172 years; Mihaly Hezso, died August 13, 1794, aged 159 years; Janos Soos, died March 11, 1786, aged 162 years; Mihaly Mati, died December 4, 1783, aged 160 years. The long life of the people of this district is considered to be due to the excellent climate and the richness of the soil which enables the inhabitants to lead a life free from material cares.

WAR—ANCIENT AND MODERN

Many of the modern weapons of war are based on improvements which have been made on ancient arms. This is revealed by two weapons used by the ancients. The chief armaments used by the Romans, for example, were the onager and ballista, the former comparing to light field artillery, the second to longer-range guns. The onager consisted of a throwing arm of very hard wood to which was attached a slug which held a stone ball about the size of a man's head. The ballista was a much heavier wooden framework upon which was mounted on a crossbow of enormous power, the tension of which was obtained by windlass and cogwheel arrangement. The ballista threw long spears of hardwood a distance of nearly half a mile. Armoured elephants with scythes fastened to their trunks were used as "tanks" by the ancient Persians. Their aeroplanes were flocks of fierce falcons trained to fly into the face of enemies, clawing at eyes and features. The Babylonians and Carthaginians had liquid fire similar in deadly effect to the modern poison gas.

FAT MEN AND GIANTS

The United States has its fair share of fat men and giants. Miles Darden was both. He was 7 feet 6 inches, and weighed a little better than a half ton. He was born in 1798, and lived until 1857, was married,

a father, worked all his life, and was a pretty normal individual in spite of his size. Silly statistics and information are always in order when discussing giants or fat men—it took thirteen and a half yards of material to make a coat for Darden.

\$25,000 PAINTING FOR 25 CENTS

Dr. Gyorgy Gombosi, a young art student, paid 25 cents for an oil painting which was lying among rubbish in a second-hand dealer's shop at Budapest. He began to clean it and then showed it to an expert. The expert said that it was "worthless." An art dealer called it a "rag." Gombosi, however, took it to Dr. Polgar, an X-ray expert, who advised him to have the top layer of paint scraped off. Now the scraping has been finished. Professor Giuseppe Fiocco, of Padua University, and two other experts, declare that the picture underneath is a Titian. It is valued at \$25,000.

MALARIA-CARRYING MOSQUITO

As the result of a campaign of education against malaria, natives of India are beginning to fight the disease instead of letting the doctors do it. The Punjab Government has just issued through its post office 8,000,000 quinine tablets of three grains each to be distributed in the malarial regions. F. L. Brayne, of the India Civil Service, who has led in the educational work, is now inducing the Indians to sleep under mosquito nets to keep off the malaria-carrying pests.

RELIGIOUS POPULATIONS

The non-Christian religions combined considerably outnumber the combined Christians; but the combined Christians (Roman Catholics, Orthodox Catholics and Protestants) greatly exceed in number the adherents of any one non-Christian sect. Among the Christian doctrines, the Roman Catholics predominate. The Roman Catholics all over the world number roughly 331,500,000, the Orthodox Catholics 144,000,000, and Protestant churches 206,900,000. The non-Christians of the world number roughly, 1,165,100,000.

THE NARROWEST PARISH

The Rev. Henry Moss, a young Canadian clergyman, has been put in charge of what he claims is the longest and narrowest parish in the world. It is 1,200 miles long and about six feet broad. Mr. Moss is chaplain of the Irak Petroleum Company, and his duty is to minister to the men engaged on the construction of two pipe-lines running respectively from Kirkuk to Tripoli and Kirkuk to Haifa. His headquarters are at St. Luke's Church, Haifa. He travels regularly along the two lines which traverse the desert. A branch of "Toc H" has already been formed in the "parish," and it recently received a visit from the founder-padre, the Rev. "Tubby" Clayton.

WONDER CLOCK

What must be the most elaborate home-made clock in the world has just celebrated its 20th "birthday" in the home of Mr. G. W. Bartrop, of Newton, New Zealand. He made it and set it going in 1914. It has kept perfect time ever since. He made it out of all sorts of odds and ends; bits of old clocks, old tins, bicycle bells, fishing line, an empty can of floor polish filled with lead (as a pendulum bob), strands of wire and scraps of junk. It took him nearly 30 years of his spare time to make the clock. Altogether it cost him in actual cash only £4. It tells the minutes, hours, days of the month, state of the moon, and the corresponding times of all the chief cities in the world. Mr. Bartrop had never made a clock before.

Shall We Go to War?

By S. W. F. Garnett

Seventeen years ago the nations
Of a blood-bespattered world
All shook hands and signed a treaty,
And the flag of peace unfurled!
We had had enough of bloodshed
In a war to end all war,
And we said that little quibbles
Were not worth the fighting for.

Whited crosses covered Flanders
In the fields where poppies grew.
Many broken hearts were sobbing
Everywhere the skies were blue.
We had slaughtered manhood wholesale
To appease the war god's ire,
And we'd leveled down great cities
And consumed their arts with fire.

Through the holocaust of shrapnel
And the fields of oozing mud,
Trickling down into the trenches,
Ran huge streams of human blood.
But the hellish days were over
And a few came trailing back,
Wounded, maimed, shell-shocked and crippled—
Bones abroken on the rack.

Then we said we'd had a plenty,
We would never fight again,
But would settle it with brain power
Rather than the souls of men.
Now that war clouds hover o'er us
While the storm threatens in the east,
Will we cast aside our wisdom,
Don again the role of beast?
—Sel. by P. J. Wiebe.

Those who leave Christ, would do well
to consider to whom they will go, and
whether they can expect to find rest and
peace anywhere but in Him.
—Matthew Henry.

Obedience is the organ of spiritual
knowledge.—The Christian.

An Important Announcement

"Is that a new Visitor?"

Has not this question been asked again and again in your home as its different members were looking over the newly delivered mail?

How quickly its pages are scanned. A glance at the table of contents, perhaps the title of some article catches your attention and you turn to it for a quick review, awaiting your leisure for a more careful reading.

Then a quick scanning of the news from the foreign field, the home stations, and a look at the honor roll, those who have been promoted to glory above, with a sense of regret and loss at the passing of those whom we have known and associated in years of fellowship.

We have tried to focus your thought on the part the Evangelical Visitor accomplishes as a medium to promote fellowship, unity, loyalty and co-operation in the work of the church.

We feel it should be in every home. Hence the special effort and drive on the part of the Publication Board and the E. V. Publishing House with the motto "The Visitor in every home in the Brotherhood."

During this special canvass, in which we are now engaged, a representative of the Board will meet with every congregation of the church in the immediate future with a special message setting forth the varied work and ministry of the Publishing House; namely, its place as a clearing house for church activities; a depository and distributor of church and Gospel literature; the bureau of information for the inquiring public who have made contact through the thousands of tracts and other literature distributed by the House. This last is a wide and fruitful ministry of which little has been known by the church at large, either as to its extent or results accomplished.

We feel sure in these meetings many will catch a new vision of the importance and value of the Publishing House in its ministry to the brotherhood and others, and the place it fills in the promulgation of the Gospel, and believe the church will respond with a full measure of co-operation and support.

Prayerfully yours,

Brethren in Christ Publication Board, Inc.
Orville B. Ulery, President.

Part of our good consists in the endeavour to do sorrows away, and in the power to sustain them when the endeavour fails,—to bear them nobly, and thus help others to bear them as well.—Leigh Hunt.



The Passing of Rev. A. Sims

THROUGH the courtesy of our dear brother, Eld. D. W. Heise, Gormley, Ontario, we are favored with several clippings from Canadian papers giving various details and comments on the home-going of Rev. A. Sims. Following a brief comment, we are glad to pass on to our readers an

THE EVANGELICAL VISITOR

By the late Eld. T. A. Long

*The "Visitor" of love and truth
Should fill the heart of child and youth
With thoughts and words, and lines so
sweet,*

Each one the active mind would greet.

*The young with living hopes aspire
To raise their aspirations higher,
Than to enjoy the charms of mirth,
And cling alone to things of earth.*

*The older ones, here too, may find
Consoling words to cheer the mind;
And each in turn, here too, may read
The things that they in life most need.*

*O may this little medium be,
As bread cast on the raging sea;
And, in after-days and years of strife,
Lead many to the new-born life.*

*And, if such glorious work is done,
Beneath the circle of the sun,
To God be all the honor due
Through labor wrought by friends so true.*

*And, when we come to close this life,
Accompanied by such work and strife,
O may we then with victory fraught,
Be led in triumph home to God!*

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article appearing in the People's Monthly, October issue. We feel sure that a great many of our people who attended the Annual Conference at the Heise Hill Church, near Gormley, Ontario, will remember this warm-hearted, earnest Christian believer who was in attendance at most of the sessions at Gormley.

We regard the passing of Brother Sims as a distinct loss to the Christian church. As a writer, he was the author of many

books and pamphlets. In them all we believe he had a definite aim and desire to lift up Jesus to a dying world. In the passing of our dear brother we sustain the loss of a very sincere and warm-hearted friend whose life and labors we believe have been owned and blessed of God, and whose ministry through the printed page will continue to speak for many years to come.

"Rev. A. Sims has gone home. He left us on Wednesday, August 21st and was buried from The Peoples Church beside his wife in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Toronto, on Saturday, August 24th. Rev. Oswald J. Smith, assisted by Rev. Wm. Nesbit and Rev. J. F. Gregory, conducted the service. Brother Sims would have been 84 years of age in September. He was active to the very end and was only ill a week. He preached his last sermon less than two weeks before his departure.

"For the past fifteen years he was associated with Mr. Smith, both in the Alliance Tabernacle on Christie Street, and more recently as one of the Associate Pastors of The Peoples Church. It is impossible at this early date to express our feelings. We have been stunned and have not yet recovered from the blow. We will miss his "Hallelujah!" and "Amen!" his "Praise the Lord!" and "That's so!" A great warrior has gone home. Earth is poorer but heaven richer. God, we know, never makes a mistake. He buries His workers but carries on His work.

"The name "A. Sims" is known the world around, not because he has travelled extensively, but because he has been writing for nearly half a century, and his books, pamphlets and tracts have had world-wide circulation. Countless thousands have been strengthened and encouraged by them. His writings are both spiritual and prophetic.

"His road was not an easy one. He knew what it was to be persecuted for his beliefs. He saw the truth concerning the Second Coming of Christ and preached it, but suffered as a result.

"His ministry has been most fruitful. No one who knew him will ever forget his bright, happy, genial disposition. He was, himself, a living tonic, a spiritual dynamo. His great themes were Prayer and Faith.

"He wrote about prayer and he practiced what he proclaimed, for he lived in an atmosphere of prayer. His Faith was wonderful. Many a discouraged soul was led to trust God anew after coming into contact with him.

"He was converted some 66 years ago at the age of 18, and he preached the Gospel for approximately 65 years. His early work was among the primitive Methodists of England, the country of his birth. Later, he became associated with the Free Methodists of Canada, and during the past fif-

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Our Lord's Second Coming

By the Rev. F. J. Scroggie, The Banker Preacher of England.

"Take heed to yourselves, lest . . . that day come upon you unawares." Lu. 21.34.

IF there is one thing more than another that we are personally convinced about as we study God's Word, it is this: That doctrine and practice are always joined together in Scripture; you cannot divorce them.

Too often we associate that great, classic utterance of the Divine word, "What God hath joined together, let no man put asunder," to marriage only. It has reference also to the great foundation truths of Scripture. God has joined them together, and however much we may attempt to separate them, we shall never succeed.

The second Advent truth is a foundation truth; it is linked up with the sovereignty of God, the Deity of Christ, the efficacy of His vicarious sacrifice, the depravity of human nature, and the Personality of the Holy Spirit. And all these doctrines, summed up in Christ, are linked one with the other. For we must remember that Christ is not only the Capstone; He is the Cornerstone. And while He Himself reveals what kind of a building it is when it is finished, He Himself crowns it. As we pass through the Divine record, with the great foundation-stones in the first five Books of the Bible, we come to the time of revelation in which there is revealed Christ in grace, Christ in government, and Christ in glory.

And so I read a word like this: "And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth." Is there any evidence of that? It is true that, as a nation, we have awakened to the crisis in which we find ourselves. It is true that those who form our present National Government are quite sincere; but you do not know in the least what is going to happen next in Europe.

If you were to ask me what I think would solve the present world problems I would say, The recognition of God. We have strayed from the Divine pathway. Even the leaders of religious and Christian thought have thrust away the very Text-book which they are called upon to preach.

A great war today is being waged around the Person of Jesus Christ, to dethrone Him. Therefore, if that be true, the events which are transpiring around us are revealing unmistakably that Jesus Christ is on the way!

Are we engaged with the things that do not matter to the exclusion of the things that are vital? I doubt not that it is true

we spend more time in thinking about, and arranging, and planning for the things we are going to wear than we spend in Bible-reading. Now, here is the Divine message: "Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be over-charged with surfeiting." If you believe that the Lord Jesus Christ is coming, and coming soon, then eat, and dress, and live the simple life. It is not only Scriptural, but it is more healthy.

The second thing that the Scriptures call attention to is sobriety of life.

