

could unlock the door. Two under seat bags were taken. They belonged to persons from Quebec. Many expensive cameras were not taken. The stolen bags were filled with treasures purchased in Rome, and their passports and travelers checks. They had to stay over in Naples to get things straightened out.

The road from Naples to Sorrento was good but narrow. We stayed at the Continental Hotel overlooking the Bay of Naples. Our room faced the bay and had a veranda. We walked around at night (only time we were there) getting something to eat and exploring our end of the town. The streets (we would call them alleys) were so narrow that you almost had to stand in a store doorway to let a car, a small one at that, go by. The streets were dark but we were advised we would be perfectly safe, no mugging going on there. We ate breakfast in the main dining room at the Continental.

Next morning we went to look over the ruins of Pompeii. After that we went over the mountain to Amalfi. It is a beautiful resort on the bay. We came back along the coast, a narrow, crooked, mountainous road, beautiful drive if you were not too scared to look. That night was a repeat of the night before except we had to locate a drug store as I had come down with a cold. We found one and I got Vicks, some aspirin and some cough medicine.

Next morning we took the boat to Capri. Would you believe that going down to the dock we went down a narrow hill with a very sharp curve and the bus had to back up before it could negotiate the curve? Same way coming back. When we approached the Isle of Capri we were met by a wall of solid rock, 900 feet high. We stopped enroute to go in the famous Blue Grotto. We had to get in row boats, 4 to a boat, and were rowed in and around the grotto. The entrance was so narrow we had to get down in the bottom of the boat to get in. There are no lights in the cave. It was a beautiful shade of blue. The boatman sang "O Solo Mio" and it echoed back and forth - beautiful sound, beautiful sight.

When I think about it it doesn't seem we spent any time on Capri except walking from boat to busses. We were taken to the top, called Anacapri. "This beautiful place can be reached by a curbed street cut into the rock, with the amused help of

daring and capable drivers who will give you a THRILL." No kidding about that!

We had luncheon on top and visited the villa of San Michele - which was once a Roman villa built by Augustus and also inhabited by Tiberius. It was restored by a Swedish doctor, Axel Munthe, who wrote the "Story of San Michele." We came back to Capri by the funicolare.

I am still amazed by the amount of vegetation on that craggy island, seemed like nothing but a huge rock, beautiful gardens, preponderance of flowers, trees, vineyards, orange and lemon groves, olive orchards, also other fruits. Buildings were built into the rocks, all over hillsides - you just can't imagine the sheer beauty and ruggedness of this isle.

Back to Sorrento as the sun was setting. That night on our tour of alleys I found some block prints - reasonable, and bought one of the "Faraglioni," landmark of Capri and one of Sorrento looking out on Bay of Naples.

From here we go to Florence.

NEW BABY IN CHURCH FAMILY

Matthew David Lovell, son of David and Mary Lou Lovell, was born 3:43am, January 18, weighing 8 lb., 6 oz. Congratulations to the proud parents and to big sister Debby.

A whisper without words has said:
There's something more -
Come and find me!
A feeling deep inside has said:
You've known it all along -
You are different!
You are special!
Come and find out who you are!
Debra Woolard Bender

PEOPLE MAKING NEWS . . .

FRED VIA is a patient in Grady Hospital recovering from successful surgery. Room 208.

POLLY FOCKE suffered a broken right arm in a fall Feb. 10. At time of writing she is in room 206 at Grady.

MARGARET HOPKINS is wishing for good weather and clear sidewalks so she can get out again. She would enjoy hearing from her

friends. Her address is 276 N. Franklin.

NELLIE DICK did not send out Christmas greetings but sends best wishes to her many friends and thanks them for their remembrances.

BEVERLY MARSHALL was in an accident Jan. 12 and suffered severe breaks in his right foot and leg. Notes and cards would be welcome - 1208 Fairy Falls Dr., Coshocton, OH 43812.

The BROWERS have written that JEAN is working at the Riverside Motel in Rotunda; JOE keeps busy with his EMJ work. DARLENE is to be transferred to St. Louis. They all send their greetings.

Sunday the 12th will be a first for BERTHA McTAGGART. The Business and Finance Comm. of the OBC is going to hold a conference call. It will be interesting to hear how members all over the state will confer by phone.

