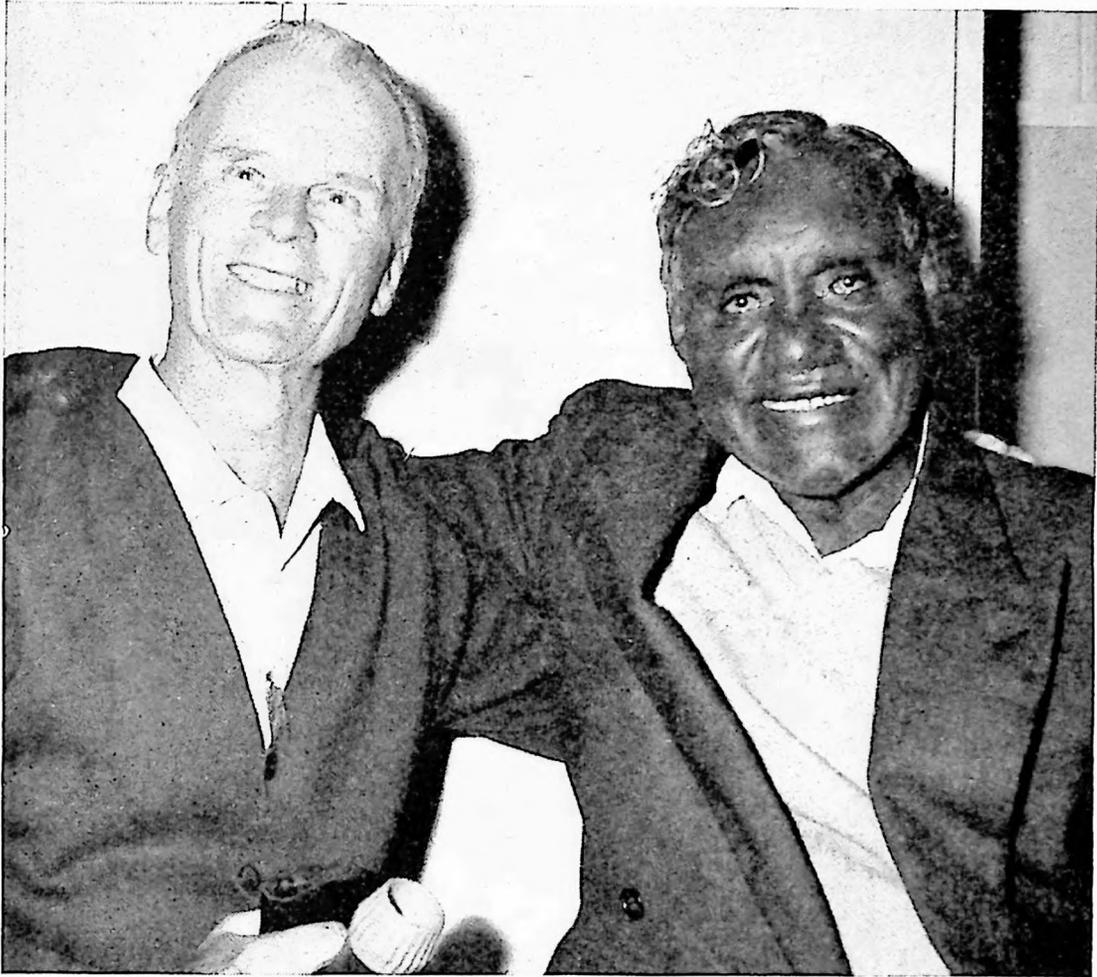




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WILL FRASER and BOB WILLIAMS

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ABORIGINES' MISSIONS AND THE SPIRIT

Paul went to a great deal of trouble to argue that Christ is not divided. It is important also to realise that the Holy Spirit is not fragmented. There is not one spirit of evangelism and another spirit of worship, and then a spirit of service. There is one Spirit and he leads us into all of the ministry of Christ.

When Jesus came back from the loneliness of the wilderness to the crowds of troubled people, we read that he taught in the synagogues, preached the gospel of the kingdom, and healed every disease and infirmity. He was not three persons with three different tasks, he was one Person with a redeeming compassion that expressed itself in every human experience.

The healing and the teaching were not things he was doing in addition to his preaching. The preaching, healing, and teaching were all part of the one great mission. You can give priority to the proclamation of the gospel if you like, I guess we all would, but you cannot separate the preaching from the rest of the life and work of the kingdom.

The body needs air, food, and water. We may give priority to the need for air, but food and water are also essential for life. In our missionary service there are essentials other than preaching, and to place evangelism first is not to lessen the importance of the others. To preach well, you must care a great deal. If you care at all, you must care for the whole of life.

You will find this awareness of the total mission of Christ throughout the pages of this journal which tell of the Aborigines Mission.

To feed and to clothe and to teach are not necessarily the preaching of the whole gospel, but they do express genuine care. The hungry are fed, not to induce people to listen to sermons, but because they are hungry. Children and adults are being taught, not to equip folk for church, but to equip them for the whole of life. The gospel is preached because the Aborigine, like the rest of us, needs Christ.

Jesus came teaching: don't miss reading about the teaching ministry of Judy Simpson.

Jesus came healing: the setting and the equipment may not sound like the New Testament, but when you read about the aero-dental clinic, and the mobile polio unit, and the triple-certificated nurse, you may be assured that the compassion is very much in the New Testament pattern.

Jesus came preaching: there is more preaching than ever being done among the Old Australians, and the voices are not only those of white Australians. The voices of men like Bob Williams and Sonny Graham are sharing the gospel with their own people.

All in all — Aborigines' Sunday is a pretty good investment for Christ. Remember this on February 12.



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COVER BLOCK: "ALL ONE IN CHRIST JESUS."



Will Fraser, from Georgetown church, N.S.W., gave his long service leave to help in building the Carnarvon Christian Centre. He is a plumber by trade.

Bob Williams is the Christian leader of Aboriginal people over a wide area around Carnarvon.

This picture was taken after a week-night meeting on the Native Reserve, in which these men from Eastern and Western Australia shared in their love for Christ and his church.



LANCE FISHER in Discussion with JIM JOSEPH.

This is the task of the church: "Go ye . . ."

Churches of Christ reached out 21 years ago as far as Carnarvon. Children were cared for and brought to know God through Jesus Christ. In later years, through the children, an avenue was afforded from which adults received Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour.

Through Bob Williams, God chose to reach out to tribal Aborigines who have been unable to see Jesus Christ because of the strict Law barrier.

January, 1966, Bob Williams stood in the midst of 160 law men at Jigalong, their spears and boomerangs in readiness, and had to answer an accusation. "You come to break down our Law." Bob replied, "You think again. I have not come to break the Law, but to straighten it."

Throughout these past two years 40,000 miles have been travelled reaching out with the news of Jesus Christ. In August, 1964, the Land-Rover which was a gift from South Perth church, enabled us to commence with a 2,000 mile journey to the north of Carnarvon, visiting the centres where large crowds gathered for the races. The Aboriginal people gather for their own law talks, and to deal out their own punishment.

We reached out, not knowing the plan which God had prepared, but soon saw that each separate group had a desire to be led out of the entangling law, but did not know how.



PREACHING AMONG PRIMITIVES IN THE WESTERN DESERT.

REACHING OUT

BY L. M. FISHER

They leaned towards Bob Williams, and asked him to lead them.

This same area, bounded by Onslow, Roebourne, Hedland, Marble Bar, Nullagine, Jigalong and Meekatharra, was visited again in 1965, extending then to Leonora and Warburton Ranges, then in '66 also to Cundeelee. Bob Williams, being an initiated tribal "man," has been accepted in every area, and permitted to talk with the "elders." Now that these places have been visited more than once, Bob is welcome, even to the hardest tribal men, and has been invited to make his "home" with them at any time.

In all places, and at all times, we have taken the opportunity of telling of Jesus by charts, films and tape recorder. Many times we have had gatherings of several hundred, and seen many wonderful conversions. When we meet these same people, sometimes a year later, although they have had no further teaching or fellowship, we find them still happy and trusting in the Lord Jesus, of whom they say, "He is with me all the time on the Station."

Bob's most important work, however, is to sit down with the boss "men" to discuss the law and how Jesus can make it straight. It was expected that there would be an acceptance of the Christian message by these tribal leaders this past October at Meekatharra, but as yet this has not happened.

We are waiting prayerfully and expectantly for the Holy Spirit to make Jesus Christ known to these tribal leaders.



A CHRISTIAN FAMILY AT MEEKATHARRA.

The minister of the church at North Sydney describes the work of a consecrated school teacher among the Aborigines, and questions whether . . .

"EDUCATION IS THE ANSWER"

"EDUCATION IS THE KEY" was the 1966 slogan on the publicity presented for the nation's Aboriginal problems. Most Christians have a deep respect for education, but have reservations about the statement that education is the key. However, there is a way in which education is the answer. This is when the educator is a Christian who loves the Lord and has learnt the art of personal sacrifice.

Balladoran has been a scene of real victories for Christ over this last year. This has been directly attributable to the faithfulness of Christian workers — and particularly one — an educator — the local Balladoran school teacher, Judy Simpson.

Judy wanted to work with the Aboriginal children, and from Sydney applied for a position at Balladoran, or near by. The Education Department sent her to Nyngan, which was over 100 miles away. She was next transferred to Dubbo, which was 41 miles from Gilgandra, but from there she became superintendent of the Balladoran Sunday School, and with a team of workers from Gilgandra began work. Judy had to travel long distances to be at Sunday School each week.

