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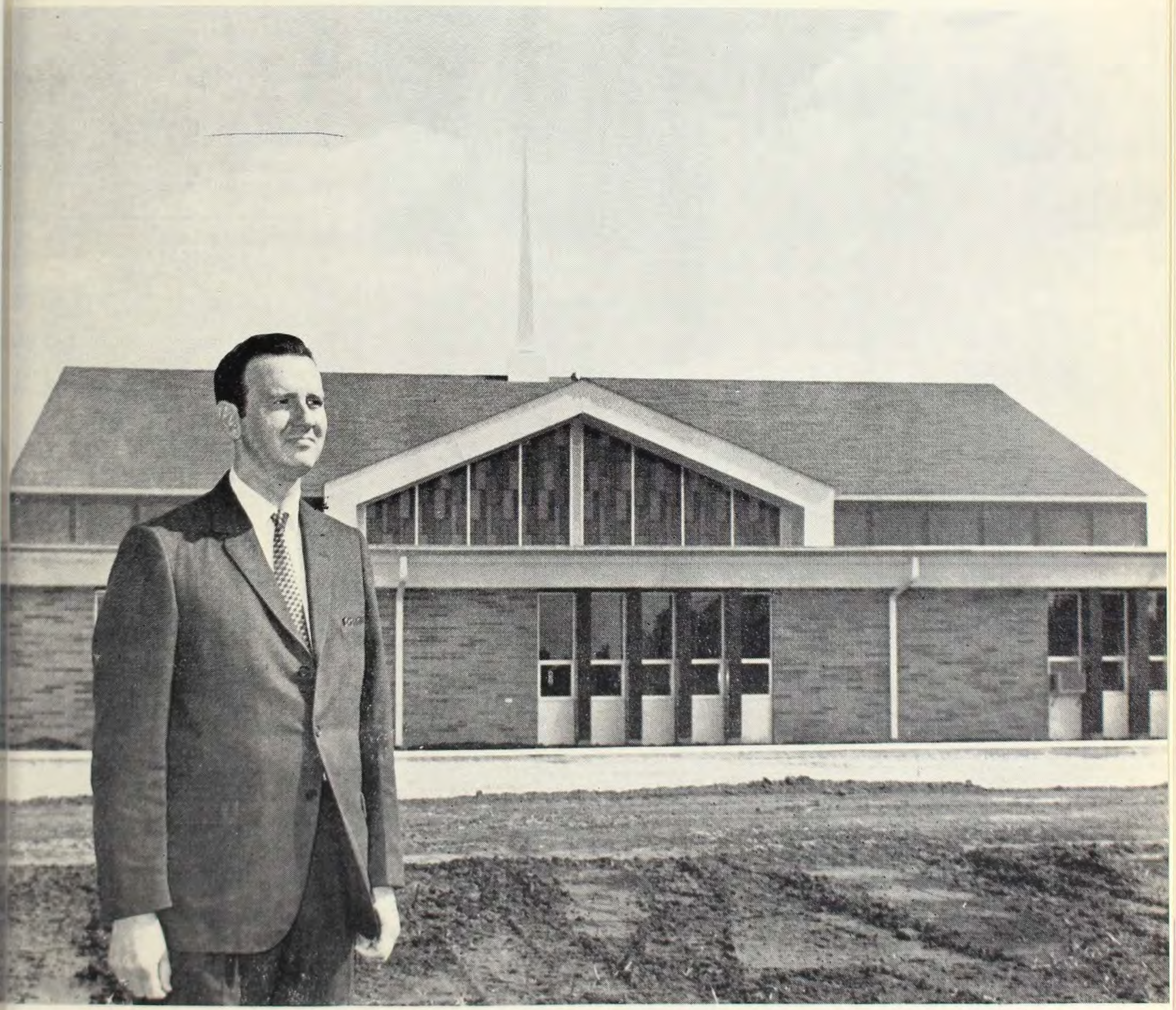
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First Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ohio

We Stand In Need!

Our OHIO ASSOCIATION OF REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCHES is a very wonderful Fellowship! We now number 184 churches. As we travel about the country, pastors in other states say to us, "I sure wish our State Fellowship was as closely knit together as your Ohio group." We thank the Lord for the spirit of unity among our men.

The reason for this unity is due to a number of things. For example, our having a State Missionary who is doing such an excellent job through the "Program of Propagation". We have grown rapidly. Fifty-nine new churches in the past six years! Then, too, there is our magazine — THE OHIO INDEPENDENT BAPTIST. Here, also, is growth! Four years ago we numbered about 1000 copies per month. This month we reach the all-time high of 4500. Getting the paper into the hands of our people keeps them better informed and tends toward greater interest. Added to these is our Camp Program. Three great camps—Patmos, Scioto Hills and Skyview Ranch. We ministered to 4334 young people this past summer! The way in which our churches joined together on our "Fair Share Plan" was nothing short of miraculous.

All of this is wonderful! However, we do have one note to sound which is not quite so pleasing. It has to do with the financial status of our OARBC. With the increase in the size of our Fellowship, our magazine, our outreach, and the like, there has come an increase in expense. Too, things today do come at a higher price than they did ten years ago!

Mr. David C. Dye, our Financial Secretary, in presenting his Annual Report to your Council of Ten (at Findlay) wrote the following letter. We thought it might be wise to share it with all who are in our OARBC Fellowship. Read it *carefully and prayerfully*.

October 20, 1969

To: Council of Ten
From: David C. Dye, Financial Secy.

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT

In view of the fact that the enclosed statements reflect only recorded cash transactions, they cannot fully disclose the critical nature of the situation which confronts us at this time. Amounts payable as of September 30th, totaled approximately \$750. Included in this total were salaries due our State Missionary and O.I.B. Editor for the last half of the month. Due to the shortage of cash, their salaries weren't paid until October 1st.

A review of our records reveals that we have, in fact, been operating "in the red" for the past two years. The annual conference would seem to afford us a good opportunity to point out to our member churches how relatively small our needs are in proportion to the number of churches represented. In fact, **if only one-third of our churches would increase their budget by \$5 a month, the need would be more than met.**

If You Can Help --- PLEASE DO!

On Our Front Cover -

The First Baptist Church of Bowling Green, Ohio recently dedicated their new Church Edifice and Educational Unit. Guest speaker was Dr. David Nettleton, President of Faith Baptist Bible College. Guest soloist was Mr. Bill Hoyt, Director of the Music Department at Columbia Bible College. Pastors from area Baptist Churches also participated in the service. There were 450 in attendance.

The Church auditorium will seat 400 with an overflow area which will seat an additional 200. The Church has 14,000 sq. ft. fully carpeted.

The Educational Unit provides class space for 400. Construction of the building began the first of February, 1969 and was completed the end of September of the same year. Cost of construction was \$200,000. The Architect was Mr. Norman Bryar of Evangelical Church Building Corporation, South Bend, Indiana. Contractor was Mr. Jesse Reese and Son of Lima, Ohio.

Needless to say Rev. Bruce W. Stewart, Pastor of the Church, and his people are very happy with their new building.

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Christian Counseling Conference

The First Baptist Church in Medina, Ohio held a Christian Counseling Conference back in November. According to Rev. R. Kenneth Smelser, Pastor of the church . . . "It was great!"

Guest speaker during these days was Dr. Earl A. Goldsmith, Director of Crossroads Christian Counseling in Indianapolis, Indiana. He is a former Baptist preacher and is both a lecturer and author. A great deal of his messages and writings contained scripture!

He has written "Introduction To Counseling" — "The Adolescent and God's Will" — "Premarital Counseling" — "Marriage Should Be Happy" and "Dr. Goldsmith Talks To Your Daughter (Son) About Sex".

Besides the regular meetings at the church, Dr. Goldsmith was available for private interviews. He is a member of the American Personnel and Guidance Association, and the Christian Association for Psychological Studies. He teaches Psychology and Philosophy, as well as Pastoral Counseling at the Indiana Bible College.

Pastor Smelser regretted the lack of interest on the part of some but said that in most of the meetings there was a good attendance. He highly recommends such a conference to other churches.

Accepts New Position



Rev. Harold Green of Greenville, Ohio, assumed the new position of Director of Christian Service at Cedarville College on January 1, 1970. Rev. Green received his Th.B. in 1953 from the Baptist Bible Seminary.

The Falls Baptist Church of Falls, Pennsylvania was his first pastorate. After having served there as a student pastor for approximately one year he moved to Gary, Indiana to pastor a mission church, the Aetna Baptist Church. He was pastor there for four years.

The Faith Baptist Church of Greenville, Ohio was started by Rev. Green in October of 1958. Since pastoring this church, Rev. Green has served on the Scioto Hills Camp Board, the organizing board of the Sky View Ranch, and was elected to a second term on the Council of Ten our O.A.R.B.C.

Rev. and Mrs. Green have four children, Janet, Kathy, Dann, and Larry. Mrs. Green is also a graduate of B.B.S., the class of 1952.

Conference On Bible Prophecy

Grace Baptist Church of Troy recently held a Prophetic Bible Conference. Such subjects as "Israel and Her Land", "The Blessed Hope and the Holy Life", "The Times of the Gentiles", "The Judgment Seat of Christ" and the like were discussed.

Guest speakers for the conference included Pastors of area Regular Baptist Churches and several Professors from nearby Cedarville College.

Among those who attended were a number from liberal churches, as well as several Roman Catholics. Rev. John D. Yardlay, Host Pastor, said concerning the Conference . . . "It proved to be a tremendous blessing to all."

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We invite all of our OARBC pastors to place us on their mailing list. Send us your Church Calendars each week. Our mailing address is simply — Editor Don Moffat, Box No. 160, Xenia, Ohio — 45385. If there is some item you especially would like to call to our attention, please mark your calendar accordingly. We would appreciate your cooperation in this! Thank you!!

Norton Baptist Church, Barberton —

Dr. John McCormick, nationally known Bible teacher, held a successful conference here December 15-21.

Calvary Baptist, Bucyrus

Thirteen new members were recently received into our church. Eight of these were by baptism.

Grace Baptist Church, Cedarville —

Our nw educational unit continues to grow! Dr. Don Callan, Athletic Director at Cedarville College, recently presented pictures of his missionary venture to the Far East.

Bethlehem Baptist Church, Cleveland —

Pastor Roy Clark brought a series of Sunday Evening messages in which he presented "hi-lites" of his trip to the Holy Land. These were illustrated with slides.

Maranatha Baptist Church, Columbus —

Our new branch work in Marion is being blessed of the Lord. At the very first meeting there were 48 present!

Emmanuel Baptist Church, Dayton —

During December, Missionary John Bigelow told of his call to Alaska. Pastor Nile Fisher spoke at the Eastern Michigan Regular Baptist Association which met in Detroit.

Washington Heights Baptist Church, Dayton —

Our High School and College age young people have begun a program of corresponding regularly with the missionaries supported by our church.

First Baptist Church, Elyria —

The special meetings with Dr. Lehman Straus as guest Bible teacher proved a blessing. We are happy to report that Pastor McCaleb continues to improve in health.

Euclid-Nottingham Baptist Church, Euclid —

We voted recently to send \$1000 to the G.A.R.B.C. for their new radio ministry. Also, the church voted to help in the support of Tom and Janice Wells. They are missionaries under Baptist Mid-Missions and will be serving in Central African Republic.

Calvary Baptist Church, Findlay —

During early December, Evangelist Bud Lyles returned for another Gospel-packed, heart-stirring week of meetings.

First Baptist Church, Galion —

We recently held a "Jeep Sunday". On this day an offering of \$1,425 was received to be used in the purchasing of a Jeep for Miss Betty McKeehan to use in her work in Brazil. Mr. Longstreth, Mayor of Galion, de-

clared Nov. 23-30 as Bible Week. He urged the citizens of Galion to read the Word of God!

First Baptist Church, Gallipolis —

The Men's fellowship held a special dinner having Rev. Bud Hatfield as their guest speaker. We distributed boxes of food to needy families in the Gallipolis area around Thanksgiving and at Christmas. Also we purchased a 60 passenger bus which is in excellent condition.

Huntsburg Baptist Church —

Thirty-six members were received recently. Fourteen of these were by baptism and 22 by letter. During the year a total of 50 were received into the church.

Kirtland Bible Baptist Church —

Special food ingathering for the Baptist Children's Home in Michigan (GARBC) proved most successful. Our "Organ Fund" is steadily growing.

South Lima Baptist Church, Lima —

The Ladies Missionary Circle held their third annual banquet in November. Miss Blanche Hamilton, A.B.W.E. missionary to Japan, was speaker for the evening.

Litchfield Baptist Church —

Evangelist Curt Wetzel held meetings here just recently. The meetings were well attended and there were adults who came to Christ for salvation. We continue with our program of "Building Improvements" with the addition of new front doors, new porch and redecorating of the interior of the church.

Bible Baptist Church, North Madison —

Our Missionary Conference was blessed of the Lord. A. B. W. E. missionaries DeElda Payton (Philippines) and Harry Ambacher (Hong Kong) challenged our hearts!

First Baptist Church, Medina —

Missionaries Wiggins, Ambacher and Beckley proved a blessing to our people when they spoke at our Missionary Conference. Dr. Arthur Woolsey, President of Baptist Bible Seminary, was Bible Teacher during these days.

New Harmony Baptist Church, South Olive —

A Fall Missionary Conference with the "Charles Andersons" from France increased our vision for missions. On a Sunday in November, we had a "Food Shower" for Pastor and Mrs. Carter. At Christmas time we held an Old Fashioned Christmas service.

Bible Baptist Church, Reynoldsburg —

Miss Lilane Eicher of the Congo spoke recently to our Women's Missionary group. The Cedarville College Choir presented a "Service in Song" on December 7th.

Sharon Baptist Church, Sharon, Pa. —

Special meetings with Evangelist and Mrs. Ron Comfort were well attended. There were 26 who received Christ as Saviour. Real interest was shown in inviting the unsaved.

Fairfield Baptist Church, Thurston —

An F.B.H.M. film was shown recently which helped promote Home Missions. Our church membership continues to grow! Recently we were able to purchase a thermofax copier, an electric typewriter, a mimeograph machine and a folding machine. Our church paper is now being sent into some 3000 homes in the community.

Bethel Baptist Church, Warren —

The Lord spoke to saved and unsaved alike through the Richard Markel Gospel team when they were with us recently.

Grace Baptist Church, Westlake —

Some 200 lbs. of clothing and literature were shipped to our missionaries — "The Harshes" by the ladies of our Women's Missionary Society. During November our church held a "Prove Me" month. Non-tithers were challenged to try tithing during this time.