STEVE and TED STEPHENSON attended the Ohio Pastors Convocation in Columbus, Jan. 23-25. TED, JEANNIE, AMY, AND JENNIFER were caught in Delaware by the blizzard and were not able to return to Indianapolis until Jan. 30.

There were no services in our church Jan. 29 due to the blizzard which struck at 3:30am, Thursday, Jan. 26.

SOME DATES TO KEEP IN MIND . . .

FEB. 19, Blanket Sunday. A new blanket costs \$4.00.

MARCH 9 & 10. Take good clothing to Asbury church for GWS pickup.

SEE SANDRA CAGWIN for details of the above.

SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 7:30pm. The Billy Graham film on Israel, GOSPEL ROAD, starring Johnny Cash, will be shown in our church.

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A friend is one who knows you as you are, understands where you've been, accepts what you've become, and still gently invites you to grow.

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PLEASE REREAD THE STORY ON THE FIRST PAGE CONCERNING THE LENTEN GROUPS WHICH WILL MEET TO STUDY THE BIBLE AS A HANDBOOK OF ABUNDANT LIFE. THEN PLEASE FILL IN THE DATA BELOW, TEAR OUT, AND GIVE TO STEVE OR LEAVE ON THE TABLE IN THE VESTIBULE.

BEST DAY TO MEET _____

2ND BEST DAY _____

3RD BEST DAY _____

PREFER Morning _____
Afternoon _____
Night _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

Comments and questions:

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER

JAMES B. STEPHENSON, MINISTER

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In my profound but simple childhood I ran free in the daisy starred fields of Maine. No one structured my time and blue-gold days rang with the insistent sounds of summer. The world was mine to wonder in. Childhood is a special space for dreaming. Inside the small frame of a child the great work of the creation of a human being is steadily going on. Schedules and frameworks are destructive when they obstruct the true business of growing up. He needs time to reflect and to dream and to grow. . . Time sweeps most children to adulthood soon enough and makes them aware of the structure of an ordered life. To deal with it they need to know the freedoms of personal adventure and the order of nature and her laws. Breakfast, lunch, and supper are enough structure for a child. He doesn't need ordered and disciplined play and educational schedules. The best one can give a child is the sun and the moon, the tides and the shades of night and day, and let him be, to reflect on their mysteries, and grow. (written by Alison Birch, a Connecticut poet, and reprinted by request) JBS

CHURCH SCHOOL SUMMER SCHEDULE

Our regular Church School schedule ends Sunday, June 11. For the remainder of June and all of July and August we will not hold Church School classes. Child care will be as before provided for all preschool age children during Morning Worship, and we will resume regular classes on Sept. 3.

DO YOU WANT A CHANGE IN MORNING WORSHIP STARTING TIME? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ?

The above change in Church School time makes it possible to begin Morning Worship at an earlier hour. What is your suggestion? Indicate your feeling to any member of the Deacons & Deaconesses Board or to Steve. If we change it will be for July and August.

PROMOTION SUNDAY AND OTHER GOOD THINGS

June 11 is the last day of Church School for the summer and we will observe Promotion Sunday and Children's Day. The children and youth will take part in the Morning Worship service and there will be the presentation of certificates, Bibles, and gifts to the high school graduates. A family potluck picnic will follow at Blue Limestone. If it should rain, we will eat indoors in the Fellowship Hall.

Sandra Cagwin (Child. Chr.)

W. G. WICKUM APPOINTED TO COUNCIL

Wilbur Wickum has been appointed to City Council as the Second Ward representative. He was installed in a special ceremony Thursday, June 1. Congratulations Wick!!!!

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS BUT ONCE . . . NO WAY

Opportunity may knock only once in the business world, but in the church, opportunity just keeps on knocking, day after day. You have so many opportunities to help so many people and groups, and the one group everyone is most concerned about is the young people.

Well, BANG, BANG, BANG, that's opportunity knocking, and we who are serving on the Bible School Committee want to give you a chance to have a great time, and at the same time help in our EVENING BIBLE SCHOOL.

That's right, we are going to have an evening Bible School, and all of you who because of work, well praise the Lord, can now be of great assistance to our young people.

This school is going to be held in August, week one or two, we are not sure which, and all Little League, Tennis Lessons, Swimming Lessons, Summer School, Summer Band, and many vacations are over and everyone is ready to do something exciting and a little different.