The Education Department then transferred her to Tooraweenah, which was 28 miles from Gilgandra in another direction. This meant considerable hardship for Judy, for she drove to Tooraweenah each day, and as she had now established, with June Mudford, a girls' club at Balladoran on a Tuesday night, as well as the Sunday School, this meant an extra 48 miles a week. Her little car began to crack up.

BY N. FLINT

A further time of crisis touched Judy as her landlady died, and Judy was forced to resume her long travelling again. It wasn't long before her car needed major overhauling again, and the biggest blow of all was that Judy's nearest and dearest relation died.

Through a friend appealing directly to the Education Department, Judy was transferred to fill a vacancy which was occurring at Balladoran, and after this long time of dedicated service was able daily to have contact with these children, whom she loved, to win to the Saviour.

She has interested herself in not only

their school work, but has taken them with her to camps, picnics, sports events and church. One Aboriginal who lives in Gilgandra (12 miles away) takes his son to Balladoran each week so that he can go to the school, because, he says, "It is such a good school for Aborigines." Even the school inspector commented that he had never seen the children respond as they have been doing under Miss Simpson's leadership.

The personal relationships, the club, the Sunday School, and all the other activities have centred around the challenge of a personal relationship being necessary for each one through the Lord Jesus Christ.

These young people are very shy, but some have now faced this issue, and recently in a public meeting at Gilgandra, three of our Balladoran teenage girls made decisions for Christ in front of hundreds of people. This is a real victory for Christ. Some men and women have also had their personal encounter with Christ.

Would you say EDUCATION IS THE ANSWER, or would you agree with me that it should be THE EDUCATOR IS THE ANSWER?

GREETINGS FROM . . .

THE CHILDREN'S HOME, NORSEMAN

Much has been happening of late, and I would like to share with you some of the interesting events and blessings that we have been experiencing.

The children are all in a very good state of health at the present time, and from their laughing and shouting, seem to be enjoying life to the full. At the moment the crush is on "rounders."

Their health is cared for by the periodical visits by the areo-dental clinic, mobile polio clinic, and also the presence of a triple certificated Nursing Sister, for which we are very thankful.

We are most grateful to those responsible for sending the Christmas clothing. Most of the boxes have arrived, giving

us plenty of time to sort things out. Our Lord's people are truly wonderful in their choice of clothing for the children and they should be well fitted out for 1967. Some of the children are appreciative, whilst others just take them as a matter of course.

BY ALAN PALLETT

On the spiritual side there is much cause for rejoicing, because of a real break through as far as the children are concerned. A fortnight ago we saw two of the teenage children come forward under deep conviction, one of

which has been a restraining influence on the other children because of a domineering attitude toward them.

The following week saw three baptisms at the beginning of the service, ten rededications through the service, plus another four baptisms after the service. "We are really praising the Lord."

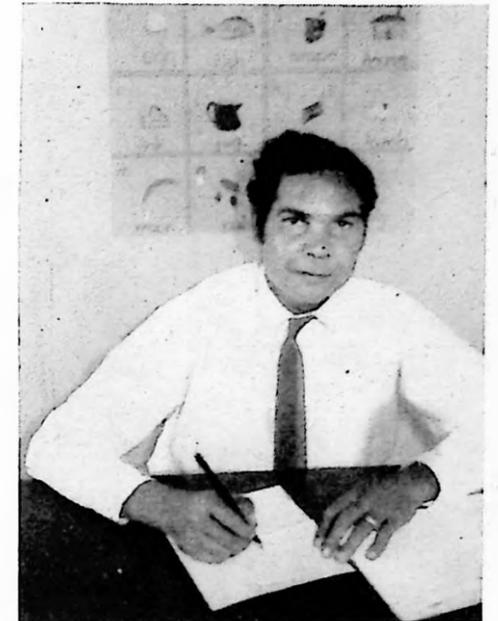
The Mission is looking really smart at the moment, with most of the buildings having received new coats of paint. The lawns already look lovely and green.

The garden is continuing to produce, and the fowls and pigs are doing well. Of course, we are still butchering our own meat, and at present time are killing off the majority of the old ewes.

NORSEMAN CHRISTIAN CENTRE

BY KEITH and

MERYL STEVENSON



LITERARY CLASSES ARE PROVING EFFECTIVE.

During the past 14 months at Norseman we have indeed been glad of the continued prayer support of our praying friends.

The work proved to be similar in some aspects to the normal duties of a pastor. Meetings held during the week are the same as in most churches. We hold an additional film evening or social each Saturday night. Much time needs to be spent in prayer and preparation for these meetings.

It is at this point that the work varies considerably. Last year, a total of 32,000 miles was covered in the spread of the gospel to outlying areas, and the visitation of isolated Christians.

Mrs. Stevenson conducts a fortnightly sewing class amongst the native women. Many of these women had never used a sewing machine previously, but are now able to make a complete garment with supervision.

An education class for semi-literate and illiterate natives has been in operation for the past six months at the Centre. With the assistance of a State Education Department teacher, many are now able to write their own names and read elementary books.



MRS. STEVENSON PROVIDES SOME NECESSARY CLOTHING.

Upon our arrival at Norseman we were approached by the Adult Probation Service to assist with the rehabilitation of Adult Native offenders. Acting as an Honorary Officer of this Department, we have had the joy of seeing two men completely changed, as they have accepted Christ as Saviour and Lord. They have lived with us in our home as one of the family. Others have also been helped and encouraged.

A recent find of semi-precious Gemstone revealed the need for further supervision, to avoid misdealing on the part of some white men. It has also opened up an opportunity for additional support for the work. Dedicated brethren, such as Mr. and Mrs. Bingham, of Victoria, have taken up the challenge, and are preparing stones from rough stones supplied by us for re-sale. The proceeds of this are to be given to the work.

We praise God for the opportunity of the Radio Ministry. Many hundreds of square miles are covered each Sunday afternoon with the gospel message. Christians on outback Stations are encouraged to "Go On" for their Lord.

The building of the New Christian Centre has proved to be a very big task. We have been grateful for those who have come from time to time to assist us in this work over the past months.

God has led us into this great work, and we give him the glory for those dear ones who have become "New Creatures" in him.

FEBRUARY 12, 1967

ABORIGINES' SUNDAY

— PRAY AND GIVE

"FROM THAT ... TO THIS!"

HAROLD FITCH

"Though thy beginning was small, yet thy latter end shall greatly increase."
—Job. 8: 7.

The entire sports programme came to an unscheduled stop as interest centred on one event and one youth as he continued to increase the height of the bar in the high jump event at the Junior High School Sports. Later he was to receive the trophy as senior boy sports champion, still later he was chosen as one to represent his school, competing with almost one hundred other State Schools in the Championship sports in Perth.

Such achievement is not limited to one young person at Children's Homes, nor is it confined to the realm of sport. From here have come those who are now serving as teachers, office staff, nursing aides, transport drivers and messengers of Christ to their own people. Now this youth hopes to join the growing ranks of others of his own people studying at High School and University. He has caught the vision, and Christ is at the centre.

The beginning of such achievement is something we ought to understand.

In the hearts and minds of some, not many years ago, there was the conviction that something ought to be done by our brotherhood for these neglected people. The beginning was small, the going was hard, but the message of love demonstrated and preached began to break the hardest ground.

We ought to understand how this has continued. A generous, missionary-minded brotherhood has stood behind this work through the difficult and often discouraging days. The vision has never faded, instead it has become more vivid.



CHILDREN IN THE REST CORNER OF THE CHRISTIAN CENTRE, CARNARVON.

To the field have come men and women from many walks of life. Very few have had theological training, for the people have mostly been illiterate, lost in the paths of sin. Yet each worker who has come has had a sufficient grounding in the Scriptures to fit him to live and teach the Word. The vision to them has been that the harvest is plenteous but the labourers few.

The versatility of the workers never ceases to amaze. Builders, mechanics, fitters, electricians, color consultants, nurses, teachers, cooks, and each one expected to turn his hands to anything. The trained Sister may be found in the laundry, or the kitchen, washing or cooking for the whole mission; the fitter may be fixing an engine, digging wells, fixing fences, or milking cows, and it isn't any use saying, "I don't know how," for one soon learns. And everything that is undertaken has a spiritual content. It is done in the name of the Lord Jesus and for the sake of a little child.

And the latter end. We have moved to conditions recognised by authorities and staff as excellent. The children are

accepted in Primary and High School and Guides and Scouts, and as leaders. The "Mission" stands in high regard in the community.

Less than a mile from the centre of Carnarvon town we have the Christian Centre, and here we see wrought out the truth "That God is no respecter of persons," for colored and white, learned and illiterate, meet together. Every child from this Mission is an ambassador for Christ to the parents and friends to whom they go at holiday time.

There is outreach work today. Bob Williams and Norman Thompson, and scores of others, know Christ, and now live for him because there was first of all the "Mission" or Children's Homes from which the outreach work began. So in my book at least, Children's Homes must never be submerged, or overshadowed by the larger work, for while there are children here there will be parents and friends further out to win, and through Children's Homes the barriers are broken down.

Yes, "Though thy beginning was small, yet shall thy latter end be greatly increased."

AT WORK IN THE CHRISTIAN CENTRE

BY MRS. L. M. FISHER

did not know what one did at a Christian Centre, and one of our Board members "hoped I was finding plenty to do."

People of many nationalities are finding the Centre a "haven," and come seeking to know more of Jesus, the Way. This is a result of hospital and gaol visitation, religious instruction in both schools, visitation in camps along the river and humpies on the sandhills, working alongside the tradesmen on the Centre building, making contacts in the various social town activities and the witnessing of the church among the Aboriginal people. This church once met in the Reserve.

