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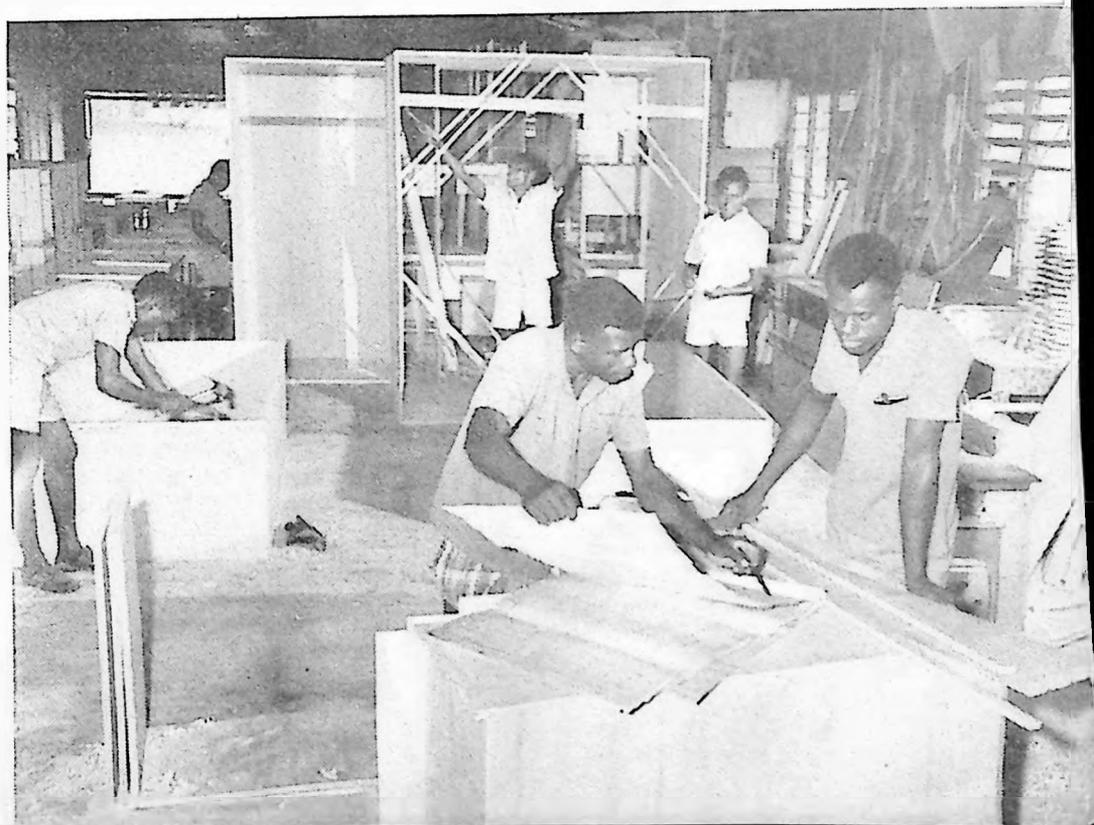
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**LEARNING AND LIVING**



## GOD AND THE COMMUNICATORS

We regular church-goers do not like others to ignore God — and we like it even less when folk talk to or about God and they use the wrong words. The wrong words may conceal heretical ideas. Why, there has been strife in the church when even a wrong pronoun (or a different one) was used for God!

More of us, however, are finding it harder to believe that God cares very much about our word squabbles. If he can cope with more than a thousand languages, he is not likely to be upset by a few variations within one or two of them.

Paul, who knew God very well, was also fairly easy going with words, although we are quick to add that he was extremely particular about actions and attitudes. The Plain Jane Bible (Today's English Version), which comes out strong for the speech of the man in the street, makes Paul say in Phil. 1: 17-18, "others do not proclaim Christ sincerely, but from a spirit of selfish ambition; they think that they will make more trouble for me while in am in prison. It does not matter! I am happy about it — just so Christ is preached in every way possible, whether from right or wrong motives." Unfortunately, the churches have often acted as though the change of language proved that the motives were wrong.

How much trouble would have been spared us in the churches if we had always remembered that languages are living and not static? We may have been saved even more heartbreak if we had also remembered that the church itself is a living organism and not a museum for first century relics, or a library for dead languages.

Whatever our speech, pidgin, slang, or grammar school, and wherever we speak, in New Guinea, New York, or Newcastle, there is no great obstacle to God, unless we regular church-goers make it so.

Carl F. Burke faced up to this problem when he shared with the youth of the big cities. How would he present God? He decided to start with the right words, so he said, "God is like a father." One boy responded with stinging bitterness, "Hah, if he's like my father, I sure would hate him!"

So Burke persuaded some of the young people to find their own words and ways of expressing the things of God and faith and life. To those of us brought up on the King James Version, the phrases and thought patterns may come through discordantly. But they were produced in gaols, camps, and detention homes, and they show, among other things, that God can get through to anybody in any language if he is given a chance. These examples are from Burke's book, "God is for real, man!", published by Association Press, New York.

**Psalm 23** The Lord is like my Probation Officer.  
He will help me.  
He tries to help me make it every day.  
He makes me play it cool  
And feel good inside of me.  
He shows me the right path  
So I'll have a good record,  
And he'll have one too.

**Psalm 46** God is a good hideout.  
He is stronger than the weight-lifter at the Y.  
He helps you out even when you got trouble.  
So what have you got to worry about even if there's a flood,  
And the streets go caving in, and bridges get washed out?  
When the creek is low it's easy to see how pretty it is  
And that God is there.  
But he is there when the creek's mad too.  
When the going gets rough, just remember that God is with us  
Like he was with guys of old.  
So take a look round — there's nice things —  
As well as dirty empty lots and wrecked buildings.  
Sometimes it's quiet-like at the end of a rumble  
So take time to think and you'll know about God —  
And that he is here most of the time.

Maybe you will prefer the King James. Well, that's your privilege, so long as you make sure that you are getting God's message to you.

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Learning new trades and a new life  
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"... Economic planning must take full  
account of the needs, aspirations, and  
capacities of the indigenous people..."  
A. W. McCasker, Economic Adviser to the  
Administration of Papua and New  
Guinea.

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### CHOICE

If there is laughter in my heart,  
A gleam within my eyes,  
A bit of humour left—I'll trade  
The wisdom of the wise  
To keep these things, for life at best  
Needs leavening of wit  
To lift us up and carry us  
Through any part of it.

—Catherine E. Berry.

# WORLD MISSION

By DENIS LADBROOK



The yearning for a new order is one of the most profoundly inspirational themes of the Bible. It was the groaning of the children of Israel when under Egyptian oppression that laid the foundation for their deliverance. This, too, was the vision of the exile-shattered Jews who envisaged a new Jerusalem, filled with laughing children at play, with singing instead of weeping in the streets, with the wolf and the lamb feeding together, and where none would hurt or destroy in all God's holy mountain.

Great men of God over the centuries have given their lives to make this vision a reality. Jesus is the proto-type of this new order which he called the "Kingdom of God," and John gives a picture of its climax in the Revelation. He represents the great concern of Biblical writers that the kingdoms of this world should become the kingdom of our Christ.

The voice of the Bible is not alone in this matter. It agrees with the yearnings of our own hearts. The creation of such a world, to realise the aspirations of all godly men throughout time, IS the World Mission of the Church. It is only by a unified, vibrant church that the torn fragments of human-kind can be knitted up into that glorious fraternity pictured by the Bible. This vision is a possibility, for Christianity can give to every man the inner discipline he needs and the inner liberty he desires. It builds for the world an unshakable framework of actively selfless and self-giving citizens whose determination to bring healing cannot be altered by any beckoning of personal advantage or party spirit.

We have Christ's commission to build and this is a task so absorbing that it will take every energy, every resource, and every ingenuity. There is a place in the great family of Christ for every man, every woman, every boy and girl.

### FEED THE HUNGRY

Where do we start? On every hand there is opportunity. We could start with one of the great challenges issued by the Biblical writers. When considered in its

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right perspective, the Bible is the most down to earth and up to date book in the world. Sometimes we tire of being told that the world has a problem because of millions of starving people and the world's population is increasing by a million per week. We have felt powerless to do anything about it, so we try to push out of our mind the millions—men, women and children—who are emaciated, diseased, and without hope, simply because there is not enough food to eat. I was reading in the Gospel of Mark recently how Jesus was being pressed by a large crowd of people, 5,000 of them. At the end of the day, the disciples were keen to send them away, they didn't want to be their brothers' keepers. I know exactly how those disciples felt, for my heart has often echoed their cry, "send these multitudes away that they might buy food." This is man's reaction, his desire to send the problem away. But the words of Christ come back like a gunshot, "Give YE them to eat."

These haunting and challenging words leap from the ancient page into the turmoil of the 20th century. Christ is still saying to his disciples, "Give ye them to eat." Give them physical, nourishing food. Perhaps we could start here.

### SEEK PEACE

We have grown accustomed to reading in our newspapers of the slaughter and death in Vietnam. The peace talks limp along in Paris, but the war goes on. We accept it as part of the modern world. We say that war is an inevitable part of human nature. Again, I look to the Bible for guidance. I read in the prophet Micah that in the brave new world of faith, nations will not learn war any more. Will not learn war. This means that it is not so much a part of human nature but is learned and taught. We teach our young people to fight and to create war. Somewhere in this world of ours, somebody is teaching someone else how to kill your child.

But in that new earth of Micah's dream, nations will beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruninghooks. The swords and spears of our day are Centurion tanks and F-111 fighter-bombers. When will we decide to transform these things into fertiliser factories and agricultural machinery to build up instead of tear down?

Always the man of God has been on the frontier, seeking the understanding and reconciliation that alone can lead to lasting peace. We can share in this ministry by establishing peace in our

own situation, to seek genuine harmony in our own home and family. The church can never lead the world until it has peace within itself.

The World Mission of the church can never be realised until the boundaries of genuine peace are extended to encompass the whole earth.

### MISSION IN THE CITY

Our task is not confined to feeding the world's hungry or seeking the world's peace, although these need top priority.

From all parts of Australia and from overseas we have come together in this great city. It is tremendously impressive. Some of its architecture is breathtaking, opportunities for learning are enormous, and everywhere there is the vibrant hum and throb of a growing metropolis. Again I go to my Bible and see how Jesus reacted to the great city of his life, Jerusalem. We notice that he did three things: He looked at it. He wept over it. He died for it.

What a challenge this gives to modern Australia. Have we felt in our souls the anguish of Christ as he wept over his city? But Christ didn't stop at looking and weeping, he became personally involved in the ministry of service. Unlike the priest and the Levite who turned away from those in need, Christ gave himself—body, soul and spirit in the undeserved suffering that creates the possibility of redemption. It cost him all that he had. But the death and resurrection of Christ began a renaissance of the human spirit that has never been paralleled in the history of man. And I see signs all over the world today that, in the midst of the massive problems, there is a renewal of man's inner spirit. This is the royal road to revival. President Roosevelt said: "I doubt if there is any problem, social, political, or economic, that will not melt before the fire of a spiritual awakening."

Do you share this conviction? Are you experiencing a renewal from within that brings to fruition the yearnings and aspirations of your nature to create a better world? We must have faith to believe that change is possible, that one by one the cities of our land will yield to the Christ. Room by room, house by house, street by street, they will be changed.

Let us hold hands together as we join, united in heart and purpose, in the great World Mission of the Church, and to dedicate ourselves to the building of a new earth, complete in the being of God, through the reconciling power of the Cross.

# TAKE MY HANDS

By PETER SUMNER

When Lucy heard that a neighbour was learning to read with her fingers in preparation for advancing blindness, she thought of her brother Leslie, who had been deaf since birth, and blind for the past 11 years. She thought of the many hours he spent in lonely frustration, and wondered if those tiny dots could give some meaning to his silent world of shadows. Lucy borrowed an old Braille exercise sheet from her friend, and placed it beneath her brother's searching hands. She waited with baited breath for his reaction. Although confused by the meaningless masses of dots, Leslie immediately recognised the possibilities, and made signs to his sister indicating that he wanted to know more about this strange code.

Lucy then asked her neighbour if the Braille teacher might call and see her brother on his next visit to their town. When I called to see Leslie that first afternoon, I felt something like a stranger in a foreign land, for anyone who has worked with deaf people will know that they seem to have a language and culture all of their own. As I sat beside my new pupil, I thought, "here is a man living in our community and yet, because of his double handicap, he is as isolated and inaccessible as any jungle tribesman." Being young and inexperienced, I fumbled through my hand signs (for this was my only means of communication with Leslie) and felt a little like the new missionary who has to grapple with vowelless words and unpronounceable sounds; all for the sake of a soul.

Leslie worked hard and long developing his sense of touch and adding to

his knowledge of the many abbreviations used in Braille. It took five hours to travel the 150 miles to his home, just to spend an hour-and-a-half together before beginning the return journey. His quiet determination and deep gratitude more than rewarded every effort that was made. Now Leslie is an avid reader and through the Braille page sees sights and hears sounds that were formerly denied him. He tells me he is reading 10 verses every night from his Braille Gospel of St. John and eagerly looks forward to receiving a monthly Christian magazine which is printed in America.

The tragedy is, however, that there is no Christian Braille literature produced in Australia for him to read. The recently-formed Christian Blind Missionary Fellowship is endeavouring to establish the first Christian Braille printing press and library in the Southern Hemisphere and needs your help urgently. Latest figures indicate that there are more than 20 million blind and 180,000 deaf-blind men and women in the world who are desperately in need of spiritual light. There are more blind people in Indonesia right now than the total population of New Zealand. Surely they have a right to hear the gospel along with the sighted?

The Braille printing equipment which we will need for the mass production of tracts and scripture portions, etc., is very expensive, but in addition to financial support, we need Braille transcribers for our library. This is an excellent type of Christian service for retired persons, for those who have responsibilities at home which keep them from engaging in full-time work. Personal tuition in Braille

## A President's Prayer

"Our loving heavenly Father,

In these hours now our thoughts are not of ourselves but of our country. Thou hast blessed America greatly. May we in the conduct of our affairs be always worthy in Thy sight — and in the sight of our fellow men.

Blind our eyes to the colour of men's skins. Close our hearts against hate and violence, and will our souls with a love of justice and compassion.

Help us to hold to the purposes Thou hast taught us, feeding the hungry, healing the sick, and caring for the needy, trusting our young, training them up in the way they should go . . .

These things we ask in Thy name." Amen.

—Lyndon B. Johnson, in the 11 a.m. service, National City Christian Church, on his last Lord's Day as President of the U.S.A.

(Lyndon B. Johnson was the second member of Churches of Christ to be elected to the Presidency of the United States. The first was James A. Garfield, who is also remembered as a speaker and writer among our American brethren.)

transcribing can be given to interested people living in Melbourne, while correspondence courses are available to others.

All materials used will be supplied by the fellowship. All we need are good eyes, willing hands and hearts constrained by the love of Christ for blind people. If you would like further information, please contact Mr. Peter Sumner, 4 Maureen Cres., Noble Park, Vic., 3174. Phone 546 5749.

## NEW TEMPERANCE GEN. SEC.

(Vic.) The Rev. Brian Moxon has recently been appointed General Secretary of the Victorian Temperance Alliance in place of the Rev. E. S. Sanders, resigned. Mr. Moxon is a Methodist minister, 44 years of age, with a record of 5½ years' service with the A.I.F. in the Pacific area. For the past 13 years he has been a minister in country towns and suburbs, last year at Mordialloc.

In 1963, Mr. Moxon was appointed a Director of the Alcoholism Foundation and began work with the late Dr. James Sewell and Dr. John Keen with the clinics established at the Alfred Hospital. He is still a Director of the Alcoholism Foundation.