Join us, this will be time well spent. We need volunteers for music, crafts, games, refreshments, and of course, we need TEACHERS.

I say Bless you and carry on.

Sincerely,
John J. Swickheimer

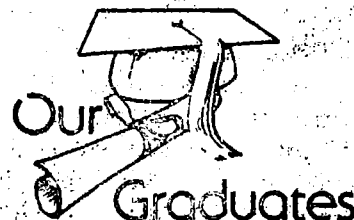
Again, many thanks to all, especially the Sunday School.

RETREAT TIME IS ALMOST HERE

It is difficult, I know, to think of September and the coming Fall, when Summer has just arrived after a long cold winter. However, think we must and preparations are being made for our annual retreat.

This year we will once again be coming together at Judson Hills Baptist Camp and our leader will be Dr. John Sundquist, Executive Minister of the Ohio Baptist Convention. You will be soon receiving a letter giving all details, and with this letter a registration blank to fill in and return to me. Please set aside the weekend of Sept. 8, 9, and 10. I can promise you a weekend of rest, relaxation and spiritual enrichment.

Carol Grubbs, Chr. Bd. of Christian Ed.



This year our graduates are Susan Panek, Ohio Wesleyan University; Bob Smith, Ohio State University; David Adams and Doug Lee, Hayes High School; Chris Westbrook, Buckeye Valley High School.

FROM THE TRUSTEES

The parsonage at 93 N. Franklin has been leased.

It is now occupied by the Central Ohio Mental Health Clinic and Guidance Center.

The Stephensons are now living in the new parsonage, 632 Congress Ct. The phone number remains the same.

Those of you who made a special pledge for the new house receive our thanks for your act of faith. As the cost of the payments will come from the lease, your pledge will be placed in the general budget unless you notify Dick Lee to the contrary.

David Lovell, Chr. Board of Trustees

REMEMBER THE BLOODMOBILE, JUNE 9, 10-4 at the William Street Church. Make your appointment by June 6, please. Call 362-2021 or 363-5871.

FUND OF RENEWAL PLEDGES

Our Church's response to the Fund of Renewal and Sesqui '76 has been very good to date. Pledges for three years amount to \$2400.00. There are additional pledge sheets in the vestibule that can be given to Jeanne Ekelberry or Steve.

Jeanne Ekelberry

We the willing
led by the unknowing
are daring the impossible
for the ungrateful.

We have done so much
for so long with so little,
we are now qualified to do
anything with nothing.

from Marge Adams

MAY BASKETS DISTRIBUTED

The Church School Classes prepared and delivered 9 baskets to members of our fellowship who have been unable to attend church. This was done in place of the usual Easter basket distribution.

Sandra Cagwin

A LETTER TO THE PASTOR

Dear Sir:

I was deeply moved on Sunday morning when three bright and happy youngsters presented me with a "May Basket" and I was reminded that I had not been forgotten. My association with the First Baptist Church has been a most happy one and

FROM THE TREASURER . . .

Money received for rent from old parsonage is not to be used for local expenses. Remember expenses for church continue thru vacation time so before leaving for fun time make a deposit for the 1st Baptist Church, Delaware, with Richard Lee.

To meet the budget we need \$440 a week.

April: \$440 X 5 = \$2200

Received 1887

In red \$ 313

May: \$440 X 4 = 1760

Received 1427

In red \$ 333

Offerings:

April 2 \$575.58

9 315.80

16 261.64

23 336.95

30 396.60

\$1886.57

May 7 \$552.50

14 154.83

21 395.71

28 324.25

\$1427.29

Ruth J. Brown, Treasurer

I cannot explain my faith in the manner of the intellectual or in the terminology of the theologian.

For my faith is basically a simple thing,

Arising from the yearning of a young girl's heart for something better. . .

Something more than continually feeling the disappointment of continually missing the mark.

The frustration of wanting to be best, But not knowing how to go about it, And the resultant burden of discontent.

Then I heard of One who understood my heart's distress, who really cared I suffered so,

I came to Him with the swift eagerness of youth.

Bewildered, my loved ones said, "She will grow out of it."

But one does not grow out of Christ. One only grows up to Him.

"It won't last," they predicted, but it has, and He is more precious today than

when I first believed.

You ask, "Is He then all that He claims to be?"

He is more! He is more!

In Joy, He has been the light of the morning,

In Trouble, the clear shining after the rain,

In Sorrow, morning without clouds.

