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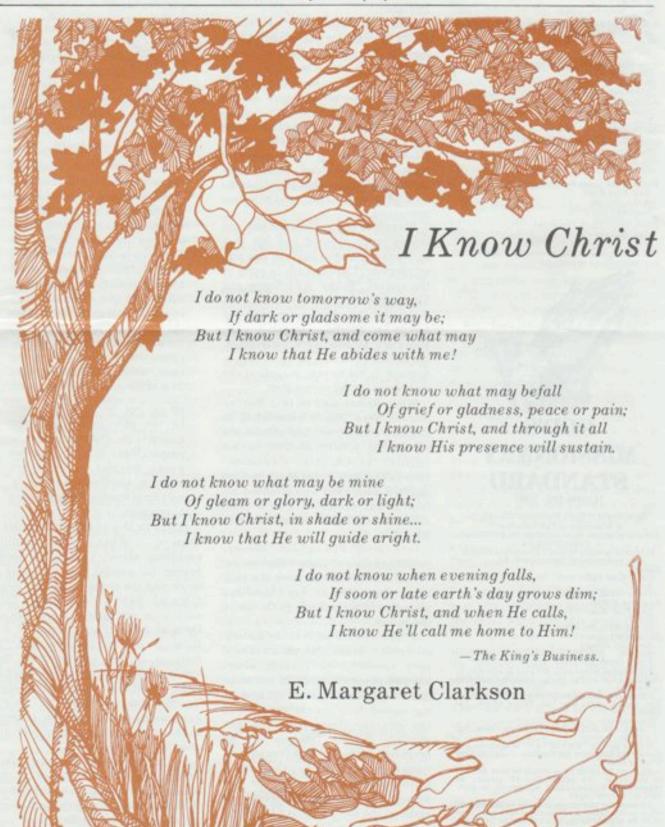
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#### Editorial

October, 1980 marks the 200th anniversary of the founding of the Sunday School. While the idea of instruction for young children was not a new idea, yet it remained for Robert Raikes, newspaperman, reformer and philanthropist to bring this idea into fruition in the town of Gloucester. England.

Raikes had attempted to reform adults through a prison ministry, but, feeling his efforts were being frustrated, he turned to the neglected children of his area. As one has stated, "The world marches forward on the feet of little children."

When complaints came of the rough and rowdy conduct of the children he did not condemn anyone; he rented a room in the crowded district and gathered groups of the "miserable little wretches" for secular and religious instruction.

Though no one encouraged him and indeed many opposed and felt that such activity on the Sabbath day was sacrilegious, he persisted. In spite of the epithet "Bobby Wild Goose and his ragged regiment" which was directed at the school, order improved and as the numbers increased, more and more schools were established. As Raikes published news of his endeavour in his weekly periodical the movement spread even wider.

When Raikes died in 1811 Sunday Schools were widely established in England with a combined attendance of 400,000 pupils. Benson in his "History of Christian Education" records that as a "proof of his love for children, each child who attended his funeral was presented with a plum cake and a shilling, in accordance with his will."

Both George Fox and John Wesley, contemporaries of Robert Raikes, endorsed his movement. Over the past two centuries the Sunday School has played an important role in the life of the church.

At this epochal point in the history of Sunday School let us scrutinize very carefully its present effectiveness in our churches. In too many cases it has become as one has said, "a big wasted hour" in the program of the church. Objectives are not carefully defined, teachers are illprepared both by background and weekly approach to the class, materials are inadequate for the present age. In many instances it is endured, not enjoyed - it is a big bore!

What shall we do with the Sunday

School? Shall we ease it out of our church life or evaluate it and improve it? May I suggest the following in the way of evaluative techniques:

(1) Establish the rationale for it firmly in your mind. Nothing should be done in the church just because it always has been that way. Are you convinced it is important? Is it scriptural? Make sure you are resting on a positive base.

(2) Identify problem areas in the present program, Look with an unbiased gaze at materials, locations of classrooms, age divisions for classes and the adequacy of present teachers. Include the entire Sunday School teaching and administrative staff as well as the church board.

(3) Map a stategy for change and improvement. Be kind, but firm in making these changes, Someone may have outlived his usefulness in a given class. If someone else can do a better job do not let politics deter you. Be practical. Organize special classes to meet special needs. Be innovative - try a new converts class or do something different with the teenagers for a change. Do not avoid some methods just because someone else is using them. We can take some lessons from other groups in this regard.

(4) Do not let Sunday School be the only outreach of the church to the children and young people. While in many churches young peoples services are common, children's services, apart from Sunday School are not so common.

Listen to this challenge from John Wesley. "What avails public preaching alone? Though we could preach like angels? Spend an hour a week with the children in every large town, whether you like it or not. Talk with them any time you see any of them at home. Pray in earnest for them" In another place he said, "If religion is not extended to the children, what will be the outcome? If family religion be neglected - if care be not taken with the rising generation - will not the present revival of religion in a short time die away?