In 1964, Mr. Moxon was foundation convener of the Church and Community Liaison Committee of the Alcoholism Foundation. He is also Convener-Secretary of the Inter-Church Committee on Alcoholism which is an official body of the Victorian Council of Churches.

## 1 MILLION SHILLINGS WANTED

(Abidjan, Ivory Coast). Christians from Tananarive to Dakar and from Cairo to Capetown began last month the collection of one million shillings to finance their All Africa Conference scheduled to be held here Sept. 1-12.

The "Give One Shilling" campaign hopes to raise £50,000 by May 4 when church members return their green, white and black cardboard collecting boxes to the churches at special services ending a week of prayer for the conference.

(The word "shilling" refers to any African currency similar to the British shilling, which is worth about 12 U.S. cents).

"Abidjan '69," as the September Conference is being called, is sponsored by the All Africa Conference of Churches (A.A.C.C.). It will be held in the ultra-modern university of this West African nation. Of the 500 delegates, one-third will be women and one-third youth delegates from member churches.—E.P.S.

## CATHOLICS AT SERVICE

In Florence a group of Roman Catholics who disagree with their own church expressed their fellowship with other Christians by participating in Holy Communion at the Waldensian Church on Christmas Day. The pastor, the Rev. Franco Sommani, said: "It is not a question of passing from one confession to another but of some kind of prophetic protest against the ecumenism of words."

—E.P.S.

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# THE WINCHES OF WODONGA

Meet a man of strong convictions, one who will be long remembered for his contribution to Churches of Christ in Australasia through the dedication of his God-given talents—Stan Winch, of Wodonga-Lavington-Albury churches.

## FIRM CONVICTIONS

To interview Ma and Pa is to experience the strengths which were evident in the pioneers of our movement. There's the no-nonsense, straight in the eye look and the realistic evaluation of the situation under discussion. With compassionate hearts there is nevertheless a straight forward expression of their discussion about the matter at hand.

This has been the way the Winchs have always lived—"open on the Godward side," simply trusting in God to provide and realising the nearness of Christ as a personal friend, companion and Saviour.

## FRIENDLY COMPASSION

Along with firm convictions, there is a lovely friendliness when one achieves communication on the Winch wavelength that lets you know that there is One who cares, loves and understands.

Some of us will never forget the one hour interview at the Magnetic Island camp-site when Pa related his experiences of life and the tears of laughter rolling down his face were matched by those 40 others who laughed till they cried, too.

No, in his firmness there's a frankness and in his conviction there lies the balance of compassion. Something of comparison is seen in the traits of the Master who switched from a "Blessed are you, Simon," to a "Get behind me, Satan."

## A FAMILY OF SERVANTS

Through the Restoration Movement and the emphasis of New Testament Christianity we have many fine Christian homes and families that can be justly proud of their Christ-like contributions to the church and community. Typical of these are the Winchs—"Ma is secretary of the Albury-Wodonga C.Y.F. group and secretary of the Albury - Wodonga - Lavington church schools. "Pa" is church secretary and elder, Lieutenant of the Boys' Brigade, church school teacher, leader of numerous youth camps. Previously he served many years as treasurer.

The members of the family continue the illustrious links of splendid service—

1969

Valerie—Mrs. John Combridge, of Lavington, and her husband, John, are active in the church school, John as Supt., Valerie as teacher. A former Girls' Brigade captain, both husband and wife lead Youth Camps.

Beryl—has served three years at Carnarvon Aborigines' Mission as a mothercraft nurse.

Max—who conducts a men's-wear partnership in Albury is the church school Supt., Life Boy leader and Boys' Brigade Lieutenant.

Kevin—a plumber by trade, lives at Mt. Beauty and is isolated from active church work, but leads at camps and has attended C.E. conventions at Perth and Brisbane.

Relatives of near and distant connection also serve to spotlight the tremendous brotherhood contribution through the Winch clan. The Langleys of Portland, Vic., "Ma" is Arthur Langley's sister; the Stephenson, of Woolwich—"Pa" is a brother to Mrs. Stephenson, wife of the Principal and immediate past Federal Conf. Pres. The Combridges through John, husband of Valerie and immediately one's mind focuses on Victorian Home Missions and Overseas Missions and the name of past and present brotherhood servants.

## BROTHERHOOD BUILDERS

Look at this impressive collection of construction jobs around the brotherhood and thank God for talents dedicated to constructive activity. With a touch of "Quo Vadis," Ma goes along on the various jobs on the "bread and butter" jobs today. From freezing Mt. Hotham in the winter to the work camps near at hand at Wodonga. In all the brotherhood ventures she's been there using her culinary talents to care for the men who work hard and long.

"Pa" remembers his first brotherhood construction job in 1930 when under the leadership of Les Brooker the Mitcham church was built in a day. He travelled to the site by motor-bike with the present "Australian Christian" editor, then a student, but a handy carpenter, riding pillion. 70 fellows took part and the "job" was completed at nightfall.

The Albury church has long been associated with the Winch's. Pa would modestly claim that his contribution has only been what the Albury church would do if other members were in a position to do so.

In 1958 the E. C. Hinrichsen Memorial Chapel was opened at Woolwich. "Ma" and "Pa" were there on the job.



MA AND PA WINCH

Of Gothic style the inside sandstone veneer stands as a testimony to the dedicated talents of some of our brotherhood builders.

In 1963-64, in the New Hebrides, dormitory construction was commenced by Stan Winch and completed by Ron Lang. Part of Ndul Ndul Hospital saw the professional touch of the carpenter of Albury. During the eight months in the islands he assisted the building of the maternity ward at Pentecost.

1965 saw the Winch's again using their great capacities as three months' "vacation" was spent in constructive activities at Carnarvon, W.A. For the Aborigines' Mission Board the Winch's toiled. A nine-bedroomed hostel, two lounges and kitchen, etc., were constructed to assist in the work on that mission field. The hostel at the Christian Centre also provided an outlet for Pa and Ma's talents.

In 1968, the Winch's Snr., and Kevin and Elly Winch of Mt. Beauty, teamed with tradesmen and labourers to build an ablation block at Camp Irwin, Magnetic Island, off the Queensland coast. In the name of the Dept. of Christian Educ. the camp property offered the challenge for improvement. With concrete bricks costing 30c a block and 20c per block cartage across the seven miles of sea between Magnetic Island and the mainland the task seemed formidable.

With typical Winch courage and tenacity characterised in the statement, "nothing ventured, nothing gained," the Winch's sailed into the job.

From ground level downward for the septic tank and upward to the connecting pipes for the showers the work progressed each day. Now the building stands as a symbol of missionary endeavour for the youth of Queensland.

For Home Mission, Overseas Mission, Aborigines Mission and the Mission as expressed through camps for Christian Education, Ma and Pa Winch have contributed magnificently to our brotherhood.

We need men and women of talent who will use their abilities and channel them to the effective upbuilding of Christ's Kingdom in its various facets.

Congratulations, "Ma and Pa brotherhood!"—A.C.M.

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Billy  
Graham

## LIFE AND WITNESS CLASSES

(Vic.) Preparations for the forthcoming Billy Graham Crusade enter their final stage with the commencement of the Christian Life and Witness Classes on Monday, Feb. 3.

Henry Holley and Forrest Layman, Billy Graham Team members, came from the U.S.A. to conduct the classes.

Thousands of people around the world have found these classes to be a helpful and rewarding experience. Billy Graham says, "No church member should miss the opportunity of taking this helpful course."

The classes commencing at 7.45 p.m. will be held throughout February at Heidelberg High School and Ringwood High School on Mondays; Box Hill High School and Independent Church, Collins St. on Tuesdays; Dandenong Town Hall and Coburg Town Hall (7.30 p.m.) on Wednesdays; Kew City Hall and Moorabbin City Hall on Thursdays; Waverley High School and Sunshine Technical School on Fridays; and at the Plaza Theatre, Geelong, on Sundays at 3 p.m.

### Landline Relays to Tasmania, Canberra and Darwin

Tape recordings of the classes will also be used in 65 Victorian country centres under the supervision of united local committees.

A highlight will be Mr. Holley's Wednesday class from the Coburg Town Hall at 7.30 p.m.; this will be relayed live to Crusade centres in Launceston, Hobart and Devonport and also to Canberra and Darwin.

Thousands of lay people and ministers are expected to attend in the

metropolitan area and throughout Victoria. At the conclusion of the 4th class, those who wish may apply to become counsellors at the Crusade which commences on Friday, March 14 at the Myer Music Bowl at 7.30 p.m.

The final meeting of the Crusade will be held at the Melbourne Cricket Ground on Sunday, March 23 at 3 p.m.

### STATE GOVERNOR BECOMES CRUSADE PATRON

The Director of the Billy Graham Crusade Victoria, John Robinson, has announced that His Excellency, the Governor of Victoria, Sir Rohan Delacombe, has accepted the position of patron of the Crusade which will be held from March 14 to 22 at the Myer Music Bowl, closing on Sunday, March 23 at the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

### HOOR OF DECISION CHANGE

(Atlanta). Dr. Billy Graham announced that his associate evangelist, Dr. Leighton Ford, will share the world-wide radio programme, The Hour of Decision, with him for 1969.

Dr. Graham said he would preach every other Sunday on the 30-minute radio ministry that is heard regularly on more than 800 radio stations.

Dr. Ford holds the degrees of B.A., with honors, from Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois, and B.D., with honors, from Columbia Theological Seminary in Atlanta, Georgia. An honorary doctorate was conferred on him in 1962 by Houghton College, Houghton, New York.

### GRAHAM YOUTHQUAKES

(Melb.) The main thrust for youth attendance at the 1969 Billy Graham Crusade in Melbourne begins in the last week of February with a series of regional "Youthquakes."

That's the name given to a series of youth "happenings" planned for each of the Myer-owned suburban shopping complexes. The centre malls or plazas of each will be the scene for a contemporary Christian music programme. Gordon Boyd, T.V. compere and ex-boxer, "The Proclaimers" as seen on A.B.C. national television, and "The Sojourners," Sydney folk singers, have been engaged.

Dates and locations are:

Chadstone Centre, Wednesday, Feb. 26, 8 p.m.; Eastland Centre, Thursday, Feb. 27, 8 p.m.; Northland Centre, Friday, Feb. 28, 8 p.m.; Southland Centre, Saturday, March 1, 8 p.m.

To publicise these unusual meetings, a "Beach Invasion" has been planned for early February. Specially trained "Christian Commandos" will distribute 75,000 leaflets on metropolitan beaches.

### NEW "R.I." SYLLABUS

(Vic.) The Council for Christian Education in Schools has approved a new Form 1 Experimental Syllabus for use in 1969. This is part of the proposed new Secondary Syllabus being developed and tested by the council's Chaplains, who throughout the last 14 years have been discovering ways of communicating the gospel more effectively in schools.

The new syllabus seeks to avoid the problems of content-centred teaching, and to hold in balance sound theological concepts, sensitivity to the needs of pupils, current affairs and social tendencies, and a presentation of Biblical and other resource material in a way that enables pupils to see their relevance and to discover that life is worth living, through the transforming love of God in Christ.

Twenty Form 1 Orientation Courses are already planned for early in Term 1. Details are available from the C.C.E.S. The new Form 1 Syllabus will only be available for use by instructors who attend an orientation course. Further courses can be arranged on request by writing to the Assist. Director, Council for Christian Educ. in Schools, 55 Exhibition St., Melb., 3000.

### "AUSTRALIAN BAPTIST" EDITOR

Rev. David Morley, L.Th., Dip.R.E., has been named editor of "The Australian Baptist," official weekly newspaper of Australian Baptists. Mr. Morley, a Victorian, will commence his duties as editor from the first issue of the weekly in February. He will replace Rev. Ian Emmett who after 7½ years as editor has resigned to become pastor of the Belvoir Street Baptist Church in Surry Hills.

# UPPSALA — CURRENTS AND TRENDS

By HAROLD F. GROSS

"Perhaps, for the sake of the world, the next Assembly should be more theological." In this way the Dean of King's College, Cambridge, the Rev. David Edwards, closes a brief comment on the Report of Section 5 of the World Council of Churches Uppsala Assembly, the report simply entitled "Worship." In saying this he echoes a view that has been heard from a number of quarters since Uppsala.

Is it a valid comment?

The answer is surely "Yes" and "No." It is valid, in so far that at the Uppsala Assembly it was undoubtedly the "Life and Work" stream of the Ecumenical Movement which was to the fore. What needs to be recognised is that it is impossible, within the confines of such a short conference, to deal in depth with every aspect of the life and thought of the churches all round the world. It is inevitable that some topics will emerge at certain times as being the matters most urgently requiring attention. At New Delhi theological questions were very prominent. Seven years later, in Human Rights Year, with nearly all the African continent less than 10 years independent, with the world wrestling with immense problems of malnutrition, race and population control, and standing on the very brink of space exploration, it is not surprising that what dominated the minds of the Assembly was, "What is God up to now, in this staggering age and this amazing world of his?"

But this must be kept in proportion. Of the six sections in which the attempt was made to think creatively, three were concerned with basically "church-centred" concerns—Christian unity, mission, and worship, the latter being dealt with at this level for the first time. Two sections dealt specifically with the relation of the Christian message to national, communal, social and international affairs. The sixth, in a sense, embraced all the others, as it tried to speak in non-theological terms of "styles of living" appropriate to Christians today.

It is surely significant that more delegates requested to attend the Section on "Renewal in Mission" than any of the other five. The report from this Section gives no support for the view that there was any attempt to make an easy equation between scientific and techno-

logical secularisation in our modern world, and the growth of the Kingdom of God. It does, however, set aside the too easy equation the other way—that we only see God at work in the expansion or contraction of purely "churchy" concerns. The report of this Section says, "Mission bears fruit as people find their true life in the Body of Christ . . . There the signs of the new humanity are experienced and the people of God reach out in solidarity with the whole of mankind in service and witness. The growth of the Church, therefore, both inward and outward, is of urgent importance. Yet our ultimate hope is not set upon this progress, but on the mystery of the final event which remains in the hand of God."

Some at Uppsala may well have been of the opinion that "the mystery of the final event" was not so much a mystery as something to be engineered by human ingenuity. Talk about the "humanum" (a vague term which I took to mean the total human family ultimately living together according to the will of God) may have lent colour to this view—the very word suggests humanism, and is probably rather unfortunate. Even the Faith and Order Commission, which met at Bristol prior to Uppsala, was influenced by this interest in what God is doing in and with mankind as a whole, and decided "to pursue its study programme on the unity of the Church in the wider context of the study of the unity of mankind and of creation." At Uppsala, however, it was said in the Faith and Order Committee, "We welcome at the same time the statement of the (Bristol meeting) that its task remains 'to proclaim the oneness of the Church of Jesus Christ' and to keep before the Council and the churches 'the obligation to manifest that unity for the sake of their Lord and for the better accomplishment of his mission in the world.' The Committee's Report then went on to say, 'The restoration and fulfilment of the unity of the churches is the most urgent task to which Faith and Order has to call them. This calls for a renewal of the spiritual life of the churches.'"