He has plumbed the depths I never knew existed.

He has set goals before me that I never thought I could reach.

He has put such meaning into life,

How can I but believe?

CRUSADE

If we had been born in another age, One full of piety, filled with God's grace, We might find it easy to live in faith.

But we were born in an age of doubt, Of questions and disbelief. It is an age Fragmented - Torn - Dividing soul, unsettling mind, Tearing faith from Its foundation.

And so we struggle To find our way back to God. We find ourselves Ridiculed - Mocked - In a world caring not that Christ died To save its soul. We fight to restore our faith, And we are born.

The above were contributed by Sue Panek, who is graduating from Ohio Wesleyan University. She has been active as a member of our congregation and we will miss her. She will attend Colgate Rochester Divinity School in Rochester, N.Y.

A NOTE TO THE CHURCH -

In honor of Bob's graduation from Ohio State University I am having open house on Sunday, June 11, from 2 - ? at 136 Griswold St. Everyone is welcome for this happy occasion.

Elvira Smith

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS . . .

The MANSFIELDS have moved to 645 Presidential Way. Phone remains the same.

STEVE MANSFIELD received an award for completing the Johnny Appleseed 21 mile hike.

DONALD BROWN is JayCees' Man of the year and was recognized for heading the Outstanding Indoor Project, the Haunted House.

TERESA GRUBBS was selected to be a major-ette in the Hayes Marching Band.

HARRIET PITTMAN had a fire in her apartment which received smoke and water damage.

FRED HUFFORD of Olmstead Falls died May 28. He is MYRTLE GABRIEL'S brother.

LUCILLE VIA was a patient in Grady after a painful fall.

MAIMIE WATSON was a patient in Grady hospital.

BRUCE LEE received a certificate for academic achievement at Hayes High School.

CHARLES EKELBERRY received the Arrow of Light Award in a ceremony Monday night conducted by Scoutmaster Hughey Deal, Troop 393.

FRANCES BELT and father FRED LEAPER were visitors with daughter MARY in Indianapolis.

DIANNA LATHROP was taken to the emergency room of Grady for treatment.

WILLIAM & DELIA DEAN visited relatives in W. Va.

JIM & BERTHA VANBRIEMER attended a reunion in Kentucky.

JANIE SUMMERS and children were in Delaware while EVERETT was on military duty.

ARCHIE & BETH TRIGG visited Greenfield Village and Ford Museum in Detroit as part of there anniversary celebration.

MARLENE BREECE is a patient in Marion General Hospital.

 * You are cordially invited to visit your *
 * new parsonage at 632 Congress Court. *
 * Open house and dedication will be set *
 * in a few weeks, but you need not wait *
 * until then to see it. It would be wise *
 * to phone ahead to be sure some one will *
 * be at home. We are anxious to give you *
 * a guided tour! *
 * Sophia & Steve *
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THE GOOD NEWS LETTER

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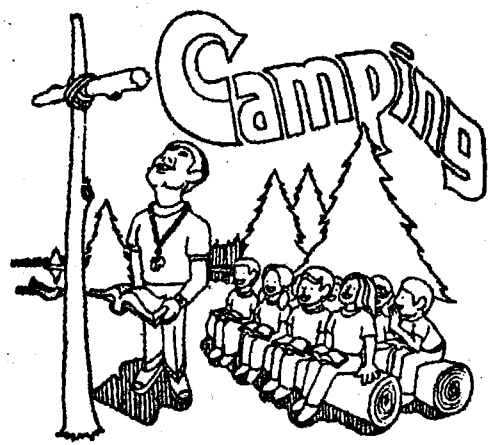
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I'm sitting in the church study typing words on a stencil. Later they will be reproduced on the pages of THE GOOD NEWS LETTER. On my left is a statue of Jesus which I gave to my mother many years ago. It stands about 1½ feet high and was made in Holland by a man named Jan Verdomik. It is turned so that the eyes of Jesus are on me as I type. Outside of the study at the west end of the hall is a portrait in oils of Jesus. Jim Brown painted it and presented it to the church. At the other end of the hall is the entrance to the Sanctuary. Hanging above the baptistry at the front of the Sanctuary is a reproduction of Sallman's full length picture of Jesus which he titled "The Presence." It was a gift to the church from Ernestine Frost. The window on the south wall pictures Jesus knocking at the heart's door and in the east window Jesus sits talking with the Samaritan woman. Our church could be called the House of Jesus.

