



## LETTERS GRANTED TO TWO MEMBERS

Rev. and Mrs. Ted Stephenson were granted letters of dismissal to the First Baptist Church of Ambridge, Pa., where Ted is minister.

## ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Smale are announcing the engagement of their daughter Cynthia to Thomas Warner, son of Mr. & Mrs. Harry B. Warner of Akron. Both are students at Ohio State University.

## CIRCLES TO MEET THIS WEEK

Both circles of the Women's Mission Society will meet this Tuesday (note change from usual Thursday date).

The Morning Circle will meet with Carol Fogle at 9:00 A.M. and the Shephard Circle with Helen Aleshire at 7:30 P.M.

## GROUP ATTENDS HEALING RETREAT

Five persons from the church attended a healing retreat at the First United Methodist Church in Galion. Held all day Saturday, Jan. 9, the retreat featured Dr. Clair King, a surgeon from Canton, Ohio. Wick and Jean Wickum served as prayer group leaders. Others attending were Sharlet Pettit, Marjorie Smale, and your minister.

## HOSPITAL NOTES . . .

Recent hospital patients from our church fellowship were Dorothy Brown, Jean Syler, and Kelly Westbrook in Jane M. Case; Polly Focke at Grant; and Harold Bates enroute to Florida. Doris Smale was treated at Jane M. Case for a broken ankle.

## WOMEN OF THE ASSOCIATION TO MEET

The Women's Mission Society of the Marion Association will meet Thursday, Jan. 21, at the Allen Center Baptist Church. The theme of the day beginning at 9:30 is, "Can Jesus Be Seen in You?" Mrs. Walter Penry will show slides of her trip to the Soviet Union last summer. A nursery is to be provided but bring a sack lunch for your child. Milk will be furnished. Lunch costs \$1.00. Any one wishing to go please call Bertha

McTaggart for directions or transportation.

## CHURCH WOMEN UNITED ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Delaware Unit of Church Women United will be held Friday, Jan. 29, at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in the Undercroft from 9 - 2:30. Bring a sack lunch. Come and help plan our Christian witness with our sister churches in Delaware. All women are invited to attend.

## OFFERING TO BE RECEIVED

There are still 17 million refugees in the world right now. They need help. The America for Christ offering supports the Refugee Resettlement Program, and all the other helping ministries of the American Baptist Convention. The offering will be received March 7.

## FROM THE WOMEN'S SOCIETY

A very fine Christmas program was given by Bertha McTaggart Dec. 10. The title was "The Spirit of Christmas." The room was beautifully decorated and lighted with candles. For part of the program Bertha showed her slides from the Holy Land. After the meeting we enjoyed delicious refreshments served by the hostesses, Claudia Eliot, Carol Fogle, and Lycille Via. Mrs. Harry Johnston was a guest.

The Women's Mission Society met Thursday, Jan. 14 in the Assembly Room with 12 present. A very enjoyable day was spent. The group made cancer pads and rolled bandages. Bertha conducted the business meeting and devotions were given by Sophia. France Johnson offered grace. The hostesses were Sophia Stephenson, Frances Johnson, and Ernestine Frost.

Our next meeting will be Feb. 11 at 7:30 P.M. The subject will be "Thailand," by Mary Richards. Hostesses will be Janet Lathrop, Evelyn Lee, and Della Dean.

Della Dean

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"People are lonely because they build walls instead of bridges."  
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Bertha McTaggart took Helen to Grace's NEWS FROM THE WOMEN'S SOCIETY where they had a party. Everyone reported having a good time.

#### GREETINGS FROM A STUDENT

Jean-Claude Saint-Louis sends his greetings to his friends at church. He has missed being with us in worship Sundays because he has to work from 9 to 1 in the food service at the university. You might want to send him a note of encouragement as he must work hard to pay his expenses. Address him at Ohio Wesleyan University.

#### PLEDGES SHOULD BE IN!

Have you returned your pledge to the church? \$11,477 of the \$17,343 needed has been pledged.

#### BAPTISTS ON THE MOVE!!

Among our members who have been traveling are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Via, who recently visited their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Summers, in Staunton, Va., and their son and his family, Dr. and Mrs. William Via, at Chapel Hill, N. Car. Mr. and Mrs. L. F. (Cap) Gabriel enjoyed a week in Florida. Mr. and Mrs. James VanBrimmer and family spent Thanksgiving in Philadelphia with Jim's sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Houtman, Mrs. Elizabeth Howard, and Mrs. Ellen Trieber.

#### NEWS FROM SPECIAL INTEREST MISSIONERS

Mr. Gustavo Wilson is director of Colegio Bautista, Managua, Nicaragua. There are over 1000 pupils enrolled from kindergarten thru secondary school. Many of the graduates are in leadership positions throughout Central America.

Thanks to a loan from the Home Mission Societies facilities for Home Economics and Manual Arts are now under construction. When these are completed, the school will offer evening classes for adults of the community.

Our missionaries are confident that your continued interest in their work, through giving and praying will ever be a source of inspiration to carry on in His name.

Mrs. James Stephenson

The December program, a Christmas presentation, was held at the Church the night NEWS AND VIEWS went to press, so no report is available. The January meeting will be the Daytime Fellowship, with Ernestine Frost, Frances Johnson, and Sophia Stephenson as hostesses.

The Morning Circle will meet Dec. 17 with Wineta Hanby and visit shut-ins. The Shepherd Circle meets the same day with Mrs. Aleshire.

Are you receiving duplicate copies of THE AMERICAN BAPTIST? If so, give both address labels to Bertha McTaggart. Did you read the November issue? Did you see our own Helen and Carolyn in the pictures in the Ohio section? We are looking forward to their sharing their experiences with us soon. And how about the editorial "Don't Call Me Christian?" Didn't it set you thinking? And did the cartoon on page 30 hit home?

Are you anticipating? That's what I said, are you anticipating? If you are not you should be! Yes I really mean that you should be anticipating the birth of a baby. As the years go by time seems to pass so much more rapidly. It seems that we are often in what they call a rat-race. Now we are in another Advent season. As you are busy trying to do everything, special baking done, cards and letters sent, decorations up, do you have a feeling "Here we go again." Does it seem like just a rehash of a very hectic time?

If it does, I dare say that you are not anticipating the full blessings of the event in your life. All these other tasks are merely accessories to the real meaning of the birth of Jesus. For without the message of the angels made real in our lives, we have missed the real Christmas.

Therefore, I ask again, "Are you anticipating? Anticipating the advent of God's love in your life in a fresh and challenging way? Are you alert to the rebirth of the Christ-child and his way of life within you?"

If amidst the hustle and bustle of this season you can anticipate with excitement and expectation this birth, then the event of 2000 years ago has real meaning for you today  
Bertha McTaggart, Pres. W.M.S.

THE GREEN FOREST OF GREED

There was, once upon a time,  
It is not known when,  
But it happened only once,  
In the forest of green greed

A wise old owl, it was known,  
Had the secret to a rich life,  
And all of the groups of animals  
In the forest wanted it.

The snakes formed a rope to strangle  
Anyone who tried to get the secret be-  
fore them.

The birds attacked all of the intrud-  
ers  
From the air so they could get the  
secret.

The butterflies protected the secret  
from invaders,  
They would flutter by the secret so  
no one else got it.  
The squirrels were a major force in  
the battle  
As they attacked all of the other  
forces with their nuts.

Finally all of the other animals  
killed each  
Other off - the only animal left was  
the wise old owl,  
And in the end the secret was not  
Gotten by anyone of the animals in  
the forest.

Oh, by the way, the secret is simple,  
In the words of that same old wise  
owl,  
"Love thy neighbor."

Now of course this whole instance  
does seem  
To be very ironic, and needless to  
say, very stupid,  
But you must remember that this  
Could never happen, it is just a  
story  
Of dumb animals.

Donald L. Brown

(NEWS AND VIEWS is anxious to publish  
contributions of creative writing.  
You are invited to submit your own  
work. Thanks to Donald Brown for be-  
ing the first contributor. Donald is  
in his second year at Ohio State Uni-  
versity, Marion Branch.)

INSTALLATION AT AMBRIDGE, PA.

Two special services were held at  
the First Baptist Church, Ambridge,  
Pennsylvania, in recognition of the  
beginning of Rev. Ted D. Stephenson's  
ministry with them.

On Sunday, December 6, an installa-  
tion Service was conducted by Rev.  
Carlton Goodwin, Executive Secretary  
of the Pittsburgh Baptist Association.  
Following the installation service,  
Ted conducted the service of Holy  
Communion. The sermon was preached  
by Rev. Goodwin.

On Wednesday, December 9, a fellow-  
ship dinner in honor of the Stephen-  
sons was sponsored by the ladies of  
the church. Mr. Arthur Foringer,  
moderator of the church served as  
master of ceremonies, and greetings  
from the churches of Ambridge were  
conveyed by Rev. Norman Young, pas-  
tor of the Methodist Church. Rev.  
Carlton Goodwin was the speaker for  
the evening. The worship service was  
conducted by the ladies of the church.

Ted graduated last spring from the  
Northern Baptist Theological Seminary  
at Oak Brook, Ill., and served as the  
Chaplain and Program Director of the  
Maywood Baptist Retirement Home.

Our prayers and best wishes for a  
happy and fruitful ministry are with  
Ted and Jeannie. Their address is  
1038 Maplewood Ave., Ambridge, Pen-  
nsylvania 15003.

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REMEMBER to submit news items and an-  
nouncement to NEWS AND VIEWS. The  
Calendar for January will be available  
Dec. 20.

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WEEK OF UNITY TO BE OBSERVED HERE

A week of prayer for church unity  
will be observed in Delaware Jan. 17  
to 24. On Sunday, Jan. 17, at 7:30,  
a discussion of Christian Unity will  
be held at St. Mary's School with a  
panel composed of three clergy and  
three laymen. Your pastor and Jim  
VanBrimmer will participate. On Sun-  
day, Jan. 24, an ecumenical worship  
service will be held at 7:30 P.M. at  
the Presbyterian Church. Your minis-  
ter is chairman of the week's activi-  
ties.

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS . . . Mrs. Jo-  
seph Ball, Mrs. Arthur Birdsell, Mrs.  
Grace Finch, Mrs. Wealthy Pinney, and  
Mr. J. C. McKean.

AND A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL....MAY YOUR NEW YEAR BE THE BEST EVER!



## THANKSGIVING DINNER A SUCCESS

On November 22 the church met in the Fellowship Hall for its annual Thanksgiving Dinner. 95 turkey dinners were served and the participants then shared in a fine Thanksgiving program, which included singing and a motion picture. The dinner was directed by Mrs. Richard Lee and the program by Mrs. Charles Smale.

## CHURCH DECORATIONS PLANNED

Christmas decorations will be in place in the Sanctuary Sunday, Dec. 20th. The work is being done by the BYF, the Wickums, and Peter White.

## YOUNG PEOPLE ATTEND THE BYF CONVENTION

Two of our youth attended the annual convention of the state BYF at Dayton Thanksgiving weekend. Donna Faulk and Colleen Askins report that they had a great time. Their story of the convention will appear in the January number of NEWS AND VIEWS.

## TREE . . . from WEEKLY UNITY 12/20/70

The tree in my yard,  
With no lights aglow,  
Stands quietly dark  
On a plain of snow.

It needs no sweet bells,  
No tinsel glory  
To remind me of  
The Christmas story.

It's forever green,  
Forever growing,  
When sun is shining  
Or clouds are snowing.

Its evergreenness  
Is a symbol of  
The foreverness  
Of the Master's love.

Nina Willis Walter

## THE CHRISTMAS TREE Mary Rowe

Last year, I was looking at a decorated Christmas tree, and I realized I just couldn't see the tree itself! There were so many baubles - lights, tinsel, colored balls, and candy.

I think we tend to over-decorate, don't you? We seem to lose sight of the fact that nature usually creates beauty in the first place. We feel that we have to continue to add more and more to enhance nature's beauty - and unless we are very careful we almost obliterate it.

We often over-decorate our own person. We are inclined to lack confidence in ourselves and our appearance. We have to keep adding more make up, more jewelry, another bow, another scarf, until we really don't know ourselves.

It seems a shame to discount nature's own beauty so completely that we eventually cover it all up. I know that many man made things are very lovely - but I do sometimes think we should accustom our eyes to finding beauty in nature, whether it is in a face, a figure, or a Christmas tree. Decoration, after all, is meant to beautify what is already beautiful. So this year, let's see something of the tree.

(Miss Rowe's article is taken from WEEKLY UNITY 12/13/70)

## BE PREPARED FOR A SURPRISE THE 20th

When you come into the Sanctuary next Dec. 20th, take a look in the direction of the altar. You will find a lovely gift that has come to the church through the talent and generosity of someone who wants to make our church's Christmas more meaningful. But no questions at this time, please, it's to be a surprise!!

## TRAVELER RETURNS TO DELAWARE

Mrs. Ernestine Frost has returned home after a two months visit in California. She was a guest of her daughter and family, Mrs. and Mrs. William Heffner, in Anderson California.

## HOSPITAL NOTES . . . .

Mrs. Howard Cummins continues to be a patient at the Helene Nursing Home, Washington at Griswold. She has had a long illness and your personal visits, cards, and notes, mean a great deal to her....Mrs. Donald Brown has been a patient at Jane M. Case Hospital.

KEEP WATCHING . . . GOD HAS SOME WONDERFUL NEW THINGS FOR YOU IN 1971!!!!

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THIS WEDNESDAY marks the beginning of Lent, which is the season of preparation for Easter. The word Lent is derived from an old Anglo-Saxon term meaning spring. It is the time of rebirth, of awakening. Life that was dormant in the earth awakens in the spring. Life that is dormant in you can awaken by the power of the Holy Spirit. During Lent our attention is on how to prepare ourselves for our continuing rebirth into new and abundant life. Further on in this issue you will find specific suggestions on how we can fruitfully observe Lent. But first we shall be reading news about our church family.

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**WILLIAM STREET CHURCH BUILDING BURNS!**

Historic William Street United Methodist Church was destroyed by fire of unknown origin Saturday, Jan. 30. The new educational building survived with only minor damage. The congregation is now meeting for worship in St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Your minister offered the use of our own building as did a number of other churches.

Two results of the fire on the thinking of us all are 1) a concern for the safety of our own buildings, and 2) the facing of the crucial question, "What constitutes our church?" Are we primarily a building of brick and stone, or are we a fellowship of people who seek to follow Jesus Christ?

Our prayers and good wishes are with the members of William Street Church as they face the future.

**MCKEAN GRANDDAUGHTER HONORED BY SCHOOL**

Carol Moren, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Moren and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McKean, was selected as citizen of the month (January) by the Medina Junior High School in Columbus. Carol is in the ninth grade. She was chosen for her leadership in class and club work, her service on committees for the benefit of both the school and students. She was complimented for her unselfish service which has been an example to the other students of Medina Junior High, "carrying out her assignments showing curtesy, respect, and good sportsmanship."

Carol has cerebral palsey and must use crutches. All her friends appreciate her happy smile and her cheerful disposition. We all extend our congratulations to Carol, her parents, and grandparents.

**SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN STUDIES TO BEGIN**

The third annual School of Christian studies will begin March 7 at St. Mary's

School. It is sponsored by the Delaware Inter Church Council under the direction of the Christian Education Committee of which your minister is the chairman. Five courses of general interest are offered plus two special courses for Junior and Senior High youth. Our own youth fellowships will be a part of these courses. A School brochure is enclosed with your newsletter along with a registration blank. Additional blanks and brochures are available in the church vestibule. Blanks may be turned in at the church any Sunday or taken to the first session of the School.

**SPECIAL PROGRAM THIS SUNDAY NIGHT**

Carolyn White and Helen Aleshire will present the second of their programs based on their recent world tour this Sunday night at 6:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall. It will last one hour and will consist primarily of slides taken in Japan, Thailand, and Germany. Coffee will be available and everyone is invited.