Let us rise to this challenge. Our children need to be included in the total program of ministry in the church. Are we doing our very best? Jesus included them - we can do no less.

D. L. F.

## The Forgotten One

by A. W. Tozer

The Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, John 14:26

In neglecting or denying the deity of Christ the Liberals have committed a tragic blunder, for it leaves them nothing but an imperfect Christ whose death was a mere martyrdom and whose resurrection is a myth. They who follow a merely human Savior follow no Savior at all, but an ideal only and one furthermore that can do no more than mock their weaknesses and sins. If Mary's son was not the Son of God in a sense no other man is, then there can be no more hope for the human race. If He who called Himself the Light of the World was only a flickering torch, then the darkness that enshrouds the earth is here to stay. So-called Christian leaders shrug this off, but their responsibility toward the souls of their flocks cannot be dismissed with a shrug. God will yet bring them to account for the injury they have done to the plain people who trusted them as spiritual guides.

But however culpable the act of the Liberal in denying the Godhood of Christ, we who pride ourselves on our orthodoxy must not allow our indignation to blind us to our own shortcomings. Certainly this is no time for self-congratulations, for we too have in recent years committed a costly blunder in religion, a blunder paralleling closely that of the Liberal. Our blunder (or shall we frankly say our sin?) has been to neglect the doctrine of the Spirit to a point where we virtually deny Him His place in the Godhead. This denial has not been by open doctrinal statement, for we have clung closely enough to the Bible position wherever our credal pronouncements are concerned. Our formal creed is sound; the breakdown is in our working creed.

This is not a trifling distinction. A doctrine has practical value only as far as it is prominent in our thoughts and makes a difference in our lives. By this test the doctrine of the Holy Spirit as held by evangelical Christians today has almost no practical value at all. In most Christian churches the Spirit is quite entirely overlooked. Whether He is present or absent makes no real difference to anyone. Brief reference is made to Him in the doxology and the Benediction. Further than that He might as well not exist. So completely do we

ignore Him that it is only by courtesy that we can be called Trinitarian. The Christian doctrine of the Trinity boldly declares the equality of the Three Persons and the right of the Holy Spirit to be worshipped and glorified. Anything less than this is something less than Trinitarianism.

Our neglect of the doctrine of the blessed Third Person has had and is having serious consequences. For doctrine is dynamite. It must have emphasis sufficiently sharp to detonate it before its power is released. Failing this it may lie quiescent in the back of our minds without effect. The doctrine of the Spirit is buried dynamite. Its power awaits discovery and use by the Church. The power of the Spirit will not be given to any mincing assent to pneumatological truth. The Holy Spirit cares not at all whether we write Him into our credenda in the back of our hymnals; He waits for our emphasis. When He gets into the thinking of the teachers He will get into the expectation of the hearers. When the Holy Spirit ceases to be incidental and again becomes fundamental the power of the Spirit will be asserted once more among the people called Christians.

The idea of the Spirit held by the average church member is so vague as to be nearly nonexistent. When he thinks of the matter at all he is likely to try to imagine a nebulous substance like a wisp of invisible smoke which is said to be present in churches and to hover over good people when they are dying. Frankly he does not believe in any such thing, but he wants to believe something, and not feeling up to the task of examining the whole truth in the light of Scripture he compromises by holding belief in the Spirit as far out from the center of his life as possible, letting it make no difference in anything that touches him practically. This describes a surprisingly large number of earnest persons who are sincerely trying the be Christians.

Now, how should we think of the Spirit? A full answer might well run to a dozen volumes. We can at best only point to the "gracious Unction from above" and hope that the reader's own desire may provide the necessary stimulus to urge him on to know the blessed Third Person for himself.

If I read aright the record of Christian experience through the years, those who most enjoyed the power of the Spirit have had the least to say about Him by way of attempted definition. The Bible saints who walked in the Spirit never tried to explain Him. In post-Biblical times many who were filled and possessed by the Spirit were by the limitations of their literary gifts prevented from telling us much about Him. They had no gift for self-analysis, but lived from within in uncritical simplicity. To them the Spirit was One to be loved and fellowshipped the same as the Lord Jesus Himself. They would have been lost completely in any metaphysical discussion of the nature of the Spirit, but they had no trouble in claiming the power of the Holy Spirit for holy living and fruitful service.

This is as it should be. Personal experience must always be first in real life. The most important thing is that we experience reality by the shortest and most direct method. A child may eat nutritious food without knowing anything about chemistry or diatetics. A country boy may know the delights of pure love while never having heard of Sigmund Freud or Havelock Ellis. Knowledge by acquaintance is always better than mere knowledge by description, and the first does not presuppose the second nor require it.