### NUMBERS AND VIEWPOINTS

That it is a different world was made vividly real to us by the large number of persons present from Asia, Africa and Latin America. Even so, Europe and North America provided two-thirds of the participants (43% and 26% respectively), with 15% from Asia, only 4%

from Latin America and 12% from Africa and the Middle East. It was a surprise that the Asians had so little to say for themselves. The Africans were being heard for the first time in a significant way. One of my four breakfast companions was an African pastor from South Africa, who came protesting that the Church had failed in Africa, in its refusal to stand decisively against racialism, but who went away with a broader understanding of the complexities of the situation facing the Church everywhere, as well as of the deep sympathy which the Western Christian feels for men in his position. Then there was the Rev. Jean Wilson Makokwe, whom I came to know quite well, from Burundi. (Fly to your atlas—but make sure that it is not more than five years old!) He typified the tragedy of old-style mission strategy, leaving behind it a patchwork of rival "churches" in a tiny land. Burundi is half the size of Tasmania, with about four million people. Three-quarters of its Christian population is Roman Catholic, and the rest are held together precariously in the "Alliance Protestant," of which Jean Makokwe is the secretary. But he also represents the new Africa, in its passionate quest for education. His great mission at the Assembly was to find men and resources which would bring the churches of his country to the place where they could adequately grapple with the tasks facing the Church in Africa now.

It was something of a shock to the Australian delegation to find that some Asians were not nearly so keen to recognise us as fellow-Asians as we, for our part, sometimes like to claim we are. Our participation in the Vietnam War has probably not done much to win us friends in that part of the world, any more than the support our Prime Minister is giving to the ambivalent policy of the British Government over Rhodesia will commend us to Africans. On questions like these, as on Nigeria/Biafra, passions are inflamed, and we should not be surprised if even Christians from those parts sometimes react emotionally, as indeed was the case over the last-named problem. (Did we always react rationally when we were at war?). The restraint of Dr. Ibiam, a Biafran, and a W.C.C. President at the time of the Assembly, was an example of Christian grace and statesmanship.

### CONSERVATIVE THEOLOGY

Theologically speaking, the Assembly was remarkably conservative, if it is remembered that, as I recall it, nothing of the extreme Protestant "death of God" school of thought was heard in the public addresses or debates. If God has died, the news seems to have been successfully kept from the churches, although the cynics might say that the churches would be the last to know. Anyway, in the Faith and Order Committee (which I attended) the Orthodox representatives made it clear that they were still vitally interested in the questions traditionally associated with Faith and Order discussions. When an English Baptist spoke of divergent views of the Church to be found in the New Testament, the Orthodox Archbishop Basil replied that the Orthodox found it difficult

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## AUSTRALIAN CHURCHES

### THE ABC OF AUSTRALIAN CHURCHES OF CHRIST

m=Minister.

mem.=No. of members.

s=Secretary.

(st.)=Student.

"AC"=No. of "Aust. Christian" subscribers.

#### WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Dalwallinu-Wubln: s., L. Haskey; mem., 23; "AC"

Dianella: s., E. D. Hogben; mem., 25; "AC" 5.

East Victoria Park: m., I. E. Allsop; s., R. Preedy; mem., 106; "AC" 7.

#### SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Dulwich: m., S. Neighbour, B.A.; s., W. H. Harding; mem., 85; "AC" 19.

Edwardstown: m., C. E. Curtis; s., C. R. Pool; mem., 154; "AC" 10.

Elizabeth: m., R. H. Sercombe; s., G. D. Strudwick; mem., 142; "AC" 26.

#### VICTORIA

Dunolly: m., D. W. Nancarrow (st); s., F. A. Robertson; mem., 32; "AC" 6.

Echuca: m., D. J. Marr; s., R. Merlo; mem., 62; "AC" 11.

Essendon: m., B. L. Pryor; s., J. C. Hemsley; mem., 182; "AC" 38.

Essendon North: m., N. S. Moore, B.A., Dip. Ed.; s., D. R. Ploog; mem., 213; "AC" 48.

Milleara: m., E. C. L. Ots; s., A. R. Ploog; mem., (see Nth. Essendon); "AC" 16.

#### TASMANIA

Caveside-Mole Creek: m., Allen R. Harvey (pt); s., Mrs. A. R. Harvey; mem., 24; "AC" 3.

#### NEW SOUTH WALES

Dapto: m., J. R. Back; s., G. Fairley; "AC" 1.

Doonside: s., J. S. Rickett; mem., 138.

Earlwood: m., N. Hodgekiss; s., J. F. Morris; mem., 97; "AC" 8.

Engadine: m., F. Elliott, B.A.; s., C. J. Dudman; mem., 23.

#### QUEENSLAND

Gatton: m., M. H. A. Pieper; s., A. G. Wegner; mem., 79; "AC" 3.

## PLANS AT GLENELG

(S.A.). The church is now ready to enter into a building programme. The two halls at the rear are to be demolished and a double storey unit erected. The present chapel will also be enlarged to hold more people. Morning services are now over 200 and tax present accommodation . . . Two members of long standing have recently died. F. Milbank was a member of the Board for many years and served with credit. Mrs. E. M. Pritchard, a life deaconess, and one of the earlier members of the church, died suddenly. E. C. Mauger has been appointed Elder-emeritus . . . Mr. and Mrs. John Beaumont were farewelled on leaving for Summer School of Linguistics and then to Wycliffe Translators. They have been most active in church work . . . The minister, E. P. C. Hollard, has been unanimously invited to continue his ministry for a further three years at the completion of the present three-year term which ends in 1969 . . . C.M.S. had 64 men to hear A. Flint of the N.A.T.S. give an informative address . . . C.W.F. gave a Christmas party for members of the Rehabilitation Centre at Plympton, with nearly 80 attending . . . C.Y.F. committee spent weekend in camp preparing programmes for 1969. John Pederson has been appointed leader of the C.Y.F. following Ed. Wilson who gave splendid services over several years . . . Church lost services of Patrick and Anson families through transfer. Mr. Patrick has been an honoured elder and Mr. Anson school supt.

## VISIT TO NORTHFIELD

(Hampstead Gardens, S.A.). Mrs. L. Grant organised the taking of Christmas gifts and cheer to the wards of Northfield Hospital . . . The committee of the Church Life Conference submitted their findings and suggestions and a programme for 1969 has been drawn up. A special calendar of meetings and events is displayed in the foyer . . . C.O.B. students, Garth Nelson and Douglas Good, took the services for first two Sundays of 1969. . . Church combined with Baptist for Christmas Day service. Our minister, M. D. Williams, gave the address.

## FOLLOWING FOOTSTEPS

(Forestville, S.A.). When Graham Lovell presided for the first time, his father, L. L. Lovell, was O.T. reader, and his grandfather, A. H. Lovell, a foundation member, was in his usual place in the congregation . . . C. L. Smith was farewelled at the completion of his interim ministry . . . The church Outreach Fund donated \$200 to complete building programme of staff houses in New Hebrides. A promise has also been made to Whyalla church to forward \$338 during 1969 to reduce their building debt . . . B.S. has decided to change to morning school and J.C.E. and I.C.E. have changed to afternoon. This change has been discussed for over 25 years by various committees . . . Two young men have been baptised . . . Mrs. C. J. McKennay is recovering from surgery.

## HOLIDAY INFLUX

(Tumby Bay, S.A.). The church has been packed due to influx of holiday-makers . . . The church made much use of the "Chivell clan," in the persons of L. J. Chivell, Dr. Thomas and Neville Moor, who have been holidaying at Red Cliffs . . . S.S. Promotion Sunday was held on Jan. 5. This preceded a dedication of teachers in the morning service.

## TAPED FOR HOSPITAL

(Wamboony, S.A.). W. N. Heath, Conf. Pres., was speaker at church anniversary services. The meetings were tape-recorded and replayed to R. E. Hunt, who was hospitalised. Portions of the tape were later used for a hospital service . . . Mr. Kwan, of Borneo, a member of the High School staff, was speaker at a combined worship service sponsored by the Women's Fellowship and Bible Schools of Mundulla and Wamboony churches.

## TWO 25ths

(Edwardstown, S.A.). At an after-church fellowship members congratulated Mr. and Mrs. Vern Lanyon and Mr. and Mrs.

Wodson on their 25th wedding anniversaries . . . Four young people recently made decisions . . . Max Hay has been re-elected treasurer with Robert Briggs as assistant . . . John Pederson is confined to home because of sickness . . . Members of Harcourt Gardens Pensioners' Assoc. attended an evening service and were entertained at supper.

## REG. SACK TO LEAVE

(Broken Hill, S.A. Conf.). The minister, R. C. Sack, has given notice of leaving, effective Dec., 1970. This will complete seven years' ministry . . . E. A. Evans, who died recently, had more than 40 years' membership in the local church . . . Four girls who recently confessed their faith, are in a discipleship class preparing for baptism. A lady also desires baptism . . . During January, communion was held at 9.30 a.m. The change was appreciated . . . The stone fence at front of church has been demolished to make way for improvements. . . . Capt. N. Schorn has been granted 12 months' leave of absence from Girls' Brigade . . . J. Curtis is now B.S. Suot. . . Mrs. E. Garner is C.W.F. Pres., with Mrs. A. Ball as sec.

## GLEN IRIS

# Federal College of the Bible

## Internal Examinations—Honours List

**N.T. Greek I:** I. Adams, G. Benson, R. Collins, P. Dewildt, K. Fechner, M. Gibson, B. King, G. Nelson, D. McKay; 4 others passed.

**Practical Church Work I:** I. Adams, G. Benson, J. Guess, D. McKay, G. Nelson, W. Newton; six others passed.

**Practical Church Work II:** B. Beck, R. Hollard, M. Humphries, G. Willcott; three others passed.

**Practical Church Work III:** B. Heath, D. Nancarrow, K. Turtmann; seven others passed.

**Homiletics I:** 12 passed.

**Homiletics IV:** M. Arnot, R. Cook, B. Duff, E. Keating, A. van Leen, R. Pfeifer, W. Thornton.

**Christian Education I:** Four passed.

**Christian Education II:** R. Cook; two others passed.

**Christian Ethics:** M. Arnot, E. Keating, R. Pfeifer, W. Thornton, K. Turtmann; four others passed.

**Introduction to Theology:** M. Arnot, A. van Leen, R. Pfeifer, W. Thornton, One other passed.

**Systematic Theology (Biblical and Historical Christology):** M. Arnot, A. van Leen, R. Pfeifer, W. Thornton; two others passed.

## Melbourne College of Divinity Examinations

**Diploma in Theology:** E. Keating passed in N.T. Greek, New Testament Exegesis, Introduction to Theology, Systematic Theology (Biblical and Historical Christology).

**Diploma in Divinity (L.Th.).**

**Old Testament Introduction:** I. Adams, K. Duffy, K. Fechner, B. King, G. Nelson.

**Old Testament Exegesis:** I. Adams, A.

Baker, B. Beck, G. Benson, H. Clark, W. Condron, P. Dewildt, K. Duffy, K. Fechner, B. Heath, R. Hollard, M. Humphries, B. King, D. McKay, I. Mullen, G. Nelson, W. Newton, D. Potter, D. Smith.

**New Testament Introduction:** I. Adams, G. Benson, B. Beck, H. Clark, P. Dewildt, M. Gibson, J. Guess, R. Hollard, B. King, D. McKay, G. Nelson.

**N.T. Greek:** B. Beck, K. Duffy, G. Marsh, I. Mullen.

**New Testament Exegesis (Greek):** R. Cook, D. Nancarrow, K. Turtmann, Mrs. G. Marsh.

**New Testament Exegesis I:** R. Hollard.

**Church History:** I. Adams, B. Beck, G. Benson, H. Clark, P. Dewildt, M. Gibson, B. Heath, B. King, D. McKay, D. Nancarrow, W. Newton, A. van Leen.

**Introduction to Theology:** A. Baker, B. Beck, H. Clark, R. Cook, B. Duff, B. Heath, R. Hollard, M. Humphries, G. Marsh, D. Nancarrow, I. Mullen, D. Potter, D. Smith, K. Turtmann, G. Willcott.

**Systematic Theology (Biblical and Historical Christology):** R. Cook, B. Duff, G. Marsh, D. Nancarrow, K. Turtmann.

**Christian Ethics:** B. Heath, G. Marsh.

**Christian Missions:** A. Baker, B. Beck, H. Clark, R. Hollard, D. Smith.

**Diploma of Religious Education.**

**Human Development and Learning:** R. Cook, B. Heath, G. Marsh, I. Mullen, D. Nancarrow, K. Turtmann.

**Methods in Teaching Religion:** R. Cook, D. Nancarrow, K. Turtmann, M. Arnot, R. Pfeifer, A. van Leen, E. Keating, W. Thornton.

**Principles of Education:** M. Arnot, R. Pfeifer, A. van Leen, E. Keating, W. Thornton.

The L.Th. was completed by K. Turtmann and the Diploma in Religious Education was completed by M. Arnot, E. Keating, W. Thornton and A. van Leen.

—E. L. Williams.

## MINISTER ILL

(Dalby, Qld.). When the minister, A. C. Weedon, was taken ill and taken to hospital, the men of the church, who had filled the pulpit during Mr. Weedon's holidays, carried on with their helpful service . . . Several new members have been welcomed in, but some have been lost by transfer . . . C. Deacon, one of our elders, is chairman of the local committee for a Crusade by Dr. James at the end of February.

## GATTON MINISTRY

(Qld.). After completing a four-year ministry, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. A. Pieper were farewelled on leaving for Burwood, N.S.W. Mr. Pieper held a number of leading positions in Qld., including the offices of Pres. of Conf., and secretary of Kenmore College. Those who expressed appreciation were F. Smith, of Sth. Qld. Churches of Christ; A. McK. Surtees, H.M. Director; H. Kilah, Pres. of Lockyer C.E. Union; Rev. Richardson, Ministers' Fraternal; Lloyd Martin, Qld. Conf. Pres.; F. Ewers, Vice-Principal, Kenmore Christian College. Auxiliaries of Gatton and Ma Ma Creek churches also spoke and presentations were made. Musical and vocal items were presented by The Joy Tones, Mr. Spence, and Glen and Jenny Wegner . . . On Jan. 17, Mr. and Mrs. Usher were welcomed. Mr. Usher graduated from Kenmore Christian College and will continue further studies at the Univ. of Qld. Those who spoke at the welcome included Cr. Windorf, Gatton Council; Rev. Elliot, Ministers' Fraternal; F. Smith; H. Kilah, B. Roberts, of Ipswich; Mrs. Batholomia and J. Buhse. On Jan. 19 Mr. Surtees inducted Mr. Usher into the ministry of the church.

## AWAY FROM TOWNSVILLE

(Qld.). The church has lost, by transfer, the Frame family. Mr. Frame was a deacon and camp committee member. Mrs. Frame was B.S. treasurer, and a member of the C.W.F. Delwyn had assisted in the kindergarten, while twin sons Malcolm and David were outstanding B.S. scholars. The elder son, Russell, is employed on a station property and may join his parents later . . . Paul Webster, one of younger members of church, has left to attend the Royal Institute of Technology for two years' radio study. A suitable presentation was made . . . A recent speaker was Lloyd Martin, State Conf. Pres. . . The church offers sympathy to Mrs. Reid, wife of the minister, in the sad loss of her father . . . Mrs. R. Northey is C.W.F. Pres., and Mrs. S. Tangye is secretary.

## 30 EXTRAS

(Albion, Qld.). Attendances were well maintained during holiday period. Visitors included 30 delegates to the National Youth Convention . . . August Ben and Aileen Draney were guest speakers, and provided news of the work in New Guinea . . . 100 attended combined picnic held with Redcliffe church on Australia Day.



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DARWIN

To the Editor,  
Members of Churches of Christ in Darwin and readers who have addresses of members in Darwin are urged to write to me: The Secretary, Federal Home Evangelism, Churches of Christ in Australia, 1098 Heidelberg Road, Ivanhoe, Vic., 3079.

We are under charter from the recent Federal Conference "to investigate the possibility of establishing a Church of Christ in Darwin." This investigation calls first for some knowledge of our church members in the area.

Residents of Darwin, State Conference Executives or Home Missions Committees, church secretaries or individual members could help our investigation by sending names and addresses of members in Darwin. Any personal or State departmental comments or experiences that might assist the Federal Executive in its inquiries and ultimate recommendation to Conference, 1970, will be appreciated.—E. W. Rofey, Fed. Sec.

MANUFACTURED PLAGUES

To the Editor,  
Congratulations to the Victorian Social Service Department for writing a letter of commendation to the A.B.C. subsequent to the screening on Channel 2 of the documentary film "A Plague Upon Your Children."

The film revealed clearly that around the world, scientists are calmly preparing stockpiles of germs and chemicals which may one day annihilate civilian populations in a time of war. Bubonic plague, anthrax, cholera, etc. are being produced in staggering quantities. In fact, the scientists who work in these laboratories of death seem to be quite removed from the horror of their efforts—they simply say without any hint of embarrassment, "Our work is for defence purposes only." An incredibly naive attitude when you consider the fine line between defence and aggression.

Peace movements around the world are treating the matter of chemical and bio-

logical warfare most seriously. It is good to see our own Social Service Department expressing its concern at the horror of this new development in man's struggle for national power. The A.B.C. intends to repeat the film soon. Every disciple of Christ ought to see it and take part in denouncing the actions of governments and individuals who regard human life so lightly.

—A. John Lloyd (Vic.)

TOO MANY MINISTERS?

To the Editor,  
Recent copies of "A.C." have focused attention on Training for the Ministry.

This is all to the good. The institutions are doing a magnificent job with meagre funds, but is it so well known that even after taking into account peculiar local situations, views on what constitutes the ideal minister for a particular congregation (age, educational

To the Editor,

Our youth leader does Sociology, so our young people have done a scientific survey of the church. They have come up with major findings. Church people are more pre-occupied with non-church activities than they were. Hymns are mostly irrelevant to life. Sermons don't grapple with real issues and are too long. Service times, once dictated by rural feudalism, are wrong for a technological age. And many churchgoers do not have any idea why they go through the motions of worship.

They duplicated their findings and passed them round. I said to the youth leader, "Good, now what are the young people going to do about it?" He looked at me as though to say, "It's only our job to tell you oldies what's wrong. It's up to you to do something about it!" He didn't say it, but I got the message.

Modern youth always seem to be protesting that they want to be heard. I for one will fight for their right to be heard, especially when they have something to say. And I mean something positive to say as well as negative criticism; something in the nature of cure, as well as diagnosis; something about what they are for as well as something they are protesting against; something that points a direction where we might go as well as a careful study of where we've been.

If modern youth has a monopoly of wisdom and education and common sense and realism, and probably they have, I for one hope they won't keep it to themselves much longer. We need it.

Hoping you are the same,

TERTIUS.

background, other work, etc., etc.) the present situation offers little hope to anyone seeking a call? At least four States can give no encouragement. Reference Committees and Advisory Boards in these States indicate generally that there are no vacancies and not likely to be any in the near future.

Another well-known brotherhood personality has expressed concern to the writer, wondering what is going to happen to the present intake of students which will graduate in say five years' time, from our three theological colleges, even taking into account drop-outs, overseas postings, etc.

New congregations will take care of some of the graduates, but the time is ripe for a full-scale evaluation of present trends and likely future developments. Have we reached saturation point?

Personally, I want to serve within the framework of the church's life and ministry at a pastoral level, but at mid-point in life I cannot continue to hope that "something suitable" will turn up. If I'm no good, then I'd rather be told outright that I'm not wanted and I can get on with something else—but meanwhile I'm involved in one of the most demanding of pastoral ministries on behalf of others, for another denomination!

(Name and address of minister supplied).

HOLIDAY BOOST

(Victor Harbour, S.A.) Record crowds attended our services during the holiday season. Three Sunday nights we have had a short service in the chapel followed by films for both young and old, on the memorial lawns . . . At the half-yearly business meeting T. Lawrie accepted a further term of ministry . . . The C.W.F. ladies had a most enjoyable afternoon with Lou Joyce as guest speaker.

UPPSALA (from page 7)

cult to accept that there were divergences in the Bible. Everything there centres on Christ, and the differences are reconcilable. Ecclésiological differences cannot be justified, he said, on the basis of the New Testament. I was particularly impressed when an Orthodox theologian from Poland stated that Orthodox thinkers usually say that "they do not know where the boundaries of the Church are. How can Christ exist outside the Church? Where Christ is, the Church is to be found." In the light of such a statement, the Orthodox claim to be the one and only church needs to be understood, not so much as a "triumphalist" assertion of superiority but as the place where the catholicity and orthodoxy of the Church is most fully expressed. We would still not agree, but something of the sting is withdrawn from what would otherwise appear to be arrogant exclusivism.

Many of the Orthodox churchmen present at the Assembly have a lot of catching up to do in the realm of ecumenical discussion. Many are still inclined to lecture everyone else and of course the gap in understanding is wide. It was obvious, on several occasions, that there was no bloc vote from the Orthodox. In our Section meeting I found it rather moving to notice the fellow-feeling between a young Russian Orthodox theological student and a Russian Baptist pastor of middle years. The latter translated for the former, and both felt impelled at several points to rebuke the Westerners for our failure to appreciate positive elements in Soviet society and Russian churchmanship.

There was general agreement that future Assemblies need to be arranged on a different pattern from that which has been found useful in the past, if the greatest advantage is to be taken of this unique assembly of churchmen. But how to achieve "participation" for all who desire it is one of the problems of our times, in church or society. New structures and procedures will be found. At Uppsala the pledge taken at Amsterdam in 1948 was taken for granted. "We intend to stay together."

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Inter-church fellowship was shared with the Salvation Army group with exchanges of programmes on two nights.

The annual motorcade to Kondallilla Falls once again concluded with a barbecue.

New Year's Eve night was one of great hilarity and a storm broke over camp just on midnight that added to the gaiety of the occasion of the late night smorgasbord.

Tweenagers, Qld.

For the 13-15 years the Tweenagers' Camp provides a very real training ground. Over 80 young people shared in the programme geared to the Tweenager level.

A Mardi Gras smorgasbord dinner prepared by Mrs. Dot Sleaford (Rosewood) gave the young people an opportunity to show courtesy to other campers around the attractively arranged tables.

At each of the four camps productive activity to improve camp grounds was eagerly and willingly carried out by the campers.

Julie Plummer (Camp Hill) and Fred Davis (Zillmere) were chosen Miss and Master Tweenager 1969.

"Miss Victoria" in Qld.

The Qld. Dept. selected Miss Wendy Brooks (Kadron) to attend the Victorian Teens' Camp and Junior Girls' Camp to gain knowledge to plow into and improve the Queensland camping programme. A postponement of 12 months of this "In Service Training Scholarship" was agreed upon owing to the 4th National Youth Convention being held in Brisbane. Wendy will now journey to

Milburne with this year's awardee for the 1969-70 camping season.

Miss Catherine McCann, of Blackburn, was the guest of the Qld. Dept. to the Senior and Tweenager Camps at Camp Cal. Catherine travelled by Ansett-A.N.A. to Brisbane and shared in all aspects of the two camps. She was "interviewed" at each camp and through personal contact with the campers enriched the Queenslanders' understanding of interstate planning and sense of co-operation.

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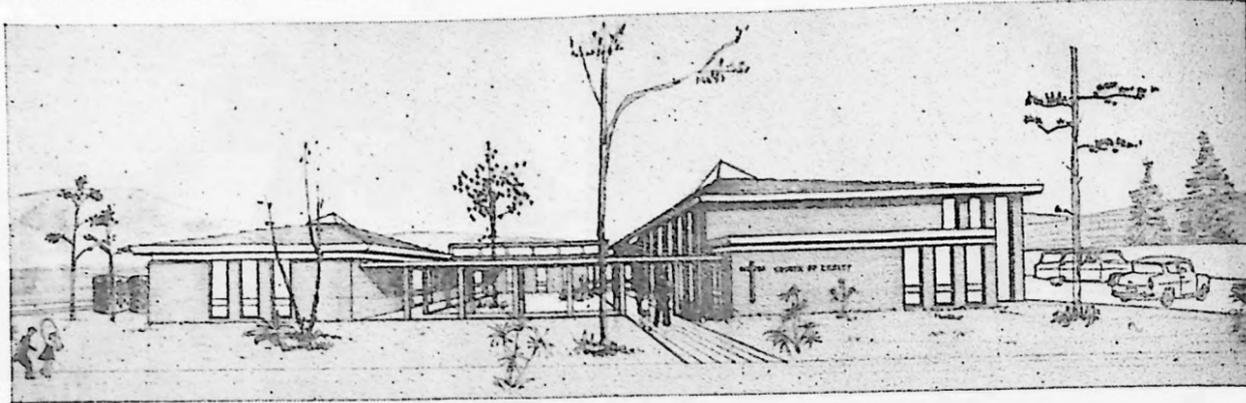
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7 p.m.: Gospel Hour.

## OPENING AT ALBANY



(W.A.). The first stage of the Albany church buildings was opened on Jan. 18. It consists of two large meeting rooms separated by a kitchen and storeroom. There is also a minister's office. This building will serve as a chapel and hall until a separate chapel is built. It is a most attractive building, well finished in every particular. The architect, Brian Kidd, has maintained the standard he has taught us to expect of him. He and his wife are members of our Inglewood church.

In a brief ceremony outside the building the minister, E. B. Clapp, read an historical survey of the establishment of the church in Albany, then introduced the Deputy Mayor of Albany, who spoke

on behalf of the citizens. The Conf. Pres., A. H. Walkington, declared the building open, and Mrs. P. Bunny, in whose home the first meetings of the Albany church were held, turned the key in the door, and the 150 people present followed her in. Mrs. Bunny is the secretary of the church.

A service of thanksgiving and dedication was held, presided over by E. B. Clapp. Greetings were brought by J. K. Robinson, W.A. Vice-President of Federal Conference; Mrs. C. Digwood, representing Women's Conference; T. D. Maiden, for the H.M. and Youth Committees, and Rev. Vaughan, representing the Albany Ministers' Fraternal. The

State Conference President gave an appropriate address, and Mrs. A. Potter was soloiste.

In the communion service on Jan. 19, the Conference President led the worship, T. D. Maiden and Brice Wells read the scriptures and J. K. Robinson was preacher.

The youth of the W.A. churches provided over \$1,000 for school furnishings and equipment, including a piano. Anonymous donors gave an electronic organ, and the Communion Table, pulpit, pulpit Bible and Hymn board were also gifts. The building is set in a prominent position in a populous and growing part of Albany.

### MISSION AT ALBANY

(W.A.). "God Has The Answer" Crusade got away to a wonderful start on Jan. 19. Visitors from numbers of our brotherhood churches swelled the local ranks, with 81 breaking bread, and a total attendance of 105. The Primary Room of new building carried overflow.

In the afternoon a baptismal service was conducted. This involved three generations, a mother, her son, and her grand-daughter. The mother is resident at Albany, but the son and his daughter live some 400 miles away in an area in which we have no church.

The first of the actual Crusade meetings with Bill Gaunson as evangelist and Max White as soloist got under way with a packed house and a full overflow meeting. There were more than 140 present. Jack Dayman was song leader, with his wife Joyce as organiste. At the close of Mr. Gaunson's message, "To the Emptiness in our Lives," six young High School girls made commitment. Five of these were from an inter-denominational camp in the area and came from far afield.

### FIRST 1969 ROAD FATALITY

(Fremantle-Hilton, W.A.). The death of Mrs. "Poppy" Vaughan on Jan. 4, as a result of W.A.'s first road fatality for the year, has saddened the church. She was a member for about 60 years. Her husband is recovering from the injuries he sustained. Several J.C.E. members graduated to I.C.E. On Dec. 22, the church choir took part in a service at

Fremantle Gaol. . . Miss Nesta Betts has left for the U.S.A. to live with her sister and family. . . The church renewed fellowship with Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor. Mr. Hughes and Mr. Taylor are commencing ministries in W.A.

### DEDICATION SERVICES

(Inglewood, W.A.). A parent dedication service took place for Mr. and Mrs. Brian Kidd, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Verco, and their babies. . . Trevor Woodward has been on leave from National Service training. . . Mr. and Mrs. Ray Cheeseman are transferring to Nollamara church. . . Miss Sue Chesson has been appointed to Goomalling Kindergarten. . . Miss Merle Peacock was farewelled at a family tea prior to leaving

for Melb. to serve with the Federal Board of Christian Educ. . . Recent guests at services included trombonist Kevin Findlay, folk-singers Roger and Sue, and the Wembley minister, Dennis Ladbroke. . . The minister, Kelvin Parry, was study leader at Waterman's Bay Christmas Camp. . . Miss Leone Henderson showed slides of her recent overseas trip.

### STH. AFRICAN VISITORS

(East Victoria Pk., W.A.). Mr. and Mrs. Friend were visitors from South Africa. On Jan. 5, Mrs. Friend read the scriptures and Mr. Friend was speaker. . . Mrs. Mill is new president of C.W.F., with Mrs. Robinson as secretary. . . Church offerings have improved. Evening services commenced on Jan. 26. Mr. Allsop will serve us as full-time minister.

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## FOG, TENNIS & FELLOWSHIP

"What a wonderful view!" The exclamation of several car-loads of tennis players and friends at the Mt. Donna Buang turn-table at 4 p.m. on Dec. 31, 1968, for there was a fog so heavy it was only possible to see the red light of the car in front!

A highlight or should we say no light of five days spent in Melbourne by a team of players from S.A. Churches of Christ Tennis Association over the Christmas period.

The occasion was the bi-annual interstate match against Victorian Baptist and Churches of Christ Tennis Association. The visitors were led by T. Bartlett as manager. There were many more teenagers in the party than has been usual.

A welcome tea was tendered at Carnegie Church of Christ hall on Boxing Night. Welcome was expressed by R. V. Amos, Pres. of Vic. Conf.; L. Barker,

chairman of Dept. of Christian Educ., and L. Finger, Pres. of V.B.C.C.T.A. and manager of Victorian team.

Friday 27th and Monday 30th saw the players in action at Loyola Courts, Kew. A No. 1 team and No. 2 team from each association both played 32 sets resulting in a win for Victoria by both teams. No. 1 team Victoria 264 games to S.A. 208 games and No. 2 team Victoria 234 games to S.A. 228 games.

Social highlights were a Saturday tour of Peninsula beaches, and the city lights of Melbourne from the Top of the Town at National Mutual Centre, Collins St.

On Sunday afternoon the new Arts Centre was visited, then to Rosanna Baptist Church for a buffet tea. A church parade was held when D. Skewes (S.A.) and L. Finger (V) read the lessons and the preacher, Rev. R. Muller, of Malvern Baptist Church, who plays in Victorian competition matches. An after-church

fellowship was enriched for the younger visitors by an organist with a real beat!

On New Year's Eve all enjoyed a picnic at the Upper Yarra Dam with a barbecue lunch and a game of cricket. The farewell party was held at Canterbury Baptist Church hall. W. A. Fordham, O.B.E., Mayor of City of Camberwell, and a member of Church of Christ in that city who was one of the organisers of these interstate matches, presented the cups to the Victorian captains. J. Clements, No. 1 team, and D. Inchley, No. 2 team. Tom Bartlett offered his congratulations. Following supper the final part of the official programme was to join in the district Watch-night service at 11.30 p.m. in the church where two members of the party read the scripture lessons.

Organisation was by Victorian tour committee, A. James, as secretary, W. Parker, D. Hall, A. Turnham and the writer.

—A. L. Finger, Pres., V.B.C.C.T.A.

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## QUESTING

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some kind of preparation for what we may find out there, but it seems a waste of time and effort to speculate on what we shall do about other minds when at last we reach them, if indeed, they exist.