The first program was held Feb. 8 and covered the Philippines, Baptist World Alliance, and Hong Kong. A third program will be announced later.

**BYERLY SELECTED CITY HEART DRIVE HEAD**

Donald Byerly has been appointed chairman of the 1971 Heart Sunday Appeal in Delaware city. The total goal for the entire county is \$5,500. Hayes High School students will conduct a house-to-house canvass today (Feb. 21). The canvass will be from 1 to 4 P.M. Special information on the Appeal is included in this Sunday's bulletin. This is a very vital program and you are urged to be generous in your response.

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We are not going to move this world by criticism of it nor conformity to it, but by the combustion within it of lives ignited by the Spirit of God.

Sir:  
The cooperative extension service and the 4-H clubs of Delaware County would like to thank the First Baptist Church for enabling us to hold our Pilot Dog session Thursday evening. We certainly appreciate all your help and cooperation. Thank you.

Yours truly,  
Ralph K. Jordan  
County Extension  
Agent, 4-H

Dear Rev. Stephenson & fellowship  
of the First Baptist Church:

It has been some time since I've communicated with my dear friends, and I must say I had a calling to do it. As you know I've been in the U.S. Navy the last 3 years and a half. I've moved again and again. Thru all these moves you have remained close to my heart, and have always been in my prayers. My future is most uncertain at this point. I do know that I will not make the service a career. I'm due out of the Navy sometime this November. I will probably follow up my training in the Navy by applying for an apprenticeship in an electrical union. I also want to go back to school part time to obtain my degree in electrical engineering. I've got a number of years of hard work ahead of me, but I must complete this goal... Since my last ties with Ohio I haven't decided where to call home. My parents live in Coopertown, New York. I suppose I'll probably go back and start there. I want to stop in Ohio on my way home to see my lasting friends, and most of all my baby daughter Debra Sue. It's been a long time and I miss her. I hope to see most of you around the middle of November then. I hope that some of you will drop me a line. I'm so out of touch it would be good hearing from you. I'll write again soon. God bless and keep you all.

Yours thru Christ Jesus,  
Bob Cawley

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#### SENIOR CITIZENS SERVICES AVAILABLE

The Delaware Senior Citizens Club, which is a nonprofit organization devoted to aiding senior citizens enlarge their social and public relations with other people thru wholesome recreation activities, is attempting to increase its membership.

This group, which was founded in

Delaware in 1963, now has a part time director for their programs.

Criteria for membership is simply being 60 years of age and a resident of Delaware County, although we do have a few members in surrounding counties. Dues are \$2.00 per year per member, which are usually paid the first of September of each year.

Activities this group has done include bus trips to nearby communities and points of interest, bridge, bowling, social parties, bingo, cards, bazaars, speakers, movies, book reviews, covered dish dinners, leathercraft, woodworking, and community services to Red Cross, Cancer organization, and United Appeals benefits.

If anyone who is eligible would care to know more about this organization, they could call 363-4155 Monday thru Friday from 9:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. and talk to Mrs. Judy Barber, the new program director. She can answer questions and give out information on this organization.

Jack Smith  
City Recreation Director

#### A PRAYER . . .

This radio set called prayer is designed for remarkably simple repair. When the lines fail there is no doubt which half of the set is out.

Carol Lynn Pearson

Submitted by Karen Stoner

#### WOMEN'S MISSION SOCIETY NEWS

The Women's Mission Society met Thursday, Feb. 11, at 7:30 P.M. in the Assembly Room with 15 present, which was very good considering the bad weather. An interesting program on Thailand was presented by Mary Richards assisted by Helen Aleshire showing slides. The Love Gift dedication was given by Claudia Eliot.

Helen Aleshire, Myrtle Gabriel, and Nellie Dick were appointed as the nominating committee.

Mrs. Spence and Mrs. Brower were guests.

Hostesses for the evening were Janet Lathrop, Evelyn Lee, and Della Dean.

Our next meeting will be a daytime meeting March 11, 10:00 A.M. - 2:30 P.M. at the church.

Hostesses will be Kizzie Main, Mary Milhoan, and Pauline Nash.

What we will do then will be announced.

Della Dean,  
Program Chairman

TO ALL CHURCH WOMEN:

On March 5, Friday, we are hostesses for the Delaware observance of the World Day of Prayer. This is a special day sponsored by Church Women United which was begun by two prominent Baptists, Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery and Mrs. Henry Peabody. They had been to India and had seen the need of Dr. Ida Scudder to start a hospital at Vellore. They brought back the vision of all church women praying together and giving an offering to help build Dr. Ida's hospital and college. That was more than 80 years ago. From a small beginning the Day of Prayer grew and spread until Christian women from 169 countries and islands of the world share in the day.

It is our privilege to have this observance in our church this year. The service will start at 9:30 A.M. and be about an hour in length followed by a fellowship time in our Assembly Room.

I invite and urge you to come and bring a friend and share in this service of prayer, inspiration and fellowship, and be a hostess to our friends from other churches in our community. If you would like to share in the refreshments let Sophia Stephenson know. She and her committee are in charge of the Fellowship time and would welcome your help.

Bertha McTaggart

STEPHEN BOUGHER IS EAGLE SCOUT

Stephen Bougher received the rank of Eagle Scout in a Court of Honor held Feb. 15 at the William Street Church. It is the highest rank in scouting and all the church is proud of his achievement. At the same ceremony Kenneth Bougher and Rick VanBrimmer were made First Class Scouts. Congratulations to them all!

SESSIONS ON HOLY SPIRIT ON WEDNESDAYS

Wednesday night Bible study is on the subject of the Holy Spirit. Two sessions have been held and last week's attendance was 13. It is not too late to be

a part of the class. Read I Corinthians 12-14 for the next session.

YOUTH COLUMN by Colleen Askins

Since our last meeting some exciting items have come up for the youth in our church. We can proudly announce that the church now has a Junior and Senior BYF. Mr. and Mrs. Wickum have continued with the Juniors and they had elections with the following as officers: President - Rick VanBrimmer; Vice-President - Bob Stephenson; and Secretary-Treasurer - Lorrie Lathrop. The Senior BYF can proudly say that they have some terrific leaders; they are Rev. J. B. Stephenson, Susan Mussard, and Linda Seckman. So far elections haven't taken place, but they will have their elections on Sunday, February 21. Both groups have their own plans so be looking for some interesting projects done by both BYF's in the future.

On Feb. 6 the two BYF's combined and took a little trip to Prospect. The reason - to help the First Baptist Church celebrate the erection of their new educational building. There was a meal, singing, and a talk by Evangelist Dr. Larry Clark.

FLASH\*FLASH\*FLASH

The Senior BYF has some very interesting news. They have two new members. They are Dianne and Darlene Brower. They came to Delaware from Zanesville, where they attended the Market Street Baptist Church. Dianne is a sophomore and Darlene is a freshman. They have a younger brother and sister who attend Sunday School and Church with their parents. Dianne and her father have recently joined the choir also. We are happy to have them all in the church.

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Until next month good health and God bless!

DISCIPLESHIP CLASS MEETING ON SATURDAYS

A discipleship class for all youth considering baptism started meeting last Saturday at the Church. It is still open for members and if you are interested contact the minister.

Prayer is to religion what original research is to science.

P. T. Forsythe

FROM THE WEST END WICKUMS -

A delightful thing has happened at our house...we are beginning to have discussion of the Sunday School lesson from the viewpoint of more than one class. This has come about since we use the new material which has all the family studying at their own age level, but using the same Scripture. Wick teaches Junior Hi, and Jean teaches Juniors, and Crystal, who come with us to S.S., is a primary class member, with Mrs. Stephenson as teacher. Why don't you try sharing insights in your family, too?

AA And isn't it nice to have a special Fellowship Offering again? Some things about our congregation appear to be unique, and this caring for one another, and the helpless ones, is one of them. It gives you a good feeling to know that you are one of a very solid part of God's household, which not only supports you in your need with prayer, but in practical ways as well.

In the capacity of Youth Chairman for the Board of Education, Jean wishes to announce the expansion of the committee from three to nine members. In addition to herself, she now counts on Linda Seckman, Rev. Stephenson, and Susan Mussard, Senior Hi leaders; Donald, Dorothy, and Donna Brown, Junior Hi leaders; Wick, Junior Hi leader and teacher; and Marge Smale, Senior Hi teacher. Hopefully, when they meet, the youth will send a representative from each group, too. How's that for growth! Be sure and tell your friends about it who may not now be coming to our Sunday morning and evening sessions.

Please look in the literature rack for materials on drugs...Jean will put some there for your personal use from time to time, courtesy of the Mental Health Association.

Puzzles and practicing saying the books of the Bible was the order of business for the Junior Class after they had lunch with the Wickums on Valentine Day. They demolished a Valentine Cake, and did fine on the puzzles, but still have trouble with the minor prophets and epistles. A Bible quiz game will be the reward for reciting correctly the books of each Testament. Mark Brower was the first to earn his for the Old Testament.

We have closed our morning worship service for many years with the three-fold amen. I am sure that you are familiar

with the tune and the words. Won't you please join us, all of you in the congregation? If you're not sure of the words you will find them in selection 649.

AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING COMING

Our annual America for Christ offering is always received the first communion Sunday in Lent. This year it will be March 7. The national goal for the offering is \$750,000. Funds go for Home Mission projects such as Christian Centers, Refugee resettlement, and many others. YOU GIVE SO THAT ALL MAY KNOW THE WORD.

OFFICERS DEDICATED THIS SUNDAY

This Sunday (Feb. 21) is set aside as a day of dedication for the officers of the congregation. The ceremony will take place as a part of the morning service. Below is a list of the officers. All terms are for one year except for those with an expiration date indicated.

- Moderator - W. C. Wickum
- Asst. Moderator - Claudia Eliot
- Clerk - Elvira Smith
- Treasurer - Helen Aleshire
- Asst. Treasurer - John McTaggart
- Finance Chairman - B. T. Leidtke, 1973
- Finance Secretary - Richard Lee
- Church School Clerk - Janet Lathrop
- Deaconesses & Deacons
  - James VanBrimmer, 1971
  - Charles Eliot, 1971
  - L. F. Gabriel, 1972
  - Myrtle Gabriel, 1972
  - Ernestine Frost, 1973
  - Mary Milhoan, 1973

Trustees

- Willard Fogle, 1971
- Harold Bougher, 1972
- Jack Smith, 1972
- John McTaggart, 1973
- Peter White, 1973

Board of Christian Education

- Carol Fogle, 1971
- Marjorie Smale, 1971
- Helen Aleshire, 1972
- Bertha McTaggart, 1972
- Jean Wickum, 1973

SINGERS TO PRESENT PROGRAM AT SANBORN

The Madrigal Singers of Ohio Wesleyan University will present a concert at Sanborn Hall Sunday, February 28 at 8:15. Admission is free but tickets will be required until 8:05. They may be obtained at MUB desk or at Sanborn Hall office.

## BAPTIST MEN IN THE NEWS

The current issue of THE AMERICAN BAPTIST carries a picture of Joe Brower who is treasurer of American Baptist Men of Ohio. The Browers have recently moved to Delaware from Zanesville and are living at 32 Coventry Road. Jim VanBrimmer has completed his term as president of the American Baptist Men of Ohio but continues to represent them on the Board of Trustees and Executive Committee of the Ohio Baptist Convention.

## WATCH FOR NEW CHRISTIAN MAGAZINE

CHRISTIAN LIFE magazine will soon be available at discount price to our church fellowship. They will be sending us 15 copies each month on a "no risk" basis. It is a non-denominational periodical with news and articles of interest to Christians. Watch for it in a special rack in the vestibule.

## DO YOU NOTICE ANY DIFFERENCE IN THIS ISSUE?

Have you been aware of a new appearance in this newsletter? The church typewriter is being repaired and we are typing stencils on an Olympia office electric loaned by Stockdale's. Like it?

## COMMUNION SET AND CABINET RESTORED

Thanks to the efforts of Peter White and Mrs. Sophia Stephenson, the church's antique communion set is again in the Sanctuary. It may be seen in a cabinet mounted on the south wall of the Sanctuary near the entrance to the south vestibule. The set was presented to the church in 1897 by D. S. Shattuck and family. The cabinet was made in June, 1935, by E. P. Nash, the father of Miss Pauline Nash.

## NEWS FROM FORMER MEMBERS

The Lees recently received a letter from the Cantwells (Les and Louise) who are former very active members of our congregation. They are living in Bluffton, Ohio. Steve has been in the Air Force since Nov., 1969. He was married last November and is living in Tuscon, Ariz. at the Davis-Manthan Air Force Base. John is a freshman at Wooster College and Virginia is a high school freshman. Roger is active in the Cub Scouts and Louise works with Girl Scouts. Last summer she was a counselor for 14 girls at a Scout Camp on Kelly Island.

## A REQUEST FROM THE CANCER SOCIETY

Materials are needed to make cancer pads. Any soft, absorbent material will do, it does not need to be white - old sheets, mattress pads, towels, etc. Also needed - plastic curtains, dry cleaner bags, plastic table cloths. If you have materials to contribute please bring them to the church or phone 363-7021 and someone will pick them up.

Evelyn Lee

## CAROLYN WHITE REPORTS TO THE CHURCH

For the first time in the church's history we had official delegates at the Baptist World Alliance Meeting in Tokyo, Japan. Mrs. Helen Aleshire and Mrs. Carolyn White attended as a part of their world tour and on Sunday, Feb. 7, Carolyn brought an interesting report to the church during the morning worship. Helen assisted in the service.

## HOW TO KEEP LENT - SOME SUGGESTIONS

Lent is traditionally a time of spiritual and physical preparation for the new life that is always available for us in Christ Jesus. Here are a few practical suggestions.

1. Attend the services of your church and church school, asking, "What does God have to say to me in this service?"
2. Take a class in the coming School of Christian Studies.
3. Make a list of prayer requests and use it at least once a day.
4. Begin regular reading of the Bible. Per-a Gospel would be the best starting place.
5. Make a special effort to change some of your old negative patterns of thinking and talking.
6. Start using tongue control. Make a point kindness to someone you find difficult.
7. Volunteer some time for some agency needing volunteers.

No one is likely to try all of these. And I'm sure you can think of some ideas of your own. Please feel free to consult your minister for suggestions and help.

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE WILL WORK IF YOU PERMIT IT!



SWAP COLUMN . . . . .

(Anything you need and are looking for? Anything you have you want to give away, sell, or trade? We invite you to use our SWAP column)

BEAUTIFUL PUPPY, part Collie, will make an adorable pet for adults or children. Free to a good home. Mrs. Helen Aleshire, 362-2211.

BOY'S SUIT, size 14, almost new, to be given away. Call 362-2661.

FOREIGN AND U.S. STAMPS to swap. Mint or used. Jack Smith, 369-3981.

INTERESTED IN JIG-SAW PUZZLES? Will swap puzzles with other puzzle fans. Bertha VanBrimmer.

GERBILS MAKE GREAT PETS. Tame, odorless, intelligent. Five weeks old, ready to join your family. For sale by Bob Stephenson, 363-7021.

WANTED...NEW members for a church that teaches the Way of Freedom thru Christian living. Phone 363-7021 if interested.

KAREN STONER GRADUATES: JOINS HUSBAND

Karen VanBrimmer Stoner graduated last Tuesday from the Personnel Specialist Course at Keesler Air Force Base in Mississippi. She was designated Outstanding Honor Graduate with a grade of 96%. Karen is now an Airman First Class. She has now joined her husband Steve at the Sheppard Air Force Base at Wichita Falls, Texas where she will begin working Monday as a Personnel Specialist.

New address:

Mr. & Mrs. John S. Stoner  
1401 Tenth St.  
Apt. 22  
Wichita Falls, Texas 76301

ARE YOU READING THE AMERICAN BAPTIST?