In religion more than in any other field of human experience a sharp distinction must always be made between knowing about and knowing. The distinction is the same as between knowing about food and actually eating it. A man can die of starvation knowing all about bread, and a man can remain spiritually dead while knowing all the historic facts of Christianity. "This is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent." We have but to introduce one extra word into this verse to see how vast is the difference between knowing about and knowing. "This is life eternal, that they might know about thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent." That one word makes all the difference between life and death, for it goes to the very root of the verse and changes its theology radically and vitally.

For all this we would not underestimate the importance of mere knowing about. Its value lies in its (Continued on Page 9)

## CHURCH NEWS

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Inter-Church Holiness Convention

#### Founder's Week and School of the Prophets

October 14, 15, 16 God's Bible School Cincinnati, Ohio

Speakers - S. D. Herron

V.O. Agan

H. E. Schmul

Special papers will be presented on many facets of the doctrine and life of holiness.

#### Weaversville

In March 1980 a new pastor took office at the God's Missionary Church in Weaversville, Pennsylvania.

In May we moved from our employment at Penn View Bible Institute into the lovely split-level parsonage to take the challenge of the pastorate on a full time basis. Pastor Earl Deetz, Sr. and wife worked very hard and faithfully, leaving us a very wonderful group of people among which to labor.

Since May we have had much activity in visiting our church people and also making inroads to every home in our immediate community. During the summer we conducted a Good News Club in our back yard. We enjoyed a good attendance for this effort which met every Monday at 1:00 P.M. for eleven weeks.

We have just closed a revival meeting September 1-7 with Rev. Raymond Rice as evangelist. Thank God for his straight-forward preaching of the gospel.

We are rejoicing in the help of the Lord here and are anticipating many good things to come from His hand for the upbuilding of His kingdom.

Rev. and Mrs. Andrew Cooley

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#### Recommendation



Rev. D. H. Willoughby

It affords me a real pleasure to be asked to recommend Rev. D. H. Willoughby to the family of Standard readers. Rev. Willoughby is entering the field of full time evangelism. He is a good preacher, has a burdened heart for the work, an interest in souls and is careful to be directed by the Holy Spirit.

If you or your church are looking for this kind of man and you are interested in revival, then give Rev. Willoughby a call. You can contact Him:

Rev. D. H. Willoughby
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17862 Rev. Paul Miller,
Assistant General Superintendent

#### Penns Valley

We have just closed a series of revival services here at the Penn's (Continued on Page 8)

## Penns Creek I. H. C.



Fellowship is sweet!

The strains of

"Once in sin's darkest night, I was wandering alone..."
floated out over the hillside. We hope they heard us.

"When we all get to Heaven... What a day of rejoicing that will be."

Yes, we certainly hope they heard those words. We hope they were listening. We know they are there—a lonely truck driver's wife, and old man—alone—in his trailer, many members of yesterday's generation... We know they are there because we've been to their homes. Just the Sunday before—we were there—covering the entire community—extending a warm invitation...

I.H.C. — Penn View Bible Institute — 1980. It's a good way to start a new school year...it's a good transition between the long hot summer and the crisp sweetness of autumn. As we gathered in our spacious, winterized, campmeeting tabernacle — representing many denominations — we were reminded — and we sang...

"I don't care what church you belong to. Just as long as for Calvary you stand..."

Certainly the enthusiastic singing (accompanied by the many musical instruments) led by our own Rev. David Fuller was uplifting. As our students joined in and felt the sweet presence of the Holy Spirit, they must have felt some reward for their many hours through the preceding nights bombarding the Skies, interceding for an outpouring of the precious Holy Spirit.

Perhaps the refreshing downpour of rain on Wednesday night—a welcome relief from the drought—was God's way of telling us that He heard and saw and He is eager to answer our prayers. "Well of water everspringing..." we sang lustily that night.

Yes, the singing was wonderful—our ladies' trio, our male quartet, the family of Fullers harmonizing so well.."While the ages roll, I'll keep on praising him..." Then...an unexpected sextet (so unpectedly common at I. H. C.) made up of Brothers



Rejoicing in His Presence!

Fuller, Thomas, Schmul, Bidwell, Wardlaw, and Crouse sang, "There's a Flag Flown High".

And then we feasted on the Word of God brought to us through the lips of Rev. H. C. Schmul, Rev. Jack Crouse, and Rev. Bobby Bidwell. The blessed doctrine of holiness was stressed as being not a luxury—but absolutely necessary. The final sermon was a challenge that we must be soul winners.

We've been refreshed...we've been energized...we've sat together in Heavenly places. The last strains have died in the distance. We must go again to the lonely, the dejected, the outcast...to testify as sang the Fullers, "My soul

was in the market place, but Jesus set me free,." and assure them He can free them too!