At our annual meeting last February I suggested that we should give the church to Jesus. I want to phrase it another way, for in actuality it was, is, and always has been His church, a part of His Body. It is only in so far as we individually acknowledge that fact do we come within the enfolding grace and power of God. The paragraph printed above was written in 1974 and appeared in the May newsletter of that year. The power, love, and excitement of working with God through Christ for His Kingdom is available to us in so far as we know whose church it really is. And if we act that way. (JBS)

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REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE RESUMES SOON



CHURCH RETREAT SET FOR JUDSON HILLS

The annual all-church retreat is set for the weekend of Sept. 8, 9, and 10 at Judson Hills. All on our mailing list should have received a packet with full details, including a map. If you did not, check with the church office or call Carol Grubbs.

Our leader is the Executive Minister of the Ohio Baptist Convention, Dr. John Sundquist.

Plan now to attend the full weekend and come prepared to experience new life.

We go back to our regular schedule the Sunday after Retreat, Sept. 17. Church School begins at 9:15am and will be followed by Morning Worship at 10:45am.

There will be classes for all ages including adults. If you or your children need transportation call the church office, 363-7021.

It is an enormous opportunity to have qualified teachers, equipped with the best in educational materials, available to provide Christian education for your family. Don't let the opportunity pass your children by due to your own neglect!

George Bernard Shaw once said that "Christ perishes in every age for those who have no imagination." Imagination is the magic gift possessed by every child and lost by 98% of adults. It is the faculty that sees not just what is, but what might be! It sees health where there is sickness, wealth where there is poverty, and peace and harmony where there is conflict. Imagination looks beyond the negative appearance into the Divine Plan of God. Jesus had an enor-

mous imagination and by means of it performed his mighty works which he promised we would do also. He said that when we ask for anything in prayer we should imagine (believe) that we have received it and we will. Have you used your imagination recently?

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE NEEDS YOUR HELP

The annual pickup of clothing for Church World Service is set for Sept. You may bring your contributions to our church but we will need them no later than Sept. 3. Also, 15¢ per pound postage is needed and may be given to anyone in the Women's Society. Special needs for this pickup: Children's heavy clothing, infant and pre-school clothing, layettes, yard goods, hospital gowns, health kits, sewing kits, school kits, and new bars of soap...data about the kits may be obtained by calling Sandra Cagwin, 369-8266.

Please GIVE, as our Lord instructed us. The need is great.



BLANKET SUNDAY COMING SOON

For only \$4 each, Church World Service supplies thousands of 70% wool blankets to victims of disasters both overseas and here in America. This offering will be received in our church Sunday, Sept. 17.

In everything give thanks. I Thess. 5:18a

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL GREAT SUCCESS

Our church's vacation Bible school was held each evening, Aug. 7-11. Attendance was between 60-67 each night. The committee was composed of Carol Grubbs, Chr., and Jim VanBrimmer, Sandra Cagwin, Jeanne Ekelberry, Mary Lou Lovell, James Stephenson. CONGRATULATIONS FROM A GRATEFUL AND PROUD CHURCH!!!!!!

THE LORD'S TREASURY

To fulfill our 1978 proposed budget we need \$410 each week for local expenses. We received:

July 2	\$332.05
July 9	232.25
July 16	430.75
July 23	241.75
July 30	312.03
	<u>\$1548.83</u>

We received a much appreciated personal gift of \$1000.00.

To fulfill our 1978 proposed budget we need \$333 per month for our world mission. We sent \$259. to Valley Forge for missions. PIUS \$32.50 for Fund of Renewal and \$32.50 for Sesqui '76.

REMEMBER YOUR PLEDGES TO F.O.R. and SESQUI!

Ruth J. Brown
Treasurer

BABY DEDICATED

Abby Jean Brown, daughter of Donald and Dorothy Brown, was dedicated to God during Morning Worship August 13. Abby was born April 12 at 5:26am and weighed 8lbs., 4oz. Big brother Kenny assisted in the dedication.

RUMMAGE SALE SCHEDULED

The Women's Society rummage sale will be held at Cagwins Friday, Sept. 15, 9am to 5pm, and Saturday, Sept. 16, 9am to noon. The 14th will be work day to get ready and help is needed. Contributions of clean usable clothing and other items may be brought to the church (marked for the sale) or taken to Cagwins Sept. 11-14. Call office or Cagwins for pickup.