Simplicity of life; yes! Sobriety of life; yes. What else? The responsibilities of life. "Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with . . . the cares of this life." Are we not overwhelmed with care today? Are we not over-burdened with anxieties?

Anxiety is written over the faces of men and women today. Oh, hear Him, the holy One saying to you and to me, "Don't let the responsibilities of life eclipse God." "Cast all your care upon Him, for He careth for you." Let not the things of earth detract you from the things of heaven. The responsibilities of life; yes! And there are other things here.

If we really believe in the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ there will be purity of character. And "character" in the Bible is always fruit; service is always works.

God wants fruit before He wants your service. Has He got it? One of the great incentives to the bearing of fruit to the glory of God, to the transformation of my character into the image and character of Christ, is that I am looking for Him, I am longing every day for His Coming.

And following this, there will be stability of faith; so that when I turn to the Epistle to the Philippians I read this, "Our citizenship is in heaven, from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. . . . So stand fast in the Lord." Then it adds, "I beseech Euodias, and beseech Syntyche, that they be of the same mind in the Lord." Unity of heart. The more we are drawn near to Jesus Christ, the closer we shall be drawn to each other: if He be the centre of our life. If He be the One whom our hearts love, and we are looking for Him, there will be a strengthening of faith, a stability of faith, and there will be unity of heart.

Certainly all my spiritual interests will be centered in Christ. All my ambition, my desires, my affections will be centered in Christ. Everything will be ranged around Him. As the sun is in the center of our celestial system, and all the planets revolve around the sun, so the Sun of Righteous-

ness will be the Center of my life, and all my interests will revolve around Him.

Sanctify of walk. No complicity with, or conformity to, evil. What does the word "sanctification" mean? Holiness. What does the word "holiness" mean? Separation. We have it right through the entire range of Scripture. Light separated from darkness. Noah separated from the world. Abraham separated from an idolatrous family. That is holiness—separation. So that when any evil thing crosses my pathway, I say to that thing, whatever it may be, "You have no right of way in my life."

It is not extinction, but expulsion. "The flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh, and these are contrary, the one to the other." Life for you will be a fight; it will be a conflict; a fierce battle in which you may be sorely tried, but the truth is that Jesus Christ has already won the victory; and He wants to accomplish it through you. That's the position. Dedication of life, so that you and I may pass through the experiences of life in His strength.

I have been most interested in the study of the water-spider. Read as much as you can about it. Do you know what happens to the water-spider? It lives on the top of the pool, but it goes to business every day down to the bed of the pool. It does not like the bed of the pool because there is mire and filth at the bed of the pool. So what happens? The water-spider encloses itself in a crystal sphere of atmospheric air. God has given it that capacity. Surrounded by this crystal sphere of atmospheric air, it descends to the bed of the pool, transacts its business untouched by the evil at the bed of the pool, and back again it returns to the fresh, pure air at the top of the pool.

You and I may walk in the paths of life, where we are surrounded by evil, where we are conscious of the sin all around us, and on every hand, but we may be surrounded by a Divine atmosphere that encloses us and enables us to move through the coarse ways of life untouched by the evil of the world around, kept by the power of God from sin.—Sel. by C. E. Heise.

"For the vision is yet for an appointed time, . . . though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry," Hab. 2:3. Prayer sometimes tarries like a petitioner at the gate, until the King comes forth to fill her bosom with the blessing which she seeks. The Lord, when He hath given great faith, has been known to try it by long delayings. Unanswered petitions are not unheard. By and by thy suit shall prevail. Canst thou not be content to wait a little?—Spurgeon.

"If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love." John 15:10.

"THE ENTRANCE OF THY WORD GIVETH LIGHT"

The Power of a Single Tract Can Never be Truly Estimated

LETTERS FROM GOSPEL SEED SOWERS

Oklahoma State Penitentiary,
McAlester, Oklahoma.

E. V. Publishing House,
Nappanee, Indiana.

Dear Sirs:

Permit me to thank you for the package of tracts received from you today.

These will add to our stock of reading matter, and I am sure will be eagerly read by the men in here. We put these tracts on a table where they are available to any who may wish to have them.

At any time in the future that you may have any literature you may wish to send us it will be gratefully received I assure you.

Again thanking you for your thoughtful kindness and wishing you every success in the future, I am,

Very sincerely yours,
A. L. James, Chaplain.

Little Rock, Ark.

E. V. Publishing House,
Nappanee, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

I do not have a job or money, but I love to distribute tracts. The dear Lord let this tract fall into my hand. The title, A Warning to the Unsaved, No. 102. I wish I had approximately one hundred of them to hand out on the street car and on the streets and in the jails and other places. If you will send them to me I will send you a nice offering when I get it.

Sincerely,
Miss Marie Brown.

Prof. A. S. Cabral, B. T.
Rua da Paz, 163—Recife,
Pernambuco, Brazil.

Dear Brethren in Christ:

Greetings in His Glorious Name!

I am deeply interested in getting a good selection of sound literature. So I beg you to mail me a selection of your tracts. I shall be very thankful to have a selection of your magazines. I am a worker of the Brethren in Christ in Brazil.

Waiting for your prompt reply, I subscribe,

Yours very truly,
In His Noble Service,
A. S. Cabral.

Oklahoma City, Okla.

E. V. Publishing House,
Nappanee, Ind.:

Dear Friends:

Please send me some samples of your tracts. We hold jail services and have a mission in the River Flats. We also have tract boxes in all the fire stations so we would like to see what kind of literature you handle. We are members of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, but our work is done independent of any organization. We have and use any preachers that preach salvation through the blood. Do you have the tract entitled "Will It Be Goodnight or Goodbye." Many thanks in advance for any assistance that you may give us.

Yours in the Master's name,
Miss Milcah E. Forget.

The Lord Gave the Word;
Great was the Company that
Published It



Monmouth, Illinois,
R. R. 2.

Dear Brother in Christ:

I have got hold of some of your tracts and some friends of mine are ordering from you and gave me your address. I am writing to you and enclosing 50c for an assorted collection of tracts, a pound. We are giving these to unsaved people and to people who are doubting and need encouragement.

We are in an organization in our church which is supposed to give out tracts.

I am sincerely yours,
Mrs. Pat Gassett.

Cheney, Kansas,

E. V. Publishing House,
Nappanee, Indiana.

Dear Sirs:

I have a little booklet here telling me that you send out free tracts for distribution. I would be very happy to receive as many as you are able to send. There is an organized group of Christian young people in this community which calls itself the Gospel League, that is very anxious to do special work with individuals. The League makes trips into the surrounding cities, into hospitals and poor-farms, etc. We will very much appreciate as much as you are able to do for us.

Thank you very much.
Yours truly,
Miss Wilma Ratzlaff.

Brownwood, Texas,

My Dear Friends In Christ:

God is blessing. Souls are being saved and we are happy to give our testimony in this section. The new church building will be completed soon and will be dedicated before the first of the year.

We want to cover the territory with good tracts. We can use large quantities with our personal workers. Send as many as you feel that you can.

May the Holy Spirit bless you.

Yours in His Blessed Name,
P. T. Stanford, Pastor-Evangelist,
Fundamentalist Methodist Church.

Poplar Bluff, Mo.

E. V. Publishing House,
Nappanee, Indiana.

Dear Friends:

Please find some stamps enclosed, and I desire some copies of your tract No. 42, entitled "Lost! Lost! Lost," a copy of which just came into my hands and I think it one of the most effective tracts I have read for some time. May the Lord bless your good work.

Sincerely yours,
W. H. Meredith, Attorney
and Counselor at Law.

Myerstown, Pa.

E. V. Publishing House,
301-305 North Elm St.,
Nappanee, Indiana.

Gentlemen:

I received from a friend your pamphlet No. 36, "The Secret of a Happy Life." It is very splendid and I should like to have 15 of them, please. I want to distribute pamphlets to the Christian women who gather for prayer during our evangelistic campaign, something that will help women to lead a nobler, more consecrated life. Kindly send a few more kinds or samples to select from.

Thank you and God bless you,
Mrs. Edgar M. Landis.

Crosby, N. Dak.

E. V. Publishing House,
Nappanee, Indiana.

Dear sirs:

Please send me copies of your tract "Efficacy of Prayer," and a few others, as there seems to be so many hard-necked people here and it makes me feel so badly to think they are missing the very point of life.

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. I. P. Lynch.

Kittanning, Penn.

Dear Sir:

Please send me some of your tracts for free distribution. I am interested in God's Word and work. Young in His service, yet loving Him dearly. No money, but love to impart the Truth to others. Will carefully and prayerfully distribute same, that God's work shall prosper. Thanking you.

One in His Service As Missionary
to Africa,
Miss Leona Paris.

The Value of Our Publications

By J. H. Byer

AFTER prayerful thought I will give what I fully believe to be facts about our papers and free tracts. Many prayers are offered to God not only by our editor and publishers, but others as well, and in answer God is giving us literature that is among the very best in this class. For this we praise Him. We believe God will use our printed pages in a mighty way to stem the terrible tide of Satanic literature. The most delusive kind of reading is that which is nearest genuine and yet is not. This will especially apply to younger people. Hence parents need to look well to this matter.

We cannot afford to let papers that are full of murder and divorce; crime and political scum; foolishness and fiction of the most deceptive and degrading types come into our homes. No wonder it is hard to pray our children into the kingdom when they read papers of the above kind as well as those filled with liquor and tobacco advertisements. Shall we not get back of our publication 100 per cent?

We should never destroy our papers, but remain or lend them to some one else. May we ever keep in mind that they are the product of earnest prayer to God. Mistakes have been made and may be made again. May we pray much before we find fault. God will bless any criticisms that are made to improve, and we know they will be accepted with thankfulness.

Our periodicals ought to go into every home in the church, as well as to every other individual. Shall we not all pull together right now to make it so? And may we go a step further in a united effort to put them into thousands of other peoples' hands? The Holy Spirit will help us find plenty of places to send them among shut-ins, institutions and homes or individuals outside. Hundreds of people are hungry for reading of this kind. Use some of your tithes and offerings to pay to put it there. It will be laying up treasures in heaven.

Is there too much selected matter? Use the talent God has given YOU and write as God directs. We are sure brief or even longer articles that are made interesting through prayer and the unction of the Spirit will always be welcomed. May each one of us not cease to pray very earnestly for our dear editor that he may be sustained and guided in body, soul and spirit. To edit three or four periodicals, besides overseeing all details in the Publishing House is a heavy task.

The "Evangelical Visitor" is one of the greatest factors in binding us together in love, unity and prayer as a people. The

Foreign Missions department with its many brief, well-written diaries, sketches and letters bring us in touch with our loved ones across the waters that could not be done in any other way. The same is true of the many reports from the missions and churches in the home land. The page of current events and news gives the cream in a brief clean way. The original articles are good—but there should be more. If enough are sent in and we bring about a larger circulation, by God's help, I am sure the paper will be enlarged. We would not fail to mention our good editorials which inspire our hearts; nor the extra good, practical and different lessons for use in Young People's Meetings. They ought to be used by all our young people.

The "Youth's Visitor" is one of the cleanest and most apt to read young peoples' papers I have ever seen. I have read numbers of its stories myself and I have never found anything unclean or that ends in romance that would lead young minds wrong. They touch events in the lives of common, every day people that are readable and cannot fail to mold mind and character and put a hunger after God and His righteousness on the hearts of the readers. The short articles and selections—often filled with the Word of God—are very wholesome and instructive. The frequent mention of interesting things in a section by itself helps to satisfy the craving of young minds for knowledge. Many old people read it as well as the young. It ought to be in every Sunday school and home.

The "Sunbeams" is very interesting to the little ones too. Don't fail to have it and read it to them.

The last, but perhaps the greatest work of our Publishing House is the Free Tract work. Eternity will only reveal the many souls that have been saved by these silent messages. Tracts are often looked upon as of not much value—and even almost despised. Many souls have been and are being reached by them. J. Hudson Taylor—the founder of the China Inland Mission—read a Tract—immediately fell on his knees and gave himself to God. The writer recently met his grandson of the same name, —also a missionary in China. He said the above was true. When they are handed out freely—which one ought to do—many may not even be read. But many sermons are preached without any one turning to God. Much seed may fall on the way-side, stony or thorny ground and be lost as well. Our tracts are the safest, and best all the way through that I know. You need not fear to give them out.

It costs money to print tracts, and how can they be sent out free? There are people too busy or who are not willing or capable of handing out tracts who have and give money to this work. Then usually the ones who are ready and willing to hand them out everywhere have no money. So Rom. 8:28 is carried out. Many times even those are able to send postage, which helps too.

More Letters from Gospel Seed Sowers

Reformation Evangelical Lutheran Church
Toledo, O.

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Gentlemen:

I wish to thank you for your letter of the 4th and also for the splendid quantity of tracts which you sent me. Over 1,200 of them are already distributed. I am very thankful for them.

I am also thankful for the tract giving the tenets of your denomination. While I am of course a Lutheran by choice, I am always interested in knowing about others.

A little later I may need more tracts for yours are very fine and within my means. When I re-order I shall enclose another offering for the fund. I also have some Brethren friends in and near Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, where I went to school.

With best wishes for a very successful New Year, I am,

Sincerely yours,
Rev. W. R. Rings.

Miami, Florida.

E. V. Publishing House,
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Dear Sirs:

As I was to start and ask you dear people if you could please send me some of the few following tracts, the mail man just left me your catalogue, but I am indeed sorry I am not able to send an offering at this time.

Could use the following tracts, or what ever you send:

"Christ or the Lodge," No. 112; "Forty-eight Hours in Hell," No. 75; "The Blood Cure," No. 28; "What Are You Doing with Jesus," No. 44; "Scriptural Standard of Dress," No. 43.

Would appreciate what tracts you may send me, and oblige.

Thanking you in advance.

Yours in the Master's Service,
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In no book are wonderful stories as beautifully told and noble thoughts so ably expressed. It is a book that should be used in all our public schools, high schools and colleges. It is elevating in thought, its purity of English commends itself to every thinking mind.

Dr. Frank Crane in an article on "Why the Bible Is the Best Seller" stated: "It is not the Jew's Book, nor the Catholic's, nor the Protestant's, nor the Orthodox's, nor the Heretic's; it is Man's Book and wherever a soul is born into the world, this Book is for him and in that final hour that comes to all men, when the spirit shudders forth into the unknown, this Book alone brings the Word, like a bell in the fog, from Him who says: 'I am the Resurrection and the Life.'"

Wherever the moral standard is being lifted up, wherever life is becoming larger in the vision that directs it and richer in its fruitage, the improvement is traceable to the Bible and to its influence. The Book of Books has lived and grown through the

centuries; we have celebrated the Three Hundredth Anniversary of the King James Translations. It has stamped its impress upon the map of the world; its boundaries are clearly marked.

The immense moral influence of the Bible, though, of course, infinitely the most important, is not the only power it has for good. In addition, there is the unceasing influence it exerts on the side of good taste, of good literature, of proper sense of proportion, of simple and straightforward writing and thinking.

The Old Testament, when considered in the light of a historical document, has frequently been slighted by scholars, who have regarded it simply as a romantic legend of the ancient Hebrews. Today, however, modern scientific investigation is constantly making discoveries which confirm many of the events set forth in the venerable Book of Books.

The most recent of the Biblical stories to be affirmed by archeological research is that of the great deluge in Mesopotamia, about 4000 B. C. Dr. C. Leonard Woolley, director of the joint University of Pennsylvania Museum and British Museum expedition into Ur of the Chaldees, offers a parallel story of the flood, written by the surviving people.

The Harvard University recently decreed that no man can receive his A.B. in that institution without a Bible examination. They rank the Bible as a work of literature, without which no adequate appreciation of English letters is possible.

The sales of the Bible continue to be larger than those of any other book. It meets all the questions of life. It is harmonious throughout and is applicable as a final authority in all matters of human conduct, to all ages and every country.

There are about eight surviving copies of the so-called "Gutenberg" Bible, which was printed some six hundred years ago and so highly are these remaining copies prized that it was reported one was sold to an American collector, recently, for \$100,000.—Bulletin.

The heart of religion is not so much an opinion about God as a personal relationship with God.—Archbishop Temple.

"His left hand is under my head, and His right hand doth embrace me" (S. of Sol. 2:6).

The Peril of a Literary Bible

By Stanley James Robinson

IT was Reuben A. Torrey who said, "Satan kept men for years from any interest in Bible study, but now that there is a great and growing interest in it, he keeps them from real Bible study."

When Satan found that man was eager to "search the scriptures" he deceived him into studying about the Bible, rather than studying the Bible. He realized that as long as man was troubled about many things there was little danger of his sitting at Jesus' feet and hearing His Word. Today man's conscience is eased, his curiosity is satisfied, and his desire to read the Bible without being pricked by a poignant sense of his sinfulness is artfully accomplished by treating the Bible purely as a literary production.

Many of our modern methods of Bible study pay inordinate attention to its form and styles, its diction and phraseology, its cadences, its colorful language. Such Bible study is plainly slanted, and in the majority of instances it is slanted to satisfy. Satan in his subtle way endorses the literary study of the Bible, as such, for he finds how nicely the great truths of Scripture, the single purpose of salvation can be masked, tempered down, and made void by reducing the Bible to mere literature. It is high time that the Bible be regarded as

The Book and Not a Book

If it is to be read as one literary genius recommended, "if only for its grand literature," then it has failed in its mission. If it is to be studied chiefly as a textbook "for training in forcefulness, incisiveness, persuasiveness, colorfulness, and style in reporting," then its influence will never reach the heart of man.

It is expedient to inform the exponents of a literary Bible that it is literary in form only, not in purpose. If all man needed was a literary masterpiece, not one jot or tittle from Genesis to Revelation would ever have been recorded. If God had considered any other medium than that of the written word more effective to convey His message to man, He would never have resorted to that channel. The Ten Commandments were not engraved by God's finger on tablets of stone for literature's sake. Esther did not fight for her people's lives so that we might enjoy a stirring "five-

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MARRIAGES

STAUFFER-LANDIS—On October 8th, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the home of the bride, Sr. Katie L. Musser, there occurred the marriage of Sr. Frances E. Landis, of near Mt. Joy, Pa., and Bro. Lloyd Stauffer, son of Bro. and Sr. Harrison Stauffer, of near Refton. The marriage was performed by Bish. L. O. Musser, of Mt. Joy. May God's blessing accompany them on the journey through life.

"Beloved, imitate not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God: he that doeth evil hath not seen God." III John 11.

Obituaries

CHARLESTON—Sr. Elizabeth A. Charleston passed away to her reward Sept. 27th, 1935, from her home in Mechanicsburg, Pa., after a short illness. She was a daughter of John Myers and wife and she was united in marriage to Eld. J. R. Charleston in the year of 1896. Her age was 80 yrs., 7 mos., and 17 das. They lived together in holy matrimony nearly 40 years, till death separated them. She was a faithful member of the Brethren in Christ Church for about sixty-four years and always ready to testify to the saving power of the Lord Jesus Christ.

She will be missed in the Church and missed in the home. There remain to mourn the loss of a dear one, her husband; one daughter, Mrs. Wm. T. Heisey and three grandchildren.

The funeral service was held on Sept. 29th at the home with further service in the Brethren in Christ Church on Marble St., Mechanicsburg. Interment in the Mechanicsburg cemetery. Services were held by the home brethren, Elds. S. C. Eshelman, R. H. Wenger, J. Roy Asper, and Jesse W. Myers. Texts: Num-23:10; II Tim. 4:6, 7, 8.

Rev. A. Sims

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teen years, with the work of Rev. Oswald J. Smith. He lived at 5 Simpson Ave., Toronto.

"His wife went to be with the Lord thirteen months earlier. Her home-going was a terrific blow to him, but he found solace in his work. Three unfinished manuscripts for new books lie on his desk. One is his Life Story, a book which Mr. Smith urged him to write at the time of his illness last winter. We are hoping it will be completed and published, that the present generation may have the privilege of reading the testimony of one of God's choicest servants. Many a young preacher should receive inspiration from the record of Brother Sim's early days in the ministry.

"Our hearts go out in sympathy to his three daughters, their husbands and his grandchildren. May the dear Lord sustain and comfort them in this, their hour of sorrow."

A Literary Bible

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act drama." David did not pour out his heart in the Psalms so that we might gush over his sublime poetry. Neither did Christ tell His parables so that we might have some specimen short stories. Nor did Paul choose the epistolary style of writing for any literary reasons.

After all, there is little merit in acknowledging the literary supremacy of the Bible. As a product of divine inspiration it is only reasonable to expect that it would be superior. Its literary value has never been questioned. Even the great agnostic-scientist Thomas Huxley, admitted that it "abounds in exquisite beauties of pure literary form." Renan, who failed to study

the Bible with his heart as well as his head and consequently lost his faith, said of the Gospel of Luke that it was the most beautiful book in the world. But this admission never answered him the question of the keeper of the prison, "What must I do to be saved?"

It is most gratifying to know that the Bible is not only divine, but it is beautifully divine. It is but natural that we should admire the superb way in which God has transmitted His thoughts to man. However, it must be remembered that sinners are not saved, nor saints nourished on styles and structures, but on the "sincere milk of the word."

—Bible Institute Monthly.

How the Apostles Died

All of the apostles were insulted by the enemies of their Master. They were called to seal their doctrines with their blood and nobly did they bear the trial. Schumacher says:

St. Matthew suffered martyrdom by being slain with a sword at a distant city of Ethiopia.

St. Mark expired at Alexandria, after being cruelly dragged through the streets of that city.

St. Luke was hanged upon an olive tree in the classic land of Greece.

St. John was put in a caldron of boiling oil, but escaped death in a miraculous manner, and was afterward branded at Patmos.

St. Peter was crucified at Rome with his head downward.

St. James, the Greater was beheaded at Jerusalem.

St. James, the Less was thrown from a lofty pinnacle of the temple, and then beaten to death with a fuller's club.

St. Bartholomew was flayed alive.

St. Andrew was bound to a cross, whence he preached to his persecutors until he died.

St. Thomas was run thru the body with a lance at Coromandel in the East Indies.

St. Jude was shot to death with arrows.

St. Matthias was first stoned and then beheaded.

St. Barnabas of the Gentiles was stoned to death at Salonicia.

St. Paul, after various tortures and persecutions, was at length beheaded at Rome by the Emperor Nero.

Such was the fate of the apostles, according to traditional statements.

—Sel. by M. Resor.

"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel." Mark 1:15.

"I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." Mark 2:17.

Our Mail Bag

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- Buffalo Mission, 25 Hawley St., in charge of Eld. and Sr. Earl Bossert.
- Chicago Mission, 6039 Halstead St., in charge of Sarah Bert and workers. Phone, Wentworth 7122.
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Orphanages

- Messiah Orphanage, Florin, Pa., Bro. Paul B. Wolgemuth, Steward, and Sr. Rhoda Wolgemuth, Matron.
- Mt. Carmel Home, Morrison, Ill., in charge of Sr. Katie Bolinger and workers.

Old Peoples' Home

- Messiah Home, in charge of Bro. D. L. and Sr. Mattie Graybill, 1175 Bailey St., Harrisburg, Pa.

This department is intended for general church news. Concise reports of missions, revival campaigns, Bible Conferences, and definite testimonies. All reports and testimonies must necessarily be condensed. Copy should reach us two weeks preceding the date of issue. Evangelistic states will gladly be printed when furnished us in proper form.—Editor.

LOVE FEASTS

Michigan

GladwinNov. 9-10
The District Council Meeting will be held Nov. 11th, following the love feast at Gladwin.

Ohio

Chestnut Grove, near AshlandNov. 2, 3
Everyone is especially invited to attend these love feast occasions.

Pennsylvania

Gratersford, Pa.Nov. 2, 3
Martinsburg, Pa.Nov. 2, 3

Indiana

GarrettNov. 2, 3
Union GroveNov. 23, 24

Kansas

ZionNov. 9, 10
AbileneNov. 23, 24

COMMUNION SERVICES

Manheim, Rapho Dist., Pa.Nov. 2

TENT SERVICE REPORT

On July 18th, Bro. and Sr. John Martin with several children, began a tent meeting at Mann's School, near Howard, Pa. The Gospel message was given each night for three weeks. The number in attendance manifested that people still have a desire and hunger for spiritual things which many do not, seemingly, possess these days.

We are glad to report that seven souls heard the call to come and find pardon and peace and spiritual help. One was the father of a family, who could not attend the services because of illness, but sought the Lord in his home. Especially pray for these dear ones that they may wholly follow the Lord and be kept faithful in His service.

There are many more dear ones in that community who need Jesus but are bound by sin. Will you pray that Satan's grip will be broken and that they too will come and be saved?

Over forty boys and girls were enrolled in the two weeks' Bible School, also held during the meetings. May the Word thus sown yield fruit in the Master's service.

Bro. and Sr. Martin faithfully proclaimed the Word of God and the Presence and Blessing of the Lord was keenly felt during the meetings. We pray that Bro. Martins may continue to be "Workers Together," in this great harvest field and point others to Jesus, the way, the truth and the life. —Cor.

BETHANY CHURCH, THOMAS, OKLA.

Bish. R. I. Witter of Navarre, Kans., came into our midst on Aug. 31 and on the evening of Sept. 2, evangelistic meetings began in the Community Building of Thomas. Bro. Witter brought forth the Word of God with no uncertain sound and did not fail to declare the whole counsel of God. Several who were on background were reclaimed. Even though the results were not as great as we would have liked to have seen we are sure the meeting was not in vain. The people of Thomas again received the old-fashioned Gospel truth. Several made the statement that it had been a long time since they had been in such old-fashioned meetings and heard such straight messages. The red-light of warning has again been thrown across the pathway of those on their downward career and they will be responsible if they fail to walk in the light. This meeting was held in the Community Building for almost two weeks then it was moved to the Bethany Church. As the straight messages continued to be brought forth God's spirit was present in convicting power. Several were seized with great conviction and yielded to the wooings of the Spirit. The saints were blessed as the messages on "The Bride of Christ" and "The Spirit-Filled Life," were given. May God bless our brother richly for his labors among us and may he be made a blessing wherever he goes. May the readers of these lines please remember this place in your prayers.

TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL BIBLE CONFERENCE

to be held in

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NOVEMBER 26 TO 29, 1935

Tuesday

- A. M. 10:00 Opening Conference Message Bishop J. H. Wagaman
- 10:45 Scripture Requirements for Answers to Prayer Hiram Alderfer
- 11:05 Song
- 11:10 The Place of Prophecy in Scripture..... H. W. Buckwalter

- P. M. 2:00 DevotionalR. A. Franklin
- 2:15 Scripture Teaching on Divine Healing.... Alvin Burkholder
- 2:35 A Discussion on Prayer as Seen in Dan. 10Alma Cassell
- 3:00 Song
- 3:05 The Place of the Jew in Prophecy..... J. A. Climenhaga
- 7:00 DevotionalCletus Naylor
- 7:30 The Christian and Business Harvey Wenger
- 8:00 The Blessed HopeH. N. Hostetter

Wednesday

- A. M. 10:00 DevotionalJacob Raser
- 10:15 A Discussion of Isaiah 55 Leoda Smith
- 10:35 Ethiopia in the Light of Prophecy..... Henry Brubaker
- 10:55 Song.
- 11:05 The Gentiles in Prophecy....B. M. Books

- P. M. 2:00 DevotionalH. E. Cassell
- 2:15 The Christian and Civic Affairs Alvin Eshelman
- 2:35 Gods Financial Plan....Bishop Wagaman
- 3:00 Song
- 3:05 The Church as seen by the Prophets..... J. R. Eyster
- 7:00 DevotionalJoe Bert
- 7:30 Will There Be Another World War?..... W. E. Bohlen

- 7:50 Song
- 8:00 Preparation for the Second Coming of ChristH. N. Hostetter

Thursday

- Union Thanksgiving Services in the Church
- 2:30 Thanksgiving Sermon by Dr. Dedication Services at Beulah College, W. 10th St.
- 7:30 Program by Beulah College (in the church) Raising the Budget.

Friday

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DAY

- A. M. 10:00 DevotionalLeroy Hendricks
- 10:15 What Is It to Be a Christian?..... Jacob Raser
- 10:30 What can I do to promote Christianity among those of my own age? Arthur Climenhaga
- 10:55 Song
- 11:00 Holding Fast—Our Christian ResponsibilityAnna May Royer
- 11:30 Selling One's Opportunities too Cheap.... Jessie R. Steckley
- P. M. 2:00 DevotionalAble Haldeman
- 2:15 Christian EtiquetteRaymond Nissley
- 2:35 Daily Supplies for Daily Needs: Bible ReadingMrs. John Raser
- PrayerAlice Engle
- 3:00 Song
- 3:10 Christian Youth in This Modern Age H. N. Hostetter
- 7:30 Missions in the Light of the Second Coming of ChristAllen Buckwalter
- 8:00 The Need for Young Men Workers H. N. Hostetter

Prayer Captain:—

Amos Buckwalter.

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WELLAND MISSION REPORT FOR SIX MONTHS

Apr., May, June, July, Aug., and Sept.

Dear Readers of the Visitor, and co-workers in the great harvest for souls:

We greet you all in the precious name of Jesus. Since our last report six months have passed by, never can the time be recalled, the record stands as recorded by the hand of God, the Judge of all. Those whose lives have been lived in sin and neglect have yet the privilege to retrace their steps, repent and be forgiven, and become children of God. What a privilege! But the time is gone beyond recall, no reward can be expected; that individual will suffer loss, yet, he himself can be saved. Thank the Lord for the open door of mercy. Reader, turn while you may, the door may close, and by neglect you may shut yourself away from all the glory, bliss, and joy of heaven.

Dear brethren and sisters, we come to you at this time with an urgent request, will you please give us your much appreciated help in the work of the Lord at Welland, by continued prevailing prayer? Dear ones, we are looking for this help from you; we need it!

We do thank God for the way he has been with us and has been blessing the efforts. Aug. 16 we commenced our tent meeting with Bish. Bert Sherk the evangelist, continuing for three and a half weeks. The Lord used Bro. Shirk in giving real searching messages and we believe there was seed sown which is bringing forth fruit. A number of precious souls came to the altar, some for forgiveness, others for sanctification and each one claimed to receive that for which they were seeking.

May the Lord bless dear Bro. Shirk for the way he allowed himself to be used.

Since the tent meeting closed, we have had a number in our regular services come to the altar. We pray that God may take them thru to real salvation, where they will be so completely saved, that all hankering after the ungodly things will become so offensive that they will abhor them to the extent, that they will never return to partake of them. II Peter 2:22.

We expect in the near future, the Lord willing, to commence a revival meeting with Eld. Walter Reighard of Dallas Center, Iowa, as evangelist. Will all our readers pray that this effort may prove a success in the Salvation of souls?

Financial Report for Six Months Ending Sept. 30th

In His Name	\$ 1.55
Sr. Susie Sider	1.08
H. P. Heisey	2.00
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Sr. Fink	.25
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Bro. Milne	1.00
Bro. L. O. Musser	1.00
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Bro. Hershey	1.00
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Gladys Shauntz	1.00
Sr. Adda Wolgemuth	1.00
Sr. Etta Putman	1.00
Bessie Milne	2.00
Pearl Wenger	2.00
Dorthea Sider	1.00
Wilmot Milne	1.00
Jenniah Cober	1.00
Harvey Cober	7.00
Harvey Sheffer	3.00
Roy Wideman	2.00
Hall offerings	158.87
Balance on hand Apr. 1st	19.30

Total receipts and balance\$228.05

Expenditures	
Table account	\$ 66.37
Electric bill	9.13
Gas bill	17.38
Telephone	16.05
Water	5.76
Miscellaneous	22.10
Gasoline and oil for car	20.58
Year's Taxes	70.36

Total expenditures\$227.73
Balance on hand Oct. 1st\$.32

Poor Fund	
Balance on hand April 1st	\$ 7.70
In His Name	5.00

Total\$12.70
Paid out for needy11.70

Balance on hand Oct 1st\$ 1.00
Other donations were given by George Sider, Webster Birch, L. Shoalts, Bruce Sider, Bro. and Sr. R. Gilmore, Anna Wenger, Emma Sider, Frank Tucker, Bro. Falkenhagen, Walter Cloak, Andrew Sider, Bro. Bert Shirk, Lloyd Sider.

Again we want to thank all who so kindly helped to make this report possible. Yours in the interest of the lost, Jonathan Lyons, wife, and workers.

MT. CARMEL MISSION
Gladwin, Mich.

Dear friends of the Evangelical Visitor:
Christ has no hands but our hands,
To do His work to-day,
He has no feet but our feet,
To lead men in His way,
He has no tongue but our tongue
To tell men how He died,
He has no help but our help,
To bring them to His side.—Sel.

Oh, that we might realize to a fuller extent that the above words are true, and that the Lord might help us to be more true and faithful to the trust that He has given us. Precious souls are all about us, dying without a Saviour and are we doing our best to win them to Christ? May God help us to grasp every opportunity that may come our way of pointing men and women to Christ.

God has been good to us this past summer and we do want to praise Him for his faithfulness in supplying our needs and giving us health and strength to perform the many duties that are constantly before us.

We had a precious service on Sunday, Sept. 1st when nine children and young people were received into the church and baptized, Bish. Henry Schneider officiating. Our prayer is that these dear young people might be kept by the power of God, faithful and true till Jesus comes.

We have appreciated very much having Mother Heisey with us seven weeks this fall, also Sr. Morton Foote of Garrett, Ind., for about a month. They were an inspiration and help in our services and a wonderful help in preparing and canning fruit and vegetables for canning and drying. We put up, here at the Mission, about 500 qt. of vegetables and fruit. Mother Heisey assisted us greatly in our sewing which lessened our work considerably this fall and which we were glad to be relieved of as there has been quite a number sick around us and we have assisted in caring for

the sick as well as helping some in the natural work where necessary.

Financial Report for July, Aug. and Sept.

Receipts
Balance carried forward, \$32.94; Sr. Wesley Brown, \$1.00; Mt. Pleasant S. S., Pa., 10.00; A Bro. and Sr., \$2.00; Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Hizer, \$1.00; Ethel Climenhaga, Mechanicsburg, Pa., \$5.00; Mt. Carmel Cong., \$9.88; Oak Grove Cong., \$3.50; Leatonville Cong., \$3.08; A brother, Carland, \$5.00; in the Lord, Carland, Mich., \$5.00; In His Name, \$4.00; total with balance carried forward, \$82.40.

Expenses
Table account, \$21.81; sugar for canning, \$5.39; Gas and oil for car, \$33.54; incidentals, \$10.11; improvements, \$6.61; chicken feed, \$1.90. Total expenses for the quarter, \$79.36. Balance on hand Oct. 1, \$3.04.

Mother Heisey purchased \$15.00 worth of supplies and provisions for the Mission while here and Sr. Foote gave us \$12.00 with which we purchased 300 lb. of flour for bread making. This helps considerably to lessen our expenses. Our hearts are filled with deep appreciation for all these blessings and we do want to thank each one who has helped to make our report possible without a deficit. May God bless your lives and make you fruitful for Him.

H. P. Heisey and workers.

REPORT FROM THE KENTUCKY FIELD

Our hearts rejoice to note the Lord's blessing upon us and the work during the past quarter. He has kept us in health and strength, given us spiritual showers, and made it possible for us to meet the expenses of another quarter. We are glad that the Lord has blessed us so that we need not break up our regular program of services when the mission fund is depleted. We believe that in some way God will continue to supply our needs.

The main feature of the summer is the tent meetings and we are glad to report the Lord's blessing on the same. We had series of tent meetings in the Pleasant Grove, Robinson Ridge, and Grassy Springs communities, with Elders C. R. Heisey, E. J. Rohrer, and Paul George as evangelists, respectively.

God's blessing was on the ministry of the Word in each meeting. In each case the Word was given in its purity; good contacts were made with the people, and there were definite results. There were about 40 professions during the summer's meetings, many of the people having been backsliders.

There was a very remarkable conversion in the last tent meeting. A middle-aged man rushed to the altar, falling under the burden of sin, weeping and crying for mercy. In about a half hour the burden rolled from his heart, and he rejoiced with joy unspeakable and full of glory. He went all over the tent praising the Lord. He had been a wicked man, though working hard to make an honest living for his family, and had no time to go to church. The next day he hunted up his old friends in sin and spent the day telling them of what the Lord had done for him, and warning them of their responsibility. That night he brought a sinful friend to the altar of prayer at the tent. Now he walks miles to religious meetings, giving a wonderful testimony.

We are glad for improved financial reports of the tent meetings as the years go by, this past season's being the best. The offerings amounted to \$78.66, and the operating expenses being reduced, we were able to contribute considerably to the outside help. We greatly appreciate the donated help of "Mother" Lady, and the whole-hearted services of Paul Epler from Beulah College. May the Lord bless them.

There have been several accessions to the church this season which represent a combination of the highest type of manhood or womanhood and Christian character. The testimony of all these was highly inspirational. One of them who had been a Christian for many years, told how she saw the light on the prayer-veiling four years ago when Bro. Hostetter presented the teaching, but that the pride of her heart and the opinion of friends restrained her. She was baptized on a Saturday and gave a glowing testimony. On the Sunday following she testified of the great joy she finds in the "plain" way, and of how she felt she could hardly stay to the earth for joy. Her husband has been a member of the Brethren in Christ Church for three years and is one of our stewards.

How our hearts rejoice to see some of our older members develop into strong Christian characters for God, and new members come in who promise to strengthen the back-bone of the church here. Praise the Lord!

During the tent meetings our regular ap-

pointments were mostly cared for in six different communities on the south side of Green River. We have added to these a temporary appointment irregularly filled as opportunity permits. A number of our members and friends are engaged with a saw-mill outfit in Green County. They are very eager for our ministry. Sometimes Bro. George goes and sometimes we go. One backslidden sister has been reclaimed and is being restored in fellowship with the church. Another young married woman from this lumber camp is to be received into the Church soon. These people have been associated with our work in Adair Co. heretofore. The permanent residents of the community also show an interest, quite a number having packed into the room where the services were held the last time. While it is 30 or 35 miles, including a few miles of very bad roads, they have shown their appreciation for our service by liberal offerings.

We greatly appreciated the Wenger missionary family with us. They addressed over a thousand people in five different communities and were greatly appreciated. Offerings totaling \$16.34 were taken up and sent to the F. M. Treasurer.

It was also a great privilege to have with us Eld. John Nigh and wife, Eld. Edward Gilmore and wife, and Sr. Sider, for several days. Their fellowship, contact with the work, and services were greatly appreciated.

Bishops Snider and Ulery were here for a communion service over the fifth Sunday in Sept. and for the consideration of some problems of the work. We appreciated their fellowship and ministry. The Lord's presence was very graciously manifest in the services. Bro. Snider preached, on Sunday night to a very appreciative and responsive audience at Grassy Springs while Bro. Ulery preached at Robinson Ridge where the communion service was held.