Wheelersburg Baptist Church —

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Teiss are now living in Wheelersburg. Brother Teiss is serving as our Minister of Education and Youth.

Emmanuel Baptist Church, Xenia —

We will be having Dr. Robert T. Ketcham for special meetings, January 11-14. The Lord is blessing in the services at our church. Attendance is very good and souls are being reached!

GIFTS TO THE OHIO ASSOCIATION

David Dye, Fin. Sec.
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SEPTEMBER, 1969

Avon Baptist	\$ 5.00
Berea Baptist	37.00
Berean Baptist, Oregon	5.00
Bethel Baptist, Toledo	10.00
Bethel Baptist, Warren	5.00
Bethlehem Baptist, Cleveland	5.00
Bible Baptist, Grove City	20.00
Bible Baptist, North Madison	80.00
Bible Mission Baptist, Reynoldsburg	25.00
Brown Street Baptist, Akron	10.00
Calvary Baptist, Ashland	38.00
Calvary Baptist, Bellefontaine	100.00
Calvary Baptist, Chillicothe	38.00
Calvary Baptist, Massillon	15.00
Calvary Baptist, Painesville	95.00
Calvary Baptist, Salem	5.00
Cedar Hill Baptist, Cleveland	60.00
Stuart L. Chaffe, Xenia	10.00
Clintonville Baptist, Columbus	10.00
Emmanuel Baptist, Lorain	10.00
Emmanuel Baptist, Toledo	38.00
Emmanuel Baptist, Xenia	70.00
Euclid-Nottingham Baptist, Euclid	25.00
Evansville Baptist, Niles	15.00
Fairfield Baptist, Thurston	41.00
Faith Baptist, Amherst	83.00
Faith Baptist, Greenville	20.00
Faith Baptist, Niles	35.00
Faith Baptist, Novelty	3.00
Faith Baptist, Streetsboro	22.00
Faith Baptist, Van Wert	20.00
First Baptist, Blanchester	70.00
First Baptist, Bowling Green	20.00
First Baptist, Findlay	10.00
First Baptist, Gallipolis	35.00
First Baptist, Hudson	10.00
First Baptist, Lancaster	38.00
First Baptist, McDonald	50.00
First Baptist, Medina	500.00
First Baptist, New London	25.00
First Baptist, Niles	20.00
First Baptist, Parma	63.00
First Baptist, Rittman	30.00
First Baptist, Strongsville	10.00
First Baptist, Valley City	5.00
First Baptist, Willowick	45.00
Fostoria Baptist	150.00
Fundamental Baptist, Tallmadge	100.00
Grace Baptist, Canton	180.00

Grace Baptist, Cedarville	100.00
Grace Baptist, London	70.00
Grace Baptist, Sunbury	5.00
Grace Baptist, Minford	16.00
Grace Baptist, Urbana	54.00
Grace Baptist, Willoughby	10.00
Grace Baptist, Youngstown	5.00
Graham Road Baptist, Cuyahoga Falls	25.00
Hebron Men's Fellowship, Brecksville	20.00
Huntsburg Baptist	100.00
Immanuel Baptist, Arcanum	10.00
Lakeview Baptist, Dundee	10.00
Madison Missionary Baptist, Lucasville	7.00
Maranatha Baptist, Springfield	15.00
Memorial Baptist, Columbus	49.00
Midbrook Baptist, Brook Park	5.00
New Richland Baptist, Belle Center	5.00
North Royalton Baptist	2.00
Norton Baptist, Barberton	30.00
Northside Baptist, Lima	25.00
Peoples Baptist, Brunswick	15.00
Riley Creek Baptist, Bluffton	20.00
South Canaan Baptist, Athens	2.00
Temple Baptist, Portsmouth	75.00
Trinity Baptist Lorain	78.00
Wheelersburg Baptist	73.00
Advertising	168.00
Subscriptions	283.00
State Missionary Honorariums	191.00
Designated Gift	100.00
TOTAL	\$3884.00

OCTOBER, 1969

Ambrose Baptist, Fayette	\$ 10.00
Berea Baptist	37.00
Bethel Baptist, Toledo	10.00
Bethel Baptist, Warren	220.00
Bible Baptist, North Madison	40.00
Bible Mission Baptist, Reynoldsburg	25.00
Blessed Hope Baptist, Springfield	25.00
Brookside Baptist, Cleveland	10.00
Brown Street Baptist, Akron	10.00
Calvary Baptist, Ashland	38.00
Calvary Baptist, Bellefontaine	100.00
Calvary Baptist, Chillicothe	28.00
Calvary Baptist, Findlay	39.00
Calvary Baptist, Massillon	10.00
Calvary Baptist, Norwalk	10.00
Calvary Baptist, Painesville	105.00
Calvary Baptist, Sandusky	15.00
Calvary Baptist, Tiffin	115.00
Cedar Hill Baptist, Cleveland	60.00
Central Baptist, Columbus	15.00
Chaffe, S. L., Xenia	10.00
Clintonville Baptist, Columbus	20.00
Emmanuel Baptist, Lorain	10.00
Emmanuel Baptist, Toledo	25.00
Emmanuel Baptist, Xenia	70.00
Euclid Avenue Baptist, Lorain	30.00
Euclid-Nottingham Baptist, Euclid	85.00
Evansville Baptist, Niles	15.00

Faith Baptist, Niles	70.00
Faith Baptist, Van Wert	20.00
First Baptist, Blanchester	35.00
First Baptist, Findlay	20.00
First Baptist, Gallipolis	35.00
First Baptist, Hudson	10.00
First Baptist, Lancaster	50.00
First Baptist, McDonald	30.00
First Baptist, New London	40.00
First Baptist, Niles	40.00
First Baptist, Rittman	30.00
First Baptist, Stryker	15.00
First Regular Baptist, Bellefontaine	39.00
Fostoria Baptist	20.00
Fundamental Baptist, Tallmadge	100.00
Gehres, D., Berea	100.00
Grace Baptist, Cedarville	100.00
Grace Baptist, Kent	10.00
Grace Baptist, London	25.00
Grace Baptist, Minford	13.00
Grace Baptist, Troy	59.00
Grace Baptist, Urbana	54.00
Grace Baptist, Westerville	20.00
Grace Baptist, Westlake	37.00
Grace Baptist, Youngstown	10.00
Graham Road Baptist, Cuyahoga Falls	25.00
Highview Avenue Baptist, Akron	165.00
Huntsburg Baptist	50.00
Immanuel Baptist, Arcanum	10.00
Lakeview Baptist, Dundee	30.00
Lenox, Darrell E., Columbus	10.00
Maranatha Baptist, Springfield	15.00
Meadowbrook Baptist, Lima	30.00
Memorial Baptist, Columbus	45.00
Mount Pleasant Baptist, Homeworth	25.00
Northfield Baptist	90.00
Northside Baptist, Lima	25.00
Norton Baptist, Barberton	30.00
People's Baptist, Brunswick	15.00
Riley Creek Baptist, Bluffton	20.00
Sharon Baptist, Sharon, Pa.	15.00
Suburban Hts. Baptist, Maple Heights	50.00
Swartz Road Baptist, Akron	10.00
Temple Baptist, Portsmouth	75.00
Trinity Baptist, Lorain	80.00
Wheelersburg Baptist	112.00
**Others	44.00
TOTAL	\$3,140.00

**This amount was received from 10 different churches whose individual gifts were less than \$10.00

Dear Reader:
Why not suggest to your pastor that you have a "bundle lot" of THE OHIO INDEPENDENT BAPTIST sent to your church each month? 25 copies would cost but \$25.00. 50 copies — \$50.00. Help us to get "bundle lots" into ALL of our churches!
Thanks . . . Your Editor

Heart to Heart Among the Women

—Mrs. George Milner — Women's Editor—

A New Year Meditation

Happy New Year to You and All Your Household! This our first greeting to you in 1970 but what is in store for each one of us? It is a brand new year; like a clean page, a new untried highway, new opportunities for living—for WHAT, for WHOM? We must make many decisions, do many things. Will the accounting reveal a beautiful page, a beautiful road? Will ours be a beautiful life to behold at the end of 1970 or sooner perhaps, if the Lord calls?

Following the consecutive reading in "My Devotion" we came to Joshua 13:1-2. This is a familiar passage but it presented a new challenge. "— and there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed. This is the land that yet remaineth". What land must you and I possess for Him this year? There is a sea of faces with hell-bound souls yet to win for Him — they were not saved in 1969. We need to flee to and tarry at the Throne of Grace for a NEW glimpse of His face for courage, to touch His garment for new cleansing and power, to sense His nail-pierced hand touching us with His commission and benediction for service; that the world about us will know that the *Church is on fire, because we are on fire.* We are to win NOT by "conforming to this world" but by "being transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God". (Romans 12:1, 2)

The Worlding with no experience of repentance nor salvation has capti-

vated many Believers who have donned the fashions of dress and habits of the Worldling. Is that not in reverse to what the Word teaches? Men are becoming feminine, women are becoming masculine. Men's hair is dropping lower and lower, hiding a masculine brow; women's skirts are going higher and higher — and tighter. Have we forgotten where "home" is, to what family we belong? Are we not supposed to belong to the "household of faith" (The Father's house), "accepted in the Beloved". Let's get back to Godly living! Let's make sure our walk and appearance conform to His walk and appearance. We are supposed to look, act and be a true SAINT of God. The Lord is counting on the Believer for this. Let's ask our men and boys to get good hair cuts and to banish side-burns and whiskers for Jesus' sake, Ladies and girls, let us cover our *knees* and lay bare our *hearts* before the Lord, as daughters of the King of Kings, pleading for purpose, power and joy in victorious service for Him. Let us possess our possessions for His glory. Should He take us unto Himself in 1970 and we behold Him face to face, we shall be rejoicing for the victories won in our daily lives. We shall be thankful for the land we possessed for Him. When ETERNITIES values are ever in view, the TRANSIENT tinsel seems valueless. Let us follow on to know Him better each day. God bless each one of you as you live in victory for Him — through Him.

N.E.O. Fellowship Meet In North Madison

The North East Ohio Ladies Fellowship met at Bible Baptist Church, North Madison, October 28th for a day of business, prayer and blessed fellowship for all. The Theme was "Looking Beyond". Mrs. Mary Crow welcomed the group and led in prayer. There was joyous unison singing and many special numbers. Mrs. Gerald Eaton missionary with her husband, serving with Baptist Mid-Missions in Metropolitan Missions, Cleveland, was our speaker. She gave a very heart searching and challenging message regarding her childhood, conversion, call, and experiences in their service for the Lord.

Roll Call was taken with 78 ladies present. Before adjourning for lunch, our president, Mrs. Queen, asked the Nominating Committee to count the ballots, Mrs. Garlick asked the blessing on the food and fellowship together. The officers selected for the coming year are: Mrs. Frances Queen, President; Mrs. Carolyn Winnie, Vice President; Mrs. Esther Cummings, Secy.-Treas.; Mrs. John Strong gave the dedicatory prayer after reading Romans 12:4-5.

There was rejoicing when our president announced the offering had been over and above the amount needed to finish our project with a small balance to apply on a new project. Mrs. Perry moved that we continue with Camp Shalom Lake as our project, as the needs are still great. A project committee was appointed. The balance due on the project was \$121.11 and was sent to Baptist Mid-Missions.

Mrs. Esther Cummings, Secy.-Treas.

Euclid-Nottingham Women Report

Euclid-Nottingham Missionary Society reports. The fall season started with the day group meeting each Wednesday at 10 a.m. and the evening group the third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Although we had no regular work-day during the summer, there was a work-day at the Baptist Mid-Mission Guest House helping to keep the Home in readiness for missionaries. Some of us spent a day of volunteer work at B.M.M. office and presented the home with 12 place settings of silverware.

We send a questionnaire to each missionary family once a year, ask-

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by *Harrell S. Bice*

MOUNTAIN PEAKS OF CHRIST
by Tom Malone, D.D., Th.D. —
Word of the Lord Publications, Mur-
reesboro, Tenn., 1969; 229 pages —
\$3.00)

As indicated by the title this series of doctrinal, devotional and inspirational messages centers around the Son of God. Dr. Malone pursues such themes from the life of Christ as: "His Virgin Birth," "His Baptism," "His Transfiguration," "His Sacrificial Death," "His Resurrection," "His Second Coming" and others.

With modernism and liberalism circulating so vast an amount of blatant blasphemy in our day, this book is a refreshing presentation of

the Biblical truths to be found in "the faith which was once for all delivered unto the saints."

Recently your Editor had the privilege of reading the book — "Evolution and Christian Faith", by Dr. Bolton Davidheiser. It is a 375 page, 11 chapter volume which should be read by young and old alike. It sells for \$6.50 and is worth every bit of it!

Dr. Davidheiser received his undergraduate degree at Swarthmore College, while his Ph.D. was in Zoology from John Hopkins University with a specialty in Genetics. His training has all been in the liberal background, but later he was converted to Jesus Christ. He writes, as Dr. Charles Ryrie says in his Foreword, as a trained and once convinced evolutionist whose doubt of the theory grew out of painstaking research into its teaching. He draws his evidence against the theory from the evolutionists' own writings. His historical presentation of the theory of evolution is most interesting.

The book has helped us more in refuting the theory of evolution than any other we have read. You may obtain it through Cedarville College Book Store, Cedarville, Ohio 45314 or by writing Dr. Bolton Davidheiser, Box No. 22, La Mirada, Calif. 90638.

Service Awards Presented

Cedarville College personnel received special recognition during the President's Dinner at the beginning of the 1969-70 academic year. Service awards were presented by Dr. James T. Jeremiah to Dr. George L. Lawlor, Professor of Greek and Bible, Mrs. Miriam B. Maddox, Instructor in Speech, Mr. Kenneth H. St. Clair, Business Manager, Mr. Charles Tarter, Maintenance Department, and Mrs. Ardeth Webber, Assistant Professor of Business Education for 10 years of faithful service with the College. A 15 year service award plaque was presented to Miss Bernice Mick ('55) for her service as the College Bookstore Manager.

Prayer Requested For Missionaries

Word was received recently concerning two of our Baptist Mid-Missions missionaries who have had heart attacks. One of these is our brother Dynes McCullough, Sao Paulo, Brazil. He has had, to our knowledge, two attacks. Most recent report is that he is improving. The other is Brother Dick Miller of Waterford, Pa. He has now improved sufficiently that he has been able to return home. Urgent prayer is requested for these and for their families.

A Psalm and A Poem

By **Ralph T. Nordlund**

(Read Psalm XXX in your Bible first)

God's anger lasts a moment out,
and quickly fades away;
His favor lives a lifetime through
in an unending day.

