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Dear Reader,

This is a letter of Odds and Ends.

First let me plead with you to send in those news items. Some folks say that they wish there were more State news in the Gem but the only way that there can be is for you folks to send in the material. State news will always have precedence over the National news so get those items in.

Secondly, our Cooperative receipts were up this month. For this I am grateful. They have not been up to par for some time now. Did you know that the bulk of our work is being supported by only about one fourth of our churches? We have approximately 120 churches in the Missouri State Association and the only ones we ever hear from are the ones that you see listed in the gift columns from month to month. Only 56 of our churches are on the family plan for the Gem. If our State work is to be successful we must have the support of all of our churches. It is unfair for more than half of our churches to expect the remaining churches to support the whole of the

work. I pastor a church that loves to give to the Lord's work and we have learned a lesson. The more we put into His work, the more He puts into our offerings. You see, you just can't outgive God. Did you know that the total membership of Free Will Baptist churches in our State is nearly 10,000? And yet we only have 1500 subscribers to the Gem. (Some of these are from out of State too). I believe it's high time that we wake up in our State Association. We've been asleep for a long time. Others will be referring to us as Rip Van Winkle pretty soon if we do not arouse from our sleep.

Thirdly, a great opportunity is opening up for our State Association. If you will remember the State Association last August appointed a Study Committee to study the feasibility of opening a State Promotional Office. This Committee has met twice since the State Association. It was composed of such able men as Reverends Woodrow Matthew, O. T. Allred (our beloved State Moderator), Harvey Hill, Clarence Burton and Grover Terry.

After completing their study this committee recommended that such an office be opened. They recommend that we approach such a move cautiously though. They suggest that we first open a Book Store and State Headquarters. The Book Store is to become the religious supply center of our State. All types of religious books and materials will be offered for sale to our people and the blessedness of it all is that all profits will go into the State Treasury. In the due process of time a full time promotional man can be hired to supervise the whole activity. As I've stated, the hour is now here for us to move forward or stand still. When the children of Israel came to the Red Sea they were brought to a stand still. They saw the enemy approaching but instead of retreat God gave them orders to "Go forward." Let's follow the same command and go forward.

In Him

Roger C. Reeds,
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SERMON OF THE MONTH

The Book of Genesis

It is the traditional view that Moses wrote the first five books of the Bible, called the Pentateuch. If this is correct, they were written during the forty years of wandering, the third period of the life of Moses from the time of Exodus to the end of the journeys in the wilderness.

The book is called "Genesis," because it records the beginning or generation of things. It sets forth several beginnings: that of the world, of life, of domestic relations, of institutions, of the moral order, of sin and its consequences, of the scheme of redemption, of nations and of the Messianic nation.

This book is the history of Pre-Mosaic Times, or of the ages before Moses. This includes what is called the Pre-historic age, but gives us very little information concerning that age such as we find in historical works relative to the Paleolithic, Neolithic, Bronze and Iron Ages. As we shall see, it is not the design of the Bible to give us the history of man or of the nations of the ancient world.

There is no certain chronology of this extended period of time of Abraham, it is futile to attempt to construct such from the figures given us. These have led to the opinion that from Adam to Christ was a period of 4,000 years. From the same reckoning the Flood, which was 1656 years from Adam, occurred 2344 B. C. We are required to believe that the founding of Egypt was after the Flood, but from the facts we now have the antiquity of Egypt is carried back to at least 4000 B. C., and practically all historians

carry it beyond that. It will be readily seen that there is serious conflict between Adam 4000 B. C. and Egypt 4000 B. C.

What is at once clear is the great stretch of time represented by the first book of the Bible, a greater range of time than of any other portion of the Scriptures. It extends from the beginning of the world and of the race to the death of Joseph. Following the account of creation there are three distinct periods. The Antediluvian, the period from the flood to the call of Abraham and the Patriarchial Age. We should note how the facts of this fall into this threefold division.

In some respects this is the most remarkable book of the Bible. The first announcement is the greatest that can be uttered the fact of the being and creative power of God. The Bible begins with the truth of God. That God is. That there is one God. That He is the Creator of the Universe, that the latter is not self-existent. The same is true of man. He was not only made by God, but in the image of God. The Supreme Creative act of God.

It is this initial book of the Bible that gives the story of the race in its federal head passing from a state of innocence to a state of sin. Thus we

have the three great basic facts—the fact of God, man created by God, the genesis of the moral history of man. The fourth great fact gives us the foundation of the whole Biblical system—the first promise of a Redeemer for the salvation of a fallen race (3: 15) Thus does the Book of Genesis in the first three chapters furnish the ground work for all that is to follow.

Its next remarkable feature is the revelation of the Divine plan in the fulfillment of the promise of redemption by the selection of the historical line by which the Redeemer should come to bruise the serpent's head and restore the lost race to God. This line is carried forward by this book from Seth, away back in the ages, to Judah the tribe of the Messiah. It brings us a long way in the unfolding of this Messianic idea.

This brief statement makes clear two things. That the design of the Bible is to reveal the Divine plan of redemption in Jesus Christ. The other fact is, that the understanding of the Bible requires a knowledge of the Book of Genesis. We must begin where the Bible begins if we would trace the marvelous unfolding of God's redemptive processes in Christ, the central fact of the Bible.

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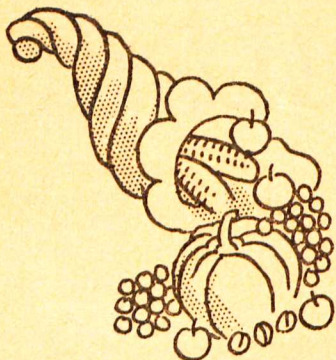
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GLEANNINGS

FROM THE FIELD

New Building

Completed at Pocahontas
Pocahontas, Ark.—

The Free Will Baptist Church of Pocahontas met on Sunday morning, January 15 for the first Sunday's service in their newly erected church sanctuary. Nearly three hundred members and friends of the church assembled for this memorable occasion.

The church last September approved a recommendation to build and work was begun almost immediately by the contractor.

The new building is adjacent to the old church sanctuary and Sunday School addition. It is of wood frame work with buff brick finish. The new building will provide seating accommodations for 450 or more. It provides a nursery, rest rooms, and a baptistry. It is equipped with a central heating and air conditioning by Servel. New pews were installed before the building was occupied, as was a new piano.

The Free Will Baptist Church of Pocahontas was organized in September, 1939 in the yard of the home of Rev. G. W. Million. There were twenty one charter members, who immediately began the task of building a house for God. During the year of 1940, the group moved into the first building which was not finished, but which did provide a meeting place. God blessed the efforts of the few faithful members and the church has to the present time experienced a steady growth. The original building has been re-modeled and extended as the church grew. In 1953 a modern parsonage was built across the highway from the church. In 1955 the church built a Sunday School annex to provide more adequate facilities. The present auditorium, as were all the other building projects, was made a reality as the result of tears, prayers, sacrifice and dedication to the cause of Christ.

Those who have served the church as pastor are: Rev. G. W. Million.