OPEN HOUSE AND DEDICATION OF PARSONAGE

On July 23 an open house was held at the new church parsonage, 632 Congress Ct. The Stephensons and the Trustees and their wives served as hosts and hostesses. At 2pm a dedication service was conducted by the pastor. The deed to the new property was presented to Moderator Jeanne Ekelberry by David Lovell, Chr. of the Board of Trustees, as a memorial from Pauline Nash in honor of her mother, Lois C. Nash.

DONNA BROWN HONORED AT OHIO STATE

Donna Brown was recently initiated into the Omicron Nu Home Economics National Honor Society. The Ohio State University Omega Chapter of the Society held its spring initiation ceremony on Thursday, August 3, 1978 in Campbell House (Home Economics Building).

The TV set is my shepherd, my spiritual growth shall want. It makes me sit down and do nothing for His name's sake, because it requires all my spare time. It keeps me from doing my duty as a Christian because it presents so many good shows that I must see. It restores my knowledge of the things of the world and keeps me from the study of God's word. It leads me in the paths of failing to attend the worship services and doing nothing in the Kingdom of God. Yea, though I live to be a hundred, I shall keep on viewing my TV as long as it will work, for it is my closest companion. Its sound and its picture, they comfort me. Surely no good thing will come of my life because I have no time to do the will of God, and I shall dwell in ignorance forever.

- from the newsletter of the Valley View Baptist Church, whose pastor is Hubert Cagwin, Paul's father.

PEOPLE MAKING NEWS . . .

Attending Band Camp at Wooster College were BRUCE LEE, TERESA GRUBBS, CAREY FOGLE, CINDY LATHROP, PAUL MANSFIELD, and CAROL GRUBBS as chaperone.

BRUCE LEE won the top trophy in the state in the class "Let's Explore the Outdoors,"

at the Ohio State Fair. His exhibit was "Pillbugs Creating Leaf Litter." The trophy was sponsored by Bob Evans Farms and was presented by Bob Evans.

The STONERS are now living at 17 Westland and their phone is 369-7754.

The MCTAGGARTS new phone number is 362-8385.

TIM FOGLE and STEVE MANSFIELD played on the championship baseball team this summer.

PAM LATHROP is working with the USDA near Harrisburg, Pa. collecting sample s offungi and diseased trees.

MELISSA INSCHO and JAY ELDRIDGE were married in our Sanctuary August 18.

DALE and DIANNA HEDGES and daughter DEVIN MAY have returned from Phoenix.

MILDRED BOWERS and NELLIE SHEETS had to get along for three weeks without gas in their apartment but everything is back to normal.

BOB STEPHENSON placed second in the men's singles in the Rotary Tennis Tournament.

NANCY WESTBROOK was recently married to BOB HICKMAN.

POLLY FOCKE visited Myrtle Beach, South Car.

FRANCES JOHNSON daughter PENNY and family in Virginia.

The LOVELLS vacationed with MARY LOU'S family in New York.

The MCTAGGARTS vacationed in Florida.

GARY OSBORNE and AMY STANG were married Aug. 26 in Lima. Officiating was the Rev. DAVID OSBORNE, Gary's grandfather.

MARGE ADAMS and son DAVID visited friends in Lewisburg, W. Va.

The CAGWINS vacationed at Lake Erie.

JEANNE EKELBERRY and sons Charles and Mike attended a reunion in W. Va.

FRED and LUCILLE VIS visited daughter NANCY and family at Staunton, Va., and son DR. BILL and family at Chapel Hill, N. C.

JIM and BERTHA VANBRIMMER visited daughter SUSAN in Pennsylvania and enjoyed the Pennsylvania Dutch country.

BOB STEPHENSON was named to the Dean's list the last two terms of the academic year. He is majoring in Speech Pathology.

DON and DOROTHY BROWN and family visited the Indianapolis Stephensons.

TED, JEANNIE, AMY, and JENNIFER STEPHENSON of Indianapolis were in Delaware July 26 to celebrate AMY'S fifth birthday.

MARGE SMALE and grandson SPENCER HANEY were in Black Mountain, N. C. for a week to attend a national wildlife federation conservation summit.