Sorrow may come, a weeping guest,
to spend a night with me;
But joy returns when morning dawns
to sing its melody.

God turns my mourning into psalm,
and dancing ends my sadness;
He bids me lay my sackcloth by
and gird my soul with gladness.

The Thirtieth Psalm was not written for either the civil or religious New Year, but it fits in pretty well for January meditations. As we look back we remember some days of tears; but as believers we know that affliction is only for a moment, but God's favor lasts forever.

David may, as some think, have remembered the three dark days of plague that followed his vain numbering of his people; but he wanted his son to enjoy the brighter days that he knew were coming. It may in fact be, that Spurgeon's guess is right that David wrote this in antici-

pation of the dedication of the temple that would be built on Ornan's threshing floor, where David had reared an altar and wept, and that he asked Solomon to have the psalm sung at the dedication. Actually, it is unimportant for us when or why David wrote this psalm. In this day of grace we can sing our conviction that no matter how much we may deserve the chastenings we receive, our merciful God will always shorten them to our strength and will lengthen our times of blessing.

We have only paraphrased verses five and eleven, for they are the two most appropriate to this Gospel age. The darker, more typically Davidic portions may serve as foils for the brighter truth; but it is the grace evident that we are to study. That grace will be all the more attractive if we understand that the word "endure" in verse five means to spend the night as a guest, and that "joy" means singing. What a contrast! What a relief, after a night of putting up with a weeping guest, to hear singing in the morning. All the more, if, as in the eleventh verse, we have that singing accompanied with dancink.

Yes, we Christians can and should take this psalm to heart literally; but for the unsaved the truth is turned about like this: "Joy may endure for a moment; but God's wrath will last for ever."

The Loyal Legion

The following is being used by Rev. Garrison Rice, Pastor of the Bible Baptist Church in Bedford, Ohio. The idea is being well received. You might try it with your people.

What is the Loyal Legion? The Loyal Legion is composed of all the members and friends of the church who in any one month attend every morning worship service, every evening worship service, and attend every prayer service.

Is it asking too much to expect every member of the local church who is providentially able to attend so many services? A thousand times no! God expects it! God wants every child of His in church at both Sunday services, and at the midweek service. This requires but four or five total hours out of a week of one hundred sixty-eight.

How is the Loyal Legion list compiled? At the last service in the month each person who has attended all the services is asked to stand. The last service is sometimes on Sunday night, or on Wednesday night. Each person keeps his own record, and is on his honor to stand only if he actually attended all the services. The ushers of the church give everyone standing a small card on which space is provided for the name. These cards are filled out and placed in the collection plate.

What about a person who must miss a service at the local church but who attends somewhere else? He will receive credit. Make sure you attend church when away and it will count. This is the only exception, however.

Ordained To Gospel Ministry

An Ordination Council was called recently by the Northside Baptist Church of Lima for the purpose of examining their pastor, Mr. Willard Gentry, for ordaining him to the Gospel ministry. There were 15 pastors and 13 messengers present.

Brother Gentry gave an account of his conversion, call to the ministry and doctrinal beliefs. He was further questioned regarding his personal life, devotional emphasis and his responsibilities and priorities of the pastoral ministry.

After careful examination, it was moved and supported unanimously by the Council that they commend Brother Gentry for his gracious spirit during the questioning and that the church proceed with the ordaining of their pastor.

Los Angeles College Report

Approximately 600 guests attended the Annual Fall Festival Banquet at the Los Angeles Baptist College.

The LABC Chorale, under the direction of Mr. Peter A. Kobe, goes on tour March 20-30, 1970.

The "Reflections", a 14-voice vocal ensemble, presented special programs in Fallon, Nevada, and at the GARB Teen Leadership Conference at Mount Hermon, Calif.

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“I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked”

by Mrs. James Jeremiah

“And Jesus, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon, called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea for they were fishers. And He saith unto them, Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men. And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching . . . and preaching . . . and healing . . . And there followed Him great multitudes of people from Galilee. . .” (Matthew 4:18, 19, 23, 25)

This past August it was my privilege to be in Israel. On Friday, August 8, we traveled by bus north from the city of Jerusalem, through Nazareth to Tiberias on the shore of the Sea of Galilee. As we came over the top of the mountain we could see the city of Tiberias built on the slope down to the shore of the Sea of Galilee which was nestled between the mountains on either side. The beauty of this scene is difficult to describe. It was about noon when we arrived in Tiberias. We had lunch in a lovely restaurant overlooking the sea.

After lunch we took a boat ride from Tiberias across to Capernaum. It was thrilling as we realized we were in the very place where Jesus lived and performed much of His three years' earthly ministry. Here in Capernaum, on the north shore of Galilee, He lived and began His ministry (Matt. 4:13). In Matt. 4:18, 19, He called Peter and Andrew to be His first disciples. He refers to Capernaum, in Matthew 9:1 as “His own city”. Here He cleansed the leper, healed the centurion's servant of palsy, and also the man brought to Him “sick of the palsy, lying on a bed” (Matthew 9:23). It was on the shores of Galilee where He cast out the demons, allowing them to enter into the swine who “ran violently down a steep place into the sea.” (Matt. 8:28-32)

That day as we rode across the sea, the wind came up and the waves grew higher. We were reminded of the day when Jesus and His disciples were out on the sea and a *great storm* arose (Matt. 8:23-26). Jesus “rebuked the wind, and there was a *great calm*”. What a lesson for us! With Jesus aboard our ship of life, we need not fear. He does not guarantee no storms, but *He* will take us

through the storms and trials safely to the other side even as He did His disciples.

After the feeding of the 5,000 on the hillside by the sea, Jesus urged the disciples to get into a boat and cross over to the other side while He went upon a mountain alone to pray as He so often did. (Matt. 14:22-23) Again a storm arose in the night and the disciples were afraid. Jesus was aware of their problem and came to them walking on the water. Peter's experience that night trying to walk on water has in it a tremendous lesson for us to learn. When he took his eyes off Christ and saw the waves and wind around him, his faith weakened and he began to sink. Oh, that we could learn that regardless of circumstances and surrounding problems, the same One Who “stretched forth His hand and caught Peter” is also by *our* side to give courage and victory in our daily lives!

In Matthew 17:24-27 Peter is again facing a problem. He lived in Capernaum and the tax collector came for

the tribute money. Peter had no money; but the Lord knew his need, even before Peter told Him. Notice verse 25. It was Jesus Who spoke about it first to Peter and reminded him that his testimony would hurt if he failed to meet this responsibility. Jesus said, “Peter, go down to the sea fishing. The first fish you catch will have a coin in its mouth to pay your tax.” Yes, He is the same today, and He has promised to “supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.” (Phil. 4:19)

Once again in John 21: 1-14, Jesus appears to His disciples on the shore of the Sea of Tiberias, which is just another name for the same sea. He had been crucified, buried, raised from the dead. This was His third appearance to His disciples since His resurrection. Peter had denied his Lord three times. Here again in self-will and defeat, he says, “I go fishing”. So often the defeated christian leads others to be defeated with him, even as Peter did. We read, “That night they caught nothing.” When Jesus came to them and they took orders from Him instead of Peter, “They caught a multitude of fish.” Then Jesus said, “Come and dine.” The best cure for our defeated, fruitless lives is the food which God provides as we fellowship with Him through His Word. Jesus met their physical need for food, then showed them that their greatest spiritual need was a love for Christ which would cause them to “Follow Him,” and “Feed the sheep.”

This same Jesus Who met His disciples that day on the Galilee shore and turned their defeat into victory is able to do the same for us today. Trust Him, and obey Him, and “the peace of God that passeth *all* understanding” can be yours.

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— THE WORD OF COMMAND —

The Apostle Paul charges Timothy as recorded in I Tim. 6:13ff, "I give thee charge in the sight of God . . . that thou keep this commandment . . ." i.e. the commandment to flee wrong things, to follow right things, to fight the good fight of faith, and to fix himself upon eternal life (vs. 11-12), and that he must do so with decision, effectiveness, and finality. The words "give (thee) charge" in vs. 13 are the rendering of the Greek verb *paraggello*, "give an order, command, direct, instruct." The word is a significant one, and its great interest and importance lie in its usage and in the background in which the verb and its noun form (*paraggelia*) are found.

Used In Various Ways

First and foremost, the words have the sense of *military command*. The verb is used of an army commander issuing an order, and that word of command being passed along, on down the line, by all the subordinate commanders to the various units. Xenophon (Anabasis 1, 8:3) describes how King Cyrus armed himself for battle and issued orders for his troops to do the same. Xenophon also tells how Cyrus, at a ceremonial parade, gave an order (*paraggelia*) to his first captain to take position at the head of the line and to transmit the order to the second captain, and so on down the line (Xen., Cyropaedia, 2, 4:2).

Secondly, the words are used in a *legal sense*. Certain men were warned that if they "disobey this injunction (*paraggelia*) they must suffer the penalties." Both verb and noun are used of summoning a man to court, or of citing a person to appear before a magistrate to account for his actions. In the papyri, a letter shows how an official is directed to serve a summons on a man so that

instruction to "give notice (*paraggelia*) to appear where court is to be held." Another official received instruction to "give notice (*parageilai*) to Heras who is arranged for murder, to appear in three days time." A man states that he "ordered (*pareiggeilamen*) Thempos to depart out of the house." A brother directs his sister to a certain street, saying: "For the present, dear sister, I bid you (*paraggello*) go to the street of the theater."

In the third place, both words are used to denote *instruction*. The papyri record a note from a man to another, in which the writer says, "I have instructed you (*pareigkelka*) several times." Diodorus Siculus uses both words as *teaching, advice*, while Philo and Josephus have them to express what someone was *instructed to do*. Aristotle uses the noun (*paraggelia*) to designate a *system or rule*, and Longinus says there are *rules and principles* for any art or technique.

Fourth, the words also appear in an *ethical sense*, to express the principles of proper conduct and rules of moral behaviour which are conveyed to a class of disciples by their leader. Demosthenes uses the noun in such a sense of moral influence, and Plutarch uses both words to set forth the same thought of ethical teaching. Clement of Rome writes concerning God: "He who has ordered (*paraggellein*) us not to lie, how much more will He not lie Himself" (I Clem. 7:2). Aristotle says there is no *set of rules* that can be used in dealing with individual judgments on individual people (Nicomachean Ethics, 1104a, 7).

Finally the verb (*paraggellein*) is the word used to designate a doctor *prescribing* for a case. It indicates his diagnosis, and the rules that must be followed by the patient, the instructions which are essential for one

to obey if recuperation and restoration to full health are to be enjoyed.

Against this background, the use of these words in the N.T. is most interesting and important. The noun form occurs five times, as in Ac. 5:28, of the Sanhedrin's *command* to Peter and John not to teach any more in the name of Jesus Christ. In Ac. 16:24, it describes the magistrates' *order* to the Philippian jailer to keep Paul and Silas secure in the prison. I Tim. 1:5, 18 have the word used of certain *instructions* given by Paul to Timothy.

As Used in New Testament

The verb is more frequently used, occurring over 30 times in the N.T. In passages such as Matt. 10:5; 15:35; Mark 8:6; Luke 8:29; 9:1, it is used of various *commands* of Christ to His disciples, i.e. Matt. 10:5, "These twelve Jesus sent forth and *commanded* them (*paraggeilas*)". In the Synoptic Gospels, the verb is never used of anyone except Christ, and is the characteristic word for the Lord's commands and instructions to His people.

In Ac. 4:18; 5:18; 40, the verb is used in its usual secular sense of a *command* by a high military or civil authority to a subordinate, i.e. the Sanhedrin's commands to John and Peter to stop preaching Christ. In Ac. 16:23, it describes the *command* of the Philippian authorities to throw Paul and Silas into prison; and in Ac. 23:22, 30, it is used of the Roman officer's *instructions* to the young man who gave him information about the plot to kill Paul.

Paraggello is the word for Christian instruction. It is Paul's word in I Cor. 11:17 when he instructs the people of God regarding the Lord's Supper. It is used in I Thess. 4:11 of the apostle's instructions to the Thessalonians to be quiet and attend to their own affairs, and in II Thess. 3:4, 6, 10, 12, in a whole list of instructions to the saints. The verb is very prominent in the Pastoral Epistles, where God's true servants are given specific instructions for conduct and service. For example, in I Tim. 1:3, Timothy is instructed as to how he must "charge" (*parageileis*) certain errorists, and in I Tim. 4:11, the servant of the Lord is instructed that he must "*command* (*paraggelle*) and teach these things."

Now, let us note briefly from the standpoint of New Testament usage, the five aspects of meaning characteristic of these words.

(1) They are words of military

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Report from your State Missionary - Earl Umbaugh

MILLERSBURG—

The proposed new church at Millersburg has organized as a fellowship with temporary offices. Mr. Kenneth Patterson, a local school teacher, has been elected moderator, Mr. Henry Wolf, Resident Manager at Sky View Ranch, is treasurer and Mrs. Edward Tylke is serving as secretary for the group. Regular meetings are being held on Thursday nights at the Ranch in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wolf. The group is asking the Lord for two more families before beginning Sunday Services. Millersburg is a County Seat town of 3,100 people and is located in Holmes County with a population of 21,500.

SPRINGFIELD—

An exploratory meeting was held on a recent Tuesday evening at the Perrin Woods Elementary School on John Street to seek the mind of the Lord concerning the advisability of starting a new church on the southwest side of town. Twenty-one people attended and after some discussion, it was decided that there was sufficient interest to take the next step of starting regular week night meetings. Tuesday night was selected as the best night and the school was secured for a meeting from 6:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. each Tuesday night. This proposed church will serve the Southgate and Sunnyland subdivisions. It is being sponsored by Blessed Hope

Baptist Church, Springfield, Maranatha Baptist Church, Springfield and Grace Baptist Church, Cedarville.

MANCHESTER—

The Manchester Baptist Chapel has been meeting for several months in the Grange Hall on Manchester Road. This group started with a Southern Baptist Affiliation but after several months, withdrew from this affiliation and sought help from the Highview Avenue Baptist Church in Akron. After several meetings it was felt wise to seek a merger with the Portage Lakes Baptist Church. Both churches have voted to merge and will begin meeting in the Manchester location early in January.

Victory For Ohio!



The OARBC churches of Northwestern Ohio engaged the MARBC churches of Southeastern Michigan in a 7 week Sunday School contest and Ohio won 150½ to 109½. Theme of the contest was football and each of the churches used this spirit of competition to increase their attendance.

Berean Baptist in Oregon, Ohio won their contest all 7 Sundays and experienced an all-time-high of 125. Berean, one of Emmanuel Baptist (Toledo) young branch churches was founded in 1966 through the help of our State Missionary Rev. Earl Umbaugh.

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ing them to specify both personal and field needs, thus we are able to be more specific in providing useful, necessary items. Each missionary and the family are remembered with a birthday card and a Christmas gift, these items being divided between the two societies.

ENBC was privileged to have the Bearean Women's Missionary Fellowship meeting. It was also a joy to receive the Banner for having the most ladies present. Mrs. Harry Ambacher gave two challenging messages about their work in Hong Kong and gave us prayer requests regarding their work.

We held our October Luncheon meeting on the 1st with 35 ladies meeting at 10 a.m. for sewing, quilting, cutting quilting blocks, embroidery, rugs, bandages etc. Following 12 o'clock luncheon, first on the program was TABLE TALK. From each table we had one song request, one prayer letter, one prayer for our U.S.A. missionaries. Prayer letters were read from the Kendricks, Vi. Able, the Greens and the Wrights. There was one missionary thought from each table suggesting how we may emphasize missions in the home: Begin with prayer, maintain a bulletin board, write letters, read missionary books, collect items, sponsor someone, entertain missionaries. Our speaker was Mrs. Janice Wills, missionary appointee with her husband and three children to Central African Republic. She presented the needs for more missionaries and for others to help on the construction of homes and churches. (Colossians 4:2,3,4)

Mrs. Rachel L. Mayers

Evansville Ladies Visit Mission Office

November 6, 1969, the Evansville Baptist Church Ladies Missionary Group of McDonald spent the day at the Baptist Mid-Missions Office in Cleveland. Dr. Raymond Buck welcomed the ladies.

They first saw the Medical Department. From there they were seated in a conference room, and met Brother Osburn, Director of Home Missions; Dr. Fetzer, Vice President, in charge of Foreign Missions and Mr. Nick Frost, the Treasurer.

They were shown the printing department where Mr. Campbell presented the literature and brochures produced for the Mission and its Missionaries. They were especially interested in seeing how the new Flash Card story, the "Salt Baby" was printed. He then directed their attention to the mailing and shipping department.

The last step in their tour was the Audio Visual Department headed by Rev. Delbert Geer. After explaining the various phases in making a film, we were privileged to see the latest film produced by the Mission, entitled "The Story of Thomas". This is a story of a national, trained in medical-evangelism. It was filmed entirely in the Chad, Central African Republic.

The ladies came away with a greater understanding of all that is involved in the placement of missionaries and the responsibilities involved in meeting their many needs.

Cedarville College Receives Special Gifts

The Dow Chemical Company of Midland, Michigan recently donated various chemistry lab materials to Cedarville College. These materials totaled in value almost \$4,000.

A major item in the donation was a chart recorder to be used for analytical research astronomy in the campus observatory.

Also, the College received two grants from the Sears Roebuck and Company Foundation. One was for \$500 toward the "Three To Grow On" campaign, and an additional gift of \$300 was designated for the purchase of books for the library.

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Mr. Smith, International Director, announced that prints of "Bold Enough to Try" are available immediately for booking. Rental is free and a promotion kit is provided. Requests for bookings, specifying at least two alternate dates, should be addressed to The Pocket Testament League, Inc., 49 Honeck Street, Englewood, New Jersey 07631.

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BEAMS from the Lighthouse

by Rev. Walter Keisler

"God is our refuge and strength,
very present help in trouble."
Psalm 46:1

As I start to write this article, I notice that the date is October 14th, Mrs. Keisler's birthday. If she had lived, she would have been 63 today. And three days from today, October 17th, would have been our 41st wedding anniversary.

These past two years plus have been real years and months of testing, but the Lord has brought me through.

Though I was in the hospital four times in a little more than a year, and although the last two weeks I spent in the hospital were considered real serious, somehow the Lord saw fit to bring me through and has given me more work to do.

I feel I understand the problems of the men that I have been dealing with the past 30 years better than ever before. I have been able to say to many of them of late, "but for the grace of God, I would be where you are tonight."

As the days get cooler, the number of transient men stopping at the Mission seems to increase.

We have had 18 girls in the Door of Hope in the past two years. It blessed our hearts recently when two of the girls who had been here, came by on their days off from work and offered to help us when we especially needed some extra help! They did this voluntarily and really worked hard. Both of them remarked that they enjoyed coming back and spending some time here (under different circumstances, of course!) and fellowshiping with us, and the work they were able to do was but a small way of showing their appreciation.

Many of the girls correspond with us after they leave and the following is an excerpt from a letter received recently from one of the girls. This girl had many personal problems and had a lot facing her when she left here.

"Dear Friend: I'm just writing to let you know how things are with me. I feel fine physically, and am getting along real well. Things

are working out better than I ever expected. I prayed for a long time about what I should do, and I feel that I have made the right decision. (Here she wrote something of how the Lord had worked out many of her problems for her.) So the Lord is working things out. Along with my Bible, I have read several books on prayer and faith, and these have helped me a lot. I went back to church. It is good to be back in church. I remember you in my prayers. Again, I say how much I appreciate all you did for me. May God bless you in your work. As always, 'J'."

At other times, we have told you something of our Lewis Hollow Out-

post Sunday School. From time to time, the Lord gives us an encouraging note regarding the work there, and this time it comes in a letter from a precious girl who grew up in that area and attended our Sunday School faithfully for many years. An honor student when she graduated from high school, she attended a local university, and then married a Marine drill instructor and moved to North Carolina. She was back for a visit with her baby son this summer, and after returning home, wrote the following:

'Dear Glenna (our Executive Secretary): I didn't get to see Mr. Keisler while I was home, even though I really wanted to. Mr. and Mrs. Keisler and you are the reason that I'm a Christian today. I know the work you all do is difficult and trying at times, but I'm so glad that you all operate the Lewis Hollow Sunday School. The hours I spent there are some of the happiest memories of my childhood. I'll never forget you. Say hello to everyone for me. God be with you. Love, Marian.'

Keep remembering us in prayer, for we are laborers together with Him.

Commissioning Service



A missionary commissioning service was called by the Calvary Baptist Church, Findlay to commission Mr. and Mrs. Alan Warden as they represent the local church as technical missionaries in Liberia, Africa with the Sudan Interior radio station E.L.W.A. Mr. Warden is a power engineer and Mrs. Warden, a registered nurse and former member of Calvary, will serve in the mission hospital.

Pictured is the congregation's representatives in the laying on of hands with Mr. and Mrs. Warden kneeling. Standing from left to right are Mr. Wm. Garlow, Church Treasurer; Dr. O. C. Thompson, Chrm. of the Board of Deacons; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Maurer, parents of Mrs. Warden; Mr. Jack Grindell, Chrm. of the Board of Trustees; and Pastor Richard L. Snively.

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command . . . Christians are soldiers of Christ; we are under orders, engaged in a strenuous campaign against the enemy. We are not saved to live in this present world as we like, but having been saved and enlisted in the army of the Lord, we are members of His great task-force, bound to do as our supreme Commander orders us to do. We are His soldiers, and thus any insistence of ours upon an individualism of our own and an unwarranted independence of mind and spirit is forbidden.

(2) *They are words of legal significance.* . . . True believers are people living under responsibility and duty. We have been summoned into the court of God, declared righteous, and sent forth as responsible people under the rule of the Holy Spirit, to engage in dutiful living. We are thus answerable for everything we do and say, under the very scrutiny of God.

(3) *They are words of instruction.* . . . We are not bound to a hard set of rules for living, nor by a series of mere ethical laws — which impose upon us impossible tasks and an implacable way of life. We must learn the art and technique of living daily the Christian life. The whole Word of God is the one and only text-book, but its imperatives are not grievous and burdensome. We learn theology for the technique of living Christ and teaching others; we learn doctrine for duty and dignity; we learn sound words for wholesome living; and we learn truth for travel in the right way.

(4) *They are words with an ethical sense.* . . . We must regard ourselves as precisely what we are as the Lord's people: men and women under instruction and discipline, ever learning how to live godly in Christ Jesus and how to walk worthy of our calling in this evil world-age. Let us not make the grave mistake of thinking that

we know it all already. We go on through this life, learning and being adapted to the image of Christ by means of the divine standard for living as opposed to all the other so-called "standards" with which we come in contact in the present age.

(5) *They are words which have a medical use.* . . . Doctors offices, hospitals, and medical clinics are places for medical and surgical treatment and healing. Barclay states that Epictetus called his lecture-hall "the hospital for the sick soul" and his teaching "the medicines of salvation." People today are sick with sin and need the healing power of the Son of God. Christians have already come to know Him, have received the divine cure, and their lives are now in His care. We must bring the others to Him for submission to His diagnosis of their trouble and to the ministration of His Word of healing grace, to receive the treatment He prescribes.

Bible Conference On Second Coming

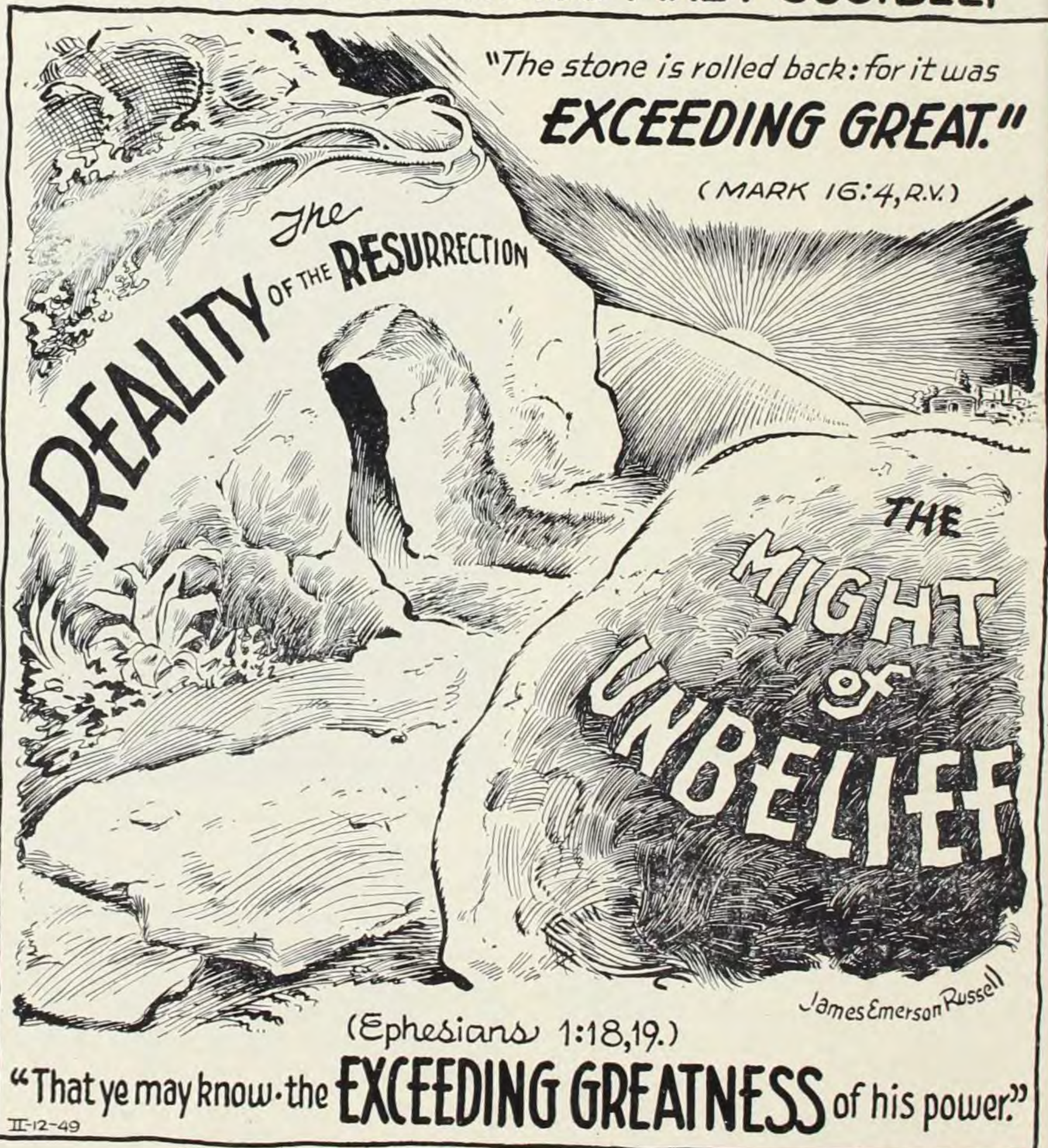
The Grace Baptist Church of Minford under the direction of their new pastor, Rev. Thomas E. Wright, Jr. have just completed a Prophetic Bible Conference. The theme for the Conference was "Striking Signs of the Second Coming." As a result of these meetings, along with other blessings, was the joy of seeing souls come to Christ for salvation.

The church just recently celebrated its 10th anniversary at which time it was announced that the building had been paid for in full. Hearts praised the Lord as the mortgage was burned. They are now making preparations for a new building program. With the continued increase in Sunday School more space is needed. Pastor Wright formerly ministered in Girard, Ohio. His predecessor at Minford was Rev. Clarence Townsend who is now a member of the Faith Baptist Bible College Faculty in Ankeny, Iowa.

Dr. R. T. Ketcham To Speak In Ohio

Dr. Robert T. Ketcham will be ministering each evening (Jan. 11-14) at 7:30 p.m. in the Emmanuel Baptist Church of Xenia, Ohio. Also, during that week (Jan. 11-16) he will be speaking at the Cedarville College chapel services.

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The Grace Baptist Church of Toledo (Rev. Larry D. Engle, Pastor) saw great blessing through their Sunday School Campaign — "Goal To Go"! Going into the contest, they were averaging 101 for the year but only running in the 90's just prior to it. By the end of the contest, an average of 184 for the seven weeks with a high attendance of 214 on the last Sunday! Their record attendance was broken four times during the contest. Most important of all, during the campaign, there were 30 professions of faith in our Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Seen above are two pictures of two of the families that were saved. In the picture above (at the left) is a family who brought 72 people in only two Sundays. They used their panel truck to bring these folk to the church. One Sunday out popped 30 people!

The picture above (to the right) shows a family saved during the campaign who were formerly Catholic. They brought a total of 40 in three Sundays! Needless to say Pastor Engle and his people are praising the Lord for their enthusiasm.

The success of the campaign hinged upon visitation and God's blessing upon it. Some were led to the Lord in the home and then came to make public professions of their faith. All in all, there were nearly 250 visitors brought during the seven weeks after several hundred calls in the community.

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