Rev. Ralph Staten, Rev. Huey Gower, Rev. J. Reford Wilson, Rev. Dale Munkus and the present pastor, Rev. Ben Scott.

The Pocahontas Church is a missions minded church. During the last quarter of 1960 nearly \$800.00 was given to the cause of missions in addition to the church's systematic co-operative giving. One of the adult leagues gives monthly support to Daniel Kirmura, a native Christian worker in Japan. The church also supports and presents a weekly radio broadcast over the local station which covers much of southern Missouri and northern Arkansas. This program may be heard on Sunday mornings, 8:45 on Station KPOC, 1420 on the dial.

"Thy Word is Truth"
NAE Convention Theme
Wheaton, Ill.—

Applying the Bible to the problems of today will be the keynote of the nineteenth annual convention of the National Association of Evangelicals to be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, April 10-14. Topflight speakers will survey the present status of evangelical church life in this country and outline the problems facing conservative Christianity in this hour.

The speaker for the opening rally in the Municipal Auditorium on Monday, April 10, at 7:30 p. m. will be Dr. Harold J. Ockenga, pastor of the Park Street Church, Boston, Mass. Following the general convention theme, "Thy Word is Truth," he will contrast Communist dogma with basic Bible teaching. Later in the week Dr. Carl F. H. Henry, editor of **Christianity Today**, will speak on current trends in theological thought. Other featured convention speakers will include Rev. Thomas F. Zimmerman, president of NAE and general superintendent of the Assemblies of God, Springfield, Mo., and Dr. Henry Bast, president of Calvin Seminary, Holland, Mich. "What Evangelicals Face in Africa"

and other current problems in missions around the world will be discussed in workshops sponsored by the Evangelical Foreign Missions Association. Also in session during the convention will be NAE commissions on social action, education, religious broadcasting, the chaplaincy, church extension, world relief and other related groups.

Winners of the Church Plan Award contest sponsored jointly by the NAE and Christian Life magazine will also be announced at the convention. All entries of church designs in this contest will be on display as well as materials from Christian organizations, schools and publishers.

All sessions will be held in the Pantlind Hotel which will serve as the convention headquarters and the Municipal Auditorium. Detailed programs may be obtained by writing to the NAE national office, Box 28, Wheaton, Ill.

Rev. Cletus Nichols
Accepts Hazel Creek Church
Greentop, Mo.—

Rev. Cletus Nichols conducted a one week revival at the Hazel Creek Union Free Will Baptist Church and at the close of the meeting the church called Rev. Nichols to pastor. Rev. Nichols is formerly from the Leadbelt area and has already moved on the field. He succeeds Rev. William Buster who resigned after several years of a successful ministry in the North East Missouri area.

Youth Camp Board
Reports Perfect Scores
Niangua, Mo.—

Four pupils of the pre-teen session registered a perfect score at last year's youth camp session. They are: Sherry Boyer of the Union Third Fork Church; Debbie Boyer of the Amity Methodist Church; Garry Matthews of the Beacon Church of Kansas City; and David Whistance of the Wagoner Church. There were several others who had near perfect scores. The Board of

fers an apology for not reporting on the Teen session but these cards were lost in the mail. The pre-teen cards were mailed out to the various churches for distribution. At this year's session the Board has announced that the system will be changed and simplified and that the cards will be processed on time. The 1960 sessions were the first that the score card system was used.



Ballard Edits New Missions Magazine

Rev. Jerry Ballard who just recently accepted an appointment with the Foreign Missions Department has been named as Editor of a new magazine called **Heartbeat** that is published by the Board. The magazine will replace the Newsletter that the Board has published for some time. Anyone wishing to be placed on the mailing list can write the Board at 3801 Richland Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

South Side Church Supports Missions St. Louis, Mo.—

The South Side Free Will Baptist Church of St. Louis learned that they had contributed \$1708.60 to the cause of Foreign Missions when the church treasurer made his annual report. In addition to their support of Foreign Missions they contributed \$563.10 to Home Missions, \$225.35 to the Bible College, and \$560.10 to the Cooperative Plan of Support. The church is looking forward to its third annual Missionary Conference that has been set for March 3-5. At these Missionary Conferences each member is asked to make a pledge for Missions. Then each fourth Sunday of every month is

designated as Missions Sunday and the members are urged to meet their pledges on these Sundays. By using this system their gifts to Missions has climbed each year. They have also adopted the support of Mrs. Lonnie Palmer. The Palmers are scheduled to sail for Africa on March 4th.

Berkeley Church Votes To Build New Edifice Berkeley, Mo.—

In a recent business meeting the First Free Will Baptist Church of Berkeley City voted to erect a new \$85,000 sanctuary. Plans for the building were approved and a Bond selling program was begun immediately to raise the necessary funds. An increase in Sunday School attendance and crowded conditions has forced the church to expand to meet present and future needs.

Rapers Move To Flat River Area Flat River, Mo.—

Rev. and Mrs. James Earl Raper and their children moved into the parsonage at the Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church and began their pastoral duties there the first of the year. Rev. Raper comes to Missouri from North Carolina. He is a graduate of the Bible College at Nashville, Tenn.

Contest Announced For Church Plans Wheaton, Ill.—

Evangelical churches throughout the country are urged to have their new church entered in the fourth annual Church Plan Awards contest sponsored by the National Association of Evangelicals and Christian Life magazine. Awards will be given in four categories of design when the contest winners are

announced at the NAE convention in Grand Rapids, April 10-14.

The importance of good church design was stressed recently by Dr. Neil A. Winegarden, chairman of the NAE church extension committee and professor of practical theology at Wheaton College. "Expenditures for good church architecture are indeed justifiable. Its goal is to provide a durable building which will accommodate the total church program and make allowance for extension through growth. It aims to create good public relations through eye appealing design and speaks to the passing throngs of spiritual reality," he said.

The four categories for entries in this year's church design contest are these: a first unit for a new church being started in a new housing development such as in a home mission situation; a complete church with seating capacity for more than 300; remodeling construction with additions or alterations to the existing structure.

All entries will be on display at the NAE convention where they will be judged. Architects, engineers and designers familiar with church building needs are invited to submit church designs for the contest. A special noon luncheon for architects and all those interested in church design will be held in the Pantlind Hotel on April 10, the first day of the convention.

The Church Plan Awards judging panel will consist of Dr. Dick L. Van Halsema, minister of evangelism with the Christian Reformed Board of Home Missions, Grand Rapids, Michigan; Dr. Luther L. Grubb, secretary of the Brethren Home Mission Council,

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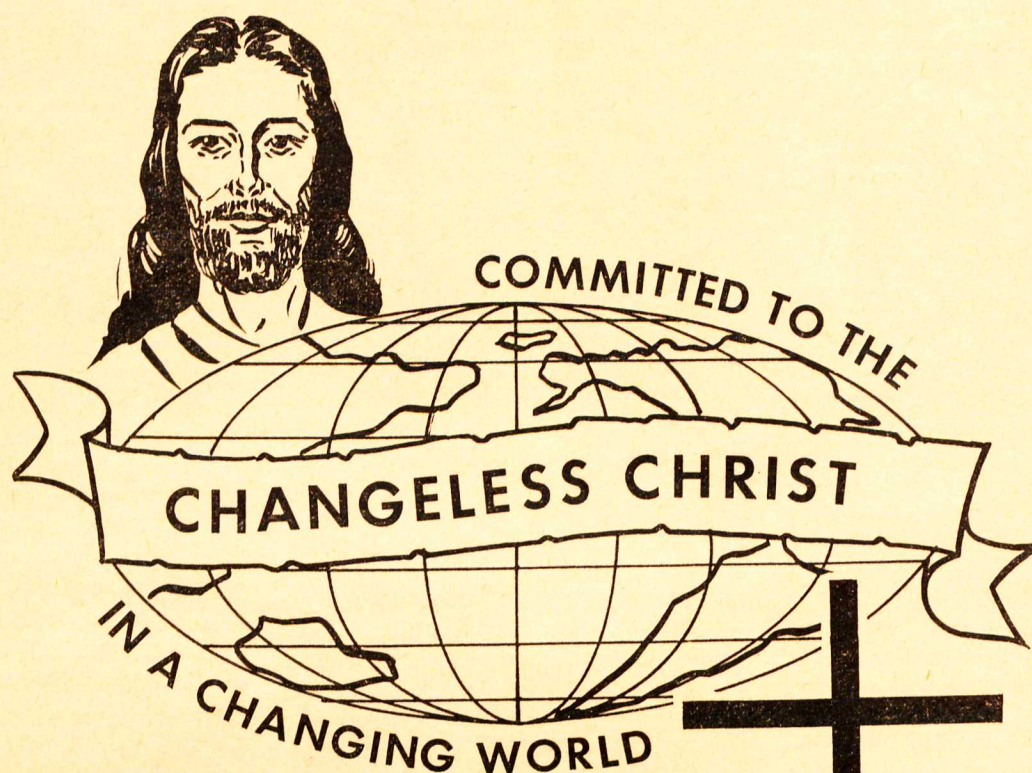
25th Session Program

It was in 1935 that ministers and delegates came together in a very significant meeting which was destined to be the first session of our present-day National Association. Those who were present represented the remnant of our work from a previous merger with the Northern Baptists in 1910-1911. The opening paragraph of the proceedings of that historic meeting as recorded in the 1935 minutes is most interesting.

"At 7:30 o'clock Tuesday evening, November 5, 1935, in Cofers Chapel church, Nashville, Tennessee, the Na-

tional Association of Free Will Baptists convened in its first session. After a lively devotional service of songs and prayer led by Rev. R. N. Hinnant of Micro, N. C., Rev. Winford Davis of Monette, Missouri, brought a splendid gospel message to the large congregation of anxious delegates and visitors. The delegates and visitors were then assigned homes for the evening, and the meeting was dismissed until 10:30 o'clock Wednesday morning." Thus our present-day National Association had its beginning.

Twenty-five years have slipped by



Commitment to Christ
Faithfulness to the
Great Commission
Loyalty to the Church

25th Session Program

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

since that first meeting, and now, this summer in Norfolk, Virginia, we will gather together for our 25th session of the National Association. In the light of this event, a special program has been approved by our National Association. The emphasis is to run for six months (January - June), with two months given to each part of the program. It is our desire that this program will reach and involve every Free Will Baptist. We have sought, therefore, to advance a program that will reach right into the local church. We have also refrained from setting dates, realizing that it would be difficult for all churches to follow the same time schedule.

Sincere prayer and hard work has gone into this program to make it a blessing to our people. We feel that it touches on some vital needs for us at this time. But, if this program is to really be successful and do the job we trust it will, we must have the co-operation of every pastor. The pastor is the key and our effectiveness in this effort will be determined by the number of pastors who give us their support and cooperation.

We would like to encourage every pastor who reads these lines to take a moment right now and consider the worth of this program. If you find it to be good, schedule these suggestions for your church and help us bring this ministry to your people.

More will be forthcoming about this special emphasis, so determine right now to share with us that we might, together, strengthen the church and glorify our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Following is the suggested program:

25TH SESSION PROGRAM

I. COMMITMENT TO CHRIST.

(January - February).

1. Have some group in the church become responsible for placing stewardship tracts (better still, a stewardship packet) in the home of every member.

2. Hold a special youth service with a challenge for life commitment. This could be done in connection with National Youth Week, Jan. 29 through Feb. 5.

3. Hold several cottage prayer meetings and give special attention to the spiritual needs of your church membership.

II. FAITHFULNESS TO THE GREAT COMMISSION. (March - April)

1. Conduct classes on personal soul-winning and give emphasis to visita-

tion. If you do not have a visitation program, start one.

2. Plan a revival campaign during this period. Stress personal responsibility in this effort.

3. Have at least one special prayer service for our missionaries. The week before Easter (April 2) would be a good time.

III. LOYALTY TO THE CHURCH. (May - June)

1. Seek to enlist the total church membership into the various service auxiliaries of the local church.

2. Promote subscriptions for **Contact**, as well as state denominational papers, among your membership.

3. Set aside one Sunday as "Loyalty Day." On this Sunday seek to enlist every member in the support of our total denominational program.

How Did They Do It?

Finley Hunter

It wasn't easy! However, Paul and his followers gave report that everyone in an area twice the size of Pennsylvania heard the gospel in two year's time! "And this continued by the space of two years; so that all they which dwelt in Asia heard the Word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks." (Acts 19:10)

They had neither radio, television, efficient postal system nor effective means of transportation at their disposal, but they accomplished the task—they got the job done!

Perhaps these were a different kind of men. They were called "saints." Maybe they were supermen. Possibly they had a greater power to overcome failures and weakness than we.

But no! Acts 4:13 says that Peter and John were "unlearned and ignorant men." Paul testifies that "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief!" (I Tim. 1:15) And "I (will) glory in my infirmities" (II Cor. 12:9) and again "I often find that I have the will to do good, but not the power." (Rom. 7:18 Phillips Tran.) No, these were men of like passions as we are.

If they had preached another Jesus whom we have not preached, or received another spirit which we have

not received, or proclaimed another gospel which we have not accepted, then we might take refuge in our failure! (See II Cor. 11:4) The facts are that we have the same living Saviour, the same powerful Spirit, and the effective Word of God as they.

After nearly 2000 years of evangelizing, there are more living people who have never once heard the name "Jesus" than the world's total population when Christ said, "As my Father hath sent me, even so I send you!" (John 20:21)

How Did They Do It?

Consider the report of the apostles before forty years were passed: "The gospel . . . is come into . . . all the world" and "was preached to every creature under heaven." (Col. 1:5, 6, 23. See also Rom. 15:19; I Thess. 1:6-8)

Their method was simple—but mightily effective. They carefully followed through on every soul they won. They gave the individual attention that a newborn baby deserves and gets in any average home. Listen to the apostles: "And some days after Paul said unto Barnabas, Let us go again and visit our brethren in every city where we have preached the word of the Lord, and see how they do." (Acts 15:36) And on another occasion: "But we were gentle among you, even as a nurse cherisheth her children. So being affectionately desirous of you, we were willing to have imparted unto you, not the gospel of God only, but also our own souls." (I Thess. 2:7, 8)

Then, setting a pace themselves, they demonstrated how to become faithful and live victoriously. "Be ye followers of me, even as I am of Christ." (I Cor. 11:1) "Those things which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you." (Phil 4:9)

Next, they showed how to reproduce in the lives of others. "And the things that thou hast heard of me among so many witnesses the same commit thou to faithful men who shall be able to teach others also." (II Tim. 2:2) **That's how they did it!**

How Can We Do It?

Jesus said "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain. . . ." (John 15:16) Our fruit remains only as we see it reproduced in the life of another "who shall be able to teach others also."

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THE MISSION FIELD

MISSOURI EXCEEDS FOREIGN MISSIONS BUDGET

As previously reported in the Gem, Missouri has gone over its budget for Foreign Missions but the latest figures released reveal the total amount. We exceeded our budget by \$1,827.98. This moved Missouri up to third place among the States in gifts to Foreign Missions. Below is a list of our gifts for December. This list is furnished by the Foreign Missions Department.

FOREIGN MISSION OFFERINGS MISSOURI

December, 1960

Third F. W. B. Church, St. Louis	\$ 104.00
Overland F. W. B. Church, St. Louis	17.51
Merl's Chapel F. W. B. Church, Cassville	17.00
Fellowship F. W. B. Church, Flat River	138.00
South Side F. W. B. Church, St. Louis	129.30
Norma Luke, Arnold	2.00
Missouri State Ass'n., St. Louis	30.37
Intermediate League-West Plains F. W. B. Church, West Plains	6.00
A Friend	5.00
Marvin A. Mills, Winigan ..	7.00
Macedonia Sunday School, Niangua	5.00
Overland F. W. B. Church, St. Louis	10.16
F. W. B. Church, Fredericktown	75.00
Myrtle F. W. B. Church, Myrtle	7.00
Oak Grove F. W. B. Church, Mountain Grove	10.00
Virginia Willhitt, Overland	4.00
Willow Springs F. W. B. Church, Mtn. Grove	10.82
Ollie Smith, Flat River	1.00
Leadington F. W. B. Church, Leadington	35.00
Grant Avenue F. W. B. League, Springfield	10.00

Overland F. W. B. Church, St. Louis	9.55
Woman's Mission—First F. W. B. Church, Flat River ..	10.00
Ladies Booster Class, Fredericktown	5.50
Mo. State Aux. Conv. Independence	7.50
Overland F. W. B. Church, St. Louis	8.32
Mr. & Mrs. W. L. Evans, Springfield	2.00
Archie Burress, Carterville ..	5.00
Pleasant Grove Church, Anderson	9.48
F. W. B. Master's Men, Monett	27.80
Edith Gibson, Desloge	10.00
Liberty F. W. B. Church, Phillipsburg	40.05
Virgil & Cleo Bandy, Yukon	80.00
Kirksville F. W. B. Church, Kirksville	19.00
F. W. B. Church of Berkeley, Berkeley	75.00
Hazel Creek Union Church, Kirksville	31.78
Cooperative Plan	452.06
	<hr/> \$1417.20

Missionary Work Continues Amid Unrest in Vietnam

Saigon, Vietnam (MNS)—Considerable violence is in evidence in rural areas of Vietnam, it was reported here by a missionary who moved recently from a village called Tra My. "The house where we had lived in Tra My," he said, "was shot full of holes in a battle between National soldiers and Communist guerrillas. Surely our Father led us out at the right time."

Communist infiltrators use terrorist tactics to try to bring about the overthrow of Ngo Dinh Diem and his government. In some areas the Christians report that they must move around from place to place to try to escape the Red guerrillas. Other sources estimate that as many as 500 people monthly fall victim to the

armed Communists who infiltrate Vietnam from the undefended territory of southern Laos.

In spite of the unrest, missionary work continues to advance in Vietnam. The largest and oldest of the societies working here, the Christian and Missionary Alliance, with more than 100 missionaries and 252 national workers, continues to increase its missionary staff and expand its training program for Vietnamese nationals.

Wycliffe translators report that they plan to bring in 12 new workers during the first half of 1961. The Southern Baptists, who entered the field with three couples last year, have new workers awaiting entry visas. Orient Crusades and The Navigators have indicated that they hope to expand their Vietnam work during 1961. The Mennonite missionaries also report that additions will soon be made to their forces, and the Worldwide Evangelization Crusade which works among the tribes plans new expansion in the near future.

Teen Team to Tour Europe and Middle East

Wheaton, Ill. (MNS)—On Feb. 21 the first Youth for Christ International overseas Teen Team will leave for Beirut, Lebanon to begin a six-months itinerary that will take them into eight countries.

Leader of the six-member team is the Rev. Wendell Collins, Director of Special Projects for Youth for Christ International. Team members include; Gene Masten, Gary, Indiana; Jim Wead, South Bend, Indiana; Jim Fortunato, Erie Pennsylvania; Ruth Wolgemuth, Wheaton, Illinois; and Jerri Erickson, Chicago, Illinois. They will conduct youth evangelistic meetings and also train national Christians in the best methods of youth evangelism. Each member is an experienced Youth for Christ worker and musician and will assist in "know how" sessions for teens and national youth leaders.

Two Missionaries Killed by Tribesmen in Congo

Elizabethville, Katanga (MNS) — Reports believed to be reliable indicate that two Protestant missionaries—one from New Zealand and one from England—were killed near Mukava, a small village about 150 miles from Albertsville.

The Rev. Elton George Behrent Knaus, 50, of New Zealand, and Edmund Hodgson, 62, of Blackpool, England, were hacked to death with machetes by fierce Baluba tribesmen, according to the report.

UN troops have been unable to locate the bodies of the victims, so it is suspected that they became victims of cannibals. Knaus' wife and three children have gone to Kitwe, Northern Rhodesia, to stay with friends. Hodgson was a widower.

Burmese Premier Continues Drive for State Religion

Rangoon, Burma (MNS)—Last year Premier U Nu declared, "I am determined to bring in state religion (Buddhism), even if I die in the attempt." As the Burmese Parliament this year takes a formal vote on the constitutional amendment making Buddhism the state religion, it is expected that heated debate will develop.

In spite of Premier U Nu's position, the Minister of Industry, Mines and Labor, U Raschild, has openly declared himself against the amendment saying that "Followers of all religions should be accorded the same privileges and rights and do all they can for their own religions."

Eighty per cent of Burma's 20,250,000 populations is Buddhist.

About 600,000 are Protestants and a slightly greater number are Moslems. Catholics number about 177,000.

Gospel Radio Station Inaugurated in Honduras

Comaguela, Honduras (MNS) — "Stimulating the Spiritual Life of Man" was the theme of the dedication service for the first Gospel radio station in this country. The service was held at the site of the station about seven kilometers from Tegucigalpa, at a place called El Hatillo.