So far there has been no satisfactory evidence that life exists in space. Along with millions of others I have read science fiction, watched "The Invaders" on T.V., and seen the increasing number of reports in our newspapers of Unidentified Flying Objects. I am entertained, but quite unimpressed. A long careful, and unrestricted study in the U.S.A. of U.F.O.'s has not confirmed the existence of intelligent life beyond our earth, although it is frankly admitted that there are a lot of problems left unsolved.

It is a far different case when we consider the missionary activity in our world. All of us, whatever our race, are of one family. Our God has made us, we share a common nature, and have the same spiritual needs which God has met in Christ.

This does not mean that there is no truth to be found in religions other than Christianity. God has not left himself without a witness in any age or in any people. The desire for truth and righteousness, and the presence of truly good men in other religions are things which could not happen without the work of God's Spirit. We can even learn from them.

We are the better able to say these things because of the grace of God that has been shown through Christ Jesus. But God has laid it upon our hearts to share with all peoples the revelation of his love in Christ. This we must do, not with arrogance despising their truth, but with humility inviting them to receive the love and truth which Christ revealed.

Maybe there will come a time when we shall have an Outerspace Missionary Department, but for the present we should strain all of our resources to the limit to fulfil Christ's commission on the planet we can reach.

Christians move into other lands to convert people from their present religion to Christianity. Should we do this also on other planets if we find intelligent life "out there"?

With all due respect, this kind of question does little more than provide entertainment, but it could distract us from the tasks we already have.

Strangely enough, it is a question that is being asked and seriously considered in missionary and theological circles where, one would think, the askers and the answerers would be too busy with terrestrial matters.

Two main answers have been given. The first is that, as the universe is one, and there is one God, all life is a unity and it would be our duty to preach the gospel to every creature under heaven, starting at Jerusalem, and moving out through Samaria to the uttermost parts of the earth and skies.

The other main viewpoint is that Christianity is an historical religion. The gospel is God's answer to man's fall on earth. If there is life elsewhere it will have to come to terms with God in its own way and in accordance with its own historical situation. (It is at least conceivable that on some other "earth," God created man in his own image and that man did not fall).

Thinking about these things may be

## DEATH OF WILLIAM MANDER

(Eng.). William Mander, for 27 years minister of Evington Road Church of Christ, Leicester, England, and for 13 years its Minister-Emeritus, passed away peacefully at his home on Jan. 18.

Mr. Mander, who was 86, was an active worker during the ministry of Eric Hart (now of Brisbane), and latterly during the current ministry of Stanton H. Wilson.

Mr. Wilson conducted the funeral service on Jan. 21. The sanctuary and gallery of the church were packed to capacity by a large and representative company. (See "I Wish You Knew This Man" in "A.C.," Dec. 14, 1968).

## HYMN BOOK COMMITTEE

The long wait by the churches and the hard work by the committee is nearing an end as the production of a new hymn book with words and music reaches final stages. This could be a reality by 1972.

A second supplement of the words of hymns is now available for incorporation with our present hymnbook.

## SUNSHINE MINISTRY

(Vic.). Mr. and Mrs. Vic. Quayle were given a farewell and presentation on Jan. 26. Mrs. Norma Johnston, of Ararat, was at the piano with solos and accompaniments, and Mr. and Mrs. N. Gavros, of S.A., gave vocal duets. S. Wilkerson of Collingwood commenced a part-time ministry on Feb. 2 . . . Temple Day offering amounted to \$416 which included donations from all church auxiliaries . . . The officers and members are deeply grateful for a legacy of \$2,000 to the church by the late Will Easton. This amount was paid into the manse fund.

## INDUCTION AT CROYDON

(Vic.). On Jan. 26. A. B. Clark, recently of the Malvern church, was inducted into the ministry here, by H. E. R. Steele who had been serving as interim minister for some time.

# THINGS TO COME

### VICTORIA

- FEBRUARY:**
- 7-9 D.C.E. Youth Service Project Camp, Monbulk.
  - 16 Annual offering Properties Corporation.
  - 21 C.O.B. Inaugural Meeting, Induction of G. R. Stirling.
  - 21-23 C.W.F. Missionary Camp, Monbulk.
  - 22-23 C.E. Missionary Weekend.
  - 25 C.W.F. Evening Fellowship Effort.
  - 28 D.C.E. Impact.

### MARCH:

- 1 D.C.E. FOYA for Young Adults.
- 1 Good Companions' Field Day.
- 1 Central & Nth. Dist. Conf., Boort.
- 2 Midlands District Conf., St. Arnaud.
- 7-10 Eastern Dist. Camp, Monbulk.

### QUEENSLAND

- FEBRUARY:**
- 28 D.C.E. Leaders' Laboratory.

### MARCH:

- 8 D.C.E. Opening Teen Ranch.
- 15 D.C.E. Swim Carnival.

## WORLD CONVENTION ADELAIDE — 1970

## MINISTERS IN W.A.

A round-up of placements of ministers at the beginning of 1969 reveals the following changes:

**D. Armstrong**, from Kenmore College to Geraldton.

**A. Gordon**, from Geraldton to B. & F.B.S. deputation work.

**R. Cook**, Glen Iris College, to Mandurah (first ministry for this church).

**R. Taylor**, Woolwich College to Narembeen.

**B. Wells**, Narembeen to Rivervale.

**I. Allsop**, from joint ministry with Rivervale/East Victoria Park to full-time with the latter.

**F. Griffiths**, Kalamunda to Dianella (part-time).

**D. Hughes**, Whyalla, S.A., to Kalamunda.

## AT NORTH BALWYN

(Vic.). Mr. and Mrs. M. Giezendanner, Karen and Ian were farewelled recently at the conclusion of a five-year ministry of marked growth in the work of Christ and his Church. In appreciation, a presentation of a typewriter was made on behalf of members, together with further tokens from church auxiliaries . . . B.S. scholars presented tableau "Christmas around the World" at special family service . . . Welcome was extended to A. E. White on Feb. 2 as he commenced interim ministry prior to coming of A. R. Pigdon who will begin in Jan., 1970.

## J. A. LUFF WELCOMED

(Forestville, S.A.). J. A. Luff commenced his ministry early Jan. G. J. Thomas welcomed Mr. and Mrs. Luff and family on behalf of the church, and D. G. Beiler represented the brotherhood. . . . Ron Bassett, from Ungarra, presided at the Lord's Table. Ron and his family were on their way to Qld. where he will be a student at Kenmore . . . Several after-church fellowships have been held in members' homes . . . The church remembers the valued service given by the late Miss M. Manning who was church organiste for 40 years.

## CALLED FROM PORT PIRIE

(S.A.). Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Thomas were farewelled on Jan. 19. Mr. Thomas has accepted a call to Cowandilla. Les Arnel presented Mr. and Mrs. Thomas a cheque on behalf of church members. . . . Colin Stock of Jewish Evangelical Witness, spoke to church on recent events in Israel.

## HOME FROM CARNARVON

(Gilgandra, N.S.W.). Miss Dorothy Butler has been welcomed home from Carnarvon. D. Barter, of Dingley, Vic., and V. Quayle, of Sunshine, Vic., brought messages to the church during January, and the Risson family from Ipswich, Qld., helped with messages in song . . . Mr. and Mrs. L. Morris, from Eldsvold, Qld., have been home on holiday . . . The church congratulates D. J. Butler as he enters his 95th year . . . Mrs. Morris, Snr., Mrs. Merritt and Mrs. Hillford are in hospital.

**W. Thornton**, Glen Iris College, to Bridgetown/Manjimup.

**A. van Leen**, Glen Iris College, to Collic.

**I. Moyses**, commencing at Bruce Rock, interim.

**G. Wood**, South Perth, to Wichita, Kansas, U.S.A.

**J. K. Bond**, to commence with South Perth/Kelmscott.

**T. Morrison** will terminate at City Church in March, future ministry undecided.

**D. Ladbroke** leaves Wembley to undertake a teaching appointment.

**Ken Bond** (Nollamara) and **Robert Drown** (South Perth) commence training at Woolwich College, **Don Sonsee** (Hilton Park) and **Ken Verge** (Bunbury) at Glen Iris.

## 1970 APPOINTMENT

(Hampton, Vic.). John Paver has accepted an invitation to commence a ministry in Feb., 1970 . . . B.S. and church combined for Christmas services. . . . The minister, D. R. Olafsen, shared in leadership at Teens' Camp at Halls Gap . . . Three new scholars at re-opening of B.S.

## LONG MINISTRY

(Lenswood, S.A.). After 9½ years with the Lenswood church, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ingham concluded their ministry on Dec. 22. As a farewell gesture they gave a Communion tablecloth and cover. H. G. Pollard handed Mr. Ingham a cheque on behalf of the church . . . Mr. and Mrs. E. Paddick were welcomed to our ministry on Jan. 12 . . . Alan Frost and Mr. Rodgers from Maylands were visiting speakers on Jan. 19.

## GOLDEN WEDDING

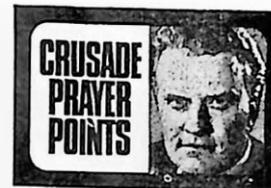
(Goolwa, S.A.). Mr. and Mrs. W. Tuckwell, members of church, celebrated their golden wedding on Jan. 24. At an after-church service, Jan. 26, a neighbour referred to their loyalty and service to the church . . . The church has been encouraged by many visitors during holidays . . . Young members are reading O.T. and N.T. lessons at communion services.

## DEGREE FROM MELBOURNE

(Swan Hill, Vic.). Margaret Cockroft has received B. Comm. degree from Melbourne University . . . Garry Baxter has completed two years' National Service training . . . 70 shared in church family outing at Lake Boga on Australia Day . . . Farewell presentations have been made to Douglas family who have moved to Morwell and Robert Graham who has been accepted as a police cadet for training in Melbourne.

## BAPTISM AT STH. YARRA

(Vic.). Miss Rosemary McCrae was baptized on Jan. 19, after having made her decision . . . Mr. Jones, of Prahran, was speaker at the combined Christmas morning service . . . During January, all evening services alternated between Prahran and South Yarra chapels.



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## CHRISTIAN LIFE AND WITNESS CLASSES

These classes commenced in Melbourne and metropolitan area on Feb. 3 and continue till March 2.

• Please pray for these in the following areas: City, Coburg, Kew, Box Hill, Sunshine, Heidelberg, Ringwood, Dandenong, Waverley, Moorabbin and Geelong.

• Pray for the kind of impact that will continue to be felt in the work of the Church and of the Kingdom of God both during and AFTER the Crusade ends.

• Pray also for the sixty-six (66) country centres also holding "Christian Life and Witness Classes."

## VICTORIAN IN ENGLAND

Howard Price, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Price, Ballarat, Vic., is in fellowship with the church at Evington Rd., Leicester, Eng., where Stanton Wilson is minister. Howard is doing an intensive course in textiles at the Leicester College of Technology.

## CANLEY HGTS. EVANGELISM

(N.S.W.). An evangelistic programme of visitation and guest services directed by K. Crawford commenced prior to Christmas. The programme will continue in the month of February. During December and January, ten made decisions for Christ. A choir formed for the Christmas services continues for the February meetings . . . Mrs. I. Phillips (in her 11th year as Pres.), conducted the first devotional session of the Women's Fellowship. The main project of the fellowship will again be the new chapel fund . . . With a number of new housing developments in the area the B.S. anticipates an increase and most church members are involved in teaching . . . The church picnic was held on Australia Day at Colo River . . . Two boys from the Pendle Hill Home lived with a church family during the Christmas vacation . . . K. Farmer is minister.

## PROPERTY FACE-LIFT

(Clovelly Park, S.A.). The property has had a face-lift—a front fence, lawns and shrubs have recently been added . . . Recent visiting speakers included Mr. Innes (Y.F.C.), C. H. Dow, John Pederson, and Roger Holland (local member at present at Glen Iris C.O.B.) . . . The Christmas Story was presented in scripture, song and sermon on 22nd. Carols were sung by an octette, "The Four Tellers" sang, and Joanne Battersby (aged 7) sang a solo. Miss Jill Coventry and Mr. Morris shared the scripture and other readings. The Christmas Day service was combined with the Baptists in our

## KENMORE ORDINATION SERVICE

(Qld.). Professor Alan Wilson, chairman of the Kenmore College Board, Geology Professor at Queensland University, chaired the Ordination service, conducted by the brotherhood to recognise the exiting students.

The opening prayer was taken by A. C. Male of the Dept. of Christian Education and the scripture lesson was read by A. McK. Surtees, the Director of Home Missions.

The Principal, Dr. Jauncey spoke on the subject of "The Sacred Flame."

The Charge to the Ordinands was delivered by the Conference President, Lloyd Martin, who challenged the graduates to be Men of the Church Family and Men of Faith.

Professor Wilson urged them to speak clearly and speak simply.

Colin McCosker, student-minister at Arana Hills and president of the student body referred to "Looking Back and

Looking Forward."

The Pledge on behalf of the Ordinands was received by Ted. Watson, student minister at Southport.

The Conference President carried out the Act of Recognition and the Ordination Prayer was delivered by Maurie Pieper the retiring College Secretary.

## EXAM. RESULTS

(Balwyn, Vic.). L. F. Barker had special mention of his success in recent examinations . . . Church grateful to K. MacNaughtan, Mr. Turnham and F. Evans in pulpit services . . . Welcomed home recently have been Mr. and Mrs. Carr from America, Dr. and Mrs. Mok from Scotland . . . Church saddened by sudden death of Mr. Pertz on Christmas Day . . . Church is supporting forthcoming Crusade.

## THREE MORE DECISIONS

(Inverell, N.S.W.). Three young women made decisions during the month . . . The Bible Study group has resumed, continuing studies on the Book of Romans.

## R. T. COOK INDUCTED

(Mandurah, W.A.). Civic and church leaders attended the welcome to Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Cook on Dec. 14. A. H. Walington, State Conf. Pres., led the Induction Service . . . Attendances are high as is usual during holiday period . . . Beach Mission conducted by C.S.S.M. concluded with a "sing-along" and supper on the lawn of a church home on Jan. 5 . . . Jan. 12 had a record congregation.

## NEW C.C.E.S. CHAPLAINS

(Vic.). This year, four new Chaplains will join the staff of the Council for Christian Education in Schools, bringing the total to 25. The new Chaplains are as follows:

Deaconess J. Anderson, Bendigo Girls' High School; the Rev. R. Sharrad, Mildura Technical School; the Rev. B. J. O'Grady, Sale Technical School; the Rev.

The list of Ordinands and appointments:

D. Armstrong	Geraldton, W.A.
L. C. Berthelsen	Hawthorne, Qld.
W. H. Chapman	Murarie, Qld.
R. B. Cutchie	Collingwood, Vic.
F. G. Jauncey	Boondall, Qld.
A. C. Risson	Mackay, Qld.
D. E. Stewart	Traralgon, Vic.
E. Watson	Southport, Qld.
D. Usher	Gatton, Qld.
F. L. VanLaar	Pialba, Qld.

## DIPLOMA IN MISSIONS:

Miss D. B. Feeney New Hebrides  
Miss J. E. McLeod Toowoomba, Qld.

J. Lowrey, Sunshine Technical School.

Two Chaplains will move to new appointments: Mr. L. G. Rust, Ballarat High School; the Rev. D. E. Shinkfield, Norwood High School.

The council would like to hear from suitable people wishing to consider appointment as a Chaplain. Ministers, deaconesses and Christian Education specialists are normally appointed to these positions. (See advt. page 11).