We are glad to note with commendation the increased local financial support of the work. This Quarter's local cash offerings for maintenance amounted to \$39.83 which is 16 per cent above that of last quarter, 42 per cent above that of the same quarter a year ago, and 71 per cent above that of the year before. We praise the Lord and are sure that those who sacrifice are being rewarded. We also appreciate the support of our dear brethren and sisters in other parts of the church, without which this work could not continue on the scale it is now being carried on.

We also very much appreciate the donations of produce for both the home at Garlin and Home Evangel which is a matter of economy to the work, benefit to the workers, and a means of blessing to those who give. They are recognized in detail in our Quarterly Bulletin.

We recognize with grateful appreciation the donation of clothing, etc., from Abilene, and a So. Dickenson Cong. in Kansas. We can use these things to good advantage in our work.

We solicit a special interest in your prayers for the revival meetings with Eld. Samuel Lady of Michigan, as evangelist. He begins at the Fairview Church at Goodin's Crossroads, Oct. 29, D. V.

Financial Report for July, August, Sept.

Receipts	
Pleasant Grove Cong.	\$11.90
Grassy Springs Cong.	2.50
Vester Cong.	1.55
Bloomington Cong.	2.70
A Sister	5.00
James Conover and wife	2.00
Rev. Otis Wolford .....	.50
Ellen Kanode	2.00
Albert H. Engle and wife	3.00
Lambert Bottoms	4.00
Welba Giles .....	.22
H. C. Holcomb .....	.65
In His Name .....	.40
Robinson Ridge Cong. ....	.41
Paul George and wife	3.00
John Hershey, Troy, O.	5.00
Mildred Gullette, Grantham, Pa.	3.00
David Wenger, Newburg, Pa.	1.00
Irvin Gramm, Troy, Ohio	5.00
Valley Chapel Cong., Ohio	5.26
Richland and Ashland Dist., Ohio	10.54
Elizabeth Broyles, Upland, Calif.	2.00
H. G. Brubaker and wife, Upland, Calif.	1.00
Hazel Gramm, Troy, Ohio	2.00
Alma Gramm, Troy, Ohio	1.00
Total offerings outside our field	35.80

Total receipts\$75.63

Expenditures	
Garlin:	
Car	\$39.61
Table	22.54
Fuel	7.83
Bulletin and mailing	3.50
Jars, etc. for canning	4.39

Miscellaneous	6.57
Total for Garlin	\$84.44
Home Evangel:	
Car	\$15.95
Table	10.50
Fuel	2.17
Garden .....	.77
Miscellaneous	2.44
Total for Home Evangel	\$31.83
Total for Garlin and Home Evangel	\$116.27
Deficit, July 1, 1935	38.35

Total expenditures plus deficit	\$154.62
\$154.62 less \$75.63 equals	\$78.99
Deficit, Oct. 1, 1935	\$78.99

Thanking all who have contributed and praying that God will grant the elimination of this deficit, we are,
Your co-workers in the Master's service,
Albert H. Engle and co-workers.

REPORT FROM HOME EVANGEL

By Paul George

Another quarter is in the past. How fast time flies. We thank God we are nearer our eternal home. To those who are not ready to see Christ, the One who died for us, this is not an inspiring thought.

These are days full of activities, with garden work, visiting sick, orchard work, etc., but they are joyful days. We gladly give our service to Christ, the one who gives us all these good things.

Since our last report it has been our privilege to attend a three weeks' revival held on Robinson Ridge. Rev. E. J. Rohrer of Ohio was with us. He surely preached the Word of God. A number of souls knelt at the altar of prayer and received definite help, while others were unwilling to go the whole way with God.

A number of visitors have been with us this summer, and we have enjoyed having each one here for a short period of time, also their service to us.

It was a happy privilege to have Bishops Utery and Snider with us over the fifth Sunday of September. On Saturday, Sept. 28, a baptismal service was held. On the following Sunday morning two members were received into the Church, while in the afternoon a communion service was solemnly held. We were glad for those who were with us from the south side of Green river.

We are glad for God's presence with us in our work. Glad for souls who are walking on with the Lord, some requesting prayer and a need. We were glad for a soul who knelt at the altar of prayer at a prayer service one night.

God is still on His throne and He still answers prayer. Praise His name!

BEULAH CHAPEL, SPRINGFIELD, O.

Beginning Sunday, Sept. 22nd and lasting until Friday evening, Sept. 27th, we were privileged to have with us in a Bible Conference, Max I. Reich, a converted Jew, and widely known as a Bible expositor and speaker. He is a member of the extension department of the Moody Bible Institute, being converted by D. L. Moody in London.

His first address was given Sunday morning and in the afternoon at 2:30 he spoke to the tri-county young people's group, also each evening at 7:30 he explained a portion of God's word.

Those who love the Bible were richly fed and given much food for thought. He truly dignified Christianity and verified a Christian's belief that he has the best thing in all the world.
—Cor. Sec.

WAUKENA ITEMS

The tent in which meetings were held in Paris Valley and surrounding country in southern Calif., during the summer, was brot here and pitched and services began on Sept. 4th, with Bro. Donald Heer as evangelist, and Srs. Leoda Smith and Janna Goins as singers. These meetings continued over three Sundays, closing Sept. 22nd. Bro. Heer preached the Word faithfully and fearlessly and our sisters gave many messages in song which were heard not only by those in the tent and those parked outside, but carried into many homes in the vicinity. Only one sought the Lord and gave clear evidence of having found salvation, but the Holy Spirit was true to the hearts of others who felt their need, but refused to seek the Lord now. Besides the evening services, children's meetings were held after school closed in the afternoon, the first and second grades first, the other grades following. Many songs and choruses were learned and some

memory work done besides being taught many Bible truths.

We thank God and those who labored so faithfully during these services. It was a time of blessing to God's people and seed was sown which we believe will produce fruit. We believe we should have more tent meetings.

During the month we had the pleasure of entertaining Bro. Sam Lenhart, wife and family. They were on their way from Idaho to southern Calif. We are always glad to have those passing thru to stop over and would be much pleased to have some of those who are changing places to locate here.
—Cor.

DAYTON MISSION REPORT

The time has again arrived to submit one more report of the work here.

Notwithstanding the trying and serious times in which we are living, the dear Lord is faithful and continues ever the same and will help all those who will fully obey and trust Him.

How much we do appreciate in these testing times what Jesus is to us.

He helps us to go forth in His name to accomplish His will seeking the lost of earth.

On the evening of July 23, we enjoyed a very interesting missionary meeting, as Bro. Walter Winger and his dear family were with us and brought as it were Africa before us. We were glad to hear of the good work prospering there. It is wonderful how God can and does save dear souls from the darkness of heathendom into the glorious liberty of the people of God.

On July 27 and 28, Eld. Samuel Lady of Sandusky, Mich., delivered unto us three powerful messages from the Word of God. On Sunday evening the power of conviction fell and the altar was filled with seekers. We will not soon forget that scene. May the dear Lord continue to use our dear brother in behalf of the salvation of precious souls.

On July 8 we enjoyed a very impressive baptismal service as six dear souls followed the Lord into the liquid stream, one of the number was a mother from Fairview, who was not well enough to be in the baptizing there one week prior. Our eldest grandson was also one in the number and three dear young girls in their teens and a grandmother in her fifties. The ministering brethren from Fairview came in to engage with us to give the message and administer in the rite of baptism, the attendance was large and many tears were seen after the service.

In the evening of Sept. 21 we held a communion service here at the Mission, especially for the benefit of our members that are not able to get out to our district communion service. This was the first for some of our members to engage in such a service and some never witnessed the washing of the saints' feet. This was indeed a blessed service, glad for the joy the Lord gives in obeying these humble ordinances. We are glad to report that all our needs have been bountifully supplied by the brethren and sisters and friends. We appreciate so much all the Lord is doing for us, and thank the dear ones for their liberal giving. May the blessing of the Lord rest upon them is our prayer.

Financial Report for July, August and Sept.
Balance on hand

Receipts
Jesse Eyster, Upland, Calif., \$1.00; Harold Evens, Dayton, O., \$.23; Mrs. Lion, Dayton, O., \$1.00; Fannie J. Sanders, Springfield, O., \$5.00; In His Name, \$2.50; In His Name, \$9.25; A Sister, \$2.25; Arthur Pollitt, Dayton, O., \$2.15; Jesse Cassel, Dayton, O., \$5.00; Mission offering, \$12.60. Total, \$84.18.

Expenditures
Table supplies, \$27.88; supply of sugar, \$5.45; light, power and gas, \$7.14; phone bill, \$8.45; floor rugs, \$2.06; song books, \$3.00; water bill, \$3.70; incidentals, \$6.48. Total, \$64.16. Balance on hand, Oct. 1, 1935, \$20.02.
Poor Fund balance

Receipts

Total

Total paid out

Balance on hand

Donation of articles were made by: Iva and Ralph Herr, Arthur Pollitts, Leighton Manns, Isaac Engles, Louise Wright, Elizabeth Hoke, Ohmer Herrs, Hazel Gramm, Samuel Cassels, LaDona Shawen, Anna Hershey, Irene Hane, Ellen Dick, Howard Hokes, Carrie Kinzie, Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell, Lizzie Jenkins, Howard Manns, Lysta Heisey, David Hershey, Clarence Boyers, Clyde Hersheys, Jacob Paulus, Harold Knisley, Mary Heisey, nice clothing for the needy.

Yours for the lost,
W. H. and Susie Boyer,
601 Taylor St., Dayton, Ohio

ALTOONA MISSION REPORT

Dear readers of the Evangelical Visitor, greetings in Jesus' precious name:

With grateful hearts to our great Redeemer for His tender love and care over us we would say surely the Lord is good.

On July 27, we started our tent meetings here in the city. Bro. and Sr. Abner Martin and Sr. Ruth Dourte came on July 28. Bro. Martin was the evangelist. He preached the plain Gospel truth in a simple way that any one could understand his messages.

We had an all day meeting Sunday, Aug. 11. Bish. E. J. Swalm from Canada was with us, and gave us some very good messages, also two car loads from Lancaster Co., and one car load from Carlisle were at our tent meeting.

The interest and attendance were good and four souls sought the Lord at the altar and others raised their hands for prayer and some came to the altar to be anointed and prayed for, for healing.

We closed our tent meetings Aug. 15. Sr. Ruth Dourte is staying with us as a worker.

On Sunday, Sept. 15, we had Dedicatory services at Canoe Creek, dedicating a little Chapel which was deeded to us free of debt, except the repairs which we have made on it. We painted it inside and outside, also a few other repairs were made. This place of worship is about 14 miles from Altoona. We have been preaching at this place for nearly four years, but the last few years we have been having regular services here. Bro. Abner Martin and Bro. C. N. Hostetter, Jr., had charge of the services. Bro. Monroe Dourte was the speaker on the Sunday school lesson. Bro. Martin brought the message in the morning service, and at the close of the morning service three new members were received into church fellowship. Bro. C. N. Hostetter, Jr., preached the Dedicatory sermon, in the afternoon after which Bro. Martin had charge of the Dedicatory service. We also had some special singing and some short talks on how the little church was built.

On Sunday, October 20, we held our love feast at the Canoe Creek Church.

Eld. John Nigh and wife and Bro. and Sr. Edward Gilmore and Sr. Idellus Sider from Canada were at the Mission over night on Sept. 29. Bro. Nigh preached in the evening service. They were visiting the different mission points. Bro. Nigh is one of the Home Mission Board members.

Financial Report for July, August, Sept.
Bro. and Sr. Resconsin

A Bro. and Sr.

Bro. Joseph Leonard

Bro. Joe Gish

Bro. E. J. Swalm

Bro. H. B. Williams

Offering Box

We wish to thank the brethren and sisters for their prayers and financial help and may the Lord richly bless you all is our prayer. We desire an interest in all your prayers.

Yours in the interest of lost souls,
Herman G. and Laura P. Miller.

**YOUNG PEOPLES' CONFERENCE
Graterford, Pa.**

On September 21st and 22nd, under the auspices of the Young Peoples' Society, a Young Peoples' Conference was held in the Graterford Church.

The Theme of the Conference dwelt upon the Relation of Young People to the Old Folks. We were privileged to have with us Bish. C. N. Hostetter and Bro. Henry Hostetter, who very ably delivered messages for the occasion.

Saturday afternoon Bro. Henry Hostetter spoke to us on "Christ Working in us—How? What? and When?"

Saturday evening Bish. C. N. Hostetter gave us a wonderful exposition on the book of Philemon, which is a short book, but full of truths for the daily life of a Christian.

Sunday morning Bro. Henry Hostetter taught the Sunday school as a whole, which was followed with the morning sermon by Bish. Hostetter.

Sunday afternoon the topic "Youth or the Morning of Life" was discussed by Bro. Henry Hostetter. He compared the Youth to the morning of this particular day, which was ideal. The sky was clear as crystal, atmosphere just right, and so it is with the Youth when they are enjoying the comforts of home and many other blessings without any thought of any responsibility. It was made very plain that to end right we must lay a good foundation in our youth. Bro. E. C. Rosenberger spoke on "Middle Age or the Afternoon of Life."