Sponsored by Conservative Baptist missionaries, the Rev. and Mrs. David Jones, the project received the cooperation of other evangelicals of Honduras. The equipment was installed by Howard Erickson of Radio Station HOXO of Panama City, bringing to completion the vision of many who had desired to see a broadcasting station in Honduras.

Seminar on Leprosy Announced

New York (MNS)—Sponsored jointly by American Leprosy Missions and the United States Public Health Service Hospital, a Seminar on Leprosy will be held at Carville, Louisiana, March 16 - 21, 1961, it was announced here. The entire facilities of the Carville Hospital will be made available for the teaching. Leaders of the Seminar will be the regular, highly competent staff of the hospital, implemented by the consultants in various specialties from Tulane University and Louisiana State University.

All medical and para-medical personnel who have been involved in leprosy work on the field or who are contemplating such future service are

invited. Those interested should contact American Leprosy Missions, Inc., 297 Park Avenue South, New York 10, New York.

Nigerian Governor Testifies to Christian Faith

Lagos, Nigeria (MNS)—The Daily Times, Nigeria's largest newspaper, whose editor Francis A. Ibiam in connection with his installation as Eastern Nigeria's first African governor (see MNS Dec. 15, 1960). The new governor was principal of Hope Waddell Institute, Calabar at the time of his appointment.

"I accept as the absolute truth," he said, "that Jesus Christ is the Son of the living God, and that for my sake He died . . . so that I believed in Him—I do believe in Him—I should not go to damnation but live with Him for evermore."

The statement continued, "Jesus Christ never fails in His promises. The Lord has made it possible for me to discharge many and heavy responsibilities which fall to the lot of my station in life."

The new government's appointment of a Christian to such a high post is thought to be a significant demonstration of religious freedom in the nation.

Mossi Bible Completed

Springfield, Missouri (MNS)—The Rev. John Hall, Assemblies of God missionary, announced here that after 35 years of tedious labor and research a translation of the Bible has been completed in Mossi, the language of Mossiland, Upper Volta, West Africa.

Through the efforts of Mr. Hall and four other Assemblies missionaries Mossi was reduced to writing and

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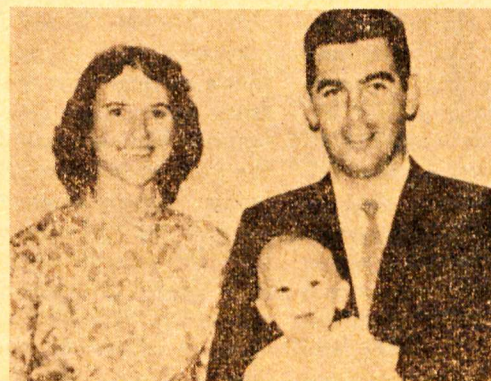
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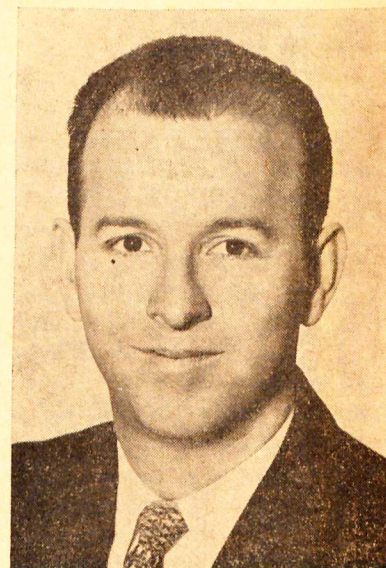
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ACROSS THE PACIFIC TO JAPAN

by Rev. Wesley Calvery



As I sit here in my living room in our new home in Japan it seems like it was a dream that we were ever home in America for a year. After spending so many wonderful days with our dear friends and loved ones in America we again find ourselves in the familiar surroundings of Tokyo. Many of you were praying for us as we made our journey across the Pacific Ocean so I would like to tell you some of the ways that God was good to us and answered your prayers.

After having a wonderful visit with many of our friends in the churches in California we sailed as scheduled, Dec. 6th on the S. S. President Wilson. A nice group of friends from local churches were at the pier to bid us farewell. Also W. S. Mooneyham of NAE was present at the time of our departure. About noon that day we had the unforgettable experience of sailing under the great Golden Gate Bridge out into the Pacific. The next day our ship made a stop at Los Angeles where we stayed over night in port. We spent those two days seeing some of the sights of that area and sailed out into the Pacific again at 4 p. m. on the 8th.

Our next stop was in Hawaii on the 13th. The days between California and Hawaii were spent in getting acquainted with the ship and many of our fellow passengers. Since we were traveling "economy class" most of our fellow passengers were orientals. Among the 300 people on our class there were Japanese, Chinese, Filipinos, along with those who were from Mexico and Guatamala, mixed with about a dozen from the U. S. A. Oh yes, there was one from Switzerland. So you can see that we had quite a mixture. There were other missionaries on their way to Hawaii, the Philippines and Japan.

Before long, the Christians had formed a very special kind of fellowship. Our hearts went out in a special way to a young Chinese boy who had become a Christian while he was studying in America and was on his way home to a non-Christian family. On Sunday morning I was asked to conduct services on the ship, so I preached a final sermon in English far out in the Pacific Ocean. We thank the Lord for the opportunity to witness for Him to the 40 to 50 that came out to the service.

The voyage to Hawaii was quite a rough one. We were amazed at how such a large ship could toss so in the water. Neither of us became sea-sick but the joy of the trip was hindered because of the bad weather. However, Rebecca and Jonathan thought it was all part of the fun to have the ship tossing and rolling.

Needless to say, we were glad when it came time for us to arrive in Hawaii. As we pulled into the harbor in Honolulu, Hawaii we rejoiced to see that our fellow missionaries Helen and Luther Sanders were there to greet us in the typical Hawaiian style. Also Bro. Homer Willis was there from Nashville at the time we arrived which made us feel that we were not so far from home after all. Also one of my cousins who is stationed there was at the pier to meet us. That night, after being shown some of the sights of Hawaii, we had a service with some of the Christians in the new FWB Church in Waipahu, Hawaii. This brought the number of states to 15 where we had services while we were home on furlough. That night there were earnest prayers that the rest of our voyage might be smoother and more pleasant. We praise the Lord because we believe

that He answered those prayers. That night at 10 p. m. when our ship sailed from Hawaii we felt that at last we were leaving America and the next stop would be Japan.

The rest of the trip was indeed much more pleasant. The sun was shining nice and warm and the sea was smooth. The next few days we spent just relaxing and enjoying the trip. It was a good time to read some of the books that I had been wanting to read also.