All members and friends of the congregation should be receiving THE AMERICAN BAPTIST, which is a monthly except in July and August when the two months are combined into a single issue. It replaces two

FILM TAKE . . . . .

Since You chose to make such a dark and lifeless flimsy drab flammable piece of celluloid You'll have to thread me, Lord, to project light.

You'll have to  
clean the film gate  
throw the switch  
adjust the frame  
focus the lens  
make sure I'm on track.

Perhaps then You can transform the obvious negative to dazzling positive and display the splendor of Yourself thru a transparent human heart on the screen of life.

- Morris Anderson

previous publications, CRUSADER and MISSION. One person has informed your minister that he is not receiving every issue. If you are having a problem call 363-7021 and we'll see if your subscription can be corrected.

DEVOTIONAL MANUAL STILL AVAILABLE

Several years ago your minister wrote a Lenten devotional manual for the United Prayer Tower in St. Paul. Some copies are still available and you may have one free on request.

I go adventuring with my Lord  
Down pathways strange and new.  
Sometimes my feet are hesitant  
To go, yet when they do,  
I walk a wondrous way with Him,  
Heart-free and unafraid.  
My soul can soar to untried heights,  
For love and faith have made  
My step more sure, my burdens light  
On roads that straighter grow.  
And as I've walked each day with Him,  
I've come at last to know  
There are no walls, no chains to bind:  
With Him I'm truly free.  
I go adventuring with My Lord  
And find the greater Me.

Jean B. Grover  
(from Weekly Unity)





needed and are being considered, and two anonymous donors have promised a large gift toward the total cost.

**SPECIAL HOLY WEEK SERVICES ANNOUNCED**

Holy Week begins Sunday, April 4. In addition to the Choir's Cantata, two special services are planned and a third may yet be announced. (See the article from the Board of Education). On Maundy Thursday we shall hold our annual candle-light communion in the Fellowship Hall. Service time is 8:00 P.M. We will be seated together at tables placed in the form of a cross and the rule of silence will be observed before and after the service.

The community Good Friday Worship will be at 1:00 P.M. at the First Presbyterian Church. Rev. Paul Mustard, minister of the Grace Methodist Church will be the preacher

**QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING SOON**

The quarterly business meeting of the congregation is scheduled for Sunday, April 18. This is one week late due to Easter falling on the second Sunday. Time - after morning worship.

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR -**

Sir:  
I want to thank all those who remembered me with cards and notes while I was a patient in the hospital.

Mrs. Louise Somerlot  
1670 E. El Camino Dr.  
Phoenix, Arizona 85020

**FROM THE WOMEN'S SOCIETY -**

The Women's Mission Society met March 11 in the Assembly Room at the church for their daytime meeting. 12 were present. The day was spent making cancer pads, cutting quilt blocks and repairing the hymnals.

The next meeting date has been changed because of the association meeting. It will be Thursday, April 29, 7:30 P.M. at the church. The program is "The American Indian." Claudia Eliot will be in charge, and the hostesses, Frances Belt, Bertha McTaggart, and Mary Richards.  
Della Dean, Pro. Chr.

**FATHER-SON NIGHT IN RICHWOOD.**

The men of the Marion Association will hold their annual Father-Son Banquet at the First Baptist Church, Richwood, April 13 at 6:30 P.M. Dinner will be \$1.50 and the speaker is Mike Akers, room mate and associate of Rex Kern. Give your reservations to Jim VanBrimmer.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER FOR DCCMR**

The second annual spaghetti dinner for the Delaware Council for the Mentally Retarded will be held March 29 at the Pizza Villa from 5:00 to 8:00 P.M. All the proceeds will allow the children and adults at the Delaware County School and Workshop to go to summer camp and engage in other summer activities. You can get tickets thru your minister at \$1.50 for adults; \$1.00 for children under 14. Children under 6 are free. This is a very worthy cause and it deserves your support.

**WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION MEETING HERE**

The women of the Marion Baptist Association will hold their spring meeting at our church, Thursday, April 15. It begins at 10 A.M. with registration at 9:30. After lunch the program will feature special music and a message given by Mrs. "Hap" Taylor who is president of Church Women United of Ohio.

Anyone who can help with the luncheon please contact the chairman, Ernestine Frost. Contributions of money to help cover the cost of food and other needed items would be gratefully received. We will provide attendants for the nursery. Mothers are asked to bring sack lunches for the children, who will eat in the nursery. Milk will be provided. Lunch is to be \$1.00.

We hope that every woman in our church family will attend and extend a friendly welcome as a hostess that day. You will be blessed with the friendship and you will be a blessing to others.

Bertha McTaggart

HAVE YOU THOUGHT of visiting visiting our Wednesday Bible Study? Miss You!

MORE FROM THE WOMEN'S SOCIETY -

HELP ELIMINATE POLLUTION! Have you wondered if Delaware is going to have a drive to collect glass bottles? The wives of students at the Seminary are going to collect them for the next few weeks. So if you would bring them (clean, glass) in bags to the church, they will be taken to the seminary and sent to be processed.

Bertha McTaggart

COVERED DISH AND SLIDES ON INDIA

The last of three presentations based on their round the world tour of American Baptist Mission Stations was made Saturday, March 6, by Helen Aleshire and Carolyn White. The evening began with a covered dish dinner and was followed by a slide presentation on India.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Board of Christian Education is planning for some social events in the next couple of months. We hope that you will find them to your interest and will attend the various functions that will be forthcoming.

There have been suggestions that we have an Easter Sunrise Service and breakfast. If enough people - all ages - would attend and will let us know we will have such a service. It is a thrilling experience to share in an early morning worship service, especially on Easter as we all share in the resurrection. Please let the minister or Bertha McTaggart know this week if you are interested and will come. We'll announce it next Sunday if there is to be a service and breakfast.

Bertha McTaggart

YOUTH COLUMN . . .

I. The Senior BYF nominated and elected the following officers for this year. President - Colleen Askins; Vice-president - Pam Lathrop; Sec. Treas. - Darlene Brower; & Recreation Chairman - Susan VanBrimmer.

II. To start out the new group, five members went out on Sat., March 13; to collect popbottles. After a 2 hour collection the group made a

total of \$10.89. They now have approximately \$30 in their treasury. As president of our group I'd like to thank all the church members who donated their popbottles for a very good cause.

III. ATTENTION ALL GUYS AND GALS OF SENIOR BYF AGE. You are cordially invited to attend our BYF meetings which resume in April (first Sunday) at 6:00 P.M. This month the members of the BYF are attending the meetings of the School of Christian Studies. Hope you can make it.

IV. Since our last meeting and up to now it has been established that the Senior BYF is planning projects in the future. At the present we are planning all future projects for one purpose. This purpose is to do a little redecorating and changing to the Senior High room. The redecorating won't take place till we have a fairly stable treasury.

Also attending the School of Christian Studies is the Junior High group. As of this moment I do not know of any projects that are being planned, but I do know that fun and fellowship has been a part of both BYF's. You are welcome to attend.

Starting next month - All of the people of both BYF's are very interesting people and each month I will introduce an old character to you, but a new character in a different sense as concerning their views, ideas, interests and capabilities. I'm sure you will agree that you will find out a little more about a person than you already know.

Until next month,

Sincerely,

Colleen Askins  
Youth Editor

YOUTH OF CHURCH IN SCIENCE FAIR

Several of our young people had science exhibits on display at Hayes recently. One, Bob Smith, also exhibited at Ohio State at the district level.

The youth are Bob Smith (excellent at Hayes, Good at State) effects of caffeine, alcohol and space flights on mice; Kim Askins (excellent) ballistics; Darlene Brower (good) micro-

organisms in water; and Jeff Richards, distilling water.

OPINION POLL ENCLOSED - CHECK IT!!

Enclosed with your NEWS AND VIEWS is a copy of the American Baptist Opinion Poll on Evangelism. Check your copy and return it to the church next Sunday, please. (You can mail it to the parsonage if you will not be here). Another copy is in your American Baptist Magazine. If several members of your family wish to fill in the poll, use both copies.

L.F. GABRIEL RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL  
L. F. "Cap" Gabriel was a recent patient in Jane M. Case Hospital. He is now at home and doing fine.

SWAP COLUMN . . .

BEAUTIFUL handmade Teen-bags (\$1.25), hot pads (35¢), kitchen hand towels (75¢), net wind bonnetts (\$1.00). For sale by Mrs. Ernestine Frost, 176 N. Liberty, phone 369-1273.

(anyone is invited to submit items for sale, trade, or give away... or requests)

TO SENSE HIS GOODNESS

I taste the air - it tastes of destiny,  
I touch the robe of a man - it feels of goodness,  
I smell the palm branches - they smell of life,  
I hear the sound of people - it is the sound of joy,  
I see the Savior - He shines of radiance.  
It is Palm Sunday - and all is hopeful.

I taste the wine - it tastes of His blood,  
I touch my face - it is wet of tears,  
I smell the air - it smells of sadness,  
I hear the sobs - the sobs of sorrow,  
I see the cross - the cross of death.  
It is Good Friday - and all is dark.

I taste the air - it tastes of new life,  
I touch the earth - it feels of goodness,  
I smell a flower - it smells of freshness,  
I hear the church bells - they sound of glory,  
I see that He who died for me is still living - His radiance  
is that of love,  
It is Easter Sunday - and all is as it should be.

Donald L. Brown

Published in the cause of the Abundant Life  
by the First Baptist Church, Delaware, Ohio

Our guest editorial writer this month is May Rowland, who is the head of Silent Unity. I have chosen excerpts from her article "Stay Young, Alive, and Alert." "I like to tell you how wonderful you are and how wonderful God created you to be. You are important to God because He created you to be His perfect expression. The next time you feel run down and at the end of your rope, try giving thanks to God as the source of your life and energy. You will feel a refreshing stream of life renewing your mind and body. God created you a living soul and continues to breathe into you the breath of life. Life is a gift of God. It is absolutely unlimited, except in our concept of it. We sometimes say that life is consciousness. Our consciousness is made up of what we constantly think, feel, and believe. We express life on the level of our consciousness. What we sow into our consciousness every day brings either a feeling of joyous life or a feeling that we are getting old and life is passing us by. A man of forty who was attending night school was asked why at this age he was back in school. He answered, 'Because I do not want to die at forty and wait to be buried at eighty.' What are some of the limitations you have placed upon yourself that keep you from expressing the joy of living? Change these habits. Enter into a joy filled present. If you want to be young and buoyant, do not carry a load of burdens in your mind. Sometimes a person will think he cannot carry a bag of groceries from the car into the house, but he carries an impossible load of burdens in his mind. Remember, Jesus came with a message of life and joy." Good living to you all! (JBS)

SECKMAN-WHITE ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED Educational building - \$10,130.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Seckman, Vienna, W. Va., are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Linda Louise, to Peter Alexander White, son of Mrs. Carolyn White. A July wedding is being planned by the couple.

PETTIT-SNOUFFER MARRIED AT CHURCH

Debbie Pettit and Ed Snouffer were married in our Sanctuary Thursday, April 15. Ed is in the Army and their new address is Valley View Trailer Park, Box 18, Copperas, Texas 76522. Debbie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pettit.

MRS. JAMES LINN SERVICE HELD APRIL 1

Funeral services for Mrs. James Linn, mother of John Linn, were held April 1 at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Mrs. Linn passed away March 30. We extend our sympathy to the Linn family.

CHURCH'S DEBT ANNOUNCED

The total debt of the church was announced at the recent business meeting as follows: Roof - \$800;

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR -

Dear Steve & Church family:

We sure love the newsletter - it keeps us in touch with Delaware and the church. Please say a special word to Don Brown; his poem was beautiful.

I sincerely hope many people will go to Green Lake this summer. We want so much to go but it doesn't appear possible. Every minute there is so divine!!!

We are expecting a move this July to Hill AFB. It sounds beautiful in Utah!

We want to thank the thoughtful people who wrote us. We were happy to hear from each of you.

Sorry to miss out on the lovely Easter service - especially the cantata. We haven't found a church yet like ours back home! Keep smiling and will see you all soon!

Love in Christ,  
Karen & Steve

Mr. & Mrs. Steve Stoner  
1401 10th St. Apt. 22  
Wichita Falls, Texas 76302

To the church:

I would like to thank all who have been helping in the nursery each Sunday during church. It's a pleasure to come and rejoin the choir again - I can always get a sitter Wednesday night and come to rehearsal but Sunday morning is a little more difficult. Also, the kids enjoy it, (Mike can't talk yet but he's never crying when I come to get him! And Charlie always wants to stay longer.) So, again, Thanks!

Jeanne Ekelberry

Dear Friends,

We extend our appreciation and thanks to all of you for the beautiful flowers at the time of "Mama" Linn's death.

Ann and John Linn

Dear Rev. Stephenson and flock,

In memory of our father, Mr. A. J. Birdsell, who loved your church and was warmed by your friendship, I send this check to be used on whatever is most urgent at this time.

Alva Birdsell Dickey  
Janet Dickey

(from Newsletter of  
1st Baptist Church,  
Ambridge, Pa.)

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A BLESSING . . .

God love and keep you,  
blessing your going out and your  
coming in.

May you walk in light  
and your steps be as a singing.  
May you rejoice in your work  
and know the sweetness of duty, per-  
formed in freedom.

May your hands be gentle in holding  
and tender in letting go.  
May love illumine your face  
and your kiss bring peace.

Herta Rosenblatt

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NURSERY WORKERS STILL NEEDED

The following is a list of nursery workers for the month of May. If your name appears, please don't forget. If it doesn't, sign up for the summer months, the list for available Sundays is on the nursery door.

- May 2 - Jean Brower
- May 9 - Della Dean
- May 16 - Linda Seckman
- May 23 - Myrtle Gabriel
- May 30 - Carol Fogle

RECIPE FOR HAPPINESS

- 2 heaping cups of patience
- 1 heartfelt of love
- 2 handfuls of generosity
- a dash of laughter
- 1 headful of understanding
- sprinkle generously with kindness
- add plenty of faith and mix well
- spread over a period of a lifetime
- and serve everyone you meet

YOUTH COLUMN -

YOU ARE WANTED

Are you sitting at home on Sunday evenings not doing a thing, do you have a lot of get up and go, do you like to be around people, are you willing to help others, are you a Junior or Senior High School student, male or female?

If you can answer yes to all the above - then WE WANT YOU!  
Then come to BYF on Sunday evening at 6:00 P.M.

Remember:

EVERY SUNDAY EVENING  
6:00 P.M.

Junior Hi in Fellowship Hall  
Senior Hi in Youth Room

CLEANING UP WEEK

During the spring break the Senior Hi BYF got very ambitious and cleaned out the Senior Hi room. We also painted the floor Battleship Gray, which was donated by the Brpwers.

WANTED

If you have any paint that you would like to get rid of and have no use for it would be put to use in the Senior Hi room by redecorating. Also needed are any old pillows that are of no use to you? They may be

They may be of use to us, so give them to any Senior BYF'er.

LOOKING AHEAD

Future projects are being planned. One such as -

- CAR WASH
- May 15, 1971
- 12:30 P.M.
- Arco Gas Station, Troy Rd.
- \$1.00 per car

Also planned by the youth is a service for the church in June or July.

Camp folders are available now.

SMILE - GOD LOVES YOU

On Saturday, April 17, the Senior Hi BYF had a bake sale out at the Ben Franklin store. The total amount earned was \$16.10.

The Junior Hi BYF has prepared a surprise program for Sunday night, April 25. It will be presented to the Senior Hi group. Directing it are Donna, Dorothy and Donald Brown.

- Colleen Askins

WORK FOR US TO DO . . .

In the last 20 years the U. S. A. has dropped from 7th to 16th in the world in prevention of infant mortality . . . In female life expectancy we have dropped from 6th to 8th . . . In male life expectancy from 10th to 24th. . . Among the 50 states, Ohio ranks 47th in per capita expenditures for education, and 45th for health. .

NOTES FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Christian Education met April 14 with two members absent. Two new teachers were presented to the board, Mrs. Jean Brower who has taken the Kindergarten Class and Joe Brower who is now teaching the adult fellowship.

Plans for the next few months were discussed. Susan Mussard and the minister are preparing a special observance of Mothers' Day during the morning worship May 9, with Marjorie Smale in charge of the coffee hour immediately afterwards.

On May 16 there will be a Church family dinner and program. Joe Brower and his committee of men will prepare the dinner and Jean Wickum and her committee will present the program. The scheduled time is from 5 P.M. until 7. WATCH THE BULLETIN AND NEWSPAPER FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS.

The next meeting of the Board will be the regular night, May 10, at 7:30 at the Church. All members and all teachers are urged to attend.

- Bertha McTaggart

HOSPITAL NOTES . . .

Recent patients in Jane M. Case Hospital were Allison Grubbs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grubbs, and Diana Lathrop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lathrop. Both girls are at home and fine now.

"BY THE TIME I GET TO PHOENIX"

On April 21, Mrs. John McTaggart left by air for Wichita, Kansas to attend the Ecumenical Assembly of Church Women United which women from all 50 states will be attending. The conference begins the 22nd and ends late Sunday evening the 25th. The next morning she will fly to Phoenix via Denver to spend several days with her sisters and families.

JEAN WICKUM ELECTED VSC SECRETARY

Mrs. W. C. Wickum, executive director of the Delaware County Mental Health Assoc., exchanged the president's gavel for the secretary's pen at the annual meeting of the Volunteer Service Council of Columbus State Hospital. Following the tea and meeting, Mr. and Mrs. Wickum attended a buffet in the recently constructed Midland Mutual Building in which the OMHA offices are located.

LENT AND EASTER ACTIVITIES

Our Lent and Easter experiences were of deep significance to all who shared in them.

Our Holy Week activities began with the Cantata, "Darkness and Dawn," by Fred Peace. Over 100 attended, and everyone was proud of our choir and appreciated what was a true spiritual experience. This service was probably the best attended of any Palm



Service in recent years. We extend congratulations to director, W. C. Wickum, organist Ruth Brown, soloists Melissa Inscho, Joe Brower, and Wick, and all the singers.

Thursday we held our Maundy Thursday Communion at tables in the Fellowship Hall with about 45 present.

This year we resumed the practice of a Sunrise Service and Carolyn White was our speaker. All of us who were there will remember the fine Easter message she shared with us. After the service breakfast was served by Bertha VanBrimmer and her committee. About 60 were present.

Our Easter worship was attended by slightly over 100. Many thoughtful persons brought flowers to beautify the Sanctuary.

Thanks to everyone who shared in our activities.

#### VIAS RETURN FROM FLORIDA

We are all happy to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Fred Via back from their annual winter visit to Fort Pierce, Florida. On their return trip they visited their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Summers, in Staunton, Va.

#### SPEAKER SYSTEM NOW IN OPERATION

Thanks to the electronic skill of Frank Syler our public address system is now operational again.

#### WOMEN'S MISSION SOCIETY COLUMN -

Last Thursday the 15th was the meeting of the women of the Marion Association at our church. It was a beautiful day with warm sunshine filling our church with beauty as it shone thru our stained glass windows. It was reflected in the smiles of the women as they came into the church carrying their bundles of layette items and children's clothing. The display covered six tables. They will be taken to the Women's Conference and divided among the missionaries to be used in their work.

After registration the morning session began and it was my privilege as your president to welcome the women of the other 17 churches. We had a good fellowship in song, a fine business hour with all divisions re-

porting, and then an election followed by an inspiring Installation Service led by Mrs. Garland Swanson from Granville, who is State Program Chairman. She dismissed us with a table blessing. Then the women went to the Fellowship Hall for luncheon.

The afternoon session began at 1:15 and after a song service and offering our special music was sung by Melissa Inscho. She chose "The King of Love My Shepherd Is." It was beautiful and inspiring. Then the program chairman, Mrs. Kaufman, presented the speaker, Mrs. William C. Taylor of Toledo, who is President of Church Women United. Women said they could have listened to her all afternoon, she is such an interesting speaker. Mrs. Walter Penry closed the afternoon and day's session with prayer.

I want to say a BIG THANK YOU to all you who shared in any way in the success of our hosting the Association. Many of you helped in ways I do not know of. The church buildings were clean and bright, the Fellowship Hall looked so pretty and the food was delicious and was served so efficiently by Ernestine Frost and all her helpers. I have received many compliments about the fine day we had. They felt the warmth of our welcome, the joy of our fellowship, and appreciated all the work that was done. Ernestine made little sachets as favors and brought her wonderful doll collection from the countries of the world to decorate the tables and windows. It was a very special day, thanks to everyone.

But you should have heard the noise at lunch time. It was deafening. You know there is nothing to absorb the sound. So - we who were there decided that our next project would be to install acoustical tile on the ceiling and draperies at the windows. Anyone wishing to help please save your Buehler register tapes and Betty Crocker coupons, for they are the source of our fund. Gifts of money are welcome and should be marked "Fellowship Hall Fund." If we work together maybe we can have this accomplished before we host the Men's Fellowship next October.

The Women's Conference is June 29,

30, and July 1 at Otterbein College. Cost fulltime is \$17.50. If you can attend contact me for registration forms. Our association speaker, Mrs. "Hap" Taylor will be there and beside speaking will give some of her original monologue-meditations on "Women of the Bible."

A special thank you to Mrs. Crane who often carries a vase or pot of flowers to church (you know she walks) that they might give beauty to our worship service.

May Fellowship Day will be May 13 (Thursday this year) at St. Mary Catholic Church, and it is to be of interest to the whole family. Starts at 7:30 P.M. A panel of women will discuss "Enlarging Your Tent." The panel is bi-racial and made up of persons of Catholic, Protestant, and Jewish denominations.

- Bertha McTaggart

A NOTE FROM THE SOCIETY -

The Women's Mission Society will meet Thursday, April 29, at 7:30 P.M. at the Church. Frances Belt will preside. Officers for the coming year will be elected. Claudia Eliot is in charge of the program, "The American Indian."

Hostesses will be Frances Belt, Mary Richards, and Della Dean.

We are planning a Vesper Service Sunday, May 23, at the church. The hour will be announced later. All are welcome and the new officers will be installed by Evelyn Lee.

The May meeting will be May 13, a daytime work-fellowship day. Bring scissors, needle, thread, thimble, and your sack lunch.

- Della Dean

YOU KNOW YOU'RE REALLY GETTING OLD WHEN . . .

your self-winding watch keeps stopping,

you burn your draft card and nobody cares,

you drink Pepsi, not to think young, but to make you burp,

you watch the "Miss America Pageant" to hear Bert Parks

sing,

you find yourself reading the obituary columns before turning to the sports section,

you wear stockings for support and sweaters for warmth.

(from MAD MAGAZINE)

DEACONS MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS

At the annual meeting the Board of Deacons and Deaconesses offered three recommendations to the congregation. They are:

1) This church, along with every other like-minded fellowship and especially the free churches, face the crises of our time. As a fellowship united in loving concern for each other and for the ministry of Christ, we must turn to God and selflessly pray for the revelation of our place in this ministry, and for the resources we need to meet the challenge. Together we need to discover a sense of direction, an aim and purpose, and in the spirit of joyful anticipation engage in mission.

2) This Board needs to understand better what specifically is expected of it by the fellowship as a whole. What do we really mean by the "work of the deacons?" What is intended by our constitution where it charges the board with assisting the pastor in caring for the "spiritual needs of the church?" What are these spiritual needs? How, and by whom should the determination be made? As any new sense of mission emerges, what role should the board assume with regard to it? Should the board be regarded as a proxy upon whom is transferred the duties and obligations of individual church members, or should the board be looked to for leadership by a responsive fellowship?

3) The chairman recommends that in the coming year the church as a whole, and thru its boards and committees, make a serious study of these issues and questions and report their honest convictions to the board. This response might then become the basis upon which the board begins to serve

the church in a more relevant and fruitful way than has been the case in the recent past.

James VanBrimmer, Chr.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION . . .

Nearly 70 million Americans smoke cigarettes.

In terms of money, this comes to nearly \$7 billions per year.

In terms of life, it costs 125,000 lives per year.

One smoker dies of a tobacco caused death every four minutes.

Enjoying your smoke?

JANITORS QUIT: HOW TO KEEP IT CLEAN??

Resignations from the Rutherfords left us without janitorial service shortly before Easter. Volunteers have pitched in to take care of the housekeeping and the church is probably cleaner than it has been in months.

Needed right now is attention to the floor in the classroom section of the Educational Building. Also weekly work with the dust cloth, mop, sweeper, etc. Volunteers should contact the minister or Willard Fogle. WE NEED YOU.

THE WORLD WE LIVE (?) IN

We are captives of our culture and tradition. Our ethics are seldom shaped by reason or science. We know far more already about the ecological consequences of our technology than we employ in making decisions, simply because we are unable to turn from the affluence that technology provides. Pollution is the inevitable consequence of an affluent society that values material progress above all else. We would rather blame technology for pollution than admit it is the result of our love of affluence. But the fact is that we could control most pollution if we would be willing to pay the price. It seems we would rather reap short-term benefits and leave the debt to be paid in the future, either by our children or by less fortunate people in other parts of the world.

Dr. Carl Reidel

SHARING IN THE MORNING WORSHIP

Beginning Sunday, May 2, the minister will be assisted each Sunday in leading the service. On the 2nd, Colleen Askins, president of the Senior Hi Fellowship will assist. It is hoped that all ages will be interested.

BAPTISTS AND CHURCH UNION

Publication date of this issue of NEWS AND VIEWS comes on the Sunday we join other congregations in an ecumenical communion service at Willis Gym. All the denominations represented except our own are a part of COCU (Consultation on Church Union). These churches are a part of a movement which intends to unite 9 denominations into one. If this union is accomplished (and it is by no means certain that it will happen) many will expect American Baptists to join. Your minister has studied the Plan of Union and is convinced that to unite would be to deny the principles of freedom which are at the heart of the free church witness. Is this important to you? Are our freedom-principles valid today? Do you know what these principles are? (If you think the major Baptist contribution is immersion, then you are missing what we really stand for). We are happy to join with our fellow Christians in ecumenical communion, and we want to work closely with all churches, but this does not mean that we no longer believe in the radical, revolutionary concept of the free church. Times are changing, and the day of freedom for the whole man has not yet arrived. BUT IT IS ON ITS WAY! The real contribution of the free church is yet to be made. Want to hear more about it?

COMING . . . May 30, Pentecost, the birthday of the Christian Church. We shall observe the act of New Testament Baptism.

Contributions to NEWS AND VIEWS are solicited. Letters, articles, poems, swap items, all are welcomed to these pages. Next issue will be published May 23.

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IT ALWAYS SEEMS EASIER TO BE A FOLLOWER OF JESUS in the out-door months! The  
Good News was first taught outside by the Lake of Galilee or on the Hills a-  
round it. The green and growing earth reminds us that we are meant to be  
growing persons. The Christian life is not intended to be a way of believ-  
ing but a Way of living. The Church was never meant to be an organization  
but a fellowship. In this fellowship we associate with loving and tolerant  
fellow-seekers who support us in our efforts to become Fulfilled and Joyful  
Persons, worthy to be called Sons and Daughters of Life. This is accomplish-  
ed not so much by saying, or even doing, but first and foremost by thinking.  
A special kind of thinking which is not planning, or analysing, or speculat-  
ing, but which is changing our thought patterns from the negative, fearful,  
resentful, unloving, to the expectant, hopeful, thankful and loving. In  
other words, to "have the same mind (thought patterns) which was in Christ  
Jesus." By the way, this is the real meaning of "repent," which is "to  
change your mind." This is not easy, but is a transformation of conscious-  
ness from the surface all the way down into the depths of the unconscious.  
It requires discipline, training, practice, study, and the Grace of God!!  
And this is what the church is supposed to be all about. Want to work at it?  
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#### FAMILY DINNER PREPARED BY THE MEN!

About 70 persons met in the Fel-  
lowship Hall last Sunday (May 16)  
for a family dinner planned and pre-  
pared by the men of the church un-  
der the direction of Joe Brower. The  
countdown for "operation hambone"  
began at 1 P.M. and kept the crew  
of cooking, serving, and cleanup  
specialists busy until after 9. The  
result was a banquet of ham, candied  
sweet potatoes, baked potatoes, corn,  
salad, rolls, butter, beverage, and  
dessert.

After dinner a fine program was  
presented under the direction of  
Jean Wickum consisting of group sing-  
ing led by Wick, piano solos by Ruth  
Brown and Joe Brower, a choir num-  
ber, and two vocal solos by Wick.  
A real thank you to all who worked  
to give the church a night of fun.

#### A LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Sir: Please convey my thanks to  
the church for the dinner sent to me  
Sunday night.

Mrs. Joe Ball

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Funny how big a dollar looks  
when you take it to church,  
and how small it looks  
when you take it to the store.  
from CROSS AND KEYS

#### DEATH IN GABRIEL FAMILY

Carl Gabriel, brother of L. F. Gab-  
riel, passed away at his home in  
Prospect Wednesday, May 12. The  
church extends its sympathy to the  
family and friends.

#### JUNIOR HIGH BAKE SALE HELD

The Junior High Youth Fellowship  
held a bake sale at the Georgetown  
Shopping Center Saturday, May 15,  
to raise money for camp. They re-  
port a profit of \$27 and extend their  
thanks to all who helped.

#### MYRTLE SMITH RETURNS FROM FLORIDA

Mrs. Myrtle Smith recently return-  
ed from her winter in Florida. She  
reports that there is no place like  
home and that she enjoyed receiving  
NEWS AND VIEWS. Everyone missed her  
and we all join in welcoming her!!!

#### HANBYS RETURN TO ALABAMA

The Hanby family moved back to  
Alabama May 14. Mrs. Hanby joined  
our church by letter and the entire  
family participated in the life of  
the congregation. Watch the bulletin  
board in the vestibule for their new  
address.

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Let the Son shine in!!!!!!

**INTER-RACIAL CHOIR FESTIVAL SUNDAY**

The annual inter-racial, inter-faith Choir Festival will be held Sunday, May 23, at 7:30 P.M. at the Woodward School. Sponsored by the Second Baptist Church, this has become a high point of the spring for those who attend. Our Choir will sing.

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**March of the Saints**

My Grandma was the first to hang  
Her wash on Monday dawn,  
The first to ring her dinner bell  
Announcing soup was on.  
The middle of the week, at noon,  
Is good enough for me  
To hang my clothes, and lunch is  
served p.m., haphazardly.  
Oh, if the last are to be first  
In that Celestial Sphere,  
You'll find me leading all the rest  
With Grandma in the rear!

Dorothy P. Albaugh

(Dorothy Albaugh formerly lived in Delaware and was active in C.F.O. She is a columnist for the DISPATCH and has published several books of poems.)

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**MOTHERS' DAY ACTIVITIES**

Mothers' Day was celebrated in our church with a special service of recognition and a coffee hour. Presentation of corsages was made by Jean Wickum to the oldest mothers present, who were Helen Crane, Nellie Dick, and Kizzie Main, to the youngest mother, Melissa Inscho, and to Sophia Stephenson. A bouquet was presented to Jean by Susan Mussard and Melissa sang Ave Maria. The coffee hour was planned by Marjorie Smale and the Senior High Class.

**WOMEN'S SOCIETY NEWS - INSTALLATION SERVICE ANNOUNCED**

The Women's Society met Thursday, May 13, at the church for their daytime fellowship meeting. The day was spent making cancer pads and cutting quilt blocks. Plans for our June meeting will be announced later.

Our installation service will be Sunday, May 23, at 4:30 P.M.