Jack Crouse





Messrs. Wardlaw, Schmul & Bidwell

# Missionary Message

## **Especially For The Little Ones**

As we told the stories it was so fascinating to watch their small faces, looking so intently at us and with each new exciting thing in the story they would change expression until it was difficult for us to keep on with the story. We wanted to run and hug them. The Bible story of David and the giant with all the other things that



happened to that little shepherd boy were a source of wonderment to the children. When we told of the day David went to kill the giant and how God helped him, then how Israel rejoiced when he was dead the teacher clapped her hands in joy too and all the little ones followed her in the action, then all standing to their feet they praised the Lord with us. It was a very exciting and thrilling moment for all of us.

When we told of David playing the harp we raised our voices to a high pitch and made a sound like we thought the harp might sound. To the children it was comical and each time the harp played they smiled and laughed. They enjoyed it so we wanted to have David playing the harp much more than he actually did just to see the look on their faces and to hear their delighted laughter.

There was a missionary story too and the children lived in the story with the little boy in Africa as he traveled from darkness to light of the gospel. It was no secret to anyone that many of them resembled the little fellow as he stole and told lies, disobeying, and getting into trouble. For boys and girls are the same everywhere without Jesus. But when the little boy found the Lord and started his restitution they were as happy as we were. And they knew we wanted the same thing for them.

The first day at La Croix we had 200 in attendance but not that many continued to come each time. Because of many reasons, perhaps having to help in Mommy and Daddy's garden or some other work to be done. They loved the little hats they decorated and the older ones worked on "Magic" writing slates that you can see in the pictures. You know about them I'm sure, you lift the paper and the writing disappears. They had never had such a thing in their life. Some of them come to church on Sunday with their poster paper hats on their head so cute and so determined to make use of what they received in VBS.

They learned the 136th Psalm in shortened form and learned to sing to their hearts content, "Jesus is coming," and "Greater is He that is within you Than He that is in the World."

"Deep and Wide, deep and wide"...there's a fountain flowing deep and wide...." The words of the song



rang out reaching the ears of many people in the community of Leogane. Our first day of VBS, several adults came as well as children. Many of them wanted to register their children for regular school and we had to explain that we would be teaching Bible stories and songs. How happy the children were as they learned the new songs and listened to the story of salvation.

Craft time was extra special for them. Each child happily knelt an the mud floor and placed their coloring



sheet on the bench. Then they waited with sparkling eyes as each one received a broken crayon. Another favorite time for them was to stand up and repeat the memory verse. Pray with us that the seed planted within their hearts will remain and not be forgotten.

Bible lessons concerning sin and the remedy for sin were our main theme during VBS at our city mission. Many of these children knew the Bible stories yet they listened attentively; God's Word does not grow old! They enjoyed learning the new translated chorus "God Can Do Anything But Fail," and knew it by heart in a short time. Since coloring is not uncommon to them, our craft work was more extensive using their memory verses, Again we ask you to pray with us that these little ones will remember the Word which they have learned. Please water the seed that has been planted with your tears and prayers that the fruit may be an hundredfold.

your missionaries in Haiti Rev. & Mrs. Larry Jones Miss Beverly Wing, Bonnie Cleaver Miss Bonnie Williams

## For The BOYS and GIRLS

## M Child's Faith

The brothers, sisters and parents in the quiet country home were weeping. Telegram after telegram was arriving with news of the sickness of their dear one away off in Chicago.

"Undoubtedly the next telegram will tell us that Clara has passed away," the weeping mother exclaimed, and the whole family wrapped in grief, settle down to the belief that this was indeed what would be the next news. But one little sister soon left the room, and was seen no more for several hours.

She stole quietly away to the front parlor and stood looking at the picture of her sister Clara who had gone away from home to accept a paying position in the great big city. From the picture, the big, beautiful eyes looked down upon the child, and they seemed to plead for something.

"What can it mean, the way she looks at me?" the little sister cried. "She seems almost to speak to me." And then the child shook with sobs. for she would probably never look in the living eyes of that precious far-off sister. Just then the little girl's eyes fell upon another picture near at hand. It was an eastern scene - a beautiful Jewish woman sat by a stone wall, holding her sick child in her arms. Over them both bent the form of Jesus, His hand laid lovingly upon the head of the sick child. A look of powerful, Divine love lit up every feature of the Man of Galilee, and the timid mother looked up to Him with a trusting, loving faith that seemed to say, "I know You will heal him, Jesus."

The little girl glanced back again at her sister Clara's picture, and then again at the picture of the Great Physician. There seemed to be a strange yet real connection between the two pictures, some way, and the child crawled up on the satin-covered sofa to get a closer view of them both.

Suddenly the room was filled with a wonderful Presence, and the little girl slipped down off the sofa, and fell upon her knees. She did not question for a moment but what it was Jesus who had come in. With a simple faith she called out to Him to heal her sick sister away off in Chicago, and then she caught a glimpse of how she lay close to death's door, alone and among strangers who were lovingly caring for her.

"Shall I heal her now?" Jesus said to her as she knelt in His presence.

"Yes, Jesus, heal her now," the child replied.

And the front parlor seemed so full of a wonderful light that the little girl kept her eyes closed tightly, in very reverence and loving fear. After a while the brightness passed away, and she opened her eyes to find the room just as usual, but, looking up at the picture above her she seemed to see a new expression in it — and the pleading eyes of sister Clara seemed to smile with approval.

"I know He's done it! I know Jesus will let you live!" she cried with joy. as she climbed up on the sofa again and ran her fingers over the glass of the picture. It seemed too good to be true, yet she never doubted for a moment. It was just like Jesus to do this, the child argued, and she thought it was very, very good of Him to tell her in this beautiful way. She would ask Him for anything after this, she knew, for He was just so wonderful and full of power that there was no doubt in this child's mind but what He could have raised her sister from the dead if she should have passed away before she had prayed and asked Him to restore her precious sister Clara to her. For a long time the child stayed in the front parlor, her soul reveling in the new, rich, sweet experience of faith that had become hers. At last she ventured out and joined the rest of the family.

"Have any telegrams come, Papa?" she asked the grief-stricken parent, and he replied, "No, my child, but we know what the next news will be."

"So do I, Papa," the gleeful child exclaimed as she climbed up on his knee, "I know she will be well, for Jesus told me so."



"Up in heaven all will be well," the father replied, but his little daughter continued, "No. Papa, she be well and come home and be with us as before; you see if what I tell you isn't true."

The following morning a telegram came that confirmed the child's faith, and brought joy to the hearts of the family. It read:

"Wonderful and unexpected change for the better. Clara will live!"

For days the little sister could scarcely contain her joy; and when at last Clara came home, she was eager to coax her into the front parlor. At last she got her to come and stand before her own picture that hung just over the satin sofa in the corner.

"See, Clara, this is where Jesus told me you would be healed," she cried in glee, and the big sister gathered her up in her arms, and could not speak, for fullness of joy.

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## Items From Intercession City

School opened here on September 2, 1980 with twenty five students enrolled and a possibility of some late arrivals. I can not tell you how happy we are to see the increased enrollment and the spirit of enthusiasm among the students, parents and staff members.

I am delighted to tell you that Mr. George Fink, who for sixteen years taught Math at Winter Haven High School is now our supervisor-principal at Intercession City Christian School. Mr. Fink comes to us with excellent qualifications. He is a fine Christian man, just forty three years old who loves God and people. Brother Fink attends the God's Missionary Church, Kissimmee, Florida. Mr. Fink is a native Pennsylvanian but for the past twenty years has been a resident of Central Florida. He has taught High School Math at Osceola High School, Kissimmee Florida prior to his sixteen years at Winter Haven High School, Mr. Fink has an A.B. in mechanical science and he holds an M.A. degree in education from Rollins College, Winter Haven, Florida, Mr. Fink loves to study and has taken varied courses of study each year since receiving his degree so that he would be better prepared for the work God has called him to do. We are indeed happy to have this dedicated man serve on the staff of Intercession City Christian School. Just recently Mr. Fink completed a course of study in preparation for our Accelerated Christian Education program here at L.C.C.S.

Mrs. Gazella Krider Coy has returned to I.C.C.S. where she has served on staff for twenty-one years. Mrs. Coy completed college work in education in Ohio and taught in public school prior to her teaching career here at I.C.C.S. Mrs. Coy takes pride in the fact that some fine Christian ministers, teachers, missionaries and evangelists walked the halls of I.C.C.S. or I.C.B.S. as it was named when she and her late husband first accepted responsibilities as pastor and family of the college church (Wesley-Memorial). Mrs. Coy teaches Kindergarten and First Grade, We count it an honor to have her serve on our staff.

In order to accommodate our student body, we shall be removing a wall from the one time conventional type school in order to create a learning center which will serve our needs. The plan calls also for carpet installation. The students are working on the project of selling records in an effort to raise money for the installation of carpet. At the present time, we have just concrete floors. We have a fine student body and we believe that God wants us to have a good year academically as well as spiritually. We have sensed His presence in a greater measure since the outstart of this new school year. The east wall of the learning center will take on the appearance of a chapel front. Students will leave their respective place of study at chapel time and be seated in a chapel type atmosphere.

We have many needs but I believe that God will see that each need is satisfied at the proper time. We would invite you to join us in prayer each day. Please pray that the financial needs will be met. Then please pray that God will help us to help our students. We live in the fastest growing area in Florida. Crime is also

### REVIVAL MEETING

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God's Missionary Church

Bloserville, Pa.

Nov. 6 - 16, 1980

Evangelists and Singers –

> Rev. and Mrs. Wilbur Hoskins

Services Each Night at 7:30 P.M. Sunday School 9:30 A.M. Sunday Morning 10:30 A.M. Evening 7:00 P.M.

Everyone Welcome!

Pastor —

Rev. Tom Bickert

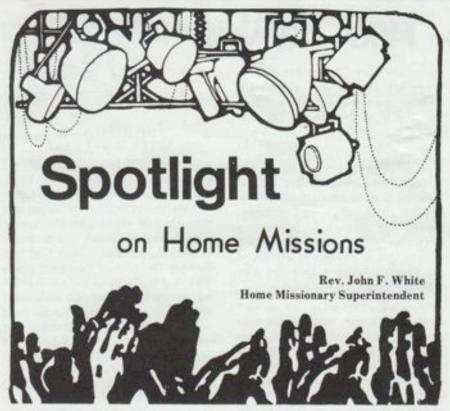
at an all time high here because we are in the very heart of the tourist attractions. Our school is the closest Christian School to Disney World. Some of the parents work there but see that they must have their children in Christian schools. Parents and students have agreed to our dress code because they can see the difference in the finished product. Public schools here are the way they are in most places. If we are to see our children saved from the sin of this dreadful day, it will mean sacrifice and work. We are willing to work and sacrifice if you will stand by us with your prayer support as well as your financial supprt. We need a new roof. I feel that we can put on the new roof with donated labor, Mr. Fink and the Hight family have worked all day and many nights up until midnight in order to save money for the school. Wife and I receive no salary. We are doing this work for God. We need at least 30 folding chairs (Cost - 6.00 each) We should like to have an American flag and flag pole which could be erected outside of the building. We could use Hymnals or song books for chapel services. We wil need a sound system soon. Someone has offered to install central air and heat, labor free if we can buy the equipment. These are some of the more urgent needs. Won't you please make it a matter of prayer? Many older saints are praying that we will have revival at Intercession City. I feel like God is moving. We must keep in step with him ....

We do appreciate all who have enrolled in the FIVE A MONTH PROGRAM. This program is a systematic way in which you may give \$5.00 monthly to the financial needs at I.C.C.S. We thank God for each contribution. These gifts are all tax deductible items. If there are those who would like to be enrolled in this program, please write us today and tell us so. Whatever the gift, it will be used as designated. Our Mailing address is:

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E.L.D. Jr., President



## For Without God Nothing Shall Be Impossible

Luke 1:36..FOR WITH GOD NOTHING SHALL BE IM-POSSIBLE.

The forward movement of the Home Missionary Department has again become evident in the wonderful progress made at the new church at York, Penna. On Sunday afternoon September 7th, Rev. George Straub General Superintendent, and Rev. Paul Martin, pastor, conducted a ground breaking service for the new church and school at York. A lovely location has been secured, with enough land for church, parsonage and any other needed buildings, Good parking will be available at all times. Pictures and future reports will be given in another issue of this paper. Bro. Martin reports that the attendance is up. Special Revival service will be conducted October 10-19th in the church with the Rev. L. J. Cherryhomes. Pray for this revival and attend it as often as you can.

With God nothing shall be impossible. What a promise, what a hope, what a security! We do not work for the Lord in vain. We do not face defeat but certain victory in the power of God.

A new field is opening up for us in the state of Ohio. This work will be a new home missionary venture and we will need your prayer for it. Details are being worked out at present. I have met with the people personally and in the next issue a more definite announcement will be made as to location, and the pastor of the group. We need your prayers and support as never before.

Bro. and Sis. Hoskins report a wonderful tent meeting in New York this summer among the Indians. God is moving in a precious way. The Hoskins need your constant support in this work.

In the Florida district God is helping as well. The work at Seffner is growing under Bro. Hayes leadership. The work at Fort Myers is a daily job. We must never forget Bro. Walker and family and Bro. George. They need prayer, and financial support all the time. This is not a seasonal work but a year around endeavor. Lakeland church reports some new prospects for which we are happy.

Roaring Springs continues on under the direction of Bro. Ryder. He is a faithful pastor and has a good ministry. The Seven Stars work keeps steady under a wonderful pastor and wife. Bro. and Sis. Beckwith are doing a great job. The congregation is small but filled with the Spirit. The work at Avis is still under the direction of Bro. and Sis. Sassaman. These people need your prayer support. God is able to give Avis a great revival. In all these places the fields are white and ready to harvest. The Airport church has enlarged their parsonage. This gives Bro. and Sis. Brink better living quarters. The Brinks are fine people and a warm welcome awaits you at the Hanover Airport church. Why not fly in to see them some time soon.

After a busy summer with our own camps and Home Missionary services. and preaching three other camps myself we face the fall with some reserve. The last Home Missionary Rally we conducted was at the Hanover camp meeting (2nd camp). Bro. Shaffer and people responded well to the message. God blessed in the service. We would love to come to your church for a rally for Home Missions. We are now making our slate so will you contact us at once for a Rally. We will try to have good music, singing, and a message with much information about the Home Missionary work. Let's get off to a good start with several rallies before Christmas. Let's prove to the World that with God nothing is impossible.

Pray for us and we will be praying for you. Our church is only as strong as our Home Missions Department. From this department all other departments benefit. Let's have a strong home Missionary Program in 1980. Our Motto for eighty is, reaching the needy. With God this shall not be impossible.

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ability to rouse us to desire to know in actual experience. Thus knowledge by description may lead on to knowledge by acquaintance. May lead on, I say, but does not necessarily do so. Thus we dare not conclude that because we learn about the Spirit we for that reason actually know him. Knowing Him comes only by a personal encounter with the Holy Spirit himself.

How shall we think of the Spirit? A great deal can be learned about the Holy Spirit from the word spirit it self. Spirit means existence on a level above and beyond matter; it means life subsisting in another mode. Spirit is substance that has no weight, no dimension, no size nor extension in space. These qualities belong to matter and can have no application to

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## Religion In The News

#### LITTLE EVIDENCE OF RELIGION IN CHINA, VISITOR SAYS

ST. LOUIS (EP) - There's not much evidence of religion in the People's Republic of China, according to a church evangelism executive who spent nearly two weeks there recently. Erwin Kolb, Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod executive secretary for evangelism, said the religious revival some have spoken about in China is "very controlled."

In terms of Christian activity, Mr. Kolb said, China is at "ground zero." He said government tour guides in the four cities he visited - Beijing, Nanjing, Guzngzhou (Canton), Kunming were generally reluctant to speak about religion. Though this seemed less true of the younger guides, he added, even their interest seemed "very guarded."

In general, he said, "people are still cautious and suspicious about the new more lax policy toward religion and the church." He said he thinks providing Bibles and literature, taped messages and radios, in limited amounts, brought by visiting groups and tourists, may help Chinese Christians. Christian activity in the home "seems to be the only way the church there can grow," he suggested.

#### BIBLE BELT EXTENDS TO ARCTIC WITH MORAL MAJORITY VICTORY

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (EP via RNS) - The Bible Belt now stretches across the Arctic Circle, Moral Majority, Inc., the national political arm of the fundamentalist-evangelical movement, has become a more potent force in Alaska than anywhere else.

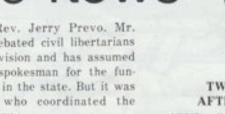
The group held absolute control over the Republican Party here this year, sending 150 of the 280 delegates to the state convention, and it controlled all of the 19 delegates it sent to the national convention in Detroit. A key architect of that victory, Dom White, sums up the goal of the group as a drive "to awaken a sleeping segment of society to the overall moral decay of our country."

Mr. White, a soft-spoken Kentucky native, might be considered the mechanic of the Alaska revival in his role as executive director of the local chapter of Moral Majority. The spiritual leader is the pastor of the largest Baptist congregation in the

state, the Rev. Jerry Prevo. Mr. Prevo has debated civil libertarians on local television and has assumed the role of spokesman for the fundamentalists in the state. But it was Mr. White who coordinated the political victory.

Mr. White feels that Moral Majority is more than a passing convulsion in Alaskan and national politics. For support, he refers to a December 1979 Gallup Poll which showed that more than 80 percent of the country believes that the Ten Commandments are still valid.

"People are beginning to wake up." he said. "It's very startling to hear people like Barry Goldwater get up and say that Detroit might be the last convention, that we could have less than 1,000 days of freedom left in this country. Conservative or evangelical religious leaders have been saying this for a long time. The nation that forsakes God will fall."



# TWO WOMEN DIE

AFTER 30-DAY FAST

NEW CASTLE, Pa. (EP) Lawrence County officials said Monday that two deeply religious "women who starved to death after fasting for more than 30 days" "thought it was strengthening them." "They were keeping a calendar," said Coroner Howard Reynolds. "One note said, 'Thank the Lord for two weeks without food or water. We could only do it with his strength."

The bodies of Elsie Jean Barr, 43, and Marina Olsen, 52, were found by their roommate, Myrna Wolfe, police said. Mrs. Wolfe had been gone about a week. "They were pretty well dehydrated. They were worn away. They were just bones with skin on them" said Reynolds. Police said each women weighed about 60 pounds.

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spirit. Yet spirit has true being and is objectively real. If this hard to visualize, just pass it up., for it is at best but a clumsy attempt of the mind to grasp that which is above the mind's powers. And no harm is done if in our thinking about the Spirit we are forced by the limitations of our intellects to clothe Him in the familiar habiliments of material form.

How shall we think of the Spirit? The Bible and Christian theology agree to teach that He is a Person. endowed with every quality of personality, such as emotion, intellect and will. He knows, He wills, He loves: He feels affection, antipathy and compassion. He thinks, sees, hears and speaks and performs any act of which personality is capable.

One quality belonging to the Holy Spirit, of great interest and importance to every seeking heart, is penetrability. He can penetrate matter, such as the human body; He can penetrate mind; He can penetrate another spirit, such as the human spirit. He can achieve complete penetration of and actual intermingling with the human spirit. He can invade the human heart and make room for Himself without expelling anything essentially human. The integrity of the human personality remains unimpaired. Only moral eveil is forced to withdraw.

The metaphysical problem involved here can no more be avoided than it can be solved. How can one personality enter another? The candid reply would be simply that we do not know, but a hear approach to an understanding may be made by a simple analogy borrowed from the old devotional writers of several hundred years ago. We place a piece of iron in a fire and blow up the coals. At first we have two distinct substances, iron and fire. When we insert the iron in the fire we achieve the penetration of the fire by the iron. Soon the first begins to penetrate the iron and we have not only the iron in the fire but the fire in the iron as well. They are two dinstinct substances, but they have comingled and interpenetrated to a point where the two have become one.

In some such manner does the Holy Spirit penetrate our spirits. In the whole experience we remain our very selves. There is no destruction of substance. Each remains a separate being as before: the difference is that now the Spirit penetrates and fills our personalities and we are exerientially one with God.

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School News,

Penn View

From the desk of Rev. Kenneth E. Walter --

## You Can Have A Christian Ministry!

We are thrilled to inform you that not all the young people of this generation have succumbed to the influence of the new morality and other evils of this age. God still has a remnant of young people who have the courage to take the way of the cross. He has directed a fine group of them to Penn View Bible Institute to prepare for Christian service. These young people are not only seeking academic achievement, they are seeking a deep personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. They have been spending hours in prayer day after day on behalf of a mighty Holy Ghost revival. The Spirit is already working among us and many have been saved or sanctified. It is quite evident that there are great things in store for us this school term.

My heart has been sorely grieved as some of these fine young people have informed me that they will have to go home if they cannot find employment. How tragic to frustrate the plan of God for these lives because of a lack of finances.

Through the kindness and concern of a few friends we have established a scholarship fund to help worthy students. This is where you too can have a "Christian minstry". You may not be able to go to Bible school and you may not have a call to be a preacher, teacher, or a missionary, but you can help someone else to prepare for such service. These young people are enthused and dedicated to God's will for their lives, but they need your help.

Scholarships can be set up in several different ways for any amount you may specify, and they are fully tax deductible. Several "Memorial Scholarships" have been set up for as little as \$100.00 a semester. What a wonderful way to establish a lasting memorial of a loved one, a pastor, or some other saint who has meant a lot to you.

A "Missionary Scholarship" has been established to help rovide education for students who have missionary parents. We have several students of this type who could benefit from this fund if more finances were available.

I would like to have some churches provide funds to establish a "Pastor's school with a biblical holiness emphasis.

If you would like to have more information about establishing a scholarship please write to me today



We are pleased to introduce our new school pastor to the "Standard family". Rev. John Burgess came to us from Gratz, Pa., where he served as pastor of the Emmanuel Wesleyan Church for the last four years. He has a broad background of experience having served forty years in pastoral work and ten years in the field of evangelism traveling nationwide and abroad. God is already blessing his ministry among us. Your prayers on his behalf will be greatly appreciated as he shepherds the flock here at Penn View Bible Institute. at P. O. Box 97, Penns Creek, Pa. 17862.

Scholarship" which would help provide an education for pastor's children.

There are many fine young people who would love to come to our school but since we are not accredited, students who come here cannot apply for federal grants or loans. Businesses who offer educational assistance for employee's children will not recognize our school in their program. It is therefore imperative that we who desire to perpetuate the message of conservative holiness unite our efforts to preserve and maintain a Bible



Gideon's Band is not dead! Though we have not written to you about it recently several new members have been added and our debt is continuing to decrease. Watch for a more detailed report in the next issue.

#### PENNS VALLEY .....

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Valley God's Missionary Church and a
week of meetings at the Penn's Valley
Christian Academy. God met with us
both in the morning chapel services
and in the regular evening services.

The anointed ministry of the Phil Harris family was a blessing and of real spiritual help to the people. Their singing is both top quality and anointed of God. We would heartily recommend them to any church. Several folk got real and definite victory and the whole congregation was inspired and helped. The services will not soon be forgotten.

The last Sunday was a good day, however, it was also a sad day. We not only had to say good-by to the Harris family but it was also the last day for the Millers, who resigned to become full time in the work as Assistant General Superintendent. May God add His best to both families as they continue in God's Great work.

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Rev Barry Arnol 2127 Hill St Lebanon, Pa, 1709

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