AMY SMALE spent a month in England in and around Suffolk.

GENEVA EVANS returned to Anderson Calif. with sister Mary and husband who had been visiting in Delaware.

The STONERS spent a day at Kings Island and also visited sister SUSAN in Pennsylvania.

LARRY, PAM, 'EFF and ERIN FAULK spent a week camping in Michigan. They also enjoyed spending a day at Cedar Point with the BILL FAULK family who were visiting from Oklahoma. Also at Cedar Point were Grandma FLORENCE FAULK and ANGIE and TERESA. PAM and LARRY celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary August 18 by going out to eat and seeing an excellent movie, HEAVEN CAN WAIT. They recommend it!

The BILL FAULK family worshipped with us while on vacation.

JEAN WICKUM recently had outpatient surgery at Grady Hospital.

NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE PUBLISHED SEPT. 24.
YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS OF MATERIAL WILL BE APPRECIATED.

James B. Stephenson, pastor

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WORLD FELLOWSHIP OFFERING SET FOR OCT. 8

Our World Fellowship Offering will be received Sunday, Oct. 8. The theme this year is **YOU ARE THERE**, taken from a portion of John 20:21 . . . "so send I you."

Again this year the call to responsible Christian stewardship comes to all of us. Some have responded and will go. The rest of us are asked to make their going possible. As they go, you are there.

Marjorie Smale

OHIO BAPTISTS TO MEET IN DAYTON

The 153rd annual meeting of the Ohio Baptist Convention will be held in Dayton Oct. 18-20 at the First Baptist Church, 111 West Monument Ave. Featured leaders include Dr. Charles Adams, Marie Mathis, C. Ronald Goulding, Al Carmines, and Brooks Hayes. There is still time to register for the meals, including the all-convention banquet the last night. See your pastor for data, and the current copy of TAB for program details.

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH FELLOWSHIP AVAILABLE

Our youth will be sharing in the ecumenical Junior High Fellowship (grades 6,7,8) sponsored by the Asbury, Presbyterian, and Episcopal churches. First meeting for our youth will be Sunday, Oct. 1, 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Sandra Cagwin will be glad to provide transportation for any requiring it. The session will be at the First Presbyterian Church, 73 W. Winter. Please use double doors in back off parking lot.

BLOODMOBILE SCHEDULED

Someone in some hospital is needing blood today...and their need goes on and on. You could be that someone who could supply that precious gift of life! You can do this by phoning the Red Cross office at 362-2021 to make an appointment. Date is Oct. 3, at William St. Church, 10-4.

CHURCH SCHOOL UNDERWAY AGAIN

Well, we are well into another Church School year, and we have a very fine teach-

ing staff. Sis Mansfield is in our Crib Room, Jean Ekelberry in Kindergarten, Sandra Cagwin in Primary, Beth Trigg and Marge Adams in Middler, Jean Wickum in Juniors, Linda White in Junior High, Larry Faulk in Senior Hi, and Jim VanBrimmer and others in one adult class and Helen Aleshire in the Whatever Class.

We need a Kindergarten teacher for the first of the year. Any of YOU can apply for the job. The only qualifications you need are love of small children, patience, and desire to teach the word of our Lord to the little ones.

We would like to extend an invitation to any of you to visit our classes, and if you like, offer to teach once in a while. We always need extra help, and you'll love the children.

Carol Grubbs

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE

Our church contributed 7 boxes of clothing (127 pounds) to the Church World Service Drive in September. The Delaware area sent more than twice as much as last time, 1550 pounds! In fact everyone sent more this year, the truck filled up before it arrived here and had to make another trip.

We did not have any kits to include this time. Hopefully we will have some in the spring. Please note the table in the Assembly room. There is always a need for the things on that table. They go different places at different times.

Church World Service - world wide
Care and Share - national & local
Migrant workers - local

If you remember to bring something once a week or once a month, they will be sent to the appropriate places. If you need a reminder take one of the slips in the glass hanging on the container, bring the item and put the slip back for someone else to use.

Sandra Cagwin (WMS Vicepres of Christian Service)

RETREAT A GREAT SUCCESS

Another retreat has come and gone, and those of us who were fortunate to attend had a wonderful time. Dr. John Syndquist

was our leader and had two very good sessions with us on Saturday and led our worship Sunday morning.