Doors of opportunity are opening each day in talking to the many who come into the Centre for a shower, a bed, clothes, and a meal "to tide them over" until they regain a job. Others come for a clean up and a hair cut, or to use the reading, writing and recreation facilities. Many a tired mother uses it as a half-way resting house, walking to and from the town, carrying a baby, and several little ones tagging along behind. Many ask for advice on sewing problems, and use the sewing machines. Baby can be "minded" safely whilst mother attends hospital or dental clinic.

Several of the Reserve Christian women, feeling the burden of their homes, have told me recently how they came just "to sit at the Centre to be made well." They have obviously enjoyed the peace and the quiet talk together. Others love to gather in the garage building to buy clothes. Several have remarked, "I like to come here. There's always somebody I meet here. It's a happy place." The garage itself is not so when they leave. When seven or eight at a time, with as many babies and children, spend the entire afternoon talking and laughing together, as they hold their own mannequin parade and leave with 2/- worth of clothing, there is a lot to be done to straighten up the garage afterwards.

Six years ago, when I arrived here, I did not expect great things from God. However, I did not expect the challenge

or envisage such a vast ever-increasing evangelistic field as is before us now. During the stabilisation period of mission activity, and the growth of public conscience, we still need to go forward and assess the possibility of our God-given task — that of proclaiming life's real purpose of knowing God and feeling right at home with him. If we cannot achieve this, nothing else is really worth while.

The Carnarvon Christian Centre must continue to provide intelligible services of worship, constructive and attractive youth clubs, efficient and interesting Sunday School classes and an atmosphere of friendship in which all may grow towards maturity. The Centre shows every possibility for the establishment of an "all-age Bible School" with its average attendance of well over 200 at all services, and containing a number of trained and experienced Christian folk, with Christian experience, attending from the town.

The Women's Fellowship needs to review its programme for the coming year to help each woman to develop in Christian living, in worship, in study, and in Christian service and stewardship. With such a wide range of interests, and the various social, educational and spiritual levels in our women's groups at the Centre, every effort needs to be made to allow each woman to become an active sharer in the total programme. Each in turn, with single-heartedness and joy, is then able to take the fellowship to women outside the church, and "give out" again in service for others.

Do we quail before the challenge? Do we see only problems, limited resources, and service costing time, sacrifice, inconvenience, and personal discipline? Do we tremble when our faith confronts us with a choice, and involves us in a risk? No, we dare not stand still, knowing that with Christ's power within us "we are more than conquerors through him that loved us." Because we obediently seek his guidance, and stand within his will, we willingly obey him. It is as we prove him that we move.

"Do you find the adult Aboriginal work as satisfying and rewarding as that of the children?"

This is a question frequently put to me by visitors to the Centre. Many town folk frankly admitted that they

REINFORCEMENTS FOR "FAIRHAVEN"

Sister Coralie Beckitt is a Trained Nurse, who recently completed her Midwifery Course at Launceston, Tasmania. She comes from the Bunbury church, Western Australia. She and Gail Thornton (who has completed two years at Woolwich College) will help in the training of teenage girls at "Fairhaven." Both workers plan to commence late in January.

SISTER CORALIE BECKITT.



NEW WORKERS AT CARNARVON

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Webb journeyed to Carnarvon before Christmas and are settling in during the holiday period. They come from Bordertown church, South Australia, and have accepted the major task of looking after the Children's Homes' dining room and kitchen. They will be helped by Miss Lena Dick, who has now graduated from Carnarvon Mission, and will continue in service. Pray for these workers in their important task.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. WEBB.



DOMESTIC TRAINING IS IMPORTANT.

We praise God for his undertaking and for his leading in so many, many ways. "Family" life is becoming more and more of a reality day by day as these girls are learning to love and trust us.

A girl from Warburton Ranges has been able to achieve top marks for the term just completed. This is indeed a victory for one who had such little knowledge of white people's ways and customs.

All of the other girls have done well in their studies and are showing excellent progress with their work. Home-cooked cake, of good quality, is coming on to the menu more often as this part of their training bears fruit.

Three of the teachers from Esperance High School, at the invitation of the girls, came to Fairhaven for Sunday tea and stayed on for the evening service. This kind thought and action helped the girls in a very big way.

Most of the students are now working one half-day weekly in some of the local homes, thus furthering their training and

"FAIRHAVEN" ESPERANCE

BY
E. A. STEVENSON

at the same time allowing us to judge better their capabilities in actual service.

A trip to Norseman by bus was a highlight in experience. Fairhaven had a part in the programme with singing items at two of the services.

A further visit to Norseman by the students encouraged them as they cheered one of their number to victory as she became Open Champion of the inter-school sports for Norseman-Esperance district.

Gifts of clothing from various places, a clock, a Mixmaster, and a tea tray and setting have been among much appreciated gifts. What a thrill it is to both girls and staff as we share in these wonderful gifts from God's people.

We rejoice with one of our ex-students and her husband, as Elsie and Les Walker have welcomed a daughter to their home. They are acquiring a developmental farm in the district and doing a worthwhile job of mighty proportions.

Josie Rose, a boarder and one of last



COOKING LESSONS AT HIGH SCHOOL.

year's students at Fairhaven, has announced her engagement to Fred McArthur, a boarder and worker from the A.A.E.M. Hostel. They are a fine Christian couple and will set up a home in the district with Christ as the head. This surely is an example of the highest results for which this Home exists. Two young native people, having received years of training in Christian living, are now ready to embark on life together and to their friends as they prove to themselves how real is their Saviour and ours. Our prayers and best wishes are with them all of the way.

In conjunction with the Norseman Mission and the Norseman Christian Centre, the message of the Lord is broadcast through Radio Station 6KG each Sunday, at 2 p.m. Fairhaven girls bring a big contribution with their singing. There are girls from six different tribes in residence. This alone proves how God can and does overcome all obstacles as he unites us all in the bonds of true Christian love. To God be all the glory.

WRIGHT THINKING

— BY C. H. J. WRIGHT

PROVIDENCE

Is there a God behind all that happens to us in this life — a God who is caring for us and our world, guiding us toward a destination he has planned for us? What evidence is there of God's providence and purpose?

There are three things to be said, and the first is: have you noticed how often disappointment and misfortune turn out for the best? Life can deal us some pretty hard knocks, and when we look through the columns of the morning papers, and at the seemingly senseless happenings in our own experience there doesn't seem to be much evidence of providence or purpose.

But then we come across this word from Robert Rainey, "There have been many happenings in my experience which I did not understand as I came along. Yet when I look back over my life I can see them working together according to something like a plan, which was above and beyond my own designing."

You remember when Peter Marshall died, his wife wrote the story of his life in "A Man Called Peter." She says that after the death of his father, and the remarriage of his mother, Peter Marshall was unhappy at home and felt a consuming desire to escape to sea. At the time the British Navy signed on boys at 15 years and 9 months. Peter was only 14, but he decided he would age a year and 9 months overnight.

For a year he had been exercising to stretch himself to the proper height. So he said good-bye to his friends at school, and next day, at dawn, left home and went to the recruiting station, giving his age as 15. But after only two days his true age was discovered, his parents refused to consent to a naval career, and he was right back where he started.

He was so bitterly disappointed that he cried himself to sleep that night. Yet in the years that followed he looked back to see that it was providence that had kept him out of the navy, and brought him to America, where he found the opportunity to prepare for and carry out his great life's work.

When you look into the Bible, you find a man like Joseph, who was sold into slavery by his brothers, lied about by his master's wife, and thrown into gaol. Life seemed to be just a series of injustices and misfortunes. Yet as a result of being in gaol, he was able to do a unique service for Pharaoh, became Prime Minister, and saved Egypt in a time of national crisis. "Ye thought evil against me," said Joseph to his treacherous brothers, "but God meant it unto good."

When Paul wrote his letter to the Romans he said, "All things work together for good to them that love God." Paul had taken plenty of hard knocks in life — frustration, grief, disappoint-

ment, shattered dreams were no stranger to him, but looking back on his life he could see that even in these experiences God was leading on with a definite plan for his life.

Note, in the second place, how often there seems to be Someone ahead of us in life, preparing the way. You may remember in "Pilgrim's Progress," when Christian was nearing the Palace Beautiful, he was dismayed to find the entrance guarded by two lions whose roaring so terrified him that he started back and would have fled. But Watchful, the porter, bade him go boldly forward keeping to the middle of the path, and when he did so, and got right up to the lions, he found they were firmly chained and could not reach him.

So often we are fearful of the future — that new job, that fresh responsibility — we lose sleep at the prospect of it. We worry ourselves into nervous wrecks. And yet, that interview we face with dread, that responsibility that seems too great for us, that cross that seems too heavy to bear — when we actually get to it, we find it all so different. Someone has been there before, preparing the way.

Thirdly, it seems to me, that in ordering our lives, God seldom makes perfectly plain all the path that lies ahead. Rather, he makes plain just that little bit of the path which lies immediately ahead. He guides just one day at a time, one step at a time, one problem at a time, and faith is the art of being content to walk just one step at a time, not always peering anxiously ahead, not all the time worrying about what might happen, but confident that whatever might happen, God will provide the strength and guidance as we need it.

Finally, when we face death and what lies beyond, remember Someone is ahead of us preparing the way. "Let not your heart be troubled," said Jesus, "in my Father's house are many mansions. I go to prepare a place for you."