## PARENTS REMEMBER

(Grote St., Adelaide, S.A.). Youth work growing under leadership of Len. Hearnden, recent debate "Parents have forgotten what it was like to be young" was outstanding. Parents successfully denied the charge . . . Prospect District Cricket Club held annual church parade, Jan. 19 . . . Church building is being painted on outside . . . Christmas cantata "Night of Miracles" proved an outstanding attraction to outsiders.

## DEBT REDUCED

(Stirling, S.A.). The C.W.F. again gave Christmas cheer to local residents. A trading table in Stirling by the C.W.F. ladies raised \$72 toward the reduction of the church debt . . . The Bible Study group held a social evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harslett . . . The Girls' Brigade held an end-of-year evening to entertain their parents and friends. 1969 leader is Mrs. Greaves . . . Mrs. Clarke is now recuperating after spending a term in hospital.

## CORNISH CHOIR

(Kensington Pk., S.A.). A Cornish choir of 30 voices sang carols at an evening family service. Another musical evening was provided by Ray Neuling on his vibraphone with solos by Elaine Lees. They also gave items at the Eastern District C.E. Fellowship which followed in our hall. Ron Dix was compere. The film "A Visitor for Christmas" was screened . . . Mrs. J. Molloy and Mr. Henzel sang a duet at the communion service on Christmas morning. An offering was received for the Bowl of Remembrance.

# A City A Day

The Qantas jet, Flight 588, bound for the U.S.A. took off from Mascot Airport at 5 p.m. on Jan. 28 and with it went I. J. Chivell, Secretary of the Australian Committee for the Eighth World Convention, Adelaide, October, 1970.

For Mr. Chivell this was the end of months of detailed planning and preparation, weeks of intensive last minute preparation, and the beginning of a breath-taking eight weeks' promotional tour of principal American cities, and the meeting of the Central Executive of the World Convention at which preparatory plans will be endorsed.

When the plane touched down at San Francisco, the itinerary carefully planned for Mr. Chivell by Dr. Laurence Kirkpatrick got underway. After a short plane flight to Los Angeles he was met by Dr. Myron Cole of the Hollywood-Beverly church, sharing in special meetings with his church. Then boarding a Pioneer-Greyhound bus, which will be his principal mode of travel, he left for Albuquerque for three Sunday services and a rally planned in the church of Dr. Theo Fisher—to Oklahoma City, Feb. 3; Tulsa City, Feb. 4; Oklahoma City again Feb. 5; Arkansas City, Feb. 6; Kansas City on Feb. 7-8, and on through to St. Louis and the general meeting of World Convention Executive which will last for four days.

All the way meetings—rallies, services, dinners and conferences with all types of churches and every section of our American brotherhood in a breathtaking city-a-day itinerary.

### Worth noting

◦ Already 750 Americans have registered for the Convention and it is anticipated that at least 2,000 of the overseas visitors will come from the U.S.A. 34 nations will be represented here.

◦ The cost of the tour has been met by the World Convention Executive and other independent sources and will not cost the Australian brotherhood anything.

◦ Mr. Chivell will meet representatives of every section of our American churches and he will spend considerable time with brotherhood leaders in both Cincinnati and Indianapolis.

◦ We ask your prayerful support of our Australian secretary that God will sustain and strengthen him in this formidable task and demanding itinerary.

◦ On his return Mr. Chivell will report to the Australian brotherhood and the final draft of the programme of the Eighth Assembly of the World Convention to be held in Adelaide, Oct. 20-25, 1970, will be known to us all.

—K. D. Horne.

### AT THE LORD'S TABLE

## Don't Remember Me!



When I was a lad I sometimes found relief from the hard-to-understand hymns, messages and even prayers by exploring the hymn-book and using my imagination to create adventure with the names of the hymn writers.

Horatius Bonar was a favourite. He easily slipped into the role of the noble Roman defending the bridge of his city against the enemy. He could also be used to fight imaginary battles between Horatio Nelson and Napoleon Bonaparte.

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### THANKS FOR THE BREAD

Here, Blessed Lord, we come to seek Thy face. Help us to know Thee in the breaking of the bread. Amen.

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## Federal Board of Christian Education

On Jan. 30, a representative gathering expressed the Australian brotherhood's appreciation of Miss Marjorie Deane and Dr. G. A. Whiting. Miss Merle Peacock was also welcomed as Acting-Editor to the Board.

### TWENTY YEARS' SERVICE

The Australian brotherhood acknowledges its deep appreciation to Miss Deane for her talented and devoted service to the Federal Board as a voluntary worker from 1948 to 1952, then as secretary and later as associate editor to the Board.

Miss Deane brought to her task a skill which places her among the foremost writers of kindergarten and primary material among the Christian communions in Australia. By her balanced perspective she has brought credit and distinction to the Australian brotherhood. Her co-operation and willingness to be of service at all levels of the work of the Federal Board merits our heartfelt thanks.

Throughout the Australian brotherhood she is held in high regard, and the State

Departments of C.E. are grateful for her untiring assistance and valuable advice during her years with the Federal Board.

As Miss Deane completes her service with the Federal Board and prepares for her forthcoming marriage, we wish her and her future husband God's richest blessing.

### DEDICATED TALENTS

In his association with the Federal Board Dr. G. A. Whiting has brought a deep concern for Christian Education, and a wide background of experience and study. These talents he has given unstintingly to the Australian brotherhood with a personal graciousness and integrity for which we are sincerely grateful.

### NEW APPOINTMENT

The Federal Board is happy to announce that Richard W. Lawton, A.U.A., L.Th., Dip.R.E., at present serving with the church at Lyons, A.C.T., has accepted a unanimous invitation to serve as Director-Editor from Jan., 1970.

### 3% FROM SWISS CHRISTIANS

(Berne). More than 1,050 Swiss have signed a declaration pledging 3% of their income for the next three years to support development aid. Their statement, entitled "Switzerland and the Developing Countries," was released at a press conference by Prof. Max Geiger of the University of Basle.

The statement said: "An institute should be created to study the problems presented to our country by the situation in the Third World, to co-ordinate efforts being made to solve them, and to keep the public better informed.

"Our contemporaries are increasingly aware of the importance of these questions, which have been constantly stressed by world authorities including leading economists. What is lacking is the determination to act and to make a personal commitment. If a large number of people did so, this would inevitably create a national determination to act.

"The peoples who are rich today are those of the Judaeo-Christian culture. They owe their development and social evolution partly to this spiritual liberation, as well as to the fact that other peoples have worked for them, often under miserable conditions. Christians today cannot keep all their wealth for themselves without betraying the gospel. They know they must limit their own prosperity to enable all men (including themselves) to carry out their human vocation. Many non-believers who have struggled for social justice—sometimes even more than Christians—are also seeking to give meaning to their lives through this struggle."

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## DEATHS

William Palmer, Grote St., Adelaide.  
 Don. Ewers, Hamilton, N.S.W.  
 Donald James Brown, William Baldwin Rattray, Zillmere, Qld.  
 Miss Manning, Mrs. Matthews, Forestville, S.A.  
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## ENGAGEMENTS

COOK-MOTT.—Mr. and Mrs. R. Cook, West Heidelberg, Vic., and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mott, Surrey Hills, Vic., announce with pleasure the engagement of Margaret and Lindsay.

FLETT-CLUNAS.—Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Flett, M.S. 425, Chinchilla, Qld., have pleasure in announcing the engagement of their younger daughter, Maureen Ann, to Robert David, only son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Clunas, Beverly Hills, N.S.W.

SMITH-WESLEY.—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, 38 Donnelly-ave., Norlane, Vic., 3214, announce with pleasure the engagement of their daughter, June Lynette, to Donald Richard, elder son of Mr. Robert Wesley and the late Mrs. Wesley, step-son of Betty, Ibis Cr., Norlane, Vic., 3214.

## APPROACHING MARRIAGE

ROBERTSON-GRIFFITHS.—The marriage of Jeannette, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Robertson, Broadway, Dunolly, Vic., to Robert, elder son of Mrs. E. Griffiths, 29 Mary-st., Kew, Vic., will be celebrated on February 15, 1969 at the Church of Christ, Maryborough, Vic., Pastors R. A. Banks and P. Kavanagh officiating.

## GOLDEN WEDDING

MORRALL-LONG.—Mabel and Ashley Morrall have pleasure in announcing the 50th anniversary of their marriage in London on February 15, 1919. At home, 6 Carlyle-st., Croydon, afternoon Saturday, February 15.

## APPRECIATION

Cr. W. A. FORDHAM, Mayor of Camberwell, and Mrs. Fordham, 184 Prospect Hill rd., Canterbury, Vic., 3128, desire to thank all those who graciously sent greetings in cards, letters, telegrams, gifts, flowers, and good wishes to them on the occasion of their Golden Wedding anniversary recently.

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## DEATHS

JOHNSON, Paul Richard.—(Suddenly) on Jan. 15, 1969, darling infant son of Petrea and Peter, and loved little brother of Sally-Jane. Dear little grandson of Pearl and Sid. Hoskin. Aged 6½ months. "With Jesus."

LITTLEJOHN.—On January 24, Frederick John, dearly loved husband of Margaret, loving father of Leonard (dec.), Bruce, and Nancye (Mrs. Cottee), respected father-in-law of Joyce and Neville, loved grandpa of Peter, Geoffrey, David, Mark and Debra Littlejohn, and of Susan and Loris Cottee.

SUTHERLAND.—On Jan. 14, 1969, Jeanie, loved mother of Jean (Mrs. Broussard), devoted grandma of Frank, Norman and Ellen. In her 81st year. "In God's loving care."

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- 5 p.m.: Buffet Tea.
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**SUNDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, 1969**

- 11 a.m. Speaker: G. R. Stirling; Soloist: Mrs. Crouch.
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**No. 7** Churches talk about "youth work," "youth activities," "youth problems," etc. Are the churches wrong in treating teen-agers as a special group, instead of just as individuals?

**J. RIVETT:** For the church, a large organisation, it would be an impossibility to reach the ideal situation and treat each teen-ager as an individual. At some stage or other grouping would be necessitated. However, each teen-ager has a different set of experiences behind him, a different future ahead. Churches by seeking as far as possible to reach the individual would gain a greater response from youth. The response would be greater because many teenagers are prepared to give as well as receive from the church—a fundamental factor which many involved in "youth work," "youth activities," etc. tend to overlook.

**M.R.T.:** I do not think it is wrong to treat teen-agers as a group as I feel much more learning, help, fun and fellowship is found when teenagers work together. Some individuals may need individual help or concern but this applies to all age groups. However, I do not think teen-agers should be looked upon as a group with the thought that all behave badly, dress distastefully or anything else just because one of the group does these things.

**FAY NICHOLLS:** No, I don't think churches are wrong in treating teen-agers as a special group. Teen-agers are so unsettled in today's world, I know I am, also the majority of youth in my town. I feel that the churches should do more than they are for the teen-agers such as holding youth services, with religious groups who are modern, to show the teen-agers that religion is not a dowdy subject, but a thing that can and will be enjoyed by all. Teen-agers do not want to be earbashed by the Bible, so I suggest that the ministers of churches talk to the teen-agers about things that interest them.

**No. (March 8, 1969 issue).**  
**8** As Christians we are urged to witness continually for Christ. Can we do this at work or is this a misuse of our employer's time?

## CHURCHES OF CHRIST BIBLE COLLEGE, N.S.W.

Over the years it has been our policy to raise the standard of training and education of the men who are to take up the ministry of the church. The entrance standards were first raised and then the college course increased from three to four years. Then we set our aims on encouraging students to take up extra studies at Australian universities.

Miss F. M. Ashwood helped us make this possible by providing the College with funds to pay some of the university fees of students or graduates of the College, who take up university studies.

Last year was a very successful year for our university students. All passed all the subjects in which they enrolled.

D. Nutt gained first place in his year in ancient history at Sydney University. He gained his B.A. and will now proceed

to study for his M.A. in ancient history.

G. Chapman gained his B.A. at the New England University. He now plans to study for his B.D.

G. R. Elliott secured his B.A. at Sydney University.

G. Walker gained a pass in Greek and a credit in English in his first year at Sydney University.

K. Farmer gained a high distinction in the History of Philosophy and a credit in Psychology Testing at the University of N.S.W. He may now proceed to take an honour degree in Psychology.

We congratulate all these men on their success. We are sure they will make good use of this training in their work in the Kingdom of God.

—A. W. Stephenson, Principal.

### AMBASSADOR'S VISIT

(Inverell, N.S.W.). Jim Muir and Peter Hewitt of "Ambassadors," visited the church. In addition to messages at morning and evening services, Jim Muir spoke to senior S.S. . . . John Giles was speaker at a combined churches youth rally in Inverell Park . . . Bob Aldred of Woolwich Bible College, spoke to S.S. teachers and also led a family service.

### LEFT FOR VIETNAM

(Hamilton, N.S.W.). Brian Clulo was farewelled on leaving for Vietnam . . . Mrs. Howard, C.W.F. president, presented \$200 for church work . . . Vic. Cockerill is again in hospital . . . Church members were shocked at the sudden death of Don. Ewers, a deacon of the church. Sympathy is expressed to Mrs. Ewers and her family.

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(Hornsby, N.S.W.). Over Australia Day weekend, a church camp was held for 57 at Camp Greenhalgh, Lake Illawarra. Mr. and Mrs. Oldfield were leaders. Mrs. Ron. Bartholomew was chief cook. Mr. Bell conducted the Sunday communion service at 6.30 a.m., and Philip Bonser led the gospel service . . . On Jan. 19, L. Riggall was morning speaker. At night elder Ron. Bartholomew led the service, Mrs. E. R. Bishop read the scriptures and the messages were given by two deacons, A. Bell and H. Bishop . . . The church was saddened to learn of the death of Mr. Pollitt on New Year's Eve. Sympathy is expressed to Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bell and family.

### HAIL AND FAREWELL

(Hamilton, N.S.W.). At a recent missionary rally a welcome home from the W.A. Aborigine mission fields was given to Mr. and Mrs. Ian Foote from the Georgetown church. Also Graham Cockerill from the Hamilton church was farewelled on leaving for the New Hebrides as a maintenance worker on the mission stations. A special offering amongst the Hamilton members was over \$300 and was presented to Mr. Cockerill to defray his expenses . . . Mr. and Mrs. Howard have commenced their 10th year of service.

### FROM OUTBACK TO BERLIN

(Gillandra, N.S.W.). Peter Jameson of the Ambassadors for Christ, was guest speaker at recent youth night. Peter's experience ranges from the primitive tribal life in West Australia to attendance at the Berlin Congress on Evangelism and the 4th Assembly of the World Council of Churches at Uppsala, Sweden.

## SCHOOL OF EVANGELISM

(Melb.). Dr. Keith Cole, Acting Principal of Ridley College, Melbourne, has announced that a National School of Evangelism will be held in Melbourne from March 17 to March 21, in conjunction with the Billy Graham Crusade.

Dr. Cole is Chairman of the school, whose lecturing staff will include members of the Billy Graham team and guest lecturers.

The school is open to theological students and ministers who have been ord-

ained for five years or less, within Victoria and a limited number of theological students and ministers in S.A., W.A., Northern Territory, Qld. and Tas., nominated by their colleges or denominations. It is expected that approximately 200 ministers and students will enrol for the school. Enquiries from those eligible in the State of Victoria should be directed to the Billy Graham School of Evangelism, 802 Caltex House, 167 Kent St., Sydney, 2000.

### CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR SUMMER SCHOOL

One hundred youth leaders from all States, including New Guinea, shared in the 3rd Australian C.E. Summer School of Leadership at the Naamaroo Conference Centre, Lane Cove National Park, Sydney. Under the theme, "Go Change the World!" the students learnt how to become "New Christian Revolutionary" leaders and how to train further leaders in their respective districts.