We have a new program theme for 1971-73, "Hear the Wor(l)d of God." Listen, love, and live. Evelyn Lee will be our installing officer.

I'm sure it will be an impressive service, please try to attend. Bring program books for they contain the words to the hymn we will be singing.

Refreshments will be served by the hostesses Helen Aleshire, Bertha VanBrimmer, and Della Dean

Della Dean, Program Chr.

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The man who is wedded to his time  
will soon be a widower.

Elton Trueblood

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**SYMPHONIC BAND CONCERT SUNDAY**

The Ohio Wesleyan Symphonic Band will present a free concert in Gray Chapel Sunday, May 23, at 3:15 P.M., Darrell E. Wood, conductor. Selections chosen are Perschetti's SYMPHONY FOR BAND, Rogers-Hammerstein's SOUND OF MUSIC, SPECTRUM - (music for band and synthesizer) and additional works by Gershwin, Barber, and Whear. Jim Stephenson plays baritone saxophone.

**CHILDREN'S DAY ACTIVITIES**

Children's Day Worship, June 13, will include participation of the children in the morning worship service. Following the service, a picnic for all the church will be held. Place to be announced.

**DATE FOR BAPTISMS WILL BE ANNOUNCED**

The service of New Testament Baptism which was scheduled May 30th, may be postponed for one or two weeks. Watch the bulletin for further information.

**MINISTER TO CONDUCT RETREAT**

Your minister and Rev. Claude Likens will conduct a retreat at Camp Wesley this weekend, Friday thru Sunday noon. The retreat is sponsored by Educational Programs Unlimited, of Galion, Ohio. Assisting in the retreat will be W. C. and Jean Wickum who will direct the Youth and Children's program. Camp Wesley is near

Perrysville, Ohio. Speaking at our church in the minister's absence will be John B. McTaggart.

### CHURCH ATTENDANCE IN DELAWARE

A recent survey of the attendance in eight local churches was made by Rev. Richard Teller, minister of the William Street United Methodist Church. It was based on the attendance at morning worship April 18. The percentage of members attending is listed with each church.

St. Peter's Episcopal	58%
Zion United Ch. of Ch.	53%
Grace Methodist	47%
First Baptist	40%
First Presbyterian	28%
Asbury Methodist	26%
Strat.-St. Paul	23%
William Street Meth.	20%

### WORLD MISSION CAMPAIGN CONTINUES

The WMC is in its third and final year. There is still a deficit in the amount to be raised. Our church made a pledge of \$1800. To date we have paid \$739.78. How about it? Do you leave a job half done? If you have pledged, is your pledge paid up? If you did not pledge, there is still time to give. You have no idea of the joy, the happiness, the pleasure your few dollars have given to people, both at home and abroad. I saw the results of these dollars in lots of places, in the Philippines, in Hong Kong, in Japan, in Thailand, in India. I wish you could have heard Dr. John Austin of Barapani tell us about their new library and how much it meant to them and how it was made possible by funds from WMC, and the new girls' hostel that was nearing completion and would make room for more students desiring an education.

If you could have seen Smiling Sam's face light up when he talked of how funds from WMC had made possible the drilling or digging of so many wells for irrigation and sanitation and of building new living quarters for many needy families who had been made homeless during a bad storm.

Dr. Bob Carmen of Vellore was very appreciative of the funds received there for much needed facilities

to cope with their increasing medical problems. The Vellore Medical Institute is getting to be a huge complex and is the only place in all Southeast Asia to offer complete medical care. I will never forget Dr. Marian Boehr of Nellore (she is the one who diagnosed my case and brought me medicine) how many operations she has done in that hot humid weather of Southeast Asia, she is our surgeon in charge at the Baptist Hospital in Nellore. Last year with money received from WMC they were able to install air conditioning in the operating room and to supply refrigeration for the serums, vaccines, etc. She was so happy not only for herself but mainly for the comfort of her patients and it made for more efficient work. These missionaries have to be dedicated people, they have to be filled with the Spirit of the living Christ.

I could tell you about other sections of our country and work going on at home, but so much more needs to be done before we can say a job well done.

Do you read the American Baptist or the Courier, do you write to any of our missionaries to thank them for a job well done, do you let them know that you think of them, pray for them? Do you believe in missions? A little help from lots of people adds up to great things accomplished.

Helen Aleshire

### SOME COMING EVENTS . . .

Our high school graduates will be honored at our worship June 6 . . . a choir program is tentatively planned for some Sunday night in June . . . the Ladies are looking forward to their Women's Conference at Westerville to be held at Otterbein June 29-July 1.

AND IN APPRECIATION . . . to the Boughers for caring for the grass . . . Peter White for repairing the screens at the parsonage . . . Willard Fogle for finding two incinerators for the church . . . and if you did something extra and we haven't mentioned it . . . thanks . . .

### SHARING IN WORSHIP

So far Colleen Askins, Susan Mussard, and Jim VanBrimmer have shared in assisting in morning worship. If you

would enjoy taking a turn, contact the minister. It's fun!!! And the "audience" is always friendly.

NEW MEMBER RECEIVED INTO CHURCH

Steve Stoner was given the Hand of Fellowship during the morning worship service May 9. He is a member of the Air Force and was baptized after entering service.

Mrs. Stoner, also in the Air Force, is the former Karen VanBrimmer. They were married Christmas Day in our Sanctuary.

Their address is:

1401 10th St., Apt. 22  
Wichita Falls, Texas 76302

BROTHER MANDUS SPEAKS IN COLUMBUS

Two car loads of our congregation attended a service conducted by Brother Mandus in Columbus May 4. The service was held in the Fourth St. Christian Church.

Brother Mandus is a British layman who conducts a world-wide ministry of Spiritual Healing. He is the author of many books and pamphlets and a frequent leader in Camps Farthest Out.

Attending from our church were:

James VanBrimmer, Marjorie Smale, Sharlet Pettit, Ann Linn, Ernestine Frost, Sophia and Steve Stephenson.

I ask knowledge what it can tell me of life. Knowledge replies that what it can tell me is little, yet immense. Whence this universe came, or whither it is bound, or how it happens to be at all, knowledge cannot tell me. Only this: that the will-to-live is everywhere present, even as in me. I do not need science to tell me this; but it cannot tell me anything more essential. I am life that wills to live in the midst of life which wills to live.

Albert Schweitzer

God offers to man the choice between truth and repose.

Emerson

CHURCH SCHOOL TO CONTINUE IN SUMMER

The Board of Education has decided to continue church school during the vacation months. The format of the school will be adapted to meet the needs peculiar to summer attendance and will center in family activities. Watch the June NEWS AND VIEWS for details.

Why is it true that people are drinking more and more? Is it not because there is an unnamed anxiety springing from a spiritual emptiness?

We are trying to be cheerful with cocktails because the truth about us is that we are cheerless. We are trying to exude confidence, because deep inside there are fears that gnaw at us.

Charles L. Copenhaver

CHURCH JOINS OTHERS IN COMMUNION

The members and friends of this congregation joined with other churches of the community in an ecumenical communion service April 25. Held in Willis Gym, this was the third year that this expression of unity in Christ was celebrated. Preacher was Rev. Nelson Lumm, associate pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

"PRAYER" - the most misunderstood word in the language.

Is it begging God?  
Is it pleading with God?  
Is it telling God what he doesn't know?

does it work?

here are some comments:

Real prayer is thinking about God; and effective prayer is right thinking about God. Prayer is getting into alignment. Prayer is the activity of thought by which we admit God into our lives. Prayer is a state of receptivity. Its object is to raise the consciousness.

Now will you reread the editorial on page 1, please? Would you like to attempt some research and training?



FRANCES BELT IN HOSPITAL

Frances Belt was a patient in Jane M. Case Hospital. She is now at home and back to work at Bun's Bakery.

POEMS FOR YOU . . . .

A young boy in the city,  
Sitting on the ground,  
Listens to the traffic,  
And the people's sounds.

He listens, he imagines,  
What new sounds he might find.  
He has to listen closely,  
For this young boy is blind.

He thinks first of his brother,  
Across the ocean floor,  
He knows his brother's fighting,  
In something called a war.

He thinks about the black man,  
The difference of their skin from his,  
But still he cannot figure  
What all the trouble is.

To him all men are equal,  
All men are of one kind.  
And as I look back on it,  
I ask who's really blind?

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I saw a home burn down one day,  
A little house of blue and gray,  
The roof fell in, the walls burned on,  
And all were sure the home was gone.  
The family stood there in despair,  
The house was gone, the home still  
there.

I saw a church burn down one night,  
The people watched in wondrous fright.  
The steeple fell to the bells last  
song,  
And all were sure the church was gone.  
The congregation stood in despair,  
Their building gone, the church still  
there.

When I have lived and stood the test,  
At that time will my body rest,  
My pulse will stop, I'll breathe my  
last,

And all will say, "He's done his  
task."  
But when my body's life is gone,  
I know myself, my soul will live on.

Donald L. Brown

(We appreciate Don's contributions  
of poetry. You are all urged to  
send in creative work for publication)

JEAN ST. LOUIS TO GRADUATE

Jean St. Louis, a Baptist student  
from Haiti, will graduate this  
June from Ohio Wesleyan University.  
Jean has had to accept Sunday em-  
ployment which has kept him from at-  
tending our services. Congratulations.  
Jean!!

BOY SCOUT AWARD GIVEN

The Panther Patrol of Troop 93  
recently was declared winner of the  
annual first aid meet for Delaware  
County. Kenneth Bougher is a member  
of the Patrol.

JANITORIAL HELP NEEDED - NOW!!

Believe it or not, no one has vol-  
unteered for several weeks to help  
clean the church! A few persons each  
week, giving an hour or less of time,  
could easily do the job. We do need  
you.

Fill in and drop into the box on the  
vestibule table.

I want to help clean. The following  
day and hour is best for me:

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I would like to hear a Lesson on the  
following subject:

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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THIS IS THE TIME FOR vacations. Maybe you have planned a long journey. Or  
it may be a series of short trips to places of fun and interest. Whatever  
it is, may you have real fun, some constructive experiences, and return in  
new enthusiasm for your duties! Here is a prayer to take with you. It is  
by Elizabeth Searle Lamb, and it is taken from the July number of Daily  
Word.

God bless all vacationers. God bless those who vacation at home. Let this  
vacation time be rich in meaning, let it be a time of rest and renewal, let  
it bring peace to mind and soul. God bless those who sail in sunny waters,  
climb snowcapped peaks, sun on sandy shores, or ride wilderness trails. Sur-  
round them with Your protecting presence, fill them with Your life and your  
strength and joy. God bless those who travel in strange lands. Let them  
see You in greeting smiles, let them hear Your voice in words of familiar  
accent or foreign tongue. Let their ways be made smooth and happy and free  
from worry or care. God bless all vacationers. Open their eyes to the  
beauty all about them, open their minds to truth everywhere, open their  
hearts to Your enfolding love.

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CHURCH SCHOOL PLANS ANNOUNCED

Our Sunday Church School will  
offer a new approach to family  
learning this summer with a program  
detailed in full further on in this  
issue (see Board of Education Col-  
umn). On six of the ten Sundays we  
shall meet as an entire School in  
the Assembly Room for a program of  
approximately an hour. The Nursery  
and Kindergarten Classes, and on  
some Sundays the Primary, will con-  
tinue to meet separately, and any  
class so choosing may also contin-  
ue its own sessions. But the rest  
of us will get together for a re-  
laxing and enlightening experience  
in group learning.

CHURCH INVITED TO WEDDING

Everyone is invited to attend  
the open church wedding of Linda  
Seckman and Peter White, Sunday,  
July 18, at 4 P. M. in the Temple  
Baptist Church, Parkersburg, W. Va.  
Watch the bulletin board in the  
vestibule for instructions how to  
reach the Church. Driving time is  
approximately 3 hours and 15 min-  
utes. The Church offers its best  
wishes and congratulations to Linda  
and Peter.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR -

Dear Rev. Stephenson & members of  
Delaware, 1st Baptist Church:

The members of the Ambridge  
Church wish to thank you very much  
for the Speed-O-Print mimeograph  
machine. We appreciate your giving  
the machine to us and I know that  
our pastor and his wife appreciate  
it as their work will be easier.

Thanks again for your thought-  
fulness,

Gladys Oaks,  
Church Clerk

FOUR BAPTIZED JUNE 6th

Four of our youth received bap-  
tism during morning worship June  
6th. Gina Evans, Lorrie Lathrop,  
Bob Stephenson, and Rick VanBrim-  
mer had completed their work in the  
minister's Discipleship Class, and  
were baptized by immersion upon  
their profession of faith in Jesus  
Christ. Afterwards they received  
the Laying on of Hands and took  
part in the Holy Communion. We all  
join in welcoming them into the  
fellowship of the Church family.



by

Colleen Askins

The Senior High B.Y.F. planned a beach party and picnic on Thursday, June 17, at 6:00 P. M. Also along with the beach party and picnic we visited the Flood Control. There were two guests present.

Due to summer vacation and family vacations and various other activities the youth fellowships will be on a different schedule for July and August. The Senior High will meet the 3rd Sundays only and the Junior High the 2nd Sundays.

The B.Y.F.'s would like to wish all the best to Linda and Peter upon their approaching marriage.

#### NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED INTO CHURCH

The hand of fellowship was extended June 6th to four new members. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brower and two daughters, Dianna and Darlene, were received by letter from the Market St. Baptist Church in Zanesville. We are happy to have them in our church fellowship.

#### FROM THE WOMEN'S MISSION SOCIETY

The Women's Mission Society met Sunday, May 23, at 4:30 P. M. at the church. Devotions were given by Claudia Eliot, Lucille Via, and Della Dean.

Officers for the year 71-72 were installed. Evelyn Lee was the installing officer. It was a very interesting service. Thanks to Evelyn for a job well done. Thanks to all who have made our year a very successful one.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses Helen Aleshire, Bertha VanBrimmer, and Della Dean.

We will be meeting soon to begin our program planning for next year.

Della Dean,  
Program Chairman

#### KENNETH BOUGHER SUFFERS INJURY

Kenneth Bougher, son of Harold Bougher, suffered severe head injuries Thursday, June 17, in a bicycle accident near Blue Limestone Lake. Kenny was taken to Children's hospital in Columbus for surgery and remains at the time of writing in Intensive Care. He is improving but has not fully regained consciousness. As he improves he will enjoy hearing from you. And keep him in your prayers.

#### LOST HYMNALS, LOST TABLECLOTH

About 30 hymnals are missing from the church. This presents a difficult problem as there are not enough to go around on Sunday morning. Would you please check to see if you have any at home?

Also, the ladies report that a lace tablecloth is missing from the kitchen. Did you borrow it and forget to bring it back? They do need it and will appreciate its return.

#### HOSPITAL NOTES . . .

At the time of writing we have two persons hospitalized. Kenneth Bougher at Children's, Columbus, and Mrs. Geneva Evans, recovering from surgery at Jane M. Case. Britt Askins was recently a patient at Jane M. Case but is now at home and well.

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W A N T E D ! W A N T E D !

Jesus Christ: alias The Messiah, Son of God, Prince of Peace, Lord, King.

\*Notorious leader of an underground liberation movement.

\*Wanted for the following charges:

- practicing medicine, wine making, food distribution without a license
- interfering with business in the temple
- Claiming ability to make men into God's children.

- associating with known criminals, radicals, prostitutes, and street people

\*Appearance: long hair, beard, robe, sandals.

\*Hangs around slum areas, few rich friends, often sneaks out into the desert.

WARNING: HE IS STILL AT LARGE

(the above was printed in RIGHT ON, an underground Christian paper published in California by "street Christians." See article in last week's TIME.)

S W A P C O L U M N . . . . .

If you love animals, especially kittens, then you are the one to supply a home for one kitten or even three. If interested ask Colleen Askins or phone 369-2682. They are free.

(anyone with anything to sell, swap, or give away, is invited to use our monthly Swap Column. No charge.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADS HONORED

Five of our youth were honored by the church June 6 upon their graduation from High School. They are Colleen Askins, Toyoko Smale, Rex Evans, Gregory Henson, and David Smale. All are Hayes graduates except David who graduated from Olentangy.

CHILDREN DAY SERVICE AND PICNIC

Annual Children's Day activities were held Sunday, June 13. Mark Brower and Douglas Lee shared in the leadership of the morning worship service, and the children of the Primary Class assisted as ushers. After the service a picnic was held at Blue Limestone.

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Married women seldom get ulcers, but they are often carriers!

FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Well, here it is summer again. Many of us will be vacationing one or more Sundays from now until Sept. But some of us will be found in Church School and Worship services most of the time.

Our Board of Christian Education met after Midweek service this past week and made plans for the summer months. We wanted to give our teachers a change of pace as well as maintain interest on your part. We hope some or all of these plans will give you added incentive to come out at 9:15 each Sunday and join us as we seek to vacation by recreation of our spiritual life together.

Below is a list of the special hour long events. The Kindergarten and Nursery will meet separately as will the Primary Class on some of the Sundays. The Whatever Class has not announced their summer plans as yet. Other classes will be in session on four Sundays as indicated.

June 27 - Jean and Wick will lead using visual aids and discussion.

July 4 - Carol Fogle will lead in our observance of this special day in the life of our country.

July 11 - We will meet at 9:30 for breakfast in Fellowship Hall and a Singspiration. Senior Hi's will be hosts.

July 18 - Rick Lee will be in charge of opening worship and classes will be held.

July 25 - Joe Brower will plan the hour.

August 1 - The Senior Hi's will have the 15 minute worship followed by class sessions.

August 8 - Helen Aleshire will plan the hour using visual aids.

August 15 - Bertha McTaggart will lead worship followed by class sessions.

August 22 - Jim VanBrimmer will lead and show a film.

August 29 - Marge Smale will lead the 15 minute worship and class sessions will follow.

It was with regret that the Board accepted Jean Wickum's resig-

nation as Chairman of Youth Work and expressed its deep appreciation of her service while recognizing her greater involvement in her Mental Health work and need to be released from our Board work. We pray for an abundance of God's blessings of health, strength and wisdom to her.

We covet your prayers for the nominating committee to find the person with dedication and understanding to fill this position in our church.

May this summer bring us each one a new awareness of God's greatness, his love and his power as we seek to refresh our lives physically, mentally and spiritually.

Bertha McTaggart,  
Chr. of Board

NEW CUSTODIAN EMPLOYED BY CHURCH

The Board of Trustees has employed Mrs. James Traylor as church custodian. Mrs. Traylor is employed in the same capacity by William Street Church. If you have not been in the Educational Building recently, we suggest you take a tour and see the fine condition of the floor. It is a pleasure to welcome Mrs. Traylor to the staff.

SAVE YOUR CANCELLED STAMPS!!

The Women's Mission Society is collecting cancelled stamps which can be used to support mission work of a vital nature. When cutting them from the envelope leave 1/2 inch in border of white around them. They should be brought to the church.

Hey! Is there anyone out there reading? Check your interests below and drop into the box on the vestibule table. Pretty please, we do want your reactions.

FAVORITE HYMN(S) REQUEST FOR USE IN MORNING WORSHIP

SUBJECT FOR THE SERMON

WHAT'S NEW WITH YOU . . . Recent travelers among our members are Mrs. Nellie Dick, who returned from a two weeks visit with her son, Joe, in Florida, where she attended the graduation of her granddaughter . . . and Mrs. J. C. McKean, who took the Home Demonstration Bus Tour to the nation's capital and Williamsburg, Va. . . . and Mr. and Mrs. McKean spent a week with their daughter and her husband in Marion, Ind. . . . Recent visitors with John and Mary Richards were their son Jon and his wife Kathy, who are to lead a tour of 10 young people to Switzerland for 10 weeks. The young people are to live in French speaking homes.

DEATHS IN CHURCH FAMILIES

Mrs. Hettie Sparks, mother of Mrs. James VanBrimmer, died at her home in Sunbury, June 1.

Lester Waldron, brother-in-law of Mrs. Hazen Young, passed away May 29.

The church extends its sympathy to the families.

NEW ADDRESS FOR MEMBER

Mrs. Frances Johnson has moved and her new address is 12 Lincoln Court.

PERSONAL ITEMS NEEDED . . . will you call the minister (363-7021) with items of personal news? We really want you to do this as personals are the most popular part of your newsletter.

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DO YOU KNOW THAT A GOOD FRIEND OF YOUR FAMILY HAD A birthday this Friday (Aug. 6)? And quite a birthday it was, for the friend is now 118 years old Name, please? The First Baptist Church of Delaware. On the sixth of August, 1853, a council of thirty delegates from several Baptist churches in the area met in Delaware to examine the credentials of the local Society of Regular Baptists.

The credentials were approved, and the First Baptist Church came into being with thirty-seven members. The new church met in Templar Hall on Sandusky Street, and in 1858 moved into its new building at our present location. An historical booklet, "A Century of Christian Service," was published in 1953 and a few copies are still available to anyone interested. They made good history back in the mid-eighties. What kind of history are you making for your church in 1971? (JBS)

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TWO WEDDINGS IN CHURCH FAMILY

Linda Seckman and Peter White were married Sunday, July 18, at 4 P. M. in the Baptist Temple at Parkersburg, W. Va. Rev. Elmer Rose, pastor of the church, performed the ceremony. Linda is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Seckman, Vienna, W. Va., and Peter is the son of Mrs. Carolyn G. White of Delaware. A reception followed the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents.

Margaret May McCann and Mark Faulk were married in the Lincoln Baptist Church, Columbus, at 3:30 P. M., July 31. Margaret is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Tessier of Grove City and Mark is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Faulk of Jerome. Rev. Neil Hoppe, pastor of the church read the ceremony. A reception followed at the home of the bride's parents.

The church extends its best wishes and congratulations to the two couples.

NEW BABY BORN TO THE BROWNS

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Brown became the parents of an 8 pound son July 14. We extend a welcome to Kenneth Lyndsay and congratulations to his parents.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear friends,  
I wish to thank everyone so much for all your prayers and understanding for Kenny. He is doing fine now and is at home. May we have your continued prayers.  
Sincerely,  
Harold Bougher

Dear friends,  
The work of our church, its various committees and boards, has been greatly hampered in the past by absenteeism of committee and board members who neglected to advise the chairman or president prior to meetings. This is inexcusable and does not become a responsible Christian or board member. We are small, our work must be divided among all of us. When we accept a position on a committee or board we are pledging our support and loyalty to fulfill our share of the responsibility, even though it may mean a little sacrifice of personal pleasure or family plans at the time of the scheduled meetings. We have no method of rewards or demerits for jobs. It is all volunteer. But when members feel their presence is not important or will not be missed at a meeting, and we add insult to injury by not letting the one in charge know, we are hurting not only our work, but the other

members of the group and our own Christian witness. And most of all "We are serving God and not men." From Him comes our reward or demerit. A word to the wise is sufficient. If the above shoe fits - put it on and do something about it!

Sincerely,  
Bertha McTaggart

#### LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Dear friend,  
July 15 you mailed me the interest finder that I had placed in last month's NEWS AND VIEWS. You suggested two hymns you like and then wrote of a personal problem you wanted me to discuss in a sermon. I am glad to hear from you and I will use the hymns as soon as possible. As to the sermon, I would like very much to talk with you personally about the question you raise. A conversation will be much more helpful than a sermon. And I am certain that I can help you. If you will contact me we can find a time to talk, and, of course, everything will be confidential. May I hear from you soon?

\*Cordially,  
Steve

#### STEPHENSON WINS IN TENNIS

Bob Stephenson won the 14 and under tennis championship of Delaware for the second straight year. The county-wide tournament is sponsored by the Recreation Department and the Rotary Club. Bob's victory came by defeating three opponents in straight sets over a period of two week-ends. The championship game was Sunday, July 25, in which he defeated Tom Bahrack 6-2, 6-2.

#### CFO HELD AT TIFFIN

The annual Ohio Camp Farthest Out was held at Heidelberg College, Tiffin, July 25-31. Leaders were Norman Grubb, head of the World Evangelization Crusade, and Norman Elliot, son-in-law of the late Dr. Glenn Clark, founder of CFO. From

our church, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wickum attended and directed the work with the Junior High Youth.

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People want peace so much that one of these days governments had better get out of their way and let them have it.

Dwight D. Eisenhower

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#### RECEPTION SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER

A reception for Mr. and Mrs. Peter White has been scheduled by the Choir with the assistance of several friends. It will be held September 12, from 2 until 4 P. M., in the Fellowship Hall. It is open to the community as well as the church.

#### COFFEE SCHEDULED AT CHURCH

A coffee for United Appeals workers in Delaware Township will be held at the church Sept. 2 from 10 until 11:30 P.M. We are glad to make our facilities available for community use.

#### NEWS OF THE WOMEN'S MISSION SOCIETY

The women of the church will have their first fall meeting Thursday, Sept. 9, at 7:30 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall. Introducing the new theme: HEAR THE WOR(L)D OF GOD: LISTEN, LOVE, LIVE! Bertha McTaggart will be assisted by the officers in exploring its meaning. Every woman is invited and is asked to bring someone with her.

Through the year we have mentioned things we save to use in our work. Be sure to bring any items you have accumulated for this purpose. We especially feature our love gift for with all of our blessings these summer months our love and thanksgiving to God should have filled our boxes or envelopes to overflowing. Claudia Eliot will lead us in our Love Gift dedication. The hostesses for the fellowship hour will be Mary Richards, Frances Belt, and Della Dean.



On Thursday, Sept. 16, there will be a special day of Spiritual Retreat for the women of the Marion Association. It will be from 10 - 3 at Trinity Baptist Church, Marion. The leader will be the Rev. Ralph Lamb, an outstanding retreat resource person. We are to take our Bibles and 75¢ for lunch. This is a spiritual feast for you. Don't miss it. Please let me know of your intention to go and if you need or can provide transportation.

Bertha McTaggart

WE NEED A LAWNMOWER ! ! ! ! !

The trustees report that the church lawnmower has given up the ghost. They ask that anyone having a good rotary mower to donate to the church please contact Willard Fogle or John McTaggart. The grass is growing!

FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

All Church School teachers and Board members are expected at the meeting Monday, August 30, to be held at the Brower's, 32 Coventry Road. The work will be followed by special refreshments. If unable to attend please let chairman know immediately. Our work depends upon you.

The Board thanks all those who have worked in and for our summer experimental church school program. Remaining Sundays are as follows:

- August 8 - Helen Aleshire with visual program. No classes.
- August 15 - Classes. Bertha McTaggart will lead opening worship.
- August 22 - Film by Jim VanBrimmer. No classes.
- August 29 - Classes. Marjorie Smale will lead opening worship.

Bertha McTaggart

SWAP COLUMN . . . .

For sale, at Carolyn White's, 23 Woodland:

Antique picture frames, old linen dollies and scarves, a few dishes, odds and ends.

(You are invited to use our SWAP COLUMN without charge. Items for sale, trade, or give-away may be listed. Or needs expressed.)

GUEST SPEAKER JULY 25

Guest speaker at our morning worship July 25 was the Rev. Ted D. Stephenson, minister of the First Baptist Church of Ambridge, Pa. Ted and Jeannie were in Delaware for part of their vacation.

AMERICAN BAPTIST SENATOR SPEAKS

Mark Hatfield, Republican Senator from Oregon and a prominent American Baptist layman, discussed his views in the current issue of FAITH AT WORK. Excerpts follow:

My position on the war is the result of a long process of study, evaluation, and prayer. In my view the war is immoral and our national policy is immoral...We have come to accept the destruction of human life in official terminology that is the language of the slaughterhouse: "kill ratios, body counts."

The present administration's Vietnamization policy was at one time, I believe, a policy aimed at finding peace. But now I'm convinced that it is an effort to create the concept that as long as we reduce the loss of American lives, though increasing the loss of Asian lives, it is a sound policy. The object is not peace, but to continue the war and kill more of the enemy than we lose on our side. To me that is an immoral policy, and I cannot support it. I couldn't support it under President Johnson; why should I be so hypocritical as to support it under a Republican president

Just because we're in the same political party?...As a Christian I cannot accept this war policy because it has so degraded the sacredness of human life.

With regard to military spending, I have long believed that the real strength of a nation is its people, and that the most aggressive type of battle against Communism is to drain the swamps in which Communism breeds - ignorance, injustice, illiteracy, poverty.

#### A LOOK AT THE BOOKS (CHECK-BOOKS)

How does our giving compare with that of a year ago? Here is the picture. Months used; June & July.

General fund:	1970 - \$1314
	1971 - 1441
Building fund:	1970 - \$494
	1971 - 499
Repair fund:	1970 - \$142
	1971 - 107
Missions:	1970 - \$363
	1971 - 325
Total giving:	1970 - \$2313
	1971 - 2372

The moral to the story: Although we appear to be slightly ahead of last year's summer months (\$59), we are not really holding our own in this inflationary period. So, examine your own giving and relate it to the need and the time.

Questions concerning the state of your own giving should be addressed to Richard E. Lee, 259 S. Section Line Rd., Delaware, O. 43015. Please use the road and number. This is important. Or phone 362-9107.

#### Our indebtedness:

Educational building -	\$9230.
Roof	600.
	<u>\$9830</u>

**CAUTION: Jesus can change your life!**

#### WILL YOU BE A SOUNDING-BOARD??????

The Senior HI class will begin using their new church school program this September. It calls for a number a adults (we need ten) to volunteer to help in this way. Each week a young person will phone the adult volunteer (called an adult "sounding board") and raise a question suggested in the lesson material. The adult will give his or her honest reaction. OK? Like to bridge the so-called generation-gap? You may volunteer, or get more information by calling or seeing the Senior HI teacher, Mrs. Marjorie Smale, 1795 Pollack Rd., phone - 362-7107.

#### HOSPITAL NOTES . . . .

Recent patients in Jane M. Case Hospital were Doris, Mary, and Helen Smale (Mary had surgery). Kenneth Bougher has been dismissed from Childrens' Hospital in Columbus and has been back to church.

#### MEMBER TO GRADUATE FROM OHIO STATE

Cynthia Smale, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Charles Smale, will graduate from Ohio State University September 3. We all offer Cindy our congratulations.

#### A WORD FROM YOUR EDITOR

NEWS AND VIEWS needs your help. Phone or write in your vacation news, personal news, any information that you think would be of interest. Your letters of opinion are always welcome; opinion on any subject. Also solicited is original poetry.

This issue of your newsletter is a combined, summer number. The next issue will be out early in Sept.

#### A NEW ADDRESS AND NUMBER

Miss Mary F. (Polly) Focke is now living at 5150 Crabapple Court, Yorktowne Mobile Home Park, Delaware. Phone 548-3241.

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Notice the Volume Number above, please. You will see that we are beginning  
the third year for NEWS and VIEWS. Later in this issue you will find a form  
for your evaluation. Your comments will be appreciated and they will be of  
tremendous assistance to your editor. And our hope/promise for our third  
year of publication is that your newsletter will grow bigger and better.

Why have a newsletter? The most obvious reason is the need for an organ of  
communication and exchange of information about our fellowship. But you will  
note above another reason exists - "the Cause of the Abundant Life." Which  
is what our church life is supposed to be all about. This is a good time  
to quote in full the Purpose of the church as given in the Constitution: The  
Purpose of this church is the study and practice of the Way of Jesus Christ.  
It seeks to follow the doctrines and teachings of the Master as they are set  
forth in the New Testament. This is a pathway of freedom which binds no  
person to a creed but sets each one free to follow the Light of Christ with-  
in him.