Dr. John Baillie tells of a man who knew his end was very near, asking his devotedly Christian doctor if he had any firm conviction as to what awaited him in the life beyond. The doctor thought for a moment, and then there was heard a scratching at the door, and his answer was given to him. "Do you hear that?" he asked his patient. "That is my dog. I left him downstairs, but he has grown impatient and has come up and hears my voice. He has no notion what is inside this bedroom door, but he knows I am here. Now is it not the same with you? You do not know what lies beyond the door, but you know your Master is there."

Always, in life and in death, Someone is before us preparing the way for those who love God, all things work together for their ultimate good.

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A descriptive brochure (with application form) is available to be used in interesting others in the course. Quantities of the descriptive brochure will be sent upon request to the Secretary, Christian Information Office, 15 King-st., Newtown, N.S.W., enclosing a 4c stamp for each dozen copies requested.

The C.I.O. was established in 1966 and was sponsored by the Committee for External Studies of Moore Theological College, in conjunction with The Christian Broadcasting Assoc. In addition to the course of basic Christian Teaching, the C.I.O. seeks to provide counselling and advice and all other means open to bring enquirers to a saving knowledge of Christ.

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LOSS OF WILL NEWHAM

(Vic.) Will F. Newham died on Jan. 13 after a long illness. He was 57. Mr. Newham was President-elect of the Vic-Tas. Conference of Churches of Christ and was an elder at the Surrey Hills church as well as leading the local C.Y.F. He was particularly well-known throughout the brotherhood for his work with the Boys' Explorer movement. He was

its first Chief Explorer and held that office for many years.

He is survived by his wife, Netta, a Past President of the State C.W.F., and their children, Paul, Rosemary (Mrs. David Andrews), David, Netta, Judy and John.

An obituary notice will be published at a later date.

MINISTERS

MINISTRY CONCLUDES

(Ann St., Qld.) Farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Read and family was held after evening service on Dec. 18. Conf. Pres. and H.M. Director participated. Mr. Read's ministry with the church concluded on Christmas Day . . . Richard Copland was baptised on Dec. 18. With his fiancée, Margaret Mitchell he was received into fellowship on Dec. 25 . . . 160 attended when the Annerley church choir rendered the Christmas Cantata—"Born a King" . . . The Ann St. choir participated in a special choral service, which was also well attended . . . Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Nightingale from Perth have been worshipping with the church prior to taking up residence again at Wellington Point.

DIPLOMA EARNED

(Warracknabeal, Brim, Vic.) B. C. Snoxall, minister of the circuit, has passed his final exams for the Diploma of Religious Education, and will receive the diploma from the College of Divinity at the Annual Service in College Church, Parkville, on April 7, 1967 . . . We have entered a team called "Church" in the newly-formed Warracknabeal Basketball (Men's) Association. The minister, B. C. Snoxall, is captain-coach of the team, as well as being Vice-President of the Association. All nine players are either members or regular attenders at Brim and Warracknabeal Churches of Christ . . . Over 200 attended the Warracknabeal S.S. anniversary. Bob Baxter, minister, Horsham Church of Christ, was speaker . . . An impressive Cradle Roll Service was conducted at Brim at a morning worship service. Several new babies were welcomed into the Roll by the Superintendent, Mrs. Jean Crisp. Teachers, parents and all other members of the Brim S.S. shared in the service. Presentations were made to the parents and to the children.

MINISTER GAINS DEGREE

(Hampstead Gardens, S.A.) The minister, K. B. Marriott, was successful in this year's examinations, entitling him to a B.A. degree . . . Three young people made their confessions recently . . . The annual visit of members to Northfield Hospital, with gifts and cheer for the sick, was a worthwhile and rewarding effort . . . Gospel service on Christmas Day combined with Broadview Baptist, K. B. Marriott preaching.

THE KERNICKS FAREWELLED

(Footscray, Vic.) Mr. and Mrs. E. Kernick were farewelled in Dec. and presentations were made to both . . . B.S. prize-giving and graduation service reflected a successful year's work. 25 scholars received first prize awards for 95 per cent. or more marks. Dux prizes awarded to Lynette Ashlin, Dorothy Burgess, Chris. Jones, Ken Tester . . . B.S. Staff changes include E. Ashlin, Supt., and Mrs. K. Saunders, Kinder Supt. . . F. B. Alcorn has commenced an interim ministry . . . Young people assisted in the Gospel Service on Dec. 18, using colour nativity slides and carol singing. Auxiliaries' thankoffering was received and amounted to \$1,050 . . . 50 food parcels were sent to India in 1966; 30 of these were sent to Indian families. Money placed in small bags and hung on the empty Christmas Tree by S.S. scholars amounted to \$21.14 and will be used for food parcels to India.

L.Th. GAINED

(Ascot Vale, S.A.) The church congratulates the minister, C. G. Dredge, on attaining his L.Th. in recent exams, also two subjects towards Dip.R.E. . . . The young people joined with Parkholme Baptist in carol singing on Christmas Eve . . . 117 attended 9.30 Christmas Sunday service when Mr. Dredge presided and the congregation joined in a responsive order of service. Mrs. K. Crowley was soloiste.

AWAITING MINISTER

(Margaret-st., Launceston, Tas.) The church is eagerly looking forward to the commencement of the ministry of Lloyd Read in mid-January . . . The C.W.E.F. concluded their year of activity by arranging a special family devotional service . . . Members of the Y.P.S.C.E. conducted the Sunday morning service at the local hospital, and the Intermediate Endeavourers conducted an evening service at church.

FROM RIVER TO SEASIDE

(Barmera - Moorook, S.A.) Mr. and Mrs. Trevor Lawrie will be transferring from this circuit to Victor Harbour in Feb. Their ministry has been one of love and patience, and their sincerity and devotion to Christian service most commendable. The incoming pastor is R. Brown, a graduate of Woolwich College, N.S.W.

MRS. CHARLES YOUNG

(Melb.) Mrs. Young died on Dec. 30 after a long period in hospital. She was the wife of the veteran minister, Chas. Young, who has served for many years as hospital chaplain with the Social Service Department of Vic. and Tas.

MANSE DISTINCTIONS

(Goolwa, S.A.) Ron Saunders, the eldest son of the minister, R. W. Saunders, gained distinction at the Adelaide University, and David Saunders was Dux at the Victor Harbour Boys' High School . . . Miss Gwen Read gave a travel talk on her overseas trip and showed film slides . . . Geoffrey George made his decision on Dec. 25 at gospel service . . . Father Christmas distributed gifts to scholars and staff of the S.S. The scholars hung their dollars and cents on the Christmas Tree for needy children. Ten separate classes in the B.S. presented interesting items on the Christmas theme . . . Cyril Newell, 81, is home from hospital but still very weak . . . A Combined Choir from Goolwa churches sang in Goolwa Town Hall. Mr. Graham Pemberton, Sec., United Churches Christmas Bowl Appeal, was the speaker. Message was challenging to help the needy children. Choir was led by Mrs. Walter Bartlett, and rendered a medley of Dutch carols.

TWENTY-NINE ADDITIONS

(West Moreton Circuit (Qld.)) Over the past six weeks we are rejoicing that 29 decisions have been made, one from Rosevale, two from Mt. Walker, and 26 from Rosewood. Nineteen of these have been baptised . . . A new electronic organ is adding to the pleasure of the meetings at Rosevale . . . All three churches held successful Christmas Tree evenings with S.S. children bringing the items . . . The circuit is pleased to announce that the minister, S. Rogers, has agreed to continue his ministry here for a second term.

TO ASSIST HOME

(Hornsby, N.S.W.) B.S. Christmas Tree and Social was held on Dec. 17 and the church Christmas Party on Dec. 21. The Christmas Day Service was held at 8 a.m. The minister, D. A. Oldfield, led the service and was assisted in song by Mrs. Riggall and Miss M. Riggall. "My Christmas Gift to the Lord" offering was received, which amounted to \$125, which is being set aside to assist the Boys' Home Committee to purchase a new refrigerator. Full amount to hand is \$147.30 . . . On Jan. 1 there were two baptisms.

MISSIONARY APRONS

(Northam, W.A.) The C.W.F. held its final break-up at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Boase, at Goomalling. Some 20 ladies attended from Northam, and a parcel of 33 lovely aprons was packed for missionary Christmas gifts. Sponge bags, washers and soap have been forwarded to Wooroloo. The business meeting followed a tea. Bible School, Kindergarten and Endeavourers finalised their year's work with break-up parties . . . On Dec. 18, a "coffee shop" and carol singing followed the evening service, which featured the Male Choir.

GYMPIE v. MONKLAND

(Qld.) A highlight planned for 1967 will be the inter-church S.S. competition for a shield at present held by Monkland. The competition will be held during the Sunday evening services and the first will take the form of verse-speaking choirs reciting from the first Epistle of John. Other contests will feature singing and Bible knowledge . . . Marion Lawrie has graduated from Tahlee Bible College and hopes to serve in a missionary leprosy field.

SUBIACO'S OUTREACH

(W.A.) The young people of Subiaco arranged a "Young In Heart" night, when all senior citizens of the church and district were invited to a Christmas Concert and supper. Over 100 of our older folk attended and transport was arranged for all who required it. The young people did a grand job entertaining and providing an excellent supper.

CAMP RESPONSES

(Maryborough - Baddow - Hervey Bay Qld.) There were two confessions of faith and three baptisms. Then, at the "Tweenagers" camp held at Hervey Bay, 12 more responded to the Gospel in open confession. Thirty-seven attended, with some from Bundaberg, Gympie and Kingaroy . . . The Sunday schools provided plays and items during annual Christmas functions. Church united with the Blue Nursing Service in singing carols and presenting gifts to lonely folk in their homes . . . Sixty-five attended C.Y.F. barbecue break-up. It was highlighted as a "swaggies" night. Frank Beale gave a challenging audio visual of the New Guinea work, and a cheque was given to him from the C.Y.F.