Sunday evening Bro. Henry Hostetter also
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Missionary Department

A Trip to Out-Schools

By M. H. Brenaman

TUESDAY: We plan to leave Mtshabezi at 12. Food boxes, bedding, tent, etc., are gathered together and put under the tree close to the cart. Sr. Book is close by to supervise the packing of the cart. Her drivers have learned very well how to pack the cart for her ordinary trips, but this is a bit out of the ordinary for she has asked Sr. Kauffman and myself to accompany her. When the cart is being packed, one of the drivers is asked if the mules are close by and he says: "Yes, right over there; Benjamin is watching them." But 'right over there' proves to be some distance, for we have to wait for some time and pull out 45 minutes later than we had planned.

It is a lovely, cool day—ideal for traveling. This is a long trek, so we out-span just before we get to a motor-road. We take out our blanket, and dinner-pails and have a little lunch while the mules rest and eat grass. After an hour we start on our trek. We pass thru some lovely country. Arrive at Dambashoko School at 6 P. M. A lovely pile of wood has been gathered for us. Two girls arrive to bring us water from the river. In spite of the water being very, very mucky, we thank them knowing that this is the best that they can do. The two drivers pitch our tent, camp is set up, fire is made, dinner prepared and we dine at 8 P. M. As usual, we have evening worship together. Only three natives besides our drivers come. Evidently there has been a beer drink close by for these Natives are very drunk. They do not promise to come to the services on the morrow.

Wednesday: The children go into the school at 9 A. M. Sr. Book goes to examine the school, and comes out for breakfast at 10:30. After breakfast she has a meeting with the men of the district and the teacher regarding the children staying away from school so much. It was a long meeting, but in the end the parents promise to send their children better. We go into preaching service after 1. Vayi, the teacher here, gives us the message. Sr. Book makes announcements about harvest meetings, day of fasting and prayer for September 1, church offerings, etc. We were very much interested to note the Church membership for this place: 1933—8; 1934—14; the class-members: 1933—24; 1934—34. This school was opened in 1930 and shows progress. A

number stand for prayer. Do pray that God's blessing continue to rest upon this school. After the preaching, Sr. Kauffman has a very interesting Mother's Meeting while Sr. Book has a talk with the teacher about the school. People come for medicine. Sr. Kauffman pulls a tooth—two should have been pulled, but one is enough at one time. Perhaps (?) she will come to-morrow morning before we leave. After dinner we have evening worship and eleven meet with us to-night. We sit around the camp fire.

Thursday: Not light yet when we get awake. We quickly break up camp, roll up our beds, finish packing the boxes, pack the cart and are off by 8 o'clock. (The woman did not arrive to have her other tooth pulled). Again we pass thru some lovely veldt. We stop about fifteen minutes at Emagedhleri, a London school. People come out to the gates of their kraals as we pass by. It is not usual for them to see a two-seated cart drawn by four mules passing by. We arrive at Matyiya School at 10:30 A. M. Find the morning school children sweeping around the school. Our drivers go for water but do not get back for services because the water is so far away. After eating a little breakfast we go into the service. The teacher, Mnunkwa, gives a very good message on tithing. Have a very good testimony meeting. Four women stand for prayer and three boys. Sr. Book announces about their membership: 1933—6; 1934—6; class-members: 1933—14, 1934—37. Do pray for the backsliders at this place. Sr. Kauffman again speaks to the mothers. We visit two kraals in the afternoon. A large crowd meet with us in the church for evening worship.

Friday: Things are packed up this morning while Sr. Book goes in to visit the school, also have an interview with the teacher about the school. We leave Matyiya about one. We are going to visit Masuku, a young Christian Chief. Reach Masuku's kraal about 4 P. M. They have a hut prepared for us. They bring in a few Christian books for us to read. Masuku has been called away on a matter and does not return until we are eating. We go to their dining room for evening worship. He asks Sr. Book to lead. Do pray for this young chief. He has a big task to lead these people and at the same time to keep true to his vows to God. The sin and debauchery among these people is terrible these days.

Saturday: Did not need to get up so early this morning. Have breakfast at 9

o'clock and are off by 12. We outspan at a church which Masuku's father had built when he was a Christian, before he went back into sin. Wish that you could see the picturesque country thru which we passed! Reach Silikwe School around 5 P. M. When we set up camp there is much trouble with the tent rope breaking. Naka Jose, one of our faithful members, comes to greet us. It is dark by the time that we get dinner ready and the camp set up. Have evening worship around the camp fire again. John Moyo, the husband of Naka Jose, leads. The wind is rising and Sr. Book informs us that often there is a high wind at this place. All night long the wind blew, the tent flapped, the sand came in all around, and we looked for the tent rope to break again any minute. I couldn't help but think that sometimes Sr. Book has to be out in the tent when there is not only a strong wind blowing, but rain also.

Sunday: The wind is still blowing very hard. All of us had just left the tent, when the rope breaks and the tent comes down. We carry our food boxes and necessities to the church and have breakfast there. Two men see our tent down and come to see if we are alright. Sr. Book has charge of the Sunday school. Bafana, the teacher, preaches. A large number stand for prayer. There is good interest in the Mothers' meeting. Sr. Book makes announcements. Membership for 1933—15, 1934—14; Class-members: 1933—12; 1934—11. Pray for Silikwe as they have not increased in number as they should. After the services the men put up our tent while we eat dinner in the church. The wind is not blowing quite so hard, so we sleep in the tent to-night.

Names and Addresses Foreign Missionaries

Africa

MATOPO

Elder and Mrs. L. B. Steckley, Elder and Mrs. C. F. Eshelman, Elder R. H. Mann, Mrs. S. K. Doner, and Miss Lois Frey, Miss Mary C. Kreider, Matopo Mission, Bulawayo, So Rhodesia, South Africa.

MTSHABEZI

Bishop and Mrs. H. H. Brubaker, Mr. and Mrs. David B. Hall, Mrs. Naomi Lady, Miss Mary Brenaman, Miss Martha Kauffman, Miss Sadie Book, and Miss Anna Wolgemuth, Mtshabezi Mission, P. B. 102 "M", Bulawayo, South Rhodesia, South Africa.

WANEZI

Elder and Mrs. H. J. Frey, Wanezi Mission, Flibusi, So Rhodesia, South Africa.

MACHA

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Winger, Miss Annie M. Winger, Miss Verda Moyer, Miss Anna R. Engle, Macha Mission, Choma, N. Rhodesia, South Africa.

SIKALONGO

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil I. Cullen, Miss Anna Eyster, and Miss Elizabeth Engle, Sikalongo Mission, Choma, N. Rhodesia, South Africa.

India

SAHARSA

Saharsa, B. N. W. Ry., Dist. Bhagalpur, Elder and Mrs. Charles Engle, Miss B. Ella Gayman, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Footie.

SUPAUL

Supaul, B. N. W. Ry., Dist. Bhagalpur, India, Elder and Mrs. George Paulus, Miss M. Effie Rohrer.

MISSIONARIES ON FURLOUGH

W. O. Winger and Family, Grantham, Pa.
Elder and Mrs. A. D. M. Dick, Florida, Pa.
Miss Anna M. Steckley, Gormley, Ont.

Monday: Break up camp again while Sr. Book examines the school. We find that the white ants have been working very much under the canvass where we put our bed, but nothing is hurt. After breakfast Sr. Kauffman and I go to John Moyo's kraal while Sr. Book interviews the teacher. We leave Silikwe about 1:15. We do not need to out-span, but reach our next school, Shaki, about 4:30 P. M. Set up camp again. Men go for water. It is very mucky, but we can't expect anything different this time of the year. It isn't so bad when we have hot drinks. We have a large can of rain water along with us for drinking. Not many here for evening prayers.

Tuesday: Sr. Book goes into the school early in the morning. The school goes in early and lasts for three and one-half hours. A nice crowd is here for the services. Sr. Book speaks. We have a good testimony meeting. Our hearts are sad as we remember that the former teacher of this place was put out of teaching only in June because of his sin. He is here and it is Sr. Book's duty to straighten out some things with him. Will you pray that he might come back to the Lord? The membership here was: 1933—11, 1934—13; Class-members: 1933—7, 1934—18. This school has seen some very hard things. A number of its teachers have fallen into sin. Pray that God might change it and make it a real light house. There is a good interest in the mothers' meeting. Quite a number are here for evening worship.

Wednesday: We get up early, pack up and are off by 8 A. M. We get our post at Stanmore also food which was sent us from Mtshabezi. We arrive at MPuli about 12. There is no school here, but they are very eager for one. No doubt many children come this day to prove to us that they really need a school. Have services under a large tree and there are over 100 here. Sr. Book speaks. The old people beg for a school, but Sr. Book can promise nothing. Continue on our way after services. Arrive at Toms, the preacher, kraal about 5 P. M. Frank, the teacher, has been married and is having the feast at this kraal. Arrive just in time for the service. Over 300 people here. It is dark before we walk over to the school where we will camp. A hut is built here at Swazi so we do not need to pitch the tent. We have dinner very late.

Thursday: Sr. Book goes in to visit the school. Sr. Kauffman and I visit kraals in the morning. The largest number is here to the services. Two native preachers have charge of the services. A large number stand for prayer. Some back-sliders want to come back to God. Do pray for your Native church here. The membership for 1933—42, 1934—46; Class-members:

1933—20, 1934—14. We all go to a kraal before dinner. The man here is a backslider and wants to come back into the church. Pray for him. Quite a number come to our evening prayers. We enjoy sitting around the camp fire in the evening and talking.

Friday: Again we are up early. We have breakfast, pack lunch, break up camp and are away by 11. We planned to start earlier, but the mules stray away and they have to hunt them. We reach Longfields, a preaching appointment only, about 12:30. Eat lunch before going into the services. No mothers' meeting today. The boy is lazy in watching the mules so we have to sit and wait a while. We stop at the home of an European family for a short time. Reach Beshu School about 5:40 P. M. There is a strong, cool wind blowing and it continues during the night.

Saturday: The wind continues to blow. The children were quite late to school this morning. They have changed their school to Saturday this week so that Sr. Book could inspect it. Sr. Kauffman has a mothers' meeting in the afternoon. Not many came. We sit around in our jerseys and coats to-day to keep warm. Go to the teacher's kraal in the afternoon. Too cold and blustery for any one to come to our evening prayers.

Sunday: Colder than yesterday, and the sun is shining very little. Quite a number come to the services, but they are late. Sr. Book speaks to-day and a number stand for prayer. Here the members are: 1933—10, 1934—11, Class-members: 1933—15, 1934—21. After the services we start out for "home" and reach Mtshabezi about 5 P. M. Glad that we have had the privilege of going out among the people, also glad to be home again.

We feel our responsibilities anew as we have been face to face with the kraal Natives and their problems. It rests upon us in a new way to pray for these Natives. Upon all of you who read this there will also rest a new responsibility of praying for these Natives. Many have asked for prayer and they surely are in need of prayer. Let us not fail in praying to God in their behalf.

The real Christian is an avowed enemy of sin. Shall I ever be friends with that, says he, which killed my Lord? No, but I will even kill it, and do it by applying His death. The true penitent is sworn to be the death of sin. He may be surprised by it, but there is no possibility of reconciliation between them. Thou that livest kindly and familiarly with sin, and e'ther openly declarest thyself for it, or hast a secret love to it, where canst thou reap any comfort?—Not from Christ's sufferings.

—Archbishop Leighton, 1670.

Mtshabezi News Notes —August

Reported by Anna R. Wolgemuth

THE cold weather and heavy frosts continue. An extremely cold wave passed over during the first two weeks of the month.

Aug. 4. Sisters Book, Kauffman and Brenaman returned from a twelve day trek among outschools. They reported an interesting trip.

The Hall family, two native brethren and myself have had the privilege of meeting with a small group of worshipers under a tree in the Matopo hills, about twelve miles from our station. It was on a cold, windy day, and quite uncomfortable to sit in an open, unprotected place of worship. This probably was one reason why the congregation was small. There was, however, another reason. A beer party some miles away was the center of attraction. In spite of weather conditions and the beer party the few who assembled were eager listeners to the warm message of heart-cleansing given by Bro. Hall. One soul decided to follow her Savior. May He bless and lead her.

Aug. 6 was the opening day of the second term of school for this year. All the pupils have returned.

Among recent callers were Bro. and Sr. Steckley, Sr. Mary Kreider and Sr. Lois Frey, all from Matopo Mission, and Mr. Marcus, a railroad employee and his family.

On Aug. 15, Mr. Barhum from Bulawayo and a few of the Matopo folks stopped with us for the night while on their way to Wanezi Mission to lend relief to our dear brother and sister Frey. Bro. Frey was bed-fast and Sr. Frey was left alone to care for him, and look after all the household and outside duties. Mr. Barhum was indeed the good samaritan in offering his comfortable car to take Bro. Frey to Matopo.

On a trip made by the history classes recently to some near-by ancient ruins, the skeleton of a human body was discovered in a small cove among the rocks high up on the mountain side. Beside the skeleton was a dish. There was no grave and not even so much as a strong shelter or covering. There were only a few small branches on the open side. This was the final resting place of a poor victim of some disease, who had probably been put there to die. How sad it must be to be carried, helpless, by one's friends up into the mountains and left there alone to die—to die without the loving care of a friend, and without hope in God. What a sad, dark picture this is!

"Why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" Luke 6:46.

YOUNG PEOPLES' CONFERENCE
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spoke on "The Challenge to Youth." The Challenge that the World holds out to our Youth is not the real challenge, but the one worth while is to live a clean, pure life for the Master. Bish. Hostetter gave us the closing message of the Conference, in which he so beautifully portrayed the "Old Age or the Evening of Life," using for this text the latter portion of the ninety second Psalm. "The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree; he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon," and "They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing." The fact was mentioned that we see many more beautiful sunsets than sunrises.

Our local ministers also participated in the program. Special numbers in music were rendered in each session of the Conference, and several selections were given by the Peters family of Manheim, Pa.

We are sure that everyone who was privileged to attend the various sessions felt that the Conference was a success, and that it was an uplift to each one spiritually.

May the messages and truths proclaimed accomplish that for which they were intended and cause the Young People to live a wholly yielded life of Christ, is our prayer.

—Cor.

HOME MISSION TREASURER'S REPORT
3rd Quarter, 1935

Receipts	
Bal. on hand, July 1, 1935.....	\$468.12
Carl J. Ulery	25.00
In His Name, O.	5.00
Esther Bert	10.00
Mother and daughter	7.00
Alfred Rotz	50.00
J. G. Engle	25.00
Fox Hollow and Bendigo S. S.	6.00
Sr. A. O. Zook, pledge	25.00
Fairview S. S., O.	10.83
Mother and daughter	8.00
Mechanicsburg S. S.	23.19
Carlisle S. S.	50.00
Bro. and Sr. Paul Lady	10.00
Pequea S. S.	18.95
Refton S. S.	10.79
Manor S. S.	39.14
Manor Pequea Dist.	22.59
Rosebank Cong.	35.31
A Sister	10.00
G. G. Lyons	16.33
H. G. Miller, pledge	10.00
Mary Stoner	25.00
Bro. and Sr. Haldeman	10.00
Leah Dohner, refund	8.22
New Guilford Dist.	86.69
Locust Grove S. S.	8.17
A Bro. and Sr., Palmyra	20.00
Elizabeth Thuma, pledge	10.00
Manheim S. S.	64.77
Richland and Ashland, O. for Ky.	10.54
Belle Spring S. S.	20.80
Elizabethtown S. S.	74.04
Clear Creek and Rays Cove	12.10
Butternut Grove S. S.	3.00
Manor-Pequea Dist.	36.85
Hebron S. S., Kans.	13.75
North Franklin Dist.	16.00
Iron Springs, all day meeting	11.00
Mable Payne, pledge	2.00
Ella Brandt	5.00
Conoy Mission Meeting, less expense ..	186.00
Bal. and total receipts	\$1,510.18

Expenditures	
Ray Heisey, service and fare in Ky.	\$ 33.50
Leah Dohner, fare to Calif.	35.00
E. V. Publishing House, letter heads ..	7.95
Jos. Vandervere, forward	25.00
Mrs. Vandervere, forward for Jos.	20.00
Jos. Vandervere, bal. on fare and service in Va.	18.00
Paul Epler for service	50.25
Special for Ky. from Ohio	10.54
Special for Foreign Mission Board from Clear Creek	3.00
Leora Yoder, transportation from Ky.	21.00
Walter Reighard, rent	36.00
Workers' allowance for 3rd quarter.....	869.50
Total expenditures	\$1,129.74
Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1935	\$ 380.44

Note—We the Home Mission Board herewith express our thanks to all who so nobly stand by the mission cause with their liberal support, both by their prayers and financial aid.

If you want to make good investments for the Lord, and receive good interest while you live, give annuities to the Mission cause. For further information consult the Mission Board.
Humbly submitted,
Abner Martin, Treas.

REPORT OF HOUGHTON MISSION
For July, August and September, 1935

Again we come to the Visitor family with our quarterly report of the Lord's work in this part of His vineyard. The long, warm evenings of summer have passed to be replaced by cool, frosty nights with the many warnings of approaching winter.

God says in His Word, Gen. 8:22, that while the earth remaineth there shall be seed-time and harvest and we wish to thank Him for again verifying His promise in our behalf. Our gardens and crops have yielded a good increase to help with the temporal necessities and we also wish to praise Him for the spiritual seed-time and harvest.

Shortly after General Conference, Eld. E. J. Broyles, Upland, Calif., came with us to help us in the tent work. We surely appreciated his zeal and earnestness in the Lord's work while with us. Bro. Broyles held two meetings and started a third one in our mission district. Bro. John Hostetter of Clarence Center came with us for two weeks at Guysboro. There were perhaps forty or fifty seekers at our tent services, many of them members of other churches. A number of these continue to attend their own services, but the Lord Himself knoweth the harvest that will be from the seed sown in their lives.

We are also pleased to have with us for this Conference year, Bro. and Sr. Elmer Eyer and Frederick and Lorraine of Upland, Calif. They are living about two miles from us in part of the house of one of our widow sisters. Bro. Eyer's help in the ministry is truly appreciated and we know that they have won a place in the hearts of our people by their kindness and willingness to help. It is indeed commendable, the manner in which they are adjusting themselves to the climate and environment of sunny California, to that of their present location. We wish to quote Bro. Eyer, "that he is very glad and counts it a privilege to have this year's experience in Home Mission work as a preparation for work in the foreign field," and we wish to add that we appreciate their help and fellowship in our midst.

Our regular services are continuing as usual. We have no reasons to be discouraged, but are looking to God for seasons of revival this winter. Pray for us that God may continue to bless His work here. We plan to go into other sections of the country with prayer meetings and services this coming winter.

We would not wish to forget to mention that it was our privilege to visit some of the mission fields of our brotherhood during the past quarter, and to become more intimately acquainted with our fellow workers and their kindred problems. We feel like pushing on in His work some day as the poet has said, "The wheels of mortal life shall all stand still, And I shall go to dwell on Zion's hill."

Financial Report

Receipts	
Balance on hand July 1, 1935.....	\$45.37
Melvin Sider	5.00
A friend	1.00
Orlo Heise	5.00
S. S. on 3rd	2.98
Guysboro S. S.	5.92
Offering from tent	8.00
Bro. E. Long	1.00
Penn., Pequea S. S.	18.00
George French	2.00
Pauline Tucker	2.00
George Sider	1.00
Sr. Ben. Vanatter	1.00
Harley Stilwell	1.00
Violet Wilson	1.00
John Long	2.00
Arthur Pye	1.00
Hazel Mitts .....	.20
Henry Pressy	2.00
Elmer Steckley	1.00
Local Assessment Treasury	20.70
Total receipts	\$127.17

Expenditures	
Mission Home, table supplies	\$10.01
Oil for lights and fuel	1.29
Miscellaneous .....	.65
Mission car expense	49.75
Bro. and Sr. Eyer, table supplies	\$13.75
Screen door, tubs, oil cloth, etc.	4.94
Kitchen sink and pipe	1.25
Miscellaneous	2.85
Bro. and Sr. Eyer, car expense	\$12.91
Total expenditures	\$97.03
Balance on hand Oct. 1, 1935	\$30.14

We also wish to gratefully acknowledge the donations from our local brethren and sisters to both Bro. Eyers and the Mission home.

Yours in the Master's service,
Edward and Emma Gilmore and workers.

SAN FRANCISCO MISSION

Greetings to all the Evangelical Visitor readers:

We have again been able, through Grace Divine to triumph, through our Lord Jesus Christ, during another three months since our last report. The blessings in service to our Lord have been many. We have our evenings all scheduled except three in each month and then considerable day-time doings and going. Thus our contacts are many and our experiences varied. How precious ever to have the Lord before our eyes. So many times a deep "Thank you, Lord" comes from our hearts knowing He has led the way.

Several precious hearts have come forward to our altar for prayer, some breaking their way through to God.

We had a communion service Sunday, Sept. 1st. Bish. and Sr. Wagaman were here, also a number of other members of the Church from a distance, among whom were a couple of our converts. There were local people who communed who never had engaged in feet-washing service. They received a real blessing in participating. There had been a longing and looking forward to this opportunity and it was like the Lord to seal it in blessing to them. Then we also felt it would be of interest to many to hear from Sister Smart, formerly from India. She is no longer able to attend services, she remains faithful to the Lord and church. We held communion with her, just a few meetings in her home which is located in Oakland with one of her sons and his family.

We had a change in our working staff, thru the resignation of Sr. Rhoda Wingert who has labored here the past sixteen years. Sr. Leah Dohner, from Ohio, has been with us since Aug. 19. She has labored in our Kentucky Mission the past five years. We pray God's blessing upon both of these our sisters in their labors for the Master.

We are grateful for all interested hearts for souls here. Your temporal helps shall have reward. We were reminded of the scripture, "For ye have the poor with you always, and whosoever ye will ye may do them good" (Mark 14:7), upon receiving the offering from the North Dickinson, Kans. Dist. harvest meeting for the poor. This good-will no doubt was in the hearts prompting the giving. We thank one and all for each and every gift and may God's blessing be upon it. Continue to pray for us.

Receipts

Hall Offerings	\$175.70
Valley Chapel S. S., Ohio	4.50
Mrs. Capps, Stockton, Cal.	10.00
A Brother	5.00
Special Offerings	18.80
Bro. DeHart, San Jose, Cal.	1.00
Zion S. S. Kans.	10.78
Total	\$225.78

Expenditures

Table Supplies	\$ 40.08
House Miscellaneous	8.11
Hall Miscellaneous .....	.42
House Rent	82.50
Hall Rent	60.00
Light, Water, Fuel	21.23
Total	\$212.34

Balance on hand, July 1	\$ 3.23
Balance on hand, Oct. 1,	16.67

Poor Fund

North Dickinson Dist., Kans., Harvest meeting offering for poor	\$20.17
Expended .....	.70
Balance-Total	\$19.47

In Jesus' Name,
Maggie E. Sollenberger,
473 Guerrero St., San Francisco, Cal.
Phone—Hemlock 1864.

REVIVAL AT MANHEIM

On November 10th the brethren of Rapho District will launch a series of revival efforts at the Manheim Meeting House. These services will continue indefinitely with Bish. J. T. Ginder as evangelist.

REPORT FOR BUFFALO MISSION

We send greetings of love to all the Visitor family through the precious name of Jesus. Through an oversight on our part the report has been delayed until this late time. We shall endeavor to give an account of the work of the Lord at this place.

The Lord most graciously met with us in a revival service conducted by Bish. L. Shoalts, which extended over three weeks. With the exception of two or three nights there were seekers at the altar every night. There were

Christian Life Bible Studies for Young Peoples Meetings

No. 203.

GREATER REVERENCE FOR SACRED THINGS AND PLACES

Topic for November 17, 1935

Scripture Readings: Psa. 89:1-7; John 2:13-17.

Give a good definition for Reverence. Is there naturally a spirit of reverence in mankind? Give some illustrations showing the need of greater reverence today.

I. Reverence for God's Holy Word.

1. Bible examples and exhortations: Neh. 8:1-8; Deut. 6:6-9; Psa. 138:2; Heb. 2:1-3; Rev. 22:18, 19.
2. How may we teach and practice greater reverence for God's Word? Which is the best final way—to hear it or to do it?

II. Reverence for Sacred Places.

1. The Sanctuary. Lev. 19:30; Eccl. 5:1; Mark 11:15-17.
How may we cause the children, young people and everyone to love to be there, yet keep it from becoming unhallowed and commonplace?
2. The pulpit. Neh. 8:4. How may its sanctity be maintained?
3. The Altar. Matt. 23:19; Matt. 5:23, 24; Psa. 43:3, 4.

III. Reverence for Church Ordinances.

1. Baptism. Luke 3:7, 8; I Peter 3:21.
2. The Prayer Veiling. I Cor. 11:6, 10, 13.
3. The Holy Kiss. I Thes. 5:26; of charity, I Peter 5:14.
4. Feet Washing. John 13:8-15.
5. Communion Service. I Cor. 11:20-30.
Study the above Scriptures and others carefully, and from observation as well, tell of what reverence and irreverence consist in connection with each ordinance.

IV. Reverence for Other Things.

1. The Lord's Day. Acts 20:7; Rev. 1:10.
2. Tithe Money. I Cor. 16:2; Matt. 23:23; Mal. 3:8-10.
3. The Home. Eph. 5:25, 33; Mark 10:2-12.
Although not included in the topic as worded, mention could also be made with profit of reverence for the Trinity, for parents, for the aged and for our spiritual leaders.
Ask the children to tell what they think they can do to show more reverence for the things and places mentioned in this lesson.
(It is not expected that all the references listed be read during the service. Study them during the hour of preparation and use only the ones which to you seem to contain the most truth.)

a few day meetings held and we appreciated very much the deep truth brought to us in these services. May the Lord continue to bless our brother in his work for the lost of earth.

During the summer months the attendance has been small. We regret very much that some people are influenced by custom rather than guided by the Holy Spirit. Nevertheless the Lord has blessed us with very wonderful services. We do praise Him for the manifestation of the Spirit's presence with us. The mid-week services are attended more largely than the Lord's day services. We appreciate a number of families who come in from the country to these meetings.

The Lord most wonderfully healed one who had been a sufferer from childhood. She was anointed for her healing, and it appeared that Satan did his utmost to discourage her. She thought she would be compelled to leave her place of work. But thanks to the precious blood, the Lord manifested His power and she is entirely whole again. We are also glad to report that she was baptized later.

These are the times of falling away, and we sincerely desire an interest in the prayers of all the saints that we might be kept true to Jesus till He comes, and that many souls will yet be snatched from the burning.

Financial for April

Receipts—Sr. Bessie Milne, \$5.00; Bro. and Sr. Robinson, \$5.00; Sr. Mabel Sider, \$5.00; Sr.

No. 204.

GIVING THANKS UNTO THE LORD

Topic for Nov. 24, 1935

Suggestive Scripture Reading, Psa. 103.

I. As Revealed in the Psalms.

A place to give thanks, Psa. 35:18.
Summarize and present in your own words the things for which the Psalmist gives thanks in Psa. 18:49, as mentioned in the former part of the chapter.
An unusual hour and a specific reason, Psa. 119:62.
Giving thanks for Spiritual deliverance, Psa. 107:1-8. Don't miss the truth in the words 'wandered,' 'wilderness,' 'solitary,' etc., which describe the person in trouble, nor the truths in verses 6 and 7.
Where there is no thanksgiving. Psa. 6:5.

II. As Recorded in the History of Israel.

Following are some examples of thanksgiving which were offered upon certain occasions not because the law demanded it but why? The reason and conditions which lead to these periods of thanksgiving are recorded in or around the verses here quoted. I Chron. 29:6-14; Ezra 3:11; Neh. 12:27-47; Dan. 2:23.

III. As Written in the New Testament.

When shall we give thanks?
To whom shall we give thanks?
For what shall we give thanks?
Discuss the following references in the light of the above three questions. Matt. 11:25; John 11:41; Mark 8:6-7; Acts 27:35; Lu. 17:16; II Cor. 2:14; I Thess. 2:13; I Thess. 5:18; II Cor. 9:15.

IV. Suggestions for a Period of Thanksgiving

A few songs of thanksgiving.
The discussion of a topic on "For what should we be thankful."
A period in which the congregation participate in giving expression of praise and thanksgiving.
A thanksgiving offering as a manifest appreciation of the blessings you enjoyed during the past year.

Here are the three chief causes for spiritual inefficiency. We are not still enough for God to come to us, nor empty enough for God to fill us, nor sanctified enough for God to use and honor us.—Western Recorder.

Evelyn Mater, \$1.00; Bro. and Sr. Troast, \$9.00; Sr. Bernice Henderson, \$5.00; Sr. Lena Lapp, \$5.00; Sr. Clara Lyons, \$5.00; Sr. Mabel Jones, \$5.00; Bro. and Sr. Hexemer, \$5.00. Total, \$50.
Expenditures—Provisions, \$39.31; gas, \$2.60; electric, \$2.79; telephone, \$3.00; sundries, \$3.90; fuel, \$9.40. Total, \$61.00.

Financial for May

Receipts—Sr. Bernice Henderson, \$5.00; Bro. and Sr. Troast, \$8.00; Bro. and Sr. Hexemer, \$5.00; Bro. and Sr. Hoover, \$4.00; Sr. Pearl Winger, \$5.00; Eld. and Sr. W. O. Winger, \$2.00; Sr. Clara Lyons, \$5.00; I. H. S. \$2.00. Total, \$36.00.
Expenditures—Provisions, \$46.57; gas \$2.60; electric, \$2.82; telephone, \$3.00; sundries, \$3.67; fuel, \$4.85. Total, \$58.41.

Financial for June

Receipts—A friend, \$1.00; Sr. Alice Blunt, \$5.00; Bro. and Sr. Troast, \$11.00; Sr. Bessie Milne, \$10.00; Bro. and Sr. Gish, \$3.00; Bro. and Sr. J. Ginder, \$2.00; Sr. Ruth Mummau, \$1.00; Sr. Nora Foss, \$1.00; Bro. and Sr. Buckwalter, .50; hall, \$1.10; Bro. S. M. Gish, \$1.00; Beulah College quartette, \$2.00; Sr. Bernice Henderson, \$11.00; I. H. N., \$1.00; Ohio group, \$6.50; Sr. Gladys Shauntz, \$4.00; Bro. and Sr. M. Dourte, \$2.00; Bro. and Sr. Peters, \$1.00. Total, \$64.10.

Expenditures—Provisions, \$50.26; Gas, \$5.20; electric, \$2.55; telephone, \$3.00; sundries, \$3.57. Total, \$64.58.

Financial for July

Receipts—Sr. Mable Jones, \$5.00; Bro. and Sr. Troast, \$8.00; Sr. Etta Putman, \$1.00; Sr. Pearl Winger, \$5.00; Sr. Lena Lapp, \$5.00; Bro. and Sr. S. Engle, \$1.00; Bro. and Sr. Hexemer, \$5.00; Sr. Bessie Milne, \$3.00; Bro. and Sr. Hoover, \$5.00; Sr. Mabel Sider, \$5.00; Sr. Gladys Shauntz, \$5.00. Total, \$40.00.
Expenditures—Provisions, \$37.26; Gas, \$3.95; electric, \$2.51; telephone, \$3.00; sundries, \$3.75. Total, \$50.47.

Financial for August

Receipts—Sr. Susie Troyer, \$5.00; Bro. and Sr. Troast, \$8.00; Sr. Elva Heise, \$2.00; Bro. and Sr. Hexemer, \$5.00; Sr. Pearl Winger, \$5.00; A friend, \$1.00; I. H. N. \$6.00. Total, \$32.00.
Expenditures—Provisions, \$37.41; gas, \$1.95; electric, \$2.46; telephone, \$3.00; sundries, \$3.03. Total, \$49.05.

Financial for September

Receipts—Bro. and Sr. Monkelbaan, \$2.00; Bro. and Sr. Hexemer, \$5.00; Bro. and Sr. Troast, \$10.00; Sr. Kline, \$1.00; Sr. Jennie Nigh, \$1.00; Sr. Pearl Winger, \$5.00; Sr. May Troyer, \$1.25; Bro. and Sr. I. S. Eby, \$1.00; Bro. and Sr. A. Sider, \$2.00. Total, \$28.25.
Expenditures—Provisions, \$34.49; gas \$1.95; electric, \$2.31; telephone, \$3.00; sundries, \$4.18. Total, \$45.93. Deficit, \$22.57.
E. C. and Sr. Bossert.

M. B. C. NOTES

Student Enrollment

The Lord has given us a total enrollment of 116 students, 13 of these are taking only part time studies. This promising group of students represent the following States and Provinces: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, New York, Ohio, Ontario, and Pennsylvania.

Missionary Meetings

In the College Chapel on the evening of Sept. 12, Bish. and Mrs. A. D. M. Dick gave interesting accounts of their unpleasant as well as pleasant experiences in Mission work in India.

The Missionary Circle met Monday evening, Sept. 30, instead of the following Wednesday, in order that we might hear our Ontario Mission Workers who were with us at that date. Eld. and Mrs. Edward Gilmore related some of their experiences among the people of Houghton Mission, Ontario. Following these, Eld John A. Nigh in his discourse, gave a splendid list of necessary qualifications for a successful Christian worker.

Fall Revival

Truly God was in our midst through the Holy Spirit, Oct. 6-13, when Eld. Chas. Byers, Chambersburg, Pa., brought us definite heart-searching messages. The burden of his message was that souls take the 'death route' and become filled with the Holy Spirit. There were seekers each evening, and, on the last Sunday, while the morning message was being given, souls moved forward to an altar of prayer. This season of prayer and fasting continued until 4:30 p. m.

The Sunday evening Communion service in charge of Bish. C. N. Hostetter, Sr. was a fitting close to our week's revival. This service had a new meaning to many.

The spirit of prayer prevailed and late Monday night the telephone wires carried a message of a 'prodgal's return' to a father out-of-state.

Home Coming

We are anticipating a period of fellowship at our Home Coming to be held Saturday evening and Sunday, Nov. 9-10. We expect that former students and friends of the school will avail themselves of this opportunity to return to M. B. C. and thus make the Home Coming a profitable season to all.

He Must Be Popular

A very excellent Christian was seeking a pastor for a large church. One minister was called to his attention. His first question was, "Is he popular? We must have a popular man." The inquiring gentleman is a man of high character, and we do not believe he meant that popularity was the only or first essential of the man his church wanted. But we were surprised at this question which he put first. The greatest prophets have not enjoyed the greatest popularity. Our first question would be as to his loyalty to Jesus Christ, his belief in the Bible as the Word of God, his character as his people found it. We might go farther and inquire as to the effect of his ministry in bringing people "out of darkness into light, from sin and Satan unto God." Some very popular preachers have left the community impoverished spiritually rather than enriched. A lady, speaking of her church, once widely known, but now having hard struggles, said: "We have not yet recovered from the pastorate of Dr. So-and-So." She mentioned a preacher famed all over the land who had been gone many years. He was probably far and away the most popular preacher in his city in his day, and yet, she said, the church had not yet recovered from the damage he did. Without judging too closely, we are inclined to think the popular preacher had popularity as his chief aim. He would preach anything and do almost anything to gain it. Popularity, like wealth, is very delightful but dangerous to both preacher and people. Let us remember also that unpopularity is no sign of success. A very able and eloquent preacher, who was orthodox enough, failed utterly and wrought havoc because he seemed an adept in saying and doing that which hurt and repelled people. By some quirk of his nature he jarred and never healed. Of course, he was not the type of man any church with eyes open would call.

We believe an ordained minister, honest in heart, unstinted in service to all in need, giving steady, hard work to preaching the pure Word of God, and blessed with a little common sense, will be quite popular enough in most communities. If he speaks even unpleasant but needed truth in love, he will nevertheless be popular enough in the long run. Paul spoke the whole counsel of God without fear and favor, and yet the Ephesian elders loved him sufficiently to weep at his departure. Those who like the pharisees perform in public places for the praise of men, have the reward they seek, viz., the praise of the crowd. But he who forgets the praise of men in his earnestness in doing his work as an ambassador of Christ will have the respect of the people, which is far better than shallow popularity.

It is a mistake to think that power and popularity are the same. The first question about a minister or the first aim of the minister must not be to have an affirmative answer to the question, "Is he popular?"—The Presbyterian.

"He Set My Feet Upon a Rock"

I remember at Stonehaven, when I was minister there, I was swimming out in the clear, cool bay, when the water got suddenly choppy and my strength seemed suddenly to go from me. You that are swimmers know the sensation. Exhausted, the waves flapping on your face in repeated blows as if to stun you, and beat you back to the current that was ready to seize you. No one in sight. Warily on and on; but you know you are making little or no progress, and the feet and body go deeper and deeper in the water. You cannot swim any longer; you have lost the power of prostration and progression, and you are now erect and merely paddling with your hands.

I had almost given up, when suddenly there came to my foot the sensation of

solidity amid the waves. Oh, what I felt as I stood there to recover breath, rescued from death! How solid the rock felt! How I thanked God that that rock had just been placed out in the bay for me, and that He had taken my sinking feet and fixed them there. That is the nearest that I can give to the sensation of the soul when Christ lays hold of you, saves you, and sets your feet on the Rock of Ages.

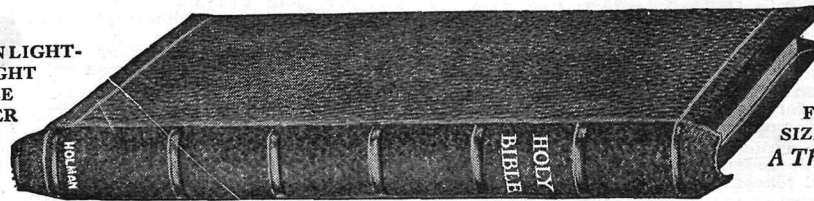
—John Robonson.

Why has this infinite light, this infinite power, this infinite majesty, come down to our poor earth? For what purpose? To shine? To show forth the splendor of His majesty? To teach heavenly wisdom? To rule by His just and holy might? No! He came to *purge our sins*. What heights of glory! what depth of abasement! Infinite in His majesty, and infinite in His self-humiliation, and the depth of His love. What a glorious Lord! And what an awful sacrifice of unspeakable love, to purge our sins by Himself!—Adolph Saphir.

The Christian on his knees sees farther than the philosopher on tiptoes.—Sel.

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NĒB-U-CHĀD-NĒZ'ZAR the king, ^aunto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth; Peace be multiplied unto you.
 2 I thought it good to shew the signs and wonders ^bthat the high God hath wrought toward me.

B. C. 570.
^a ch. 3. 4; 6. 25.
 2 Chald. *It was seemly before me.*
^b ch. 3. 26.

upon my bed, and, behold, ⁿa watcher and ^oan holy one came down from heaven;
 14 He cried ⁴aloud, and said thus, ^pHew down the tree, and cut off his branches, shake off his leaves, and scatter his fruit: ^qlet the beasts get

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