In a time of increasing social and ecclesiastical regimentation and conform-  
ity, First Baptist, Delaware, continues as a center of freedom. And it is  
going to stay that way!! (JBS)

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WORLD-WIDE COMMUNION SCHEDULED

The annual World-Wide Communion  
Service will be observed October  
3rd. It is meant to remind us  
that the church is world-wide, and  
that our responsibilities are  
equally broad. Some innovations  
are being prepared, and we think  
you will find the service an ex-  
perience you will remember. Hope  
you can be there!

WORLD FELLOWSHIP OFFERING COMING

Once each year American Bap-  
tists receive an "over and above"  
offering for world outreach. It  
is taken on World-Wide Communion  
Sunday. The national goal is set  
at \$750,000. It goes into all the  
world for mission, rehabilitation,  
healing, teaching, and other good  
works in Christ's name. Be gener-  
ous!

NEW BABY IN THE CHURCH FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. William Faulk, 113  
Jenison St., Durant, Oklahoma, are  
announcing the arrival of Phillip  
Bradley, 7 lb., 10½ oz., on Aug.  
17th, at 11:15 A.M. We all send  
our congratulations to the happy

parents. And congratulations to  
the proud grandfather and grand-  
mother, Don and Florence Faulk.

A LETTER TO THE EDITOR -

Dear Sir:  
Will you pass on the following -

Dear Senior Highs,  
I have read over the Fall Sun-  
day School booklets and they  
seem very interesting. Please  
come and state your opinion. Just  
get up a few minutes earlier. We  
need young men along with young  
ladies.

Beth Linn

TOM PETTIT INJURED IN CYCLE WRECK

Tom Pettit was recently in-  
jured in a motorcycle accident  
on Cheshire Street. He is im-  
proving but is still a patient  
at Riverside Hospital.

NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED INTO CHURCH

Miss Susan Mussard and Mrs.  
Peter White were given the hand  
of Fellowship into our church

Sunday, Sept. 5th. Susan comes from the United Methodist Church at Pismo Beach, Calif., and Linda from the Baptist Temple, Parkersburg, W. Va. Both teach at the Willis Intermediate School and are advisors to our Senior High Youth Fellowship. A cordial welcome to them!

EVANS RELEASED FROM AIR FORCE

Gary Evans, son of Mr. and Mrs. Forest Evans, has received his discharge from the Air Force and is now in Delaware. Gary was stationed in Korea. It is great having him back again.

MARION ASSOCIATION TO MEET

The annual fall inspirational meeting of the Marion Baptist Association is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 26, at the Prospect Baptist Church. At press time, the publicity material had not been received, so watch the bulletin for details. There will be an afternoon and evening session, and a dinner served by the Prospect ladies. Your minister will give the annual sermon at the afternoon session, which also includes a telephone conversation with one of our missionaries in the Phillipines. (The phone is amplified so all can hear). The evening session features a program of music by the Gonzaga family. Check with 363-7021 if you require transportation.

LEGACY RECEIVED BY CHURCH

Mrs. Margaret Cummins, who passed on last Dec. 10, was a loyal member during her life, and she continues to enrich our corporate life after advancing to the next stage of the human pilgrimmage. Margaret left a bequest of \$3000, to be used at the disgression of the church.

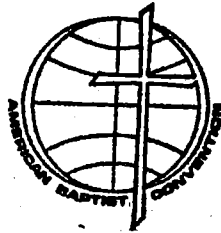
MEN'S DINNER TO BE HELD HERE

The Men's Brotherhood of the

Marion Association will meet at our church Oct. 12 at 6:30 P.M. After dinner in the Fellowship Hall a program will be presented in the Sanctuary. Watch the bulletin for further details.

STATE CONVENTION AT AKRON

The annual convention of American Baptists in Ohio will be held in Akron, at the Arlington Memorial Baptist Church, Oct. 13-15. Delegate registration is \$2.00, visitor is \$1.00. Akron is close enough for you to attend at least a part of the time. See minister for details.



SWAP COLUMN

(Here you may list your needs and surpluses, services, etc. No charge.)

ANYONE NEED A babysitter? I will be glad to babysit for 50¢ an hour.

Beth Linn  
340 N. Franklin St.  
363-1721

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED

Jean Claude St. Louis and Loretta Prichard of Talmadge, Ohio were married August 15th in the United Methodist Church where the bride's father is minister. Jean is taking his master's work at West Virginia State College while teaching French as assistant instructor, Loretta will continue her undergraduate studies. Jean recently graduated from OWU. Their address is 1064 Van Voorhis Road #J-306, Morgantown, W. Va. 26505.

CONCERNED CITIZENS TO MEET

An invitation is extended to you to attend a meeting of the

Concerned Citizens Committee for Juvenile Detention and Reorientation Tuesday, Oct. 5, in our Fellowship Hall, at 7:30. Bertha McTaggart is chairman.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED TO MEET

There will be a meeting of the Delaware Unit of the Church Women United at the William Street Ed. Building, Thursday, Sept. 30, at 9:30 A. M. You are invited to attend.

On the next day, Oct. 1st, there will be an area meeting of the organization at the Fair Park Church, Marion. Time, 10:00 - 2:30. Take a sack lunch. Bertha McTaggart will be sharing on the program and will tell about the Ecumenical Assembly in Wichita last fall. See her if you need transportation. If it would be more convenient for you to go on Tuesday the 28th to Bucyrus she'd be glad for your company. Same hours and take a sack lunch.

AFRICAN PANORAMA SCHEDULED

Mrs. Helen Aleshire, chairman of Missionary and Stewardship Education, is announcing AFRICAN PANORAMA for the Sunday nights in Nov. Meeting from 5 until 7:30, the programs will feature guest speakers, travel films, discussions, etc. See the next NEWS AND VIEWS for details. By the way, when was the last time you ate a genuine African dinner. You will at the PANORAMA!

PARISH COUNCIL TO MEET SEPT. 27.

The first fall meeting of the Parish Council meets Monday, Sept. 27th, at 7:30 P.M. at the Church. Plans for the fall and winter will be discussed, and you are needed! All members of the Council watch for a special mailing.

WANT TO LEAD WORSHIP????

We shall again use lay persons of all ages to assist the minister in the Morning Worship Service. It

is an experience you deserve and should find enriching. Volunteers are sought. Contact the minister!

YOUTH MEETING SCHEDULED

Sunday, Sept. 19, the advisors of the two Youth groups and the Ch. of the Board of Ch. Education, will meet at 4:00 at the Lee's. A general discussion of the youth program will be held. The youth of the church of both Junior and Senior High age are invited to come at 6:00 for a snack supper and a share in the discussion of plans. Bring any interested friends.



FROM THE BOARD OF CHRISTAIN ED.

A good meeting of the Board and teachers was held Monday, Aug. 30th at the Browers with 8 present. Plans for the fall months were discussed and put into effect.

While the youth moved into their new classes on the first Sunday of Sept., the recognition service is going to be held on October 24th. At that time all workers with youth, teachers, Board members, and the youth will be presented and given recognition during the worship service. During the Church School hour there will be a breakfast and fellowship time for the entire Church and Church School. Come and share in this special event. The next meeting of the Board will be Oct. 18th from 7:00 to 8:30.

The Adult Fellowship Class now feels loved and wanted. They have at last been given a room of their own to meet in. Of course this was made possible by the fact that we have no kindergarten children in our School at

the present time. Come and join us in the lively discussions on the Bible lesson each Sunday.

CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUMED

Choir Rehearsals under the leadership of Choir Director W. C. Wickum have resumed on Wednesdays at 7:00 P.M. New music has been purchased and great plans are being made. If interested in becoming a part of this fine group, contact Mr. Wickum.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT STUDIES RESUME

The Wednesday night study group has begun at 8:00 P.M. at the Church. This is a Biblically-based, wide-open, completely free group which seeks to develop their own potentials by sharing and study. You are invited to attend. For information check with the minister, 363-7021

SOME NEW ADDRESSES

Mr. & Mrs. Mark Faulk  
2187 Grasmere  
Columbus, Ohio

Mr. & Mrs. William Faulk  
113 Denison St.  
Durant, Oklahoma 74701

Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Stoner  
1604 Brook Ave.  
Wichita Falls, Texas 76301

DONNA FAULK 4H WINNER

Donna Faulk, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Donald Faulk, was Union Co. sports clothes winner in 4H with a maxey-length hooded wool cape, and a pink double-breasted suit. She represented Union Co. at the State Fair. Donna was also nominated as 4H representative to the Ohio 4H Fashion Board. Congratulations, Donna!!

FROM THE WOMEN'S MISSION SOCIETY

The Women's Mission Society met Sept. 9th at 8:00 P.M. at the Church. 22 women were present. The president, Bertha McTaggart, introduced

the theme for the year, "Hear the Wor(l)d of God, Listen, Love, Live." Reports were given from each division. The Love Gift meditation and offering was given by Claudia Eliot. She urged that each one use a Love Gift box for the year. Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mary Helen Richards, Della Dean, and Frances Belt. After the meeting many helped to assemble and staple our new program booklet. Thanks to everyone who helped and a special thanks to Rev. Stephenson who printed our program booklets. It was a big job and we appreciate all his work and time. Next month will be a daytime meeting, Thursday, Oct. 14, in the Fellowship Hall from 10:00 - 2:00. Lunch time from 12:00-1:00. Bring your sack lunch and sewing equipment. Coffee will be provided.

We're off to a good start so let's continue.

- Della Dean

Orchids for our Board for their good work this past Thursday night. All were present at the Board meeting. Orchids also to Myrtle Smith and her calling committee, Lucille Vis and Carol Fogle. Their good work resulted in the largest attendance in a long time. We have made a good beginning.

- Bertha McTaggart

White Cross requests any amount of cotton remnants 2 1/2 yd. long. Yarn, any amount, knitting needles, large size, scrap leather.

If you have any of these items to donate please bring them to the church before Nov. 15. They will be taken to the Dayton Christian Center.

- Myrtle Gabriel

MINISTER SPEAKER AT AMBRIDGE, PA.

Your minister was guest speaker at the First Baptist Church, Ambridge, Pa., August 15. Rev. Ted D. Stephenson is minister of the Ambridge church.

This is your page. On it you will express your opinion in several areas of concern. Will you fill it in completely, place it in the box on the table in the vestibule, or mail it to the church at 93 N. Franklin?

1. What I like about NEWS AND VIEWS \_\_\_\_\_

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2. What I dislike about NEWS AND VIEWS \_\_\_\_\_

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3. I suggest the following changes or improvements \_\_\_\_\_

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4. The following news item(s) may be of interest \_\_\_\_\_

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5. This is what we did on our vacation this summer \_\_\_\_\_

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6. I would like to hear the following hymns sung in church \_\_\_\_\_

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7. I would like to hear a Lesson (sermon) on the following subject(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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8. I would like to see the following change(s) in our order of worship \_\_\_\_\_

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You may omit the signature if you wish.

signed \_\_\_\_\_



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GUEST EDITORIAL . . . . . by the Rev. Ted D. Stephenson, min-  
ister of the First Baptist Church,  
Ambridge, Pennsylvania

Two years ago I became acquainted with a woman who was in her late nineties. Alert and witty, her zest for life was matched by an unfortunate propensity for mishaps. The trend had started when she was middle-aged; she was riding in a car driven by her husband, the brakes failed, he ditched the vehicle, and the woman's hip was broken, causing a permanent limp. "I'm always on the side that gets ditched," she said with a smile.

And it seems that she was correct. Much of her life was plagued with illnesses and accidents of various sorts. Yet through it all she maintained a spirit of buoyancy and optimism. She told me that she had the patience of Job.

While her positive attitude is to be admired, her statement reflects a common misconception about the story of Job. The fact of the matter is that Job was not a patient man. He had been a prosperous individual, enjoying the financial security of great possessions and the emotional security of health and family, only to lose both in a tragic turn of events.

Job was stunned. And he responded to his misfortune by crying out against the injustice of it all. "God destroys blameless and wicked alike. I am ready to argue with Him." Job's friends, who had come to offer him comfort, were horrified by such irreverent talk. Yet they were at a loss to disprove his argument.

Today mankind still puzzles over the problem of evil in the world. Society is plagued with an amazing array of difficulties ranging from natural disasters to personal problems. Are we to blame God for these?

The answer is no. The reason why they do happen, however, is a mystery. The answer which Job received was that such mysteries are beyond the perception and understanding of man.

But while such things have not been revealed to us, throughout the Bible we are reminded again and again that God is love, not hate, and that there is no need to be fearful if we put our trust in Him. The life of Christ speaks most eloquently of the real nature of God, reassuring us of God's forgiveness, love, and deep concern for each of His children.

In spite of his impatience, Job learned of God's goodness, and this can be a lesson for us. "We know that in everything God works for good with those who love Him."  
(published in the Beaver Valley Times)

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RECOGNITION SUNDAY HELD

The Church School and all the Boards of the church received recognition Sunday, October 24, during the Morning Worship. Promotion certificates were awarded to

the following:

- From Kindergarten, Mrs. Jean Brower, teacher, to Primary, Mrs. Sophia Stephenson, teacher: Melodie Brower, Shannon Byerly, Michael Grubbs, Dianna Lathrop, Amy Leidtke.

From Primary, to Junior, Mrs. Jean Wickum, teacher: Crystal Arthur, Theresa Grubbs, Kelly Westbrook. (These children also received Bibles)

From Junior High to Senior High, W. C. Wickum and Mrs. Marjorie Smale, teachers: Amy Smale, Bob Stephenson, Rick VanBrimmer.

During the Church School hour a breakfast was held for all the families and a movie was shown.

**YOUTH ORGANIZATION MEETING AT LEE'S**

The youth of the church were entertained with a supper at the Lee's October 3. Meeting with their advisors, the youth decided to combine the Junior and Senior High Fellowships and to begin weekly meetings each Sunday at 6:00 P.M.

**BABY DEDICATED OCTOBER 3RD**

Kenneth Lyndsay Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Brown, was dedicated to God during Morning Worship, October 3.

**WORLD FELLOWSHIP OFFERING RECEIVED**

The annual World Fellowship Offering was received during the World-Wide Communion service Oct. 3. Total received was \$74.81.

**DOUGLAS LEE INJURED IN FALL**

Douglas Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lee, was painfully injured Oct. 15 when he fell from a horse. Doug was hospitalized for two days, suffering from a broken right arm and facial cuts.

**STATE CONVENTION HELD IN AKRON**

The annual convention of Ohio Baptists was held at the Arlington Memorial Baptist Church, Akron, Oct. 13-15. Attending from our church as delegates were James VanBrimmer and the minister. Featured speaker was Tom Skinner.

**MARION BROTHERHOOD MEETS HERE**

The Men's Brotherhood of the Marion Association was entertained at our church Tuesday, Oct. 12. Dinner was served in the Fellowship Hall and was followed by a program featuring a talk by the Rev. Lincoln Steik, rector of St. Peter's Church. Preparing and serving the dinner were Marjorie Smale, Bertha VanBrimmer, Janet Lathrop, Carol Grubbs, and Ann Linn.

**HALLOWEEN PARTY PLANNED FOR CHURCH**

The Youth Fellowship will sponsor an all church Halloween Party Sunday, Oct. 31, at 7:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall. You are requested to come masked!

**BAPTIST WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

On Monday, Nov. 1, Baptist women of America and the world will join in a day of prayer. Plans for the Delaware observance are not complete, so watch for details.

**WORLD COMMUNITY DAY NOV. 5**

On Nov. 5, Church Women of the World will celebrate World Community Day. The Delaware meeting will be at the First Presbyterian Church at 9:30. Details later.

**JEFF RICHARDS BREAKS ARM**

Jeff Richards, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Richards suffered a broken arm during football practice recently. Jeff is a Junior at Hayes High and hopes to be able to join the team again before the end of the season.

**MARION ASSOCIATION AT PROSPECT**

The Marion Baptist Association met Sept. 26 at Prospect for the annual meeting. Your minister gave the annual sermon. Four of our church families attended.