A selected panel of speakers from a wide range of fields included R. H. Cleaver, M.H.R., National C.E. President, the Rev. Roy Edwards, of Queensland, the Rev. Geoff. Fletcher and Brian Willersdorf.

One of the students from New Guinea was Pokwari Kale, who was greatly helped by the school. Pokwari is one of the first hundred students at the new University of New Guinea in Port Moresby and is studying to be one of the first indigenous lawyers in the Territory.

### LEADERSHIP AT THE PATCH

(Vic.). W. Thornton concluded his ministry and was farewelled at an after-church fellowship at which a presentation was made. J. E. Brooke is assisting with messages until arrival of new student minister, K. Turtmann (C.O.B.).

. . . R. Johnston has been elected S.S. Supt. and plans are in hand to re-organise school programmes to cope with our local situation . . . The Opportunity Shop continues to assist the community and those in need.

### PART-TIME AT ST. ARNAUD

(Vic.). A presentation was made to Mr. and Mrs. G. Jackel and family as they left the Wedderburn-St. Arnaud circuit to take up a preaching appointment at Prahran. St. Arnaud will be helped by the Stawell church. Kevin Caulton, minister at Stawell, will be preaching part-time . . . Miss Janice Chiswell gained the Youth Leader Diploma. She is to serve with the Churches of Christ Aborigines' Mission at Carnarvon, W.A. for three years. A presentation was made to Janice who will be greatly missed.

### HORSHAM AND HAVEN LOSSES

(Vic.). The Haven church mourns the death of Trevor Hallam, aged 8, who died following an accident on Christmas Eve. Other members of the family were in hospital. The church at Horsham also extends sympathy to the family of Mrs. Bolwell who died in her 90th year . . . A young woman was baptised on Jan. 12 . . . B. Cutchie, a Kenmore College exit, filled the Horsham pulpit during Mr. Baxter's holidays.

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This is a fact. It is how our Master designed the plan of life. Man was the one who was meant to go out to hunt for food and today to earn the family income.

### MAN!

Man is the head of the house.

Every organisation must have a definite head. A ship has a ship's captain, a country has a Prime Minister, and this applies right through life.

This does not mean that everyone else is unimportant. A ship must have a good crew, with all levels of responsibilities.

Bad navigation, or a poor engine will soon bring disaster.

Appreciate Men who carry Authority.

A ship cannot go in three directions at the one time, so that someone has to say which way it will go.

**INFLUENCE OF LEADERS.** We need to help our present leaders, to give better leadership in the nation's affairs.

We can show them how we do things, to meet with them and encourage them, to help them. They will listen to their helpers more than they will listen to destructive critics.

Get to know them, make a friend, and introduce them to the Master's way.

**FUTURE LEADERS.** More things can be done for people, by being a leader, than a leader of a deputation.

**CHRISTIAN MEN.** We need many more men who are not afraid to be a Christian.

**CONTACT.** Organise functions, special services, and invite the men of your district.

**GET TO KNOW THE MEN  
OF YOUR DISTRICT!**

**WHY HAVE A MEN'S FELLOWSHIP?**

I can think of a thousand excuses why not . . .

**BUT I KNOW OF ONE REASON WHY WE SHOULD: TO WIN MEN FOR THE MASTER'S SERVICE.**

**Be Slow to Criticise  
Be Quick to Appreciate**

NORMAN F. WHITE,  
Sec., Vic. Christian Men's Fellowship.

## New Australians are People

(Gardiner, Vic.). Inspired by the work of the European Australian Christian Fellowship, the C.W.F. combined Afternoon and Evening groups at Gardiner have this year engaged in various forms of migrant outreach.

The raising of funds for the E.A.C.F. is one very necessary aspect. The women at Gardiner have raised a substantial sum under the "Honey Money" scheme. This entails bottling and sale of honey which is purchased wholesale through the E.A.C.F. The profits go to a fund to provide a full-time youth worker for the Coffee Shop at 133 Church St., Richmond.

Then there is the holiday home on Phillip Island. Members of the fellowship team take migrant families here for a holiday for two or three days. This little time of heaven costs \$10 per family but, in terms of human delight and appreciation, is worth \$100. As a result of their fund-raising for this, the women at Gardiner will have the joy of knowing that four families may have this holiday.

The E.A.C.F. maintains an emergency food shelf for which meat and grocery items have been donated by the church members.

However, as necessary as the material side may be, perhaps the most rewarding and interesting part of the year's programme of Migrant Outreach was the actual fellowship with migrant women and, in some cases, with their children and parents. In May, an outing to the Dandenongs was arranged. This was followed recently by luncheons arranged in five different homes. As Afternoon and Evening Groups combined for all these efforts, each hostess invited a cross section of afternoon and evening members to meet four or five migrants. In some cases, children came, too. And at one home a grandfather was included, the fact that he spoke only Greek being no

deterrent to his enjoyment. At all homes it was a happy time of re-union with the people met earlier at the Dandenongs. A notable feature was the outgoing nature of the guests.

One hostess decided to end her hospitality with a short devotion, and chose Psalm 107. Both the European guests and the local C.W.F. members were greatly moved as she read "... and gathered in from the lands from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south."—Alison Morris.

### FOUR BAPTISMS

(Nth. Williamstown, Vic.). Four B.S. scholars were baptised and welcomed into the church on first Sunday in New Year. The holiday pulpit has been filled for a.m. services by R. Haden, L. Firth and A. Haskell. . . . The Graham Crusade films "Africa on the Bridge," "Outpost Berlin" and "Decade of Decision" were used for the p.m. services in place of a speaker.

### ASSISTANT AT NTH. FITZROY

(Vic.). David Potter, C.O.B., has been welcomed as assistant minister to J. Searle. . . . In Christmas service, the men visited Mount Royal, Y.P. visited the homes of elderly members with carols and flowers, and members brought gifts and clothing for Korea relief. . . . Mrs. Alma Smith, one of the oldest and most loyal members, died. . . . Mrs. J. Mem-brey has been welcomed from Balwyn. . . . M. Arnot addressed the church before taking ministerial appointment at Murray Bridge. . . . A beach picnic was held at Carrum on Jan. 26. . . . Weekly prayer meetings are held in church and homes for Graham Crusade.

### NAPALM SHARES SOLD

(New York). Union Theological Seminary has sold more than \$500,000 of Dow Chemical stock donated to the institution in 1964 as part of a large portfolio from the James Foundation of New York.

President John C. Bennett said the trustees sold the stock "out of deference to opinions of students, faculty and administration in relation to Dow Chemical's role in connection with the use of napalm in the (Vietnam) war." Dow is the nation's leading producer of napalm.

Tim Smith, vice-president of the student cabinet, said he feels the action has implications "for every church, seminary and university in the country."

—E.P.S.



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## OBITUARY

### Leslie William Selwood

The church at Colac could ill afford to lose one of its stalwarts with the home call of Leslie William Selwood on Nov. 2. He was born at Beac 75 years ago and came to Colac at an early age. He married Louisa Hering at the Colac Church of Christ, the ceremony being performed by the late H. B. Robbins. Mr. Selwood held important positions in the church life. Secretary for 45 years, and treasurer for over 30 years, which position he held at the time of his death. He was one of the faithful who saw the church through some very difficult periods, and at one stage was the only male in membership. He also has played an important part in preaching and teaching, and in the care and maintenance of the church property. His home was a home of hospitality, particularly to the student preachers, and others. He was a friend of the minister, and a great help in his wise counsel, and advice. He enjoyed many State and interstate Conferences and took a great interest in the brotherhood. He was proud of the church and also the city of Colac, and was always ready to show visitors around. He had but one job during his lifetime, a stonemason, being with the firm of Chas. Wilcox for 60 years. He was active in his business to the end. Many people will remember Leslie Selwood not only for his faithfulness to his Lord, but for his talk on "Living Stones." The writer and Don. Thomas of Belmont church, conducted the funeral services when a very large gathering, too large for the chapel, gathered to pay tribute. The sympathy of the church and many friends is extended to Ronald (Ararat), Murray (Colac) and Noala (Mrs. Firth, Nth. Williamstown), who mourn the loss of a splendid father.

—R. A. Banks

### Arthur Young

At the age of 82 years, Arthur Young passed away on November 25, 1968 in Princess Alexandra Hospital, Brisbane. For many years he was a member of Sunnybank Church of Christ where he served loyally. Arthur Young was born in Killarney, Queensland, Jan. 11, 1886. Other members of the family born there included Charles Young (Vic.), and Alex Young, and Mrs. L. Stocks who are the only surviving children of the pioneer family of Robert and Ellen Young who set up the Lord's Table in their home in Killarney. It was at West Holden in a service in the home and during the preaching of J. W. Parslow that Arthur and Charles Young confessed Christ as Saviour. Arthur Young travelled extensively throughout Southern Queensland visiting our churches. He was loved and respected by all who knew him. Whenever it was possible he attended the Lord's Table and loved the opportunity of participating in the service. His wife pre-deceased him by six weeks. Our sympathy is extended to their two sons and two daughters as they mourn. — V. T. Parker.

### Ian Bentley

The church at Hornsby, N.S.W., shared with Mr. and Mrs. English and Anne and David and Joyce Bentley in U.S.A. their deep feeling of sorrow when Ian died suddenly on Dec. 17 at Kuala Lumpur, Malaya, at the age of 27. Ian came into membership at Hornsby church from Frankston, Vic., just 10 years ago as a deeply consecrated young man. He immediately settled into the fellowship of the church and became one of the youth leaders; he became a leader of the young people not only because of his ability but because of his personality and friend-

### Ernest Badenhop

Ernest Badenhop, born on April Fools Day, 1874, was a remarkable man of enthusiastic loyalty to God, with physical energy amazingly preserved. I have known him over the past 6½ years as an elder emeritus of our Dandenong church, Vic. In the year of his 91st birthday he was still giving 15 religious instruction lessons per week in State Schools in Dandenong. This had been reduced to eight per week in the year of his 93rd birthday, but even that year, on his way home from his lessons at North Dandenong State School he would stand on the footpath and talk over the low fence to the boys of the Technical School during their lunch hour, and they would crowd up to the fence and voluntarily listen respectfully to an unofficial presentation of another Bible story or Christian experience. In addition to this, for many years he conducted a Sunday School at Bangholme until he was almost 94 years of age. Some years ago Mr. Badenhop told me that he had been baptised at about 21 years of age by Wm. Burgess, a lay preacher, in Olinda Creek at Mooroolbark. He added, "Later on I baptised a couple of lads there, too." Soon after marriage, while farming on the top of Mt. Dandenong, it was his custom to walk down the mountain to our Mont-

rose Sunday morning service, walk up home again for lunch, then walk down the other side of the mount in the afternoon to help in a C.E. meeting at Sylvan, walk up home again for tea, and then down the mountain again to Montrose church for the night gospel service. Then he would walk up the mountain to their home, having spent the whole Lord's Day in a manner that gave the Lord first priority, and quite ready for bed at night. He died a wonderful Christian at the age of 94 years and eight months. He might well have said with Paul, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing." Mrs. Badenhop was present at the funeral service at the Church of Christ, Dandenong, on Dec. 16, 1968. In view of her lifelong membership of the Salvation Army, Lieut.-Col. Wright assisted me in the service in the church and local officer, Capt. Matters assisted me at the graveside at Box Hill. Their six living children were all present excepting Joyce, their youngest, a S.A. officer in Perth, who sent a tribute to her father which was read at the service.—A. Ross Lloyd.

ship which endeared him to young and old alike. Ian also served as S.S. teacher, Boys' Brigade leader and became a deacon of the church at the age of 21. As a young man he did not always accept the existing traditions and held some new and vigorous desires for a more effective church. He suggested his ideas with deep respect for those who were senior in years and indeed it was this respect and courtesy for which he was in turn greatly respected. Ian was in every situation a Christian and a gentleman. Perhaps his greatest contribution, and one for which he will ever be remembered above all others, was as church organist to which position he devoted both time and ability. In addition to his church affiliation Ian was a qualified accountant and was well on the way to a senior executive position in one of Australia's largest companies. Over a short period of time he had risen from assistant accountant to chief accountant and at the time of his death was Company Secretary for a large glass company in Malaya. Whilst sorrow and regret must linger in our hearts, both his family and church cannot but be justifiably proud of his life of devotion and service and of his achievements in the 27 years of his life. "The marks left by the influence of one life upon another are eternal." Ian has left an indelible mark upon his family and church and both are the richer for having shared his friendship and love.—R.F.B.

### Mrs. Rosina Collings

Born in 1875, Mrs. Rosina Collings was in her 94th year when she died on Dec. 31, 1968. Her passing severs a connection with Melbourne and the churches from the early days of both. She belonged to the church at North Fitzroy, then Hawthorn, from which she transferred back to North Fitzroy, and finally Northcote, which church has lost its oldest and one of its most constant members. Her sister Elizabeth and she were married to the brothers John and Joseph Collings. They lived in adjoining houses, and worshipped and ministered in the church together. A strong family attachment existed. Mrs. Collings was a most active member of the church, and attended both morning and evening services. Even when obliged through age (she would then be 90 years) to discontinue evening attendance, when for a while she regained strength, she returned to the services, to give a fine example of faith-

fulness. She was loved by neighbours and the church. A priest, who was once a boy in the same street, was present at the funeral service. When her daughter, Irene (Mrs. Andrews) died, Mrs. Collings cared for the two boys and Jean. Mrs. Collings' daughters, Lella (Mrs. Gluyas) and Winifred, are members at Northcote, where her grandson John is also a deacon. Saddened by separation from one so loved we yet rejoice with these and all members of the family, who were her constant thought, in the faith and hope both hers and theirs. W. T. Atkin, former minister at Northcote, assisted in the service. W. W. Saunders also would have shared but was prevented by illness.—A.B.W.

### Charles Waters

An association of over 40 years of loyal service and faithful devotion came to an end with the home call of Charles Waters on Dec. 11, 1968, in his 59th year. In spite of declining health he regularly attended the services of the church at Gardiner, Vic., and took his place within the life of the church. Although quiet and retiring in manner and temperament he reflected a loyalty and perseverance and dependability that is difficult to surpass. Dr. Oldfield baptised him at Ringwood in 1921. He came to Gardiner from Surrey Hills in 1926. He was associated with the K.S.P. order and the tennis club. For a number of years he was secretary of the Burnley S.S. and later secretary of Gardiner S.S. At the time of his death he was assistant-secretary of the church. Our Christian sympathy is extended to his brother Bill and his sister Grace (Mrs. Hercules).—K.J.C.

### PLANES FOR BIAFRA RELIEF

(Geneva). The U.S. Government has sold four C97G "Stratofreighter" planes to Joint Church Aid-U.S.A. and four to the International Committee of the Red Cross to step up the transport of food and medical supplies to civilian victims of the Nigeria/Biafra conflict.

The participating members of J.C.A./U.S.A. are Church World Service, the relief arm of the National Council of Churches; the American Jewish Committee; the Catholic Relief Services, an agency of the U.S. Catholic Bishops' Conference.—E.P.S.

## 8 FROM TRAINING CLASSES

(Ringwood, Vic.). After membership classes, conducted by the minister, G. W. Barnett, eight young people were baptized on Dec. 15. During the baptisms, lightning struck a nearby S.E.C. pole, and the service continued in semi-darkness. Quick thinking by the organist who transferred to the piano, helped maintain the worshipful atmosphere. For the Christmas play-reading which followed, torches and a gas lamp were used. . . . C.W.F. members visited Mt. Royal Hospital with Christmas gifts for Ward 10. Seven Christmas cakes were made for migrants at the Nunawading Hostel.