QUEEN'S BADGE AWARDED

(Flinders Park, S.A.) Brenton Wareing, of the Boys' Brigade, won the Queen's Badge, which is a very high honor . . . The Girls' Brigade certificates, badges and prizes were presented at their break-up . . . The Girls' Physical Culture Club has raised \$60 for the cost of window blinds for the showing of audio-visuals . . . The Dec. Men's Fellowship tea had as guest speaker, Mr. C. Hutchens, M.P., Minister of Works and Marine. He also gave the message at the gospel service . . . A combined social was held and opportunity was taken to express farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Whitmore and family. A presentation was made from the Ladies' Guild to Mrs. Whitmore. Gifts of a desk lamp and TV lamp, also a cheque, were presented to Mr. Whitmore. Appreciation was expressed for Mr. Whitmore's ministry and the fellowship of his family during the past four years . . . H. S. Prime will commence his ministry with the church on Feb. 12, 1967.

BY CANDLELIGHT

(Malvern, Vic.) Carols by Candlelight on the lawn in front of the church was a very happy occasion. It was conducted by Val Woff . . . Preparations are being made for Evangelistic effort in April . . . F. E. Buckingham will conduct a short ministry during the absence of minister on leave.

OVERSEAS MISSIONS

DEATH OF MR. JOHN BAIRAGI

John Bairagi, one of our Indian missionaries, died on Monday, Jan. 2. Mr. Bairagi was born in India, but was brought up in the Fiji Islands. He returned to India for tertiary education, and after completing his B.A. at Serampore College, joined our Mission in India in April, 1943. For health reasons, Mr. Bairagi was retired from the mission in February, 1966.

The development of our educational work at Baramati is largely due to the enthusiasm and dedication given by John Bairagi. Both the High School and the Primary School are regarded very highly in the Poona District, and through the influence of these mission schools many non-Christians have been reached and barriers broken down. For many years Mr. Bairagi served as Principal of the High School. He served on the Committee of Management for the Conference of Churches of Christ and in 1958 was elected Chairman. He took an active part in the establishment of the Friendship Centre at Baramati and took a keen interest in this work.

Mr. Bairagi served with Mr. S. P. Hiwale on the Marathi Bible Revision Committee. He diligently studied the Word of God and his ability to expound the word was appreciated by all.

John Bairagi visited Australia in 1952 when he attended the World Convention in Melbourne.

The Australian Churches of Christ and Conference of Churches of Christ in Western India are indebted to Mr. Bairagi for the years of devoted service he gave for the work.

VIC.-TAS. SOCIAL SERVICE

WOMEN'S APPEAL RALLY

The Women's Committee of the Victorian-Tasmanian Department of Social Service held its annual rally at the Christian Guest Home when about 300 were present.

R. V. Amos, President of the Social Service Department, opened the function with prayer. A welcome was extended by Mrs. M. Ward, the Superintendent of the women's committee, and greetings were brought by Mrs. E. W. Heard, President of the Christian Women's Fellowship, who received the gifts from the representatives of the churches.

PASTOR DOUG. AT DUNOLLY

(Vic.) Pastor Doug. Nicholls was the guest speaker at a recent weekend of combined witness. Five district Sunday schools combined to hear him speak. The C.M.F. Tea at 5 p.m. held in council chambers was followed by a combined service held in the Town Hall. The ministers of the Church of Christ, Church of England, and United Churches (Meth-Pres.) conducted the service and Pastor Doug. gave the address. A film, "I, the Aboriginal," was screened afterwards. On the Monday, Pastor Doug. visited and spoke to children at Bromley, Betley, Eddington, Dunolly and Tarnagulla State Schools. A Ladies' Rally, in the Church of Christ on Monday night, concluded the very successful weekend when large numbers of Dunolly and district people had the opportunity to meet this famous Christian aboriginal . . . The minister, R. Pfeifer, has accepted the church's invitation to serve for a further twelve months . . . M. R. White and F. Evans (Balwyn) have preached at Gospel Services.

END-OF-YEAR FUNCTIONS

(Redcliffe, Qld.) Young people and Sunday School held break-up social at the church when H. Plint supplied films for same . . . Members were responsible

\$3,737 were contributed, including \$460 from our three homes.

The elderly residents of Emmaus and the Christian Guest Home rendered a number of items under the leadership of Matron Gall, which were appreciated. There were a number of stalls stocked with occupational therapy items, cakes, jams, etc.

E. J. Miles, minister of the church at Oakleigh, and chaplain of the Christian Guest Home, closed the function with prayer. Afternoon tea was served by Mrs. L. L. Lowrey and her helpers.

for an afternoon service at Burdeu House. H. Plint led song service and R. Frost gave a short message. . . . Women's Fellowship visited Traquair Convalescent Home, Sandgate, to give Christmas Programme. Each member of fellowship took part. Gifts were distributed to staff and guests, Mrs. Waldron thanking fellowship for their visit. Lunch was served and a Christmas cake made and presented by Mrs. Plint and Mrs. Machin was cut and distributed to each person . . . Church business meeting held recently when A. McK. Surtees was chairman . . . Speakers for Christmas Day Services were H. J. Plint and R. Frost. Visiting speakers have been L. Read, D. Baker, A. McK. Surtees.

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VICTORIA

CHRISTMAS BAPTISMS

(Bayswater, Vic.). Joyful occasion on Dec. 18, when five young people and one adult confessed their faith in Christ and were baptized . . . The all-auxiliary break-up for year was most enjoyable. Kinders presented the Christmas story. Men and boys proved their talent for baking and sewing on buttons. Palestine was theme, through medium of slides, brought by Mr. Ken. Clinton. Bill Compston was soloist on this occasion. Mrs. Compston was welcomed. . . Open air Christmas Carols, compered by Mr. Prime, featured C.W.F. Choir, conducted by Daniel Hills. Rev. Wilson (Methodist) gave Christmas message.

REMEMBRANCE BOWL

(North Fitzroy, Vic.). When the Kinder Christmas party was held an offering from parents was placed in Bowl of Remembrance for Inter-Church Aid. . . At the church Christmas social, each family received gift of church calendar. Programme included carols, slides of Christmas postage stamps, puppet show for children, and visit by Father Christmas. . . Combined carol service in our chapel included choirs and readers from Church of Eng., Methodist Church and Salvation Army. . . For recent youth service, Ritchie Gunston sang and spoke. B.S. teachers entertained scholars in their homes for tea, prior to this service.

TRANSFER LOSSES

(Belmont, Vic.). The C.Y.F. group held an end of year buffet tea at the home of D. Williams, C.Y.F. leader. Book vouchers were distributed to scholars. Appreciation was expressed to Neville Livett for his leadership. He is one of four teachers which the B.S. will lose owing to employment transfers. . . The church was saddened by the death of Mrs. Woodbridge. She had been welcomed into fellowship just six days earlier following her baptism. . . The C.W.E.F. break-up took the form of a dinner, and bowling at the Geelong Bowling Lanes. At the C.W.F. day group final luncheon meeting, appreciation was expressed to all who had assisted in the running of the Opportunity Shop. . . 30 Good Companions, plus leaders, joined with Ballarat in a rally at which they farewelled Chas. Young ("Uncle Charlie"). . . At the Kindergarten Christmas party the children brought gifts for less fortunate children. Many parents attended the B.S. prizegiving night. . . The Good Companion presented the Christmas story in tableaux at an evening service. . . The church regrets that the minister, Frank Langford, has again been ill.

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FOUNDATION MEMBER PASSES

(Gardiner, Vic.). Mrs. A. Nichols, a foundation member, died in Sydney on Nov. 28, whilst on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. C. Cole. She had given a lifetime of service to her Lord. Many friends gathered at Gardiner chapel for her funeral, conducted by L. E. Wylie. . . We look forward, regretfully, to the departure, in late January, of Mr. and Mrs. Wylie, David and Ron. K. J. Clinton will fulfil an interim ministry. . . J. Mackay, church treasurer, has had three operations at the Alfred Hospital in recent weeks, and is making only very slow progress towards recovery.

He is now in a private convalescent hospital. . . Russell Corlett was one of the 29 medical students who were the first to graduate from Monash University. He and Annette Callaghan were married in Gardiner chapel on Dec. 15. . . Gary Parsons, whose parents are missionaries in Sabah, Malaysia, completed the first year of the science course at Melbourne University, having passed in all four subjects, with honors in three of them. He had been awarded a Commonwealth scholarship at the beginning of the year, but relinquished it on obtaining a Dafydd Lewis Scholarship.

TEMPLE DAY RESPONSE

(Essendon, Vic.). Temple Day gifts amounted to \$1177. . . 60 Elderly Citizens enjoyed delightful pre-Christmas Luncheon. Alan Rowe provided entertainment. . . At Good Companions' thanksgiving service, gifts were received for "Uncle Charlie". . . C.M.S. organised progressive dinner. Approx. \$90 was received for Hall Fund. . . A presentation was made to Mr. and Mrs. J. Hemsley on the occasion of their 40th wedding anniversary. . . All auxiliaries combined for social to close activities for year. . . A Kinder and Cradle Roll Christmas Party and Tree was held. . . A parents' dedication service was held. . . The church is preparing for plan giving, to commence in February.