When we crossed the international Date Line we were informed that there would be no Tuesday on our ship calendar which made the Lord's Day come around again even more quickly. In Hawaii another missionary family had joined us so when I was asked to conduct services again I suggested that he bring the message which he did with me in charge of the service. We enjoyed another time of fellowship around God's Word. At the close of the service some of the Japanese boys came to me and said that they could not understand English very well and they would like to have a message in Japanese if I would bring it for them. Since I had not preached in Japanese in a year I trembled at the thought but was glad for the opportunity. After checking with the officer in charge we found that we could not have a service on Sunday but would be permitted to do so the next day. Even though it was Monday, we had a regular Christian worship service for about 70 Japanese passengers, followed by a short discussion and there seemed to be real interest among some of them. Little did I realize that I would preach my first sermon in Japanese even before I reached Japan. Even though I was uneasy at first, it seemed very natural and

good to be conducting services in Japanese again.

Before we arrived in Japan we had again become tired of the trip and were ready to get our feet on solid ground again. On December 22 at 4 a. m., I got out of bed and went up on the top deck to get my first look at Japan. We could see the lights of one of the small Japanese islands that we were passing. At 7 a. m., the Japanese officials came out in the pilot ships to check all of the passengers while we slowly moved into Yokohama harbor. We were so excited that we could hardly stay inside the ship. At 9 a. m., we had finally arrived but could not get off of the ship for another hour. From the deck of the ship we finally saw the familiar faces of some of our friends in the crowds below. Among them was Herbert Waid who had made the trip down from the north in Hokkaido to welcome us back. When finally we did meet them face to face, I hardly knew how to greet them. I didn't know whether to speak in Japanese or English or whether to bow or shake hands. I think I ended up with a mixture of both. Anyway it was good to be back.

After clearing customs we made our way by taxi to our little church in Tokyo where a few of our Japanese Christians gathered for prayer and fellowship together. We also had a typical Japanese lunch that noon. It was good to see the familiar faces of those who had become Christians through our own witness in years gone by.

The Lord has been good to us in these few days that we have been back to Japan. He has provided a good place for us to stay in Tokyo until spring while we are taking additional

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COOPERATIVE FUND MONEY RECEIVED FOR JANUARY

Copper Mines Church	\$ 43.47
Faith and Hope Church	19.40
Desloge Church	162.44
Mine La Motte Church	12.00
Oak Grove Church (Cave Springs Association)	10.00
Mill Creek Sunday School	13.36
Leadington Church	62.00
Mill Creek Church	50.61
Merl's Chapel	18.09
Beacon Church	44.89
Hurryville	61.07
First Church, Flat River	258.38
First Church, Monett	72.12
New Hope Church	40.64
Victory Church	100.00
Fredericktown Church	182.65
Mt. Pisgah	10.00
Twin Oaks Church	60.00
South Side Church	43.50
Grant Ave. Church	28.39
Rock Chapel Church	20.12
Fellowship Church	114.60
First Church, Farmington	63.22
Grant Ave. Church	18.78
Hickory Grove Church	13.43
Mtn. Valley Church	42.05
Carterville Church	14.43
Bethel Church	121.07
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Woman's Auxiliary

FROM ST. LOUIS:

Workshop at Overland

From the St. Louis Quarterly Woman's Auxiliary Workshop when convened with the Overland Free Will Baptist Church, January 12, 1961. Theme—"Suggested Workshop." Program opened with opening remarks by President of the host church auxiliary, Dorothy Asher. Song leader, Erma Lee Hogan. Prayer by Vivian Stewart. Scripture reading and devotions by Myrtle Reeds. Commenting on A Suggested Workshop, Dorothy Asher, presiding. Presentation of new Co-Laborer by Myrtle Reeds. Roll call taken from each church represented with a total attendance of 37. Berkeley Church had the largest attendance present. We were privileged to have Sis. Max Courtney with us in the service. All the auxiliaries of the St. Louis churches would like to say welcome to Bro. and Sis. Max Courtney and family. Benediction was asked at the 12:00 o'clock hour, with luncheon fellowship in the dining hall.

Overland Church Reporting

FROM WEST PLAINS:

Bethel Auxiliary

The ladies of the West Plains Free Will Baptist Auxiliary met at the church with 11 members present. Opening Song, "Love Lifted Me" by group. Prayer by Eudeen Adkisson. All officers gave in good reports. Jan. 16 was set as another date for quilting. Jan. 18 was set as date for study course on "Our Manual" by Addie Adkisson Chairman. Willie Mae McVay, Gracie Stephen and Rachel Murry were selected to get a bouquet of flowers for our church piano. A special prayer for our missionary was led by Willie Mae McVay. Our lesson on Consecration was given by the following: Introduction by Louise Lewis. Prayer by Ella James. Topic I by Hattie Sims. Topic II by Willie May McVay. Topic II by Addie Adkisson. Our Scripture was read from I Cor. 29:5 by our president, Claudia Combs. Dismissed by Ruby Blankenship. Refreshments was furnished by Addie Adkisson and Ruby Blankenship.

Hattie Sim, Cor.-Sec.

FROM KANSAS CITY:

New Hope Auxiliary

The Woman's Auxiliary of the New Hope Church met on Tuesday night, January 3, 1961, with 8 members present for the monthly meeting. The meeting was brought to order by the president. Song, "Glory to His Name." We were led in prayer by Gladys Houraird. Roll call by saying Bible verses. Scripture reading was giving from I Cor. 2:5 by Norma Ussery. Prayer by Barbara Stephens. Program introduction was by Edith Blair. Topics were given by Helen McCallister, Barbara Stephens, Norma Ussery. Dismissed by Edith Blair.

Charlene Stephens, Cor.-Sec.

FROM ST. LOUIS:

Berkeley Auxiliary

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Berkeley Free Will Baptist Church met Jan. 3 for the regular meeting. There were 18 present. The program was the first taken from the new Co-Laborer Magazine "All Who Love the Lord," was the title of the lesson. We reviewed what had been accomplished in December. We had sent 9 boxes of candy and cookies to our boys in the Armed Forces. One box was sent to an Old Folks Home in our community. Gifts were given to our pastor, Bro. Harvey Hill and wife, to Bob Hesselmyer and Dorothy Roberson who are attending our Bible College in Nashville and to Bill and Glenda Fulcher our missionaries for South America. Gifts were also sent to the orphan girl we sponsor.

On Jan. 12, ten members and five children of our Auxiliary attended the Workshop at the Overland Church. We enjoyed the program and fellowship very much. Looking back over the past year we see things we have done for our Lord, but we pray that there may be many more when this year, 1961, comes to a close.

Jackie Huckapa, Cor.-Sec.

FROM THAYER:

Thayer Auxiliary

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Thayer Free Will Baptist Church met on Tuesday evening of December 27th

at 7:30 p. m. at the church for their monthly meeting, with 12 members present. The meeting was opened by singing, "Revive Us Again," prayer was offered by Sister Jean Lau. Scripture reading, Isaiah 45:22. The president, Sis. Dorlene Fields was in charge of the business meeting. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. Youth Chairman, Sis. Donna Buchanan reported the GTA girls had given a potted plant. Program Chairman Sis. Elsie Worel reported that the Pre-Christmas week of prayer was well attended. Personal service chairman, Sis. Clara Allen reported that she had delivered a basket of food to the old folks home in Thayer and that the box of clothing had been mailed to the Free Will Baptist Children's home. Enlistment Chairman Sis. Louise Caldwell gave a report and extended an invitation for new members. Elsie Worel was in charge of the program assisted by Ina Bennett and Clara Allen. Meeting adjourned and refreshments were served in the church basement.

Helen Underwood, Cor.-Sec.

GLEANINGS FROM THE FIELD

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Winona Lake, Indiana; Robert Hoover, professor of community planning, Wayne University, Detroit; and Robert Foltz, architect with Church Enterprises, Inc., South Bend, Ind.

Full details for submitting entries may be obtained by writing to Church Plan Awards, Christian Life, 33 S. Wacker, Chicago 6, Illinois.

HOW DID THEY DO IT?

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Every living believer is a testimony to the faithfulness of the twelve disciples who once were eyewitnesses of the glory of Christ. They not only believed unto the salvation of their souls but also obeyed to the reproduction after their kind. Their fruit has remained. Has yours? Someone was trustworthy enough to God to introduce you to Christ. Can God trust you to win another and train him?

—Finley Hunter.

The Cost of Satisfaction

by Leah Waddell,
Youth Chairman,
W. N. A. C.

The more we have the more we want. This expression is used often, and refers of course, to the desire to have more of this world's goods. It seems that there are no limitations to the lust of the eye.

The story of Hannah offers to us a spiritual slant to a paraphrase of this common statement. The more we work with youth and endeavor to help them, the greater insight we have concerning their needs for today and . . . tomorrow!

Hannah had much to make her happy. Her needs were met. She had a devoted companion and friends. Yet, these did not fill the longing of her heart and she was desirous at any cost, to become a mother. Her adversary caused her to fret on this account and the desire was so strong that Hannah could neither eat nor rest.

The Lord has certainly supplied us with blessings innumerable this past year. We had every reason to shout and sing for what the Lord has done for our young people and for what the young people have been used to do for others. Seemingly, just a short while ago, money for the station wagon, our National project, was behind the scene in the shadows. Now—thank the Lord!

The adversary provoked Hannah; but he tries to satisfy us with past accomplishments. Yet, when we look about us and see the great need of our youth, we are made to see how little has been done. And as we dare listen to the cries of heathendom and the multiplied millions of young people who have never been helped, we too must have a longing such as Hannah

had and refuse to be happy with past blessings and accomplishments.

So—Hannah prayed. She wept sore and sacrificed days of festivity. She promised to return unto the Lord that which she was asking Him to give to her.

How can this act be related to our desire to be efficient, capable leaders of our youth? Our position holds more than a title. We must have forethought, plans and much prayer. We can challenge our youth to love and serve the Lord when we give ourselves, our efforts, our motives and the youth that he gives to us back to Him. Hannah did this as she prayed. She did it before the answer came. May God give us that consecrated spirit, effective plans and many young people and then help us to give all these back to Him.

Notice Hannah's humbleness too. Her longings and vows were not public demonstrations. She answered Eli who questioned her that she had poured out her heart before the Lord. She was depending on the Lord to make the details known. There is a spiritual danger of spending too much time advertising our labors for the Lord. Let us work and pray and ask God to make the blessings felt by others.

Only when God gives us peace of heart can we be satisfied with any accomplishments. Our motives must honor the Lord. Our longings must honor the Lord. Peace will certainly prevail when this is true. Then our countenance will show happiness as Hannah's did, because the Lord must bring happiness first in our hearts and then on our countenance.

Hannah continued to pray with thanksgiving when her prayer was answered. She rejoiced in the Lord and in the answer.

Perhaps all of you have learned that the Lord provided the money for the station wagon. Maybe you don't know that more than the needed amount was provided. These things bring joy to our hearts because once again God has answered our prayers. Young people over the many states have responded to make this a reality.

May this jump serve as a spring board for us to work and pray that the gospel may be sent into all the world through US and through our YOUTH.

Mrs. Eugene Waddell
Youth Chairman, W. N. A. C.

The Personal Service Chairman and Her Work

by Mrs. Gaston Clary
Personal Service
Chairman, W. N. A. C.

The primary aim of the Personal Service department is to win souls. In order to reach some people for Christ, it is necessary first to minister to their physical needs. The Personal Service Chairman should realize her responsibility in recognizing those areas of services where physical and spiritual help is required. If she would please the Lord in this place of service she must be willing to pray, love and work.

Paul admonished the Thessalonians to pray without ceasing (I Thess. 5: 17). Luke 18:1-8 teaches us that we ought always to pray. James said that the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much (James 5: 16b). The Personal Service Chairman should pray for a greater personal vision so that she will be able to see those needs, both physical and spiritual, whether they be nearby or at some distance. She should pray for courage to witness to those who know not the Christ and for strength to lead her associates to greater evangelical service.

Supreme love for Christ and a genuine love and concern for people are necessary for fulfilling the job of Personal Service Chairman. Jesus, our example of love, illustrated his compassion by ministering to people's needs. He wept over the condition of Jerusalem and was moved by the needs of the multitude. The Personal Service Chairman, when she feels so strongly about the souls of people that she sheds tears in their behalf, is sure to be an asset to the cause of Christ as well as to the Auxiliary.

One can pray all night and love people with all his heart, but without

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LETTERS *to the Editor*

Dear Bro. Reeds and Christian Friends:

I hope I'm not visiting too often through the Gem, but we at the Parkview Free Will Baptist Church, Desloge, are being so wonderfully blessed I feel I just must share it with others. Since Rev. Elmer Turnbough has come to us as pastor, our Sunday School and League is steadily growing and our mid-week prayer meetings have more than doubled. We had a wonderful watch service New Year's Eve. Rev. Bob Welker, Bro. Olon Lincoln, and Sis. Effie Matthews were our speakers. They each brought a wonderful message. We prayed in the new year circled around our good old fashioned altar and truly, we all received a blessing straight from the windows of heaven. Continue to pray for us that we may see a bountiful harvest of souls. God's blessings we pray for all.

Church Reporter, Hazel Morris

January 11, 1961

Rev. Roger C. Reeds:

Dear Bro. in Christ:

We are now starting a brand new year, and I might add a crucial year with our impending election of a president with another faith than ours. It will indeed be a time when we need to be much in prayer for the guidance of our nation.

Our missionary group here at Twin Oaks in Fredericktown is fully aware of our responsibility as a Christian band of women that have endeavored to do benevolent work in our community, and missionary work in behalf of the Nogales Mission Station. This month's meeting was held at the home of Sis. Mabel Boland. Our meeting was opened by the devotional as usual, Sis. Irene Pirtle bringing us before the throne of Grace in prayer. The group sang two hymns then Metta Dowd sang a solo "On Zions Hill." Scripture reading by Sis. Jacobs, Rev. 3:11-17, followed by excerpts of an article in the Moody monthly entitled, "If Anyone" by Vance Havner, which is an exhortation about the Ladiocean church. Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, the financial report, and a brief suggestion of new members for the ensuing year; but it was decided to retain the present ones: Flor-

ence Jacobs, recorder, Metta Dowd, treasurer and financial secretary, and also official chairman. The hostess at each monthly meeting to appoint the different ones for Scripture reading, special hymns, etc.

After a sumptuous buffet dinner prepared by each lady of the group, we worked on a patch quilt to be donated to Nogales Mission. All we pray, sincerely, that God will give us a greater zeal to work for the Master than we had in the year just ended.

Yours In His Grace,

Florence Jacobs

P. S. Our Missionary group gave a Christmas party for our husbands and children. There was an exchange of gifts and a banquet.

Jan. 25, 1961

Dear Bro. Reeds:

The churches of the Kansas City Quarterly Meeting of Free Will Baptists, would like to be of service to those in the military service of our country. We would like the name and address of any Free Will Baptist stationed at Richards-Gebaur Air Force Base, Grandview, Missouri, or Naval Air Station, Olathe, Kansas. You may address all correspondence to, Rev. Woodrow Matthews, 7920 Northern Street, Kansas City 38, Missouri.

Yours In His Service,

Rev. Woodrow Matthews

January 19, 1961

Dear Sir:

First, I would like for you to send the Gem to the Rev. Leo R. Curtiss, Ashford Ala., Box 253.

We, the Howard Grace Church, would like for you to put in the Gem that we just recently installed an electric organ. Our church is doing very well. Our pastor is the Rev. Leo R. Curtiss and family. We thank God for them. Bro. Curtiss is sending a check.

Thank You,

A Reporter

THE PERSONAL SERVICE CHAIRMAN AND HER WORK

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some action the Personal Service Department will not fulfill its purpose. Begin where you are—in the local

church. The pastor will be glad to furnish names of persons who need help. From there the worker can branch out to hospitals, orphanages, homes for the aged, schools, and other areas of service. Patients are always glad to have a kind word and a smile, and usually appreciate any service you render for them. Many, because of illness, are more receptive to the reading of Scripture and prayer and might be more easily reached for Christ.

The names of the denominational orphanages are readily accessible through the pastor, state, or national office. The director of the home will be most happy to give you a list of the needs, whether it be clothing or other items. If possible, visit the home and talk to the children personally to assure them of your interest and love for them as individuals.

Most towns have one or more homes for the aged. Classes can be conducted, or simply a visit is in good order. Visiting allows some time for reading, writing for them, or just talking. It is a wonderful opportunity for witnessing to those who do not know Christ, and it is a special blessing to talk with those precious saints who know Him as their Personal Saviour. Read God's Word and pray with them.

The PTA and teachers will be glad to co-operate with the personal service department in giving the name of needy children. Some need clothing or other items, many need to be enlisted in Sunday School and Church and usually are interested if they are provided transportation.

These are just a few of the many, many ways the Personal Service Chairman and her committee can serve the Lord. The jobs are there, all that is needed is a knowledge of the needs and a zeal to see that they are met. It is a precious privilege to win souls, and while everyone is not called as a preacher or a teacher, all Christians are to be soul winners.

Mrs. Gastin Clary,

Personal Service Chairman, W. N. A. C.

The saint in the pew might have been a criminal in prison but for the wonderful grace of God.

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Copper Mines Church	\$ 29.83
First Church, Kirksville	30.00
First Church, Kirksville	30.00
Aulsbury Chapel	84.00
St. Louis Dist. Qtly. Meeting ..	300.10
Mine La Motte	12.00
Rock Chapel Church	19.65
Alton Church	5.00
Myrtle Church	14.37
Carterville Church	17.17
Farmington Church	55.10
New Hope Church	40.85

First Church, Monett	63.84
Fellowship Church	116.28
Leadington Church	81.00
First Church, Waynesville	16.20
South Side Church	45.60
Beacon Church	60.31
Total	\$1021.30

The phone rang and the young mother answered. Came her mother's voice saying: "I phoned, dear, to find out if Dad and I could leave your children with Tom and you tonight. We are invited out for the evening."

SUNDAY SCHOOL AVERAGES FOR 1960 - 61

	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June
First Church, Springfield ..			160	165								
Victory, Kansas City	52	60	68									
Mt. Pisgah	77	67	68	68	57	60	66					
Copper Mines	88	90	86	89	81							
Fellowship, Flat River	209	202	201	198	198	188	202					
Leadington	84	75	76	90	96	91	77					
Farmington	89	91		77	83	82	76					
Fourth, Maplewood	59	54	57	59	50	40						
Pleasant Grove												
Berkeley City	157	177	215	211	266	218	217					
Richwoods	68	70	65	62	62	58	47					
Hannon			50									
Joplin	70	74	75	82	76							
Kirksville	93	85		76	83							
Grant Ave., Springfield ...	85	90	84	87	93	86	102					
Hazel Creek		47	42	38	46	47	51					
Twin Oak	71	55	55	55	59	52						
South Side Church	136	152	140	162	135	151	146					
New Hope, Kansas City ...	82	83	87	109	96	88						
Mine La Motte	41	49	50	41	40	41						
First Church, Waynesville	50	49	52	63	66							
First Church, Kansas City ..	50	57	75									
First Church, Lebanon							142					
Overland Church	113	114	134	142	161	131						
Third Church, St. Louis												
First Church, Flat River ...												
Myrtle	63	58										
Crystal City	25	31	32	27	26	20	21					
Bethel, West Plains	96	96	103	97	105	114	126					
Salem	29	23										
Desloge	93	91	90	99	106	114						
First Ch., Fredericktown ..	161	171	162	165	174	182						
Thayer	92	104										
Meramec Heights												
First Church, Mt. Grove ...	353											
First Church, Monett	104	108	121	124	114	104						

THE MISSION FIELD

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translations made. While on furlough in the United States, Mr. Hall has completed revision and layout for the six books which were needed to complete the translation of the entire Bible.

To add to the difficult task of reducing the language to writing, Mr. Hall reported, the orthography used in the language has been changed five times, the latest having been prepared by the French government.

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City	9.20
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Monett	36.43
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ACROSS THE PACIFIC TO JAPAN

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language study. We are living on the Southern Baptist missionary compound in one of their very nice houses. It is near a good shopping center and handy to language school by bus. The Lord is certainly with us and we are looking forward to serving Him for the next five years in our "second home." Thank you for your prayers in our behalf as we sailed across the Pacific to Japan.

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The Every Church Family Plan is the best plan ever used by Free Will Baptists to keep their membership informed. It is currently being used by the Gem and our national magazine Contact. The plan is simple. The church clerk makes out a list of the names and addresses of all the families in the church. (Be sure each home is represented on the list.) This is sent to the Gem editor and he adds the names to the mailing list of the Gem. As the Gems are sent out the editor bills the church for the amount of copies sent out to their members. Names may be added or dropped at any time. The plan remains in effect until the church requests that it be discontinued. It does not expire. By using this plan every family in every church that subscribes to the plan will be informed of denominational activities. This is the best plan for your church. Why not use it? Here is a list of the churches who are currently active in the Every Church Family Plan:

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