## AID FOR KOREA

(Bambra Rd., Caulfield, Vic.). \$70 has been sent to the "Food for Korea" appeal to help our own church members in need. . . . The C.E.W.F. Jumble Sale realised \$120. . . . Several parcels have been sent to Social Service and Lepers Mission. . . . The C.A.W.F. Golden Bag effort reached \$68. . . . A Cabaret Night was appreciated by all.

## STUDENTS FAREWELLED

(Fawkner, Vic.). Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Duffy and Brian King of the College of the Bible have been farewelled after serving here. . . . Miss V. Barnden trained scholars for our successful B.S. anniversary. . . . Mr. and Mrs. P. Kettner and Suzanne, and T. Kelly and sons provided family teams to lead worship at morning services.

## GOOD COMPANIONS EXCEED TARGET

(Vic.). The Good Companions choose a special project each year. Last year they decided to help the Aboriginal church at Mooroopna. At present, there is no baptistry and when decisions are made the new disciples must go to the Shepparton church for baptisms. This prevents the attendance of friends of the candidates.

The girls decided to help the Mooroopna church to get its own baptistry. They used a variety of methods of raising money—fashion parades, concerts, barbecues, street stalls, walkathons, car washing. They made and sold sweets and

## VICTORIAN C.W.F. COUNCIL

The President, Mrs. Rankine, welcomed 158 delegates and visitors to the December Council meeting.

A special welcome was extended to Mr. and Mrs. Combridge. Mrs. Combridge led in devotions the theme of which was "The Life and Character of Mary." Prayer of Intercession was given by Mrs. Krone.

Mr. Combridge spoke on "The future challenge in the New Hebrides," outlining the work of the Missions in the past, at present, and, because of the changes taking place in the New Hebrides, what may be expected of them in the future.

A. A. Avery spoke on his experiences when he attended as a delegate at the

## FORTNIGHTLY VISITS

(York St., Ballarat, Vic.). Wilkie J. Thomson continues to make much appreciated fortnightly visits as preacher. . . . V. Berry led the singing and presided at B.S. anniversary. R. MacLeod and C. Hocking were speakers. . . . The senior scholars combined with Good Companions and Explorers to present a concert in lieu of party. \$50 was received from the concert for the Youth Hall. . . . At Christmas morning service \$68 was received for Bowl appeal.

## STUDENT CHANGE

(Tootgarook, Vic.). There were three baptisms, two adults and one teenager, at close of D. A. Good's student ministry. M. Humphries will replace him early in 1969.

## SEVEN BIRTHDAYS

(Hartwell, Vic.). Seven ladies of C.W.A.F. whose birthdays took place in January, had a birthday luncheon and fellowship in the home of Mrs. Wellington. . . . Interior of chapel building is being painted, and will be re-opened for beginning of New Year's work. . . . During minister's holidays, local brethren and visitors conducted Sunday services.

## NEW STUDENT MINISTER

(Tootgarook, Vic.). New student minister Malcolm Humphries, and his wife, started with the church on Jan. 5. . . . Mrs. J. Sime and A. Barber are ill. . . . The church was saddened by the loss of Mrs. Jessie Fordham, who died on Jan. 2.

cakes, and held Christmas fairs. The work of the girls was aided by a last minute gift of \$100 and the grand total is now \$1,200.

The girls help in other ways. At Christmas Thanksgiving parties, thousands of gifts were provided for the Hospital Chaplain and C.W.F. visitors. At twenty of these parties there were 2,000 girls and their leaders.

New year activities began with a camp at Monbulk for 70 and the 1969 theme is "Living is Sharing."

Asia-South Pacific Congress on Evangelism held in Singapore.

Thanks were given for the many parcels of Christmas gifts received by the Hospital Visitation Committee.

Delegates were reminded of the Missionary Camps in Feb. and March. Focus at these camps will be on India. Guest speakers at Monbulk will be Mrs. L. Main, mother of John Main, Indapur, India; Dr. and Mrs. Williams, recently returned from India; and Mr. Rocha who has recently migrated from India. An all-day Seminar will be held at Monbulk on Saturday, Feb. 22, 10 a.m.-5p.m. A bus will leave from the city.

Next Council meeting will be held on Feb. 6, 1969 at 8 p.m.

—M. Nelson, Asst. Sec.

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## COMMISSION ON UNION

The Joint Commission on Church Union of the Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches met in Wesley College, Sydney, Nov. 25-27.

The Commission completed the final revision of the Basis of Union.

This document will be forwarded to the Joint Constitution Commission which has the responsibility of preparing a constitution for the Uniting Church. It is expected that the final vote on Church Union will be taken in the three churches in 1972.

The document, whilst being conscious of the Church's heritage, is marked by

## ANOTHER MISSIONARY EXPELLED

(Durban). The Government of South Africa has told an American missionary worker in Natal, Miss Mary King, 59, that she must quit the country by Jan. 12. No reason was given by the Department of the Interior for not renewing her temporary resident's permit.

Miss King, a member of the United Church Board for World Ministries, is the chaplain and a member of the teaching staff of the Inanda Seminary on the Natal North Coast. She came to the Congregational boarding school for African girls in 1966 on a five-year appointment and was granted a temporary resident's permit which she had to renew every few months. Miss King denied being involved in any way with subversive organisations in South Africa.—E.P.S.

an awareness of the Uniting Church's relationship to other communions and to contemporary society. It states that the Uniting Church "lives within a worldwide fellowship of Churches in which she will learn to sharpen her understanding of the will and purpose of God by contact with contemporary thought."

The document emphasises the responsibility of each member in the total mission of the Church.

The Commission welcomed observers from the Anglican Church and the Churches of Christ.

Principal E. L. Williams represented Churches of Christ.

## VIETNAM COMPROMISE

(New York). The American people must reconcile themselves to "the best settlement we can get" in Vietnam, since it is "totally unlikely" that Hanoi would either surrender or make concessions that would "guarantee freedom of South Vietnam against a Communist takeover from within," said Dr. Edwin D. Canham, editor-in-chief of the "Christian Science Monitor," when he addressed the annual meeting of the Friends of the World Council of Churches.

Granting that it will probably be easier for the Nixon Administration to reach a settlement than for its predecessor, Dr. Canham said, "There is no really palatable solution in sight."

He suggested the best the new administration can do is achieve a settlement, "tacit or explicit," involving a "de-Americanisation of the war, a substantial

disengagement of American forces and a compromise within South Vietnam between the indigenous forces as they exist."

Dr. Canham stressed that safeguards must be taken against massive Viet Cong retaliation against those who have been loyal to the South Vietnamese Government.—E.P.S.

## LATOURETTE DIES

Dr. Kenneth Scott Latourette, 84, eminent church historian who participated in drafting the constitution of the World Council of Churches at Utrecht in 1938, died on Dec. 26 after being struck by an automobile.

One-time missionary in China, Dr. Latourette was the author of some 80 books including seven volumes on "The History of the Expansion of Christianity," published between 1937 and 1945. A four-volume "History of Christianity" issued in 1953 was also a standard work on church history.—E.P.S.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

(New York). Black Americans will determine their own programme and priorities for ghetto development, and own and operate businesses "not necessarily limited to black turf" (areas), declared a statement issued by leaders of seven local and national organisations involved in economic development.

"As black men who represent various facets of economic development, we hereby serve notice to all, including the new Administration, that the old patterns of fostering corporate colonialism on Black America no longer apply," they said.—E.P.S.

## Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



"On the other hand, if you don't have a little summer slump it may make your vacation replacement look TOO good!"

## "THE AUSTRALIAN CHRISTIAN"

### 50 YEARS AGO

(From "The Australian Christian," February, 1919)

**Influenza.** The influenza epidemic, which caused much havoc in other parts of the world, has now reached Australia. There is no cause for serious alarm, the disease is not specially "virulent" but there is need for taking great precautions. Hence, the regulations regarding the closing of schools, places of entertainment, auction rooms, and the restrictions regarding churches.

**Reports from the Field:** Nelson, N.Z. The influenza has much interfered with the work. Ashburton, N.Z. The work was at a standstill on account of the influenza epidemic. Oamaru, N.Z. Our church doors were closed for three Sundays on account of the influenza.

**Here and There . . .** Owing to the influenza outbreak, the opening of the 1919 session of the College of the Bible has been indefinitely postponed. . . . After the observance of the Lord's Supper for 2,770 Sundays without a break, no meetings were held at Swanston St. last Sunday. . . . All hotels within 15 miles of the Elizabeth St. Post Office were closed.

# BOOK REVIEWS

## THE RESURRECTION AND THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

By J. W. Sparrow-Simpson, D.D. (Zondervan Publishing House). \$6.95.

The subject of the Resurrection, since it is of cardinal importance in the Christian faith, well warrants the exhaustive treatment which it receives in this volume.

The author was an English theologian of a former day, although his book, first published in 1911, is as fresh and strong 58 years later. The present publishers are to be commended for their discernment in making the book available to yet another generation of Bible students.

The average reader need not be deterred by the bulk of the book or the wealth of scholarship evident on every page.

The author was one of the contributors to the Oxford Library of Practical Theology, a notable series whose object was to supply carefully considered teaching to devout laymen, who while they desire instruction, are not attracted to the scholarly treatises which appeal to the theologian.

Difficulties are not avoided by a mere appeal to authority. The author is always courteous and reverent, agreeing with or dissenting from writers whose arguments are fairly stated and fairly examined.

In this very able and comprehensive work, the author treats of three main subjects:

- "The Resurrection of Christ as a fact of history;
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  - "The Christian Doctrine of the Resurrection of the body."
- Especially helpful is the exposition of this last, tracing the way in which a crudely materialistic view gives way to Paul's great insight of "the spiritual body."—J.E.B.

## THE PRINCIPLES OF BIBLICAL INTERPRETATION.

By A. Skevington Wood. (Zondervan Publishing House). \$3.50.

Here is a searching look at one of the key issues in theological dialogue today. Much contemporary discussion hinges on the way in which the Bible is interpreted.

The author represents the Movement for World Evangelisation.

As one who majored in Church History he believes that an understanding of what has been taught in the past has bearing on present debates. He analyses the approach of five

great thinkers as they formulated the principles of Scriptural interpretation.

For Irenaeus the foundation-stone of interpretation is that "Christ constitutes the heart of Scripture. The Bible is a Book about the Saviour. The fundamental theme of the Biblical writers is the plan of salvation."

Origen's basic principle of interpretation may be expressed in Paul's terms of "the letter and the Spirit." (2 Cor. 3: 6). Since the literal sense was taken for granted by his readers, Origen strove to clarify and expound the spiritual meaning.

Augustine places supreme stress upon the approach of faith to the interpretation of Scripture. "Understanding," he says, "is the reward of faith. Therefore, seek not to understand that thou mayest believe, but believe that thou mayest understand."

Luther's doctrine of justification by faith became the touch-stone by which he tested every theological opinion. His God-given insight into the meaning of Romans 1: 17—"the just shall live by faith"—transformed the whole Bible for him, and supplied his overall interpretative clue.

Calvin's fundamental principle of interpretation is that "the natural and obvious meaning" of Scripture must be consistently sought. "It is the first business of the interpreter to let his author say what he does say, instead of attributing to him what we think he ought to say."—J.E.B.

## LEARNING TO LOVE. (3 volumes).

By Richard Pease, B.Sc., B.D. (Zondervan Publishing House).

The Christian life, it has been said, is a life in which we learn to love. This series of Bible studies is designed to help the reader think about this life of love to which he has been called. "Learning to Love" approaches the Scriptures not as a text-book from which to memorise doctrines, but rather as a guide-book through which we learn to live like Christians.

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These lessons are designed as study lessons. To receive the most benefit from them, the reader must spend time reading carefully and thinking hard as he studies.

"Learning to Love" is a series of inductive Bible studies, in which the individual discovers for himself what the Bible is saying, by probing the ways in which Christians are meant to go about this three-directional loving. Study questions are provided to help the reader uncover for himself the meaning of each passage.

Mr. Pease is on the staff of "Africa Enterprises," an inter-denominational mission team, serving as Director of Special Projects.—J.E.B.

## FEDERAL OVERSEAS MISSION

# OVERSEAS ROUND-UP

### Elder Abel Bani visiting New Guinea

Abel Bani, beloved elder in our New Hebridean churches was scheduled to arrive in Madang on Jan. 9 to spend several months visiting our mission work in New Guinea. Abel Bani's visit will have a great impact upon the people of New Guinea as he tells of all that God has done amongst the people of the New Hebrides. His visit will do much to convince the New Guinea people that the gospel message is not a "white man's story," but a message from God to all people and all who hear and accept are responsible to spread the message to others.

Abel will assist August and Maeline Ben, our New Hebridean missionaries to New Guinea to settle into the work. August and Maeline will most likely be located at Tung for several months, and then may be sent to new villages in the Keram River area.

### Gift \$5,000 for Church Building, New Guinea

The Campbell Edwards Foundation (N.S.W.) has forwarded \$5,000 to the Overseas Mission Board for the erection of a church at Bunapas in New Guinea.

Bunapas is one of our main stations in New Guinea and attractive mission houses, hospital wards and school buildings are being erected out of imported materials and local timber which is dressed and sawn at the mission saw mill.

The church is made out of local materials, that is with plaited bamboo walls, leaf roof, and has a dirt floor. The Campbell Edwards Foundation felt that it would be fitting to build a place of worship made out of more durable materials such as those being used on hospital wards, etc. The finance given will enable us to build a church large enough to cope with special convention meetings, etc., as well as normal Sunday services.

It will set a pattern so that in due course local village congregations will erect their own church buildings out of more durable material. At present churches are built from local materials, and have to be replaced every few years.

The gift from the Campbell Edwards Foundation is deeply appreciated by the Overseas Mission Board and our brethren in New Guinea.

### Banmatmat Graduate to study at Woolwich

John Liu, who was amongst the first graduates of the Banmatmat Bible College, arrived in Australia from the New Hebrides on Jan. 18, to commence studies at Woolwich College.

After completing his studies at Woolwich, John will return to the New Hebrides to serve as a tutor at the Banmatmat College.

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not increase still further in 1969. Enquiries about stamps can be made to D. A. Lewis, 9 Clisby St., Vale Park, S.A., 5081, or if more convenient to A. L. Finger, 12 Evelyn St., Balaclava, Vic., 3183. Used stamps can be sent to either of these places.

### Snippets from India

Miss Skuce: An invitation has come from the Mauritius Islands to send an evangelist there to do follow-up work with our students. We have quite a number of Marathi, English and Hindi speaking students on the islands. Please make this a definite matter of prayer for we need definite leading.

We had a very happy time of fellowship during the Divale (Festival of Lights), with the Operation Mobilisation team coming from Bombay for the Convention. The Baramati church invited them back for a week of special meetings in December, finishing with our church anniversary.

H. W. Waghmode: Some people are always ready to stir up more troubles. Nevertheless we pray that the will of the Lord will prevail in all matters and everything will soon be alright. We would especially request you all at this time to remember us all in your prayers.

Press reports reveal from time to time some of the difficulties facing India. Though these may be on a national basis in effect they reflect something of the picture even in the villages.

As one traces this right back to its source it deals with the individual. To them Mr. Waghmode refers and requests our prayers.

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I Am Only One

I am only one  
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 I can not do everything,  
 But I can do something.  
 What I can do,  
 I ought to do;  
 And what I ought to do  
 By the grace of God I will do.

—Canon Farrar.



Here rests a man who never rested here.  
 Epitaph in Ravenna Cathedral.



Loneliness is thrust upon us; solitude we must seek. Loneliness hurts, solitude heals.

—Joseph F. Newton.



Every church is above street level.



Everything comes to him who hustles while he waits.

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