FAITH and LIFE CONFERENCE

(Red Hill, Vic.). A Faith and Life Conference was held over two Sundays, led by V. Longthorp and M. Keatch. It stimulated much interest. After lunch at church about 30 gathered each Sunday to discuss "Mission of Church,"

"Work of Church," "The Gospel," etc. . . N. Westmore has been appointed Youth Counsellor. . . The church properties are being renovated by members. . . Christmas night service was combined with other churches in witness at Dromana Beach. . . Mrs. L. Turney welcomed back to church after weeks of illness. Mrs. Greaves still unable to attend because of illness.

YOUTH CLUB RE-COMMENCED

(Pyramid Hill, Vic.). Our young people re-commenced a fortnightly Youth Club which had lapsed. It has proved very successful. One programme featured a hike, devotions and barbecue at the hill of Pyramid. Devotions were led by our minister, C. G. Henderson, who had a large white cross set in a rock, and then a spotlight which was normally used for shooting foxes, was shone on the cross. Other activities have included a Beetle night, selected slides from various young people, games night and a trip to the Bendigo Bowling Gallery. Average attendance has been 20.

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Word Studies in the New Testament

No. 38 — LOVE :: RANDALL T. PITTMAN

The English noun "love" is a translation of a Greek word, *agape*, which has been the occasion of a great deal of research among Biblical scholars. Until quite recently the claim that no clear instance of the word from a pagan source could be found was justified, but Arndt and Gingrich cite a definite example and refer to other probable instances from late Greek. In Biblical and ecclesiastical writings it is common. In the Septuagint, *agape* was used about twenty times, mostly of human love, twice in 2 Samuel (1: 26; 13: 15), several times in Canticles, Ecclesiastes and the Apocrypha. In Jer. 2: 2 a higher sense of the word may be discerned.

In the New Testament *agape* is found only twice in the Synoptics (Matt. 24: 12; Luke 11: 42), not at all in Mark, Acts and James, but is common in the writings of John and Paul. Distinction is made between *agape* and *philia*, friendship (Jas. 4: 4), *storge*, natural affection (found in a compound form in Rom. 1: 31; 2 Tim. 3: 3). The Greek word for sexual love, *eros*, is not found in the New Testament, its place being taken by *epithumia*, desire.

Compounds beginning with *phil-* are numerous, and appear in the Authorised Version combined with "love": love of brethren, children, God, good men, hospitality, husbands, man, money, pleasures, pre-eminence, self.

In the Authorised Version of the New Testament, *agape* is also translated "charity," "charitably," "feasts of charity," "while they feast." In view of the fact that in current English "charity" tends to the narrow meaning "almsgiving," the question may be raised, Why did the translators use the two words, "charity" and "love," to represent *agape*? Probably the answer is to be found in the Latin Vulgate, which uses *caritas* for the Greek *agape*. It may be noted that the translation "charity" is used only in relation to man, but in a much wider sense than almsgiving.

In the "Concise Bible Commentary," W. K. Lowther Clarke wrote: "In spite of its specialised meaning in modern English, 'charity' is a better rendering of the Greek *agape* than the wide term 'love.' *Agape* is not strictly a human quality, for, like the Father's love in Matt. 5: 45, it is bestowed on human beings irrespective of their merits or likeableness." Of course, Clarke was writing of the word in its high New Testament sense.

As Cremer says in his Lexicon, "it really denotes a love practically unknown outside the range of Scripture, a love possessing a character all its own, to express which terms in ordinary use must have been looked upon as quite inadequate. Think only of love commanded, of love freely choosing its object, of love in certain circumstances putting itself in opposition to passion or feeling."

In the phrase "feasts of charity" *agape* is used in the plural. See Jude 12. In 2 Pet. 2: 13 some Texts read *agape*, others *apate*, deceit.

A study of "love" in the New Testament must include consideration of (1) human love — (a) to one another; (b) to God. Sometimes to decide whether the phrase "love of God" means man's love to God or God's love to man must be a matter of careful study. Compare 2 Thess. 3: 5 for the former, and 1 John 4: 9 for the latter. (2) Divine love — (a) God's love to men; (b) God's love to Christ (John 17: 26); (c) Christ's love to men (Rom. 8: 35).

This article must conclude with quotations from recent literature. Commenting on 1 Cor. 13, G. S. G. Williams, of Oxford, writes, "Without the gift of God's essence, self-giving Love, Paul maintains that any Christian sacrifice is valueless." C. K. Barrett says that John "more than any other writer, develops the conception of love as the nature of God himself and as the means by which the divine life, the relation of the Father and the Son, is perpetuated and demonstrated within the community."

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bridge, Hamilton, N.S.W.
B. Stubbin to G. Hopson, Mary-
borough, Qld.
Dorothy Gough to John Bishop,
Hornsby, N.S.W.
Dawn McGregor to Ron Bean, Mal-
vern, Vic.
Jennifer Turner, Mt. Compass, to
Peter Stephens, Maylands, S.A.

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Sister for Stephen and Bruce.

SNOXALL. — Pam and Brian joyfully
and gratefully announce the birth of
their daughter, Linda Michelle, at War-
racknabeal District Hospital, on Decem-
ber 16.

ENGAGEMENTS

HOUSTON-ANDREWS. — Mr. and
Mrs. C. F. Houston, 4 Davies-crt., Ben-
digo, Vic., have much pleasure in
announcing the engagement of their
younger daughter, Dawn Rosemary, to
Ian Douglas, youngest son of Mr. and
Mrs. G. J. Andrews, 8 Ewing-ave., Ben-
digo.

NEWHAM-ROWE. — Mr. and Mrs.
Will F. Newham and Mr. and Mrs. R. W.
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ment of Netta and Gordon.

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Iris, Vic., have much pleasure in announc-
ing the engagement of their only daugh-
ter, Glenda Ruth, to Ian David, youngest
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sen), East Germany.

MARRIAGE CELEBRATED

BURNHAM-EYGELAAR. — At Daw-
son-st., Church, Ballarat, on Saturday,
Dec. 17, Peter John, eldest son of Mr.
and Mrs. F. Burnham, and Yoka Eyge-
laar, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.
Eygelaar, of Sturt-st. Mr. F. C. Hunting
officiated at the ceremony.

APPROACHING MARRIAGE

BARNETT-WELDEN. — The marriage
of Margaret Dawn, third daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Barnett, 5 Allen-st.,
Highett, Vic., to Jeffrey Rex, younger son
of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Welden, Kadina,
S.A., will be celebrated at Cheltenham
Church of Christ, Vic., at 4 p.m. on
January 28, 1967, David Marr officiating.

RUBY WEDDING

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tions, Mum and Dad, on your 40th wed-
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DEATHS

NEWHAM, Will F. — On January 13,
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Rosemary, David, Judy, Netta and John;
father-in-law of Sandra and David;
granpa of Natalie and Peter.

NEWHAM, Will. — To the family of
our Senior Explorer we express our
deepest sympathy.—Explorer Boys' Club
of Victoria.

NEWHAM, Will. — The boys and
leaders express our deepest and sincerest
sympathies to the family of our be-
loved "Boss"—Surrey Hills Church of
Christ Explorer Club.

WHITFORD. — On January 12, Charles
Edward (late of Mitcham), loved father
and father-in-law of Dorothy and Reg.
Bullen, Brushy Park-rd., North Croydon;
loving Pa of Rhonda (Mrs. Graeme Addi-
cott) and Peter. Aged 85. "Rest at last."

YOUNG, George (late 1st A.I.F., 5th
Pioneers). — Loved husband of the late
Mabel, loving father of George (dec.),
Bob, Ellie, Cliff, Doris (Mrs. Parker),
Freda (Mrs. Shire); father-in-law of
Florrie, Mary, Rita, George and Bert;
grandfather of 23 grandchildren and 26
great grandchildren. "In God's care."

NOTICE OF SYMPATHY

The Footscray church, Vic., is saddened
at the death of Mrs. Betty Kernick, and
offers deepest sympathy to her husband,
Ean, and their children, Robyn 4 and
Andrew 13 months. It is only a few
weeks since their ministry closed here
and our hearts go out to those whose
loss is so great, but whose resources in
Christ are so many.

IN MEMORIAM

COX. — In loving memory of my
dearly loved husband, Ern, much-loved
father of Joyce, father-in-law of Everett,
grandpa of Dorothy and Stephen, who
was called Home January 24, 1966.

"Treasured memories of a wonderful
husband and dad, until we meet again."
1 John 5: 11.

—Christina and family, Avonsleigh.

GOLDSWORTHY — Treasured memo-
ries of our loved parents, Reginald, Jan.
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INTERSTATE NEWS . . .

INNER AREAS MINISTRY

(Melb.). Following a previous an-
nouncement by the Richmond church and
the Department of Home Missions and
Evangelism of a team ministry at Rich-
mond between D. J. Andrews and P.
Andrews, the earlier plan has now been
recast. D. J. Andrews will become in-
volved in a full-time Inter-Church Trade
and Industry Mission industrial chap-
laincy in the inner areas of Melbourne.
He will commence duties in March. P.
Andrews will be inducted to the ministry
at Richmond on Feb. 19, 1967.

1967 OFFICERS

(Lygon St., Vic.). Deacons for 1967
are: J. Atkinson, D. Berry, J. Brush, R.
Cook, D. Dempster, H. Faull, S. Jackel, E.
McClellan, L. McClean and H. McKean.
. . . Recent speakers have been D. Langs-
ford and Dr. D. W. Hills, Assoc. Director
of the Evangelical Alliance Mission.

TESTIMONIES AND BAPTISMS

(Harcourt, Vic.). Since Planned-Giv-
ing Campaign the life of the church has
quickened . . . A teenage lad has made
the good confession . . . Six young peo-
ple attended Youth for Christ Gold Coast
Crusade. Some gave testimonies at
Young Gospel service and two more
young people were baptised . . . Solos
by Mrs. Wooden at evening services have
been appreciated . . . During 1966 C.W.F.
have greatly reduced Hall debt.

CHILDREN'S DAY

(Bruce Rock, W.A.). The children
sang well at their anniversary. Mrs.
Henwood conducted the choir. They also
presented two Christmas plays. Special
attendance prizes were presented to Brian
Deadman and Lesley Deadman. P. H.
Butler is S.S. Supt. . . . Carol Ellis was
top of her class at Merredin High School
in 4th year commercial.

AUSTRALIAN ANGLICANS SEEK ADMISSION TO UNION NEGOTIATIONS

(Brisbane). The new Anglican Primate
of Australia, Archbishop Philip Strong,
of Brisbane, has formally asked the
Presbyterian, Methodist and Congrega-
tional Churches of Australia to admit
the Anglican Church to union negotia-
tions already in progress.

If consummated, the resulting united
church would have more than six million
members in a country of 11 million peo-
ple.

These negotiations, current for more
than 10 years, are advancing to the stage
where amendments to the proposed basis
of union are being collated. A revised
document, more in accord with the mind
of the churches at congregational level,
will be re-submitted for final approval.
This process may take some years.

Observers think the Presbyterians,
Methodist and Congregational Churches
may press on with a three-way merger,
allowing the Anglicans to merge later,
rather than imperil the present nego-
tiations. For the present, the Anglicans
are likely to sit in on the negotiations
as non-voting partners.—E.P.S.

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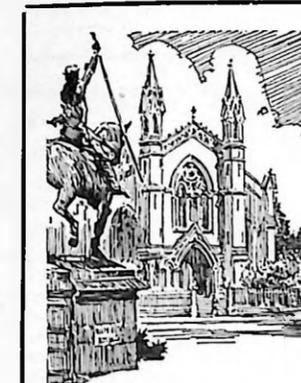
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A CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE ON VIETNAM

BILL OLDFIELD (Vic.)

All the recent discussion of Vietnam in "The Christian," and elsewhere, prompts this response from one who has never been there, but who has lived in another part of Asia. I have tried to understand what is going on through magazines, books, newspapers and TV, but I cannot claim this makes me an expert. However, as many groups tell us, you don't need expertise to discuss a complex issue, only the desire for dialogue!

Just now there are those in the church who clearly feel that unless you are opposed to the war in Vietnam you are either ignorant or blatantly sub-Christian. For example, we are told that the war is legally and morally wrong because, it has changed character and escalated in the past year; because we cannot trust President Johnson's motives in the peace offensive; because it is said the Administration doesn't understand history; because of the alleged paranoid fear of communism; and because we have too often supported the wrong interests in Asia and Africa.

Most of the people with whom I have discussed this issue would reject these over-simplifications as sheer propaganda calculated to support decisions already made. Whenever men are murdered, Christians are in agony, but they realise this is part of the Cross. They don't like it. They wish it would stop.

Yet would the killing cease if America stopped bombing? Or would only the names of the victims be changed? Has it stopped in Indonesia? Malaysia? Laos? and Korea? Or even in enlightened India and Pakistan? — not to mention Ghana, or the Congo, or Tibet? Can China be trusted not to invade South-east Asia once the Americans, and the Australians, and other forces, have gone home? Is she so disinterested in rice that she will give up her "historic" effort to claim this rich land?

Sin has not been made obsolete by cybernetics, nor the thrust of the 20th

century. Men are still bound by the chains of hate and fear and racialism, as well as by the hope for power. Given the situation in Vietnam, and assuming that the Vietcong could rule, is it unreasonable to suspect that those who fought them would be first on the purge list? The "ins" have murdered the "outs" in every generation.

Perhaps the symbol of the United States and Australia as policemen is the best. I think we know we are not the saviours of the world and, like all policemen, we will not be liked or respected for using force. Few servicemen enjoy killing. It is a dirty job. But what do you do when you face an enemy who doesn't want to talk, maybe doesn't know how, and seems bent on murder as the path to power? What is our doctrine for handling real paranooids?

It would be wrong to say we have uncritically become a part of consensus. We do it because it is the responsibility of people with great power to use that power with restraint, and to use that force for good as God gives us grace to see the good. We are not deluded to the point where we see this as a noble endeavour, but only as a necessary effort until that time when men will come to the table to talk. If that is sub-Christian, then let God forgive us, and somehow let him show us a better way!

We must recognise that pious moans of protest, emotionalism and withdrawal are no substitutes for specific, constructive alternatives, no matter what the issue may be.

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OBITUARY

Frederick James Sherriff.

On Oct. 29, our highly esteemed brother, Fred Sherriff, died. The place of his death was an indication of the life this man of God lived — active in the work of the Lord. It was at an early morning working bee on the new Youth Hall at York-st. church, Ballarat, Vic., surrounded by men who had come to know the depth of his friendship, and doing more than his share in the work of the Lord. Born near Kaniva in 1890, the son of a farmer, he developed a rare capacity for work as farmer, machinery salesman and, later, when past the age of retirement, as storeman for a building contractor. His honesty and ability earned high praise from all who knew him. At the age of 16 he committed his life to Christ at South Lillimur, and from that time onwards was active in church work, teaching a Bible Class at 17 years, a deacon in Kaniva church, and later a deacon and elder of Horsham congregation and circuit, B.S. supt., and Bible Class teacher for 18 years at Horsham. An able preacher of the Word, he had preaching appointments in many churches. He is well remembered in particular at Kaniva and district, Horsham circuit, including his work in shifting the Pimpinio chapel to Dimboola, each of the Ballarat congregations, and at Stawell, where he took a series of meetings and had the joy of seeing his own grandson respond to the invitation of Christ. He was married in 1915 to Ruby Holmes, at Neupurr, and bringing up his children to know the Lord, now has both children and grandchildren active in the church. C. W. Jackel assisted H. Street at the funeral service. The chapel at York-st. was unable to accommodate the large crowd who gathered from many places to pay their respects. He leaves a widow, sons Cliffe (Horsham), Maurice (Warracknabeal), June (Mrs. Fraser, Ballarat), and Gwenda (Mrs. Berry, Ballarat), also fourteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild. —V.O.B.

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TO THE RESCUE. The friends of H. A. Proctor, B.A., will be glad to know that he combined pleasure with usefulness during the holidays. "The Argus" reports: "Two young ladies, while bathing at Sandringham, were seen to be seized with cramp. Without waiting to divest himself of any clothing, Mr. H. A. Proctor, minister of the Church of Christ, North Richmond, Vic., rushed into the water and brought the girls in safety to the beach."

A PREACHER ON HOLIDAY. The spot chosen is Inverloch, a delightful watering place eight miles from the nearest railway. It is somewhat remote, and far enough from "the madding crowd" to provide such a holiday as a busy preacher needs.

The journey down was a delightful prelude. It was made in the ideal way — all the family in the car is a delightful experience when the car is headed for the country and the sea. There are two cars in our company. Perhaps, in becoming humility, I should say there is a car and a Ford. A brother officer drives a car. — T. H. Scambler.

WEDDING. A wedding of Australian interest took place last Saturday in Yunnanfu, China. The contracting parties were A. Geo. Saunders, of the Philippine Islands Mission, and preacher-elect of the Lygon St. church, and Miss Adelaide G. Masters, of the China Mission. Albert Anderson officiated at the ceremony.

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AN APPRECIATION.

To the Editor,

I would like you to know that I think "The Christian" is an excellent magazine. I am 17, and many of my girlfriends also enjoy the articles in it. In the issue dated Nov. 26 there was an article about W. L. Brune. I attend Dulwich Church of Christ, and everything stated in the article by our minister is very true. It was a very good article. Also the one, "Outside Prison Walls," was very interesting.

—Margaret Roberts, S.A.

JUDGING.

To the Editor,

A. O. S. Baker is to be thanked for his letter regarding the U.S. President in "A.C." Dec. 3, 1966. How we hate sin — in ourselves and in others, but after all, our dear Lord said: "Judge not." We certainly cannot believe all that our newspapers write, nor is it safe sometimes to believe all that our censorious "friends" would have us believe.

A much better way is to treasure up all the good we find in our brethren, and "cover up" when Satan has caught them in some unfortunate moment.

Judgment of others savours somewhat of a recent cartoon where two punch cards met in a computer. Said one: "I am holier than thou!"

Our Lord never once openly condemned the fallen one — so far as we can gather — but how he "scorched" the self-righteous one! He would have us look inwards and correct all errors, so that we may be better able to look outwards in love and sympathy.

The little boy's prayer, "Lord, make the bad people good, and the good people nice," could be the answer to our empty-pew problem. Let us go part of the way with L.B.J. (and others), leaving God to right the rest of the way.

—M. A. Cox, N.S.W.

CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP

To the Editor,

We have just enjoyed a wonderful experience of fellowship in Christmas Sunday Services which were combined with the Baptist congregations of Gatton and Tent Hill.

At 8 a.m. our own Gatton chapel was packed to overflowing, despite extra seating. I was privileged to preside over this service with W. Spence, the minister of the Baptist churches, preaching the sermon. A Baptist man, J. Windolf, and one of our own men, E. Strong, read the Scripture lessons. Exactly 100 people communed at the Lord's Table. The remark of one prominent Baptist man after the service was, "That was the most wonderful Christmas service I have ever attended!"

In the evening we combined again, this time at the Tent Hill Baptist chapel. Mr. Spence led the service, and it was my joy to preach the message. There were approximately 70 present.

An interesting sidelight on all of this is that the Baptist minister, Mr. Spence, is only newly arrived from Ireland, where

CHURCHES OF CHRIST

To the Editor,

My mate from St. Chad's said, "You people have got a bit of a nerve, haven't you, calling yourselves 'Churches of Christ'! It sounds as though you think that other churches are not churches of Christ!" I said to him, "What about your Christchurch in the next parish? Haven't they got a nerve, then, claiming that their church is Christ's church, and all the others belong to St. Chad or to St. Vitus or some other saint?" He didn't answer that one, so I explained in the best traditional terms of the Restoration Movement that we do not use the words "Churches of Christ" in any exclusive sense, that we are not the only Churches of Christ, but Churches of Christ only. I said, "Each local congregation of Christians is a church of Christ. We simply choose to call our congregations just what they are. We wish all congregations would drop their denominational names and call themselves churches of Christ. He said to me somewhat rudely, "You've got to be kidding!" He went on, "You wouldn't really like every Anglican church suddenly to call itself a church of Christ and put 'Church of Christ' on its notice board and in the newspapers!" Bravely I followed up my logic and said, "I am sure we would rejoice to see it!" He said, "Rubbish! You told me yourself that you are not happy about another small group in Australia that uses the same name as yourselves, and causes you some embarrassment!"

My mate is as pernicky as a certain editor I know who seems to take some fiendish delight in pricking our little bubbles!

TERTIUS.

he says the Baptist churches celebrate the Lord's Supper every Sunday. We have found in discussing our various beliefs and practices that we are so closely akin he might well be a minister of one of our churches! He has already succeeded in having the Baptist folk here agree to setting up the Lord's Table EVERY Lord's Day!

What a pity we have so many theologians arguing in theological councils about nebulous theological theories that keep the rank and file of Christians separated. Sincere Christians will be led in the way of God's Word if they have sincere leaders to do it!

—Maurie Pieper, Qld.

OF LIFE AND DEATH COSTS

To the Editor,

These statements appeared in one issue of a national daily paper less than one week before the anniversary of the birth of the Prince of Peace: "Each enemy killed in Vietnam costs \$300,000." "Twelve million face death in Indian famine." "This year, in its Christmas Bowl Appeal, the Aust. Council of

BETTY KERNICK CALLED HOME

(Gympie, Qld.). Mrs. Betty Kernick, beloved wife of Ean and mother of Robyn and Andrew; only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom McClune, died on Dec. 27 at the age of 25 years.

After at least a year of suffering and two major operations, Betty was aware that her time on earth was short. Her deep faith in her Lord Jesus Christ was evidenced by the fact that, knowing she was soon to go, she requested that her favourite hymn be sung at her funeral service.

Ean, her husband, opened the service by reading Psalm 146, and then announced the hymn she requested, "Abide with Me."

Churches is appealing for \$500,000 for ten projects."

What is wrong with our sense of values when one can view with equanimity the fact that over forty times more can be spent on eliminating an individual in warfare than we are prepared to provide for one project to preserve life?

Aren't we setting our sights too low? The people will respond to any properly presented appeal, and most readers will recollect £300,000 being raised in one capital mainly because of the cancer phobia, and all of this was accomplished in two hours on a Sunday night.

There must surely be pangs of conscience if there is any failure in subscribing this amount.

—Percy C. Williams, Qld.

FEDERAL CONFERENCE CHOIR RECORDINGS

RECORDINGS on order will be available for personal pick up at the Conference Office, 217 Lonsdale-st., Melb., from Monday next, January 23. Those to be forwarded to an address will be mailed during next week.

Pastor Clarke, in his address to the large congregation of relatives and friends, said, "There is much about the future life we cannot know clearly, but here is an incontrovertible fact: Whether we live or whether we die, WE BELONG TO THE LORD. Betty is just as much the Lord's as any one of us—death has not changed the relationship but it has replaced faith with sight."

A further brief service was conducted at the Albany Creek Crematorium, Brisbane.

Ean, who took up his duties as Pastor to the Bundaberg Church of Christ on Jan. 2, will be accompanied by his mother, who will look after the children.

OVERSEAS MISSIONS

RUTH EDGELL SETTLES IN

I write this newsletter after having been here ten weeks. In some ways it seems as though I have been here much longer. I had a nightmare of a trip out. Not being able to speak French at Noumea and Vila caused a lot of the nightmare. One of my cases was lost for over a fortnight after I arrived. Finally it was found at Santo — where it had no right to be in the first place.

OUR VILLAGE. — Nasawa is a small village on the west coast of Maewo Island. Maewo is about 15 or 16 degrees south of the Equator. From our living room we look out across the sea. The setting is really tropical — plenty of jungle undergrowth, pawpaw, mango and coconut trees all around. Most of the village houses are made of wood and bamboo frames, with woven bamboo walls and pandanus leaf roofs. The floors are either cement or coral. They make mats out of coconut palms or woven bamboo for their floors and they put their sleeping mats on them.

SCHOOL. — At present the Technical School consists of Grades 6, 7, 8 and 9, of which I teach mainly Grades 6 and 7, giving a little help to the others if Mr. Combridge is not around, which isn't very often, thank goodness! Teaching these grades is vastly different from teaching Grades 1 to 3 at home.

The young men in the school range from 17 to 24 years of age. The discipline is very good, and the students really seem to enjoy school life. Of course, like everywhere else, you get those who are bright, and those who are not, and those who work well all the time, and those who need to be encouraged to stick to it.

We have just finished the Senior Primary exams., and are now awaiting the results. This is an external exam, which determines whether or not the students are to go on to do higher education. The students conduct their own devotional services morning and evening.

SCHOOL BUILDING. — Our new school building is progressing well. The bricks have been made by the boys and they are doing the building of the school under the supervision of Mr. Combridge. A couple of the rooms will have no desks or seats for a while — until the

Lord's people are moved to supply more finance! At present we have school in the carpentry shop and are using the benches as desks. The seats are trunks from local trees, most uncomfortable to sit on, I can assure you.

Jenny Doye teaches Grades 4, 5 and 7 in the village school. She has seven students. Two girls in Grade 4, and two boys, one girl in Grade 5, and two in Grade 7.

PLANE CRASH. — You may have heard of the dreadful plane crash we had here recently. The pilot and seven passengers were all killed. There was mail on the plane for these northern islands. If any of you have written to any of the missionaries here in the New Hebrides, and you don't get replies, it could well be that your letters were on that plane. We don't know yet if they managed to salvage any mail or not.

"WE ARE GOD'S FELLOW WORKERS"

BY MISS J. DOYE.

The verse, 1 Cor. 3: 9, printed above, hangs on the wall of my bedroom, and is a continual reminder of the fact that here in the New Hebrides, the people and the missionaries work together with God, to present the gospel of Jesus Christ to those who do not know him. We are here to advise and help, although some of the native pastors have had far more practice in preaching than I will ever have. The Field Council has native and missionary representatives, and the local church councils are entirely native, with a male missionary as advisor.

The medical work, teaching, etc., is all planned towards a time when the people here will be able to take full control, although this will probably not be for some time yet.

You may have heard over the news about the drought in New Hebrides. This year is the worst for about 30 years. In some places the people have to paddle canoes to other islands every day for drinking water, and the coconut palms are dying from lack of water. Maewo is the wettest island in the New Hebrides, so we don't have those problems.

However, this is not the worst part of the situation. The staple diet of most of the New Hebrides is water taro, a root vegetable which grows in water, much the same as the rice does. Because of the lack of water, the taros are rotting in the ground. This means that for the next six months there will probably be a food shortage and the people will have to buy rice. A taro takes 9 to 18 months to grow, but the situation will improve in May when the yams are ready for digging. Here on Maewo we still have enough water in the creek to run a hydro-electricity plant, but the big waterfall has dried up.

The work goes on as usual. The hospital has been busy lately, as there has been a 'flu epidemic, but that has finished now. I am mainly involved with delivering babies, giving triple antigen injections, and dressing sores, with an occasional cut to stitch, or tooth to pull, to relieve the "monotony."

My work with the women has been at a standstill lately, due to the fact that the "Grace" and the dinghy have been out of order for some time, but the dinghy outboard engine is working again now. I did walk to Bytora a month ago, but never again, I hope. Half the journey is by climbing over slippery rocks with the sea lapping at our ankles. At one stage we had to walk through a cave with almost vertical walls, and only a narrow ledge for our feet, and holes in the coral to grip with our hands.

I had malaria last week, despite taking my anti-malarial tablets regularly. The actual attack lasts only a few hours, but it left me feeling tired, listless, depressed and nauseated for about three days. I hope that it never happens again. Ruth Edgell has been here two months now and is settling in well. She seems to manage the schoolboys with no trouble.

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**THE LAST
WORD**

Beauty.

Your eyes will see the King in his beauty.

—Isaiah 33: 17.

Smite me, O Lord, with beauty, till these eyes
Behold all beauty as a part of thee;
Trace thy swift touch upon the changing skies
And know thy hand upon the sorrowing sea.
Unfurl thy banners and make sharp thy spears
And fling thy dawns and sunsets down the years.

—G. K. Chesterton.



Give me the heart that spreads its wings
Like the freed bird — that soars and
And sees the bright side of all things.



No one can make you feel inferior without your consent.

—Eleanor Roosevelt.



Watch lest prosperity destroy generosity.

—H. Ward Beecher.



Life is like playing a violin solo in public, and learning the instrument as one goes on.

—Lord Lytton.



Long ago you lived till you died instead of just being run over.



Henpecked: "Doctor, my wife's dislocated her jaw. If you are out our way some time next week you might drop in and see her."