It is so good to spend a weekend with your church family. If you were not able to go this year, plan now for next year, it is time well spent.

Carol Grubbs, Chr. Bd. of Christian Ed.

RUMMAGE SALE

The rummage sale of the Women's Mission Society is set for Oct. 6 and 7 in the Fellowship Hall. Hours are 9 till 9 on Friday and 9 till 12 on Saturday. More things are needed for sale. They can be left in the Youth Room. Also needed are helpers. See chalkboard in Assembly Room for sign-up.

BUSINESS MEETING OCTOBER 15

The fall business meeting of the church is scheduled after services Oct. 15. It will be preceded by a covered dish dinner. Our previous business meetings have been held on Sunday after service with no dinner or on Wednesdays with a dinner. We are anxious to learn how this new schedule affects attendance.

AND ABOUT OUR MONEY . . .

I was brought up in a church that preached tithing. I do tithe my income and the balance takes care of all other expenses. This tithe is for Christian work and my church gets the better part of it. Because of this I feel I can go on and give you the following statement:

As treasurer I will give the facts as they are. We should have been receiving \$410 a week but figures don't lie so in October how about a goal of \$500 or more a week?

Inflation has hit us all and we all complain about it personally, but manage. Now INFLATION has hit our church, so let us all GROAN together and then together do something about it.

Receipts:

August	6	\$327.40
"	13	254.20
"	20	413.50
"	27	409.55
		<u>TOTAL \$1,404.65</u>

September	3	\$429.29
"	10	98.00
"	17	352.27
	24	253.16
TOTAL		<u>\$1132.72</u>

Not used for regular expenses:	retreat	\$383.00
	parsonage	
	transfer	178.91
		<u>\$1694.63</u>

Missions, Aug. & Sept.

Undesignated	\$294.00
Love gift	16.75
Northern Seminary	125.00
Ohio Forward Fund	150.00
Fund of Renewal	55.00
Vellore	<u>50.00</u>
To Valley Forge	690.75
Sesqui '76	55.00
Blanket Fund	<u>60.25</u>
Total for others	806.00

Ruth J. Brown, Treas.

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN PLANNED

The annual time for examining our commitment to support of the gospel is at hand. Oct. 29 will be Stewardship Sunday and you will have an opportunity to pledge to our budget. More data and plans will be coming to you soon.

ABOUT PEOPLE

HELEN ALESHIRE has returned from Greece.

JOHN MCKEAN and LUCILLE VIA were patients in Grady hospital.

DON FAULK is recovering from heart surgery at Mt. Carmel Hospital. FLORENCE suffered a broken arm in a fall and was in Grady Hospital.

58 PERSONS attended our first quarterly dinner Sept. 17.

MILDRED BOWERS and NELLIE SHEETS are now living at 55 Wootring St., apt. F.

MARJORIE ADAMS and son DAVE recently visited friends in Kansas.

(surveys show that PERSONAL ITEMS are the most popular features in church newsletters. The story about you and your family that was not submitted to the editor would have been of interest and concern to your fellow readers. Why not submit (in writing) items about you and your family?)

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Oh, give me magic and swift words
To set in poetry
The holy beauty of these autumn days.
I find God's pure identity
In every place I look -
Those painted hills,
Those gold-and-tawny trees!

This blue and hazy air fills
Even me with awe, the sense
That God is here, quite close
Within my heart, my soul.
I shall be always glad that my heart
 knows
That it holds God within its depths
And that it need not journey far, to
 shrines
In hidden mountain clefts,
To find Him and to worship there.
My heart has found Him near,
Nearer than this autumn air!

Lorna Lisa Klein

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The annual Halloween party is set for Sat., Oct. 28, in the Fellowship Hall. Come in costume if possible.

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You are not clay, my brother -
There is something behind the man!
You are one with another,
A part of an infinite plan.

Awake from your narrow vision!
Look up from the limited goal!
You are not only a body;
You are an immortal soul!

Seers and prophets and sages,
Up through the human climb,
Have revealed God as a Father,
Have taught that man is divine.

You are like God, my brother!

Greater works you can do.
Open your soul to the Father
So He can serve through you.
Wilferd A. Peterson

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INTEREST FINDER . . . fill in, tear off, give to pastor or place on table in the vestibule.

I would like to sing the following hymns:

I would like to hear a lesson on the following Scripture passages:

NAME (optional) _____