Mrs. Sophia Stephenson has been the real editor of NEWS AND VIEWS, gathering and organizing the material. You must know by this time that your minister is on his own this issue. So we all say (especially Steve) HURRY BACK!!!!!!!

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED

Mrs. Mary Milhoan was honored recently at a surprise birthday party given by her daughter, Mrs. John Wilson of Dayton. Guests attending the dinner party held at Shade's Restaurant, were Mrs. Grace Cunningham, Mrs. Mamie Watson, Mrs. Joan Wilson, Miss Pearl Wells, Miss Pauline Nash, Miss Stella Breece, Mrs. Judy Wilson and Mrs. Nina Swearingin.

FROM THE WOMEN'S SOCIETY

The WMC met Thursday, Oct. 14, with 11 present. We began at 10 and worked until 2 rolling bandages and making cancer pads. Jean Ekelberry brought delicious cookies and was our hostess. Thank you, Jean. We urge each woman of the church to attend these meetings and enjoy our fellowship. We not only help other people, we help ourselves. Our next meeting will be Nov. 11, 7:30, at the church. The theme is "Africa - New Generation," by Helen Aleshire. Hostesses will be Nellie Dick, Mary Milhoan, and Kizzie Main. Plan to attend and bring someone with you.

Della Dea, Program Chr.

AFRICA PANORAMA SCHEDULED

This year's School of Missions will have a new format, featuring guest speakers, travel movies, an African style dinner. It will be held each Sunday night in November, from 5 P.M. until 7 or 7:30. The first night will feature Dr. and Mrs. Harry Parrott, authorities on African missions. There will be a covered dish dinner. The second Sunday will feature Immanuel Njomo, an African student. There will be a sack supper. The third and fourth nights will include movies, guest speakers, and some surprises. The last session will include an African style dinner. Watch the bulletin for details. The program is under the direction of Mrs. Helen Aleshire.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR -

Dear Church Members,

Do you know what it is like to hear the joyous sound of little voices chirping gaily away during your prayer or while trying to listen to and benefit from the sermon? From the looks of the schedule on the nursery door and despite valiant efforts of Carol Fogle to recruit one hour volunteers, it would appear that we would like this sound in our church. If each older teenager and adult would sign up for one Sunday a year the Sanctuary could be kept as a place for more true meditation and thought. Can you find it in yourself to monitor the activity of 3 or 4 youngsters? It requires only supervision of free play, perhaps a story, passing out crackers, and conversing with the little ones. I bring my little one with diaper dry as I am sure all mothers would, and most children can survive for the length of a church service without being changed. Also, the children are able to help clean up their toys - and you can tell when to have "toy time" by keeping the Sanctuary speaker turned up.

I am willing to take a turn as being a nursery worker instead of singing with the choir. Most of the choir members have said they would do the same. Or some have also said they would leave the Sanctuary after the anthem and go back to the nursery, this freeing the nursery worker to come to church.

Like everything else in the church, if you can help, everyone benefits. Won't you help this way too?

I'd like to thank Pam Lathrop for the Sundays she's given to the nursery in September and October.

Sue Leidtke

(another letter on page 4)

Dear Congregation,

My first letter was misplaced on its way to the press, and I was disappointed because I expressed to you a few of my thoughts and I doubt if I can do it as well the second time. But nevertheless here they are - just for you.

The question I ask is why? Why are you letting the children of your church down? What does it take for you to show interest and concern for these little ones?

The statement I make now is about substitute teachers. This is such a depressing thing to me as it hurts me when I hear the ridiculous excuses you give me as to why you can't help when I really need assistance. I tell you now, there will be no more excuses given to me because I refuse to ask you again. Is this what the church does for you? Does your concern work only outside the church walls? Do you feel better because you are off the "hook" for that day? You know what really gets me is the fact that I hear and put up with this nonsense for YOUR KIDS. Well, no more.

Now for the nursery situation. Here again, I ask why? Why can't you people take one hour to care for these babies? Do you want paid? Does this move you? These children have parents and if there is no nursery facilities why should the parents come to church? Every single family is very important (or should be) and we cannot afford to lose that first one.

Pam Lathrop has been good enough to relieve me for several Sundays in the nursery and to you, Pam, a very special thanks. I will not let her continue full time because she is young and should be in church with her family. Now and then there is a volunteer but it should be more than just a couple of member's obligation.

If you wish to pick a Sunday to be in the nursery sign your name on the sheet on the nursery door, and if for some reason you can't fulfill your

responsibility, please don't call me, get your own replacement as I really don't want to hear your reasons.

I will not ask your cooperation again as my term of office is up in December, thank goodness, and I promise myself I will never, ever get into such a situation again!

Carol Fogle  
Children's Chr.

Editor's comments:

These two letters, each written without the writer's knowledge that the other was being sent to NEWS AND VIEWS, reveal what can happen when we take each other, and the services of the church, for granted. It is a small matter to give one hour to the nursery, yet Carol is not the first to have this problem. Of all work in the church, it is hardest to get nursery helpers!

Carol has done a tremendous job as Children's Chairman. I am sorry that she concludes her term with this sense of frustration. All of us owe her a word of thanks for what she has done, and a word of apology for what was done to her.

CHOIR NEWS

The choir robes were cleaned by means of donations from members.

In the absence of Mr. Wickum Joe Brower and Mrs. Melissa Inscho served as director.

THANKS FROM MINISTER & FAMILY

During the illness of your minister's mother, many of you sent cards to her, and food to the parsonage. (Mrs. Stephenson has been in Pomeroy for almost three weeks) Thanks from all of us to all of you!

NEXT ISSUE WILL CONTAIN NEWS OF VACATIONS. . . submit items by Nov. 15, please.

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This is holiday time! Thanksgiving followed in a month by Christmas followed in a week by New Year's Day. Ever feel overwhelmed with good things? Do you feel pressured by the rush of the season? There is a way out of the pressure cooker. Not by a visit to your friendly finance company. Not by shopping early; not even by adding some new strings of lights to your outdoor display. I suggest you sit down, open your Bible, and read the Christmas story as it is given in Matthew 1:18-2:12 and Luke 2:1-20. Then keep sitting there long enough to ask yourself two simple, basic questions. One, "What has this story meant to my life in the past?" and "What could it mean to me and my family in the future?" If you sit there long enough and give those questions a good, long, honest look, then I promise you that the holidays will burst into Light! And your Christmas decorations will consist of a glow from the inside out! Try it. It works! (JBS)

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**CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES ANNOUNCED**

Special Christmas plans for our church include a Christmas Cantata, "The Story of Love," to be presented by the Choir Sunday, Dec. 19, as the Morning Worship service. The annual Christmas Eve Communion is scheduled for 7:30 P.M. A family Christmas service and party is now being prepared, and is tentatively set for Dec. 19 at an early evening hour. A Christmas Family Night by the Women's Mission Society will be Dec. 5, beginning with a covered dish dinner at 6:00 and including a program by Mrs. Cecil Norman, of Sunbury. Watch the bulletin for further details.

**NEW BABY IN CHURCH FAMILY!**

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Chapman of Columbus are the parents of a new baby girl, Shannon Elizabeth, who was born Sunday, Nov. 21, at 4:00 P.M. Mrs. Chapman is the former Marty Mead, sister of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wickum. Shannon weighed 10 pounds and 4 ounces! Congratulations!

**HALLOWEEN PARTY SPONSORED BY YOUTH**

The entire church was invited to share in a Halloween Party, Sunday, Oct. 31, sponsored by the Youth Fellowship. A fine and fearful time was had by all, especially by those who faced Death and the Devil in the Youth Room. Prizes for cos-

tumes went to Mark Brower and Willard Fogle. You had to see them to believe them! W. C. Wickum won the pie eating contest, the Browsers and Fogles wound their way to a tie in the Mummy Wrapping Derby, Mark Brower beat out Carol Fogle to win Musical Chairs, and Doris Smale tore her way to victory in the Pumpkin Tearing Contest (tearing paper, not pumpkins). Everyone appreciated the efforts of the youth and their advisors for a great evening of fun and fellowship.

**DEATH IN CHURCH FAMILY**

Mr. Jacob G. Spillman, brother of Mrs. John Richards, passed away suddenly Oct. 28 at his home in Utica. We extend our sympathy to the family.

**DEDICATION OF PLEDGES SET FOR 12th**

The annual Dedication of our financial pledges for 1972 will be held Sunday, Dec. 12, during Morning Worship, it was announced by Finance Chairman, Dr. B. T. Leidtke. A letter, your pledge sheet, and a proposed budget will be mailed to all contributors before that date.

**AFRICAN PANORAMA CONCLUDES NOV. 28**

The last session of our African Panorama is set for Nov. 28, at 5 P.M. It will feature an African style dinner, a motion picture, and a few surprises. The past three

session have brought information and entertainment for the average of 25 who attended. The Panorama is under the direction of Mrs. Helen Aleshire, chairman of missionary education for the Board of Christian Education.

#### FROM THE CHILDREN'S CHAIRMAN

The Council of Social Agencies clearing house needs our help again for the coming Christmas season. They need new toys, canned foods (non-perishable) gift certificates for teen-agers, and money.

As a special request I would like to have the children (and adults too) bring mittens and gloves for a mitten tree. These too will be given to the clearing house. The tree will be on display on the Sunday School room so please remember to bring yours and watch it fill up. A box will be there too for the food items and toys. There are only two Sundays to bring your gifts (Dec. 18 is the deadline) so try not to forget.

Please help those who are in need this Christmas, after all isn't this what it's all about.

Carol Fogle  
Children's Chr.

#### SPECIAL MEETING OF BD. OF ED. SET

A special meeting of the Board of Education has been called for Monday, Nov. 29, at the church at 7:30 P.M. Plans for Christmas are to be completed.

#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir: With the Advent of the Christmas season we all wish to extend to all our friends in the church our wishes for a happy and blessed holiday season, but, with the rising costs of cards and postage, this is out of the question for some. Most people are cutting down. I recently was reading what a church in Illinois has been doing in this regard and I want to bring the suggestion to you. An easel or board was placed in the church and

everybody brought one card extending their greetings to everyone in the church. They then gave an amount equal to what they would have spent to send a greeting to each member to an agreed upon fund. In this way a sizable amount was raised and the greetings were extended to each and everyone.

Would you want to try this? I would.

Elsie Byerly

From the ed. -

This sounds like a great idea! Let's have a quick reaction to it, so phone the parsonage and give an expression of opinion.

Dear Sir:

It's been a long time since I last saw most of you, and I'm sure there are a lot of new faces, but I hope I haven't been forgotten. I'm sure I haven't because I get NEWS AND VIEWS and appreciate it very much. I just wanted to drop a line and say that I still think of you often, and that I'll be stopping in for a weekend visit before Christmas.

Well I like the Navy and I decided to make it a career. I shipped over last May 27th for six years. I have over four years in now. . . These first four years have taken me many miles, and to most of the countries of the far east. There are some wonderful sights and memories, but there are sights I'd like to forget.

I'll be getting transferred Dec. 10th to NTC San Diego for schooling. I'll be in California for about a year and a half. The time in the states will give me time to collect my thoughts for the years to come.

I wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving, and although most of you'll be watching football, let's don't forget the true meaning of the day, and be thankful that we have the freedom to watch football on TV! By the way, I hope your favorite team wins.

Well it's been a few years since I left Delaware, and I long to get back. Hope to see you all real soon

and God bless you and keep you all safe from the outside struggles that our men are fighting...may it not be needless that men lay down their lives...for the preservation of world peace.

For now I must say so long. My thoughts go with this letter. It seems like an eternity, but Delaware is only around the corner...  
Love through Christ,  
Bob Cawley

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FROM THE WOMEN'S MISSION SOCIETY

The Women's Mission Society met Thursday, Nov. 11, in the Fellowship Hall, with 14 present. Helen Alebbire gave a very interesting program on "Africa - New Generation." The hostesses were Mary Milhoan, Nellie Dick, and Kizzie Main.

The next meeting will be Sunday, Dec. 5, at 6:00. Mrs. Cecil Norman from Sunbury Baptist Church will talk and show slides of her visits to the mission fields in Latin America. It is a Christmas Family Night with a covered dish dinner. Bring your own table service. Coffee will be provided. The hostesses will be the program chairman and committee. We're expecting you and your family.

Della Dean  
Program Chairman

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For all who serve, for all who give;  
For that great gift, a life to live;  
For all the good, for all the true;  
For all, dear God, that comes from you;  
For all that still we do not see;  
For all the wonders yet to be,  
Help us make a start, we pray  
toward one year-long Thanksgiving Day.

Mildred N. Hoyer

A NEW ADDRESS FOR YOU

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PLANS MADE FOR USE OF LEGACY

Plans for using part of the bequest from Mrs. Howard Cummin's estate were made at the October business meeting. Two thousand was invested in a certificate of deposit, the roof loan was paid off, a lawn mower purchased, and the remainder placed in the repair fund. \$300 will be set aside for a mission project.

DIRECTOR OF SYMPHONIC BAND SPEAKS

Prof. Darrell E. Wood of OWU was speaker at our Morning Worship, Nov. 14. He represented the Gideons Organization. Mr. Wood is professor of music at Wesleyan and directs the Symphonic Band. A number of our families attended the band concert at Gray Chapel Nov. 21. Jim Stephenson is a member of the Symphonic Band.

VACATION NEWS . . .

Your summer vacation may seem like a far away dream in this cold November, but the following information has come to NEWS AND VIEWS. . . . The Leidtkes had two trips, one to travel in New York and visit friends, and one to stay in a relatives cabin in Michigan...the McTaggarts spent a week in Virginia around Williamsburg and Monticello, and visited friends in Lynchburg... the Faulks spent a number of weekends camping and boating on Lake Erie and took part in many 4H activities...the Stephensons visited in Ambridge and Pomeroy...the Browns (Donna & Ruth) visited Ambridge and Washington D.C. (The editor regrets that more of you did not submit news of your vacation)



DO YOU HAVE SEPTEMBER'S NEWSLETTER???

Your editor's files are incomplete in that one page of the Sept. NEWS AND VIEWS is missing. If you still have your copy some place will you contribute it to the minister so the "official file" will be complete? Call 363-7021, please.

ASSISTANTS HELPING IN THE WORSHIP

A number of our people have had the experience of assisting the minister in the Morning Worship service. We hope this practice will continue. So far volunteers have been adequate in number and superb in performance. Have you had your turn? How about volunteering today?

WE NEED A JANITOR! HOW ABOUT YOU?

The church is again without the services of a janitor. One problem is the salary we pay. We cannot compete with churches and institutions which are able to offer more remuneration.

It would be possible to do the work ourselves if enough of us were willing to sign up for a few hours weekly or, even, monthly. Sunday your minister asked persons who are willing to help to speak to him or to phone. Despite the fact that we had about 75 persons in attendance, only one individual offered to assist, and he is a retired person. In other words, outlook is not at all bright for self-help cleaning.

Let it be repeated here as was stated Sunday - let him who will not help keep quiet about the dust and dirt! Or, if something bothers you, clean it! Does that seem fair enough?

Offers and suggestions can be phoned to the parsonage or to the chairman of the trustees, Mr. Willard Fogle.

Actually, a spirit of love and mutual compassion are more important than a spotless Sanctuary! OK?

YOUR COLUMN -

The following blank space might have carried your story, your personal item, your organization's report, if you had submitted it.

People are interested in you and your family. They are interested in your opinion, your comments, your attitudes.

Why not jot down in the blank space below something that might go into the next NEWS AND VIEWS. Then phone the editor (363-7021) and ask him to print your own story!

DEAR ANONYMOUS -

Thank you for the \$5.00 contributed for the church School....and for the phone call of thanks to the Youth for the Halloween Party. It's good to know there are people who like to spread good will and who are willing to do it while remaining unheralded and unknown. I like you!

The Editor