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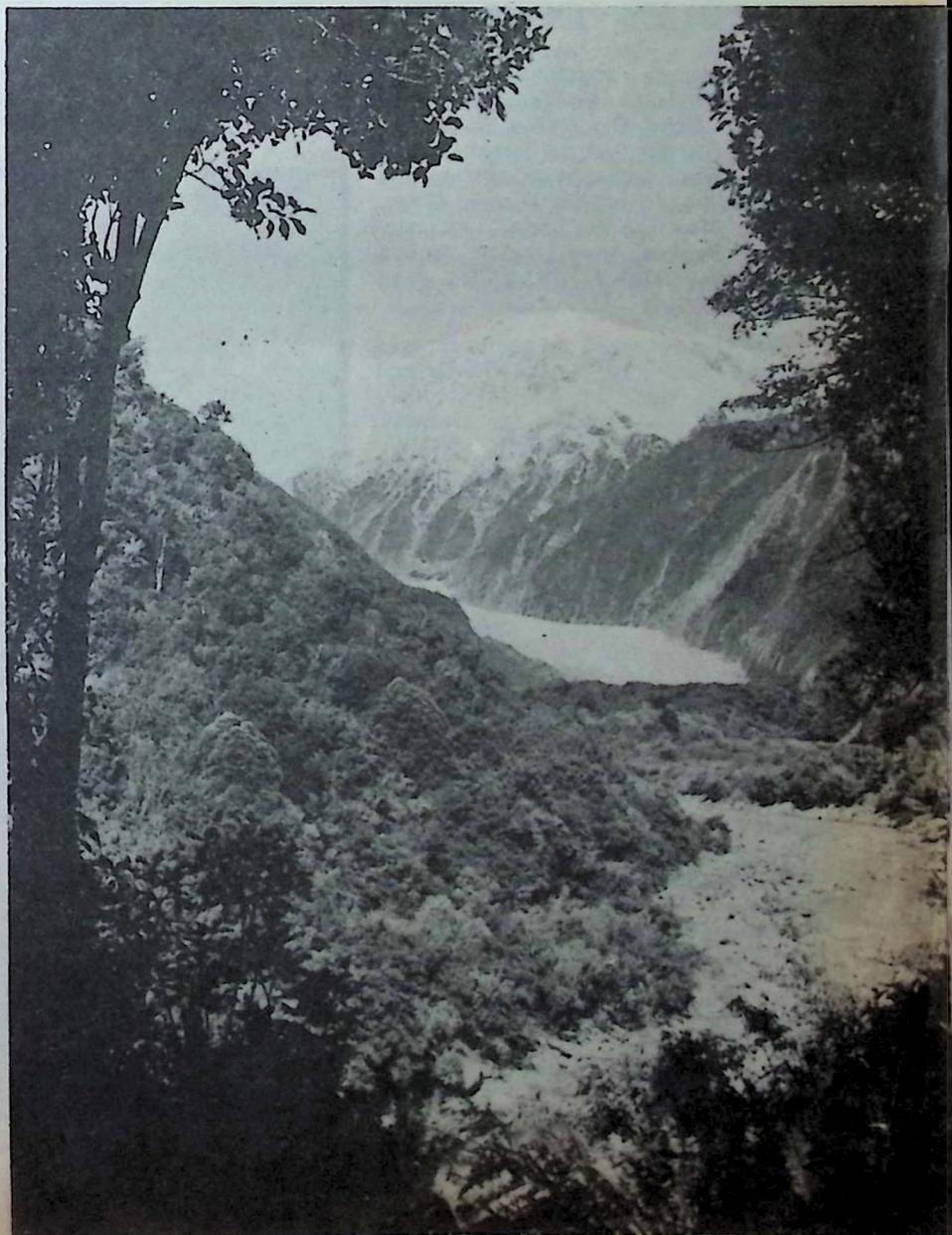
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# NEW HEBRIDEAN CHURCHES REACHING MATURITY

By R. S. A. McLEAN

In August the newly formed Conference Committee consisting of nine New Hebrideans and three Missionaries, met for the first time.

This Committee has replaced the Missionary Committee formerly known as the Field Council. The Conference Committee will be responsible to carry out the work of the Conference of Churches of Christ in the New Hebrides. The President is R. Wilson and Secretary is S. Vusi. Both men are New Hebrideans.

All decisions made by the Conference Committee are referred back to each

## DR. POTTER CABLES ON CHILE

Ambassadors attending the U.N. Security Council in New York received a telegram from Dr. Philip A. Potter, General Secretary of the World Council of Churches. Copies were sent to the ambassadors of Australia, Austria, China, France, New Guinea, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Panama, Peru, Sudan, United Kingdom, U.S.A., U.S.S.R., and Yugoslavia.

The message urged the ambassadors to use the meeting of the Security Council to ensure that the Chilean military authorities fully respect the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. "Allegations have reached me that many of these provisions have been grossly violated, especially with regard to the large community of exiles from other Latin American countries who have taken up legal residence in Chile. Should these allegations be proved, they would represent a serious threat to the peace and, under Article 39 of the U.N. Charter, should be dealt with by the Security Council."

Dr. Potter also cabled Dr. Kurt Waldheim, Secretary General of the United Nations, saying, "I wish to inform you that I have addressed to members of the Security Council the following message . . . (text of cable). "The allegations referred to in my telegram are of such gravity that I would, in addition, ask you to take prompt and proper measures to ensure the inviolability of the premises of the Economic Commission for Latin America and other related U.N. agencies in Santiago, and the personal safety of those employed there."

Island Conference for endorsement or otherwise. The Conference Committee will maintain its link with the Australian Churches of Christ through the Overseas Mission Board.

Commenting on the first meeting, Keith Ludgater wrote, "Conference Committee was fantastic—absolutely! You wouldn't have believed that the representatives would with some encouragement, find a new freedom and sense of responsibility and take to their task with such vigour. Praise the Lord!"

At the first meeting of the Conference Committee important decisions were made concerning location of missionaries, Vila Christian Centre, outreach among heathen villages on Santo, Youth work, and new missionaries for New Guinea.

Concerning the meeting, which lasted several days, Miss K. Williams wrote, "The meeting was very exciting and I think that all who were there sensed a spirit of harmony and getting somewhere at last. While there was disagreement on

some issues, we all felt that the Spirit of God was leading us in a new way. We praise God for the development of our New Hebridean Churches."

Peter Wagner in 'Frontiers in Missionary Strategy', wrote, "All missionaries agree that one of their objectives is full maturity in the churches they plant. Just what constitutes a 'mature' church? The description we will attempt goes beyond the self-supporting, self-governing, and self-propagating categories, without denying the validity of any of them. It furthermore is not intended to be limited to the Third World, since the same signs could profitably be applied to churches in the sending countries. The three signs of mature churches are: they can take care of themselves, they are churches for others, and they are relevant to their cultural situation."

I believe these three signs are becoming increasingly evident in our New Hebridean churches, and for this we give thanks to God.

## INNER SPRINGS

### *In time of need*



Every so often I am made aware of my vulnerability as a human being. Just when I least expect it there comes a blow to my self-esteem that severely shakes my confidence. Then I have an almost desperate longing to retreat from the eyes of the world. One such occasion was followed by morning service which included the much-loved hymn "Have Thine Own Way, Lord". As I wrestled with my wounded spirit, the following words leapt into new significance for me:—

Power all power—Surely is Thine

Touch me and heal me, Saviour Divine.

"Touch me and heal me". We are so used to thinking of His touch in terms of physical healing that we forget those other familiar words. "Oh, in what divers pains they came". Wounded spirits and diseased and broken bodies were the same to Him. Both needed to be restored. And when He sees the need and the desire, His response is beyond our expectations. As a warm glow filled my being, I knew that it was His word, His touch, given to me in a moment of need. This is not surprising. I have learnt enough of His ways to know that He speaks through things familiar and dear to us. He only awaits our coming. "Come unto Me". He has said, when we do in simple trust and expectancy, His healing touch will follow. And we shall go our way with a glad heart and strength renewed.

Tell Him about the heartache,  
And tell Him the longings too,  
Tell Him the baffled purpose  
When we scarce know what to do.

Then, leaving all our weakness  
With the One divinely strong,  
Forget that we bore the burden  
And carry away the song.

O Thou who art the Great Healer, be Thou our strength in weakness, and our inspiration when faith burns low. May we be conscious of Thy healing touch in all our moments of need.

Matthew 4:23-25

Amen.  
FLORENCE ROSIER

# YOUTH CONVENTION ON THE MOVE



Arnott Point on the Haast Road, Westland.

The 7th National Youth Convention will be held in New Zealand on the move, and as they sing and study, worship and play, the young people will visit some of the world's most famous holiday resorts.

This kind of thing has never been done before by Churches of Christ and, so far as we know, by any other church.

The dates are January 4 to 14, 1975. Australians will leave Sydney and Melbourne and join the New Zealand contingent in Christchurch on Jan. 4.

Travel will be by bus through the mountain, glacier, and lake areas. The young people will cross the mountain pass to the West Coast of the South Island, visit both the Franz Josef and Fox Glaciers, and then go south via the Haast Pass to Queenstown and Milford Sound.

They will stay several days at Queenstown, on the shores of Lake Wakatipu, at the height of the tourist holiday season. At Queenstown there will be a public rally at which the South Australian Youth Choir will present a concert. There is no doubt that the Choir has the reputation and the professional competence to attract a big response from the crowding holidaymakers and they will also give an effective Christian witness.

On each bus there will be trained leaders who will build personal relationships and promote friendliness. At certain places on the journey the young people will reflect on what they have seen, and through Bible studies based on the Book

of Acts they will examine their own experience as a part of the young church moving out and sharing together and Christian life and faith. As a group of Christians they will be learning to live together as they explore, what is to them, a new part of God's world.

Following their stay in Queenstown, the young people will move back to Christchurch and spend another three days sharing with the churches there and being involved in Workshops dealing with faith and commitment in the modern world. Five Workshops are planned and each representative will choose two. On the Sunday of their second spell in Christchurch, the young people will attend the various local churches and take part in the services.

Among the leaders of the Convention will be Avril Chapman, (N.Z.), Richard Lawton (Federal Director), Kelvin Parry (W.A.), Ron Kallmier (N.S.W.), Ian Allsop (Vic.), and Allan Male (Qld.).

The total cost will be approximately \$240. This includes air fares to New Zealand and back, accommodation, and also trips and tours along the way. The amount of \$240 does not cover other excursions some may wish to make while they are in N.Z., or Post-Convention tours. Young people are already booking for these which include trips through the thermal regions of the North Island and to Mount Ruapehu and Lake Taupo, and one of the famous N.Z. tramping tours.

Avril Chapman was recently in Australia to talk about the 5th National Convention, and wherever she went she found a growing interest in the opportunity for young people to share with others in New Zealand a novel and exciting programme.

The Convention leaders have found enthusiastic support from the New Zealand Government Tourist Bureau. While this kind of Convention is a first for us, it is a first for them, too. The anticipated success will encourage the Bureau to recommend this kind of programme to others. The banks have also readily assisted in setting up savings schemes.

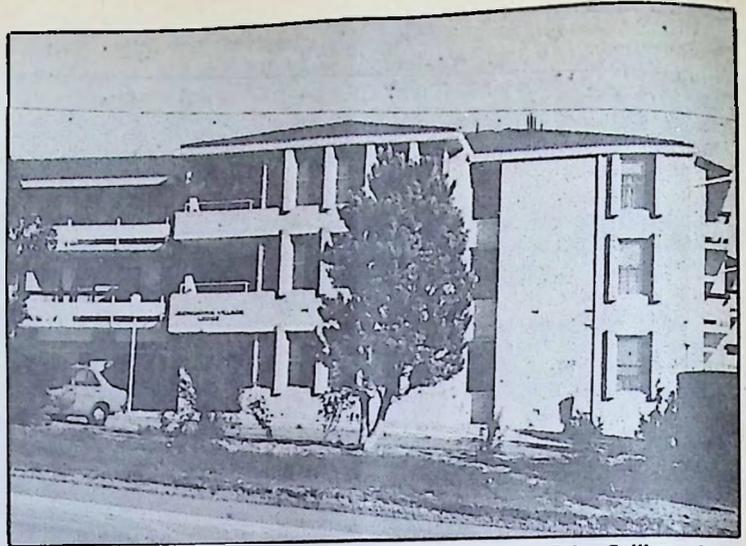
Many young people are putting aside \$3 per week towards this Jan., 1975, summer holiday. That amount of savings will almost meet the full cost of this unique adventure. 200 are expected to go from Australia and they will join 100 New Zealanders. There is a limit of 300, which is set by the accommodation capacity of the University Hall of Residence where the Convention will stay whilst in Christchurch.

Young people who would like to know more about this kind of youth adventure holiday are invited to get in touch with their State Youth Director, or to write to the Federal Board of Christian Education, 217 Lonsdale St., Melbourne, Vic. 3000.



Skyline Gondola above Queenstown.

# THE JOONDANNA STORY



—Shepherd Baker Sullivan photo

On July, 29 the W.A. Churches of Christ Aged Persons Homes Board officially opened and dedicated the final stages of the complex of buildings at Joondanna, a suburb of Perth. The new buildings are the Joondanna Village Lodge and the Elsie Youd Nursing Wing. Miss Elsie Youd was the first matron of the original Christian Guest Home at Joondanna.

The Joondanna complex began in July, 1954 when \$20,100 was invested to purchase eight blocks of land containing two large residential homes. A little over three months later there were seven guests in the Christian Guest Home as it was then known, and as improvements and additions were made the number grew to twelve in September, 1955, eighteen in late 1956 and twenty-three in 1966.

The surrounding land, enlarged by the purchase of two more adjoining blocks, gave the Board a large area of land bounded by Osborne, Baden and Edinboro Streets. The construction of home units for aged people able to care for themselves was then commenced, and 15 units were erected between 1962 and 1963, on the corner of Baden Street. In 1964 seven more units were completed on the Edinboro Street frontage, and in 1965 a further two across the back of the block, making a total of 19 single units and 5 doubles, accommodating 29 people in all.

The Board of Management then turned its attention to Carinya Village in Mount Lawley and the Elanora project in Bunbury, where in each case land in excess of 5 acres awaited development.

In 1970 it was realised that the original Guest Home buildings of timber and asbestos at Joondanna were nearing the end of their economic life, and an approach was made to the Commonwealth Government for assistance in demolition and the erection of new premises.

Miss D. Boston, owner of the two adjacent blocks in Edinboro Street honoured a promise made by her in 1954 to the then Christian Guest Home Committee and sold her property to the Board. In November 1971, after the last

church service at the old home, demolition was commenced, thousands of tons of earth removed, and in June, 1972 the first of the concrete footings was poured, the preface to a total expenditure in excess of \$750,000. The Board of Management gratefully acknowledges the contribution, by way of subsidy, from Commonwealth and State Government, of \$439,000, and approximately \$42,000 respectively.

During May this year the first few took up residence in the new Home, and today there are 88 accommodated — 48 in the 38 new Home Units, 20 in Hostel Rooms, and 20 in the Nursing Home.

The Joondanna Story is one of humble beginning, quiet growth and a sudden bursting into full bloom. The full growth cycle may yet be completed in the return to another "Christian Guest Home", like as to the original, where 10 or 12 frail-aged ladies will live as a family in a family home.

#### Dedication

The Dedication Service was led by the Chairman of the Aged Persons Homes Board, T. G. Banks. Speakers were H. W. Smetherham, Director, Commonwealth Department of Social Security, and the Hon. Ron Davies, M.L.A., Minister for Health, W.A. The Dedication was conducted by Conference President, J. W.

Somerville B.E., Dip. Ed. The occasional address was given by G. Smith, B.A.M.Sc.Wk., A.A.S.W., Director of Churches of Christ Christian Welfare Centre. Music was supplied by the Scarborough Trio.

#### Descriptive.

There are five levels in the new building. Level 1 (Osborne St. end only) is the Elsie Youd Nursing Wing. Here the carpet is green. Levels 2 and 3 are common through from Osborne St. to Edinboro St. Level 2 carpet is bronze, level 3 is red. Levels 4 and 5 are at the Edinboro St. end only. Level 4 carpet is blue, level 5 is marine green. There are two lifts serving the various levels. General furnishings of the Elsie Youd wing have been made available and will be maintained by the Women's Auxiliary Conference. The Joondanna Christian Women's Fellowship provided the finance for the front lounge of the Elsie Youd Wing.

The project architect is Brian J. Kidd, F.R.A.I.A., A.P.T.C.(Arch.), Dip.T.R.P. Mr. Kidd is an active member of our churches, and was also the architect for the projects at Carinya and Bunbury. Ronald J. Bullard is the Administrator of the Carinya/Joondanna Villages. R. Davey continues as General Secretary of the Aged Persons Homes Board.

## Wheatbelt Conference

(W.A.) The Eastern Wheatbelt Conference was held at Bruce Rock, with Mr. Johnston as President. 93 shared in communion. John Somerville, State Conference President, gave the sermon.

After lunch, the focus at the business sessions this year was on the Aged Persons' Homes and was presented by R. H. Davey. The Department featured was the Christian Welfare Centre and this was presented by Miss Vera Deane.

The Gospel Rally had W. Gaunson as preacher. This marked the beginning of the "Amazing Grace" meetings for the coming week at Bruce Rock.

Churches in this Conference are Bruce Rock, Corrigin, Merredin, Mukinbudin, and Naremben. P. Butler of Bruce Rock was elected as President for the coming year. Conference Living Link is Miss Rite McAllister.

Eighteen suburban churches on the southern bayside area of Melbourne have completed a programme of Evangelism. These churches occupy a strip of land that stretches along Port Phillip Bay. The churches vary from four miles from the centre of Melbourne to 54 miles away. Some are inner suburban, some are old established suburban, some are new suburban and some are rural Churches.

The churches date from 120 years old to only a few years old. Some of them give the impression of being tired and caught in the suburban exodus of young married couples. Others are frantically trying to cope with active church life and inadequate facilities. Most of the 18 do not have full time ministries and they are as theologically diverse as our Australian brotherhood could be.

These churches committed themselves in March 1972 to co-operate in a planned Programme of Evangelism to culminate in August, 1973. This was part of the State-wide programme of Evangelism undertaken to celebrate the Centenary of the Dept. of H. M. and Evang.

The Department's Director, D. H. Smith, and Field Worker, E. C. Keating, gave the churches every help, encouragement and practical support. As with many joint ventures the pressure of local business came first and most churches did little during the preparatory period. In spite of adequate information shared with church boards most were not familiar with what was happening. Often churches that needed new members and personal outreach the most did the least to accomplish it.

This was seen when the last few weeks of the mission approached.

Co-operation by various Committee members in preparing for the Mission to feature Gordon Stirling, Vice Principal of the College of the Bible, was excellent. Committee members frequently expressed their concern that the local congregations were doing little to gear themselves for an evangelistic thrust. The preparations went on according to schedule. Joint publicity was slow in getting to the churches. A fortnight before the mission dates some feelings of anxiety were expressed by the seemingly unresponsive mood of many of the churches.

# JESUS- THE NOW MAN

By GORDON MOYES

At this point prayers began to be answered and one after another minor miracles took place. Overnight difficult printing jobs were accomplished, tardy church Boards became enthusiastic and the spirit of optimism was seen arising above the bayside churches. Two important features of the mission were playing their part well. The first was the personal visit by 18 men to each of the churches to tell them during the morning services of the forthcoming mission. The second was the infusion of 15 guest Ministers who came to spend anything from one to four days in the local church conducting house parties and small groups concerning commitment to Christ and what membership of the local church really meant. The church visits and the house parties brought to a head the final preparations for the mission.

The site was the Moorabbin Town Hall and on opening night the Mayor of Moorabbin, Councillor Frank Le Page, an active member of Cheltenham church, opened the meetings with his own personal testimony. An average of 400 attended the next two nights. The Friday night Youth Cabaret saw 400 youth meet under the leadership of several rock bands and Barry Jenkins of the H.M. Dept. 170 men met in a prayer Breakfast addressed by Max Fox, M.H.R. and Gordon Stirling. The final service saw 1100 people in the Moorabbin Town Hall with an excellent musical programme and a very powerful address from Gordon Stirling.

During the week there were 16 public decisions for Christ, 37 other decisions were recorded on cards at the associated meetings, two people committed their lives to fulltime service, 25 others expressed their desire for a Minister to call and discuss church membership. Other decisions were made at the house parties prior to the mission. A total of 105 commitments to Christ were made.

No wonder some people who at first hoped for a minor miracle began to praise God and talk of a major happening!

Other churches who are at the moment preparing for Programmes of Evangelism should take heart from what has happened along the Melbourne bayside. But more importantly they should learn the lessons of the mistakes of those churches. Only the grace of God saved a situation that had been marked by tardiness, lethargy in regard to the churches' evangelistic task and the scheduling of other priorities over our primary need to witness. If other churches learn these lessons and allow the spirit of God to work among them then the miracles along the bayside would be repeated throughout the land.

## A.B.I. STAFF

The Council of the Adelaide Bible Institute have just announced the appointment of new staff for 1974.

Lionel Berthelsen, B.A., B.D., will join the staff as lecturer in New Testament studies. Mr. Berthelsen is an ordained Church of Christ minister. He has lectured at Kenmore Christian College, and is currently assisting at Sydney Missionary and Bible College. He will come to A.B.I. following a pastorate at Fairfield Church of Christ, N.S.W. Mr. Berthelsen is married, with two small children. He is a graduate of Queensland University.

Ian Webber, B.A., Dip. Ed., Dip. T., comes to A.B.I. after nine years as Headmaster of a large S.A. area school in South Australia. With a wealth of teaching and administrative experience he has accepted appointment as Registrar and part-time lecturer. At the same time Mr. Webber will complete studies towards the Melbourne B.D. He is married with three children.

Miss Sandra Walker, on completion of her course at A.B.I. will join the staff in a secretarial capacity, with particular responsibility for accounts.

A.B.I. has committed itself to a major campus upgrading, and it is in line with this that it has been seeking suitable staff for a new era in the life of the College. 1974 is the 50th year of the Institute, the 25th of the residential College.



Gordon Stirling and Barry Jenkins in dialogue, and part of the crowd of teenagers at the Youth Cabaret.

• QUEENSLAND

# "MAY HIS TRIBE INCREASE!"



Norm and Mavis Watson

A well known Queensland Senator was re-elected a few years ago with an intensive television coverage claiming that—he was "a man you can trust". How far you would trust him would depend upon your political leaning. Such is not so with Norm Watson who has gained the respect of all regardless of political persuasion.

Since 1963 he has been the Personnel and Industrial Relations Superintendent and Industrial relations Officer for Queensland Ampol Oil Refinery. It is in this context that his capacity for fairness and firmness has gained him a reputation envied by the majority of P.R. men. Midst the tensions of modern industrial bargaining Norm walks the tightrope between men and management and is justifiably proud of the attitudes of both groups to his abilities in handling the inevitable disputes.

He claims the indwelling presence of Christ as his secret of peace and harmony. His life of work and witness is testimony to a deep faith that sees its fulfilment in working with and for his fellows.

Born at Rockhampton in 1921 he was the eldest of a family of two boys and three girls, and parents who were foundation members of the Rockhampton Church of Christ when it was established in 1929. He was baptised at the age of 12 by Stan Vanham, former minister and State Pastor/Evangelist. He became involved in the work of the church—presiding at the Lord's table, active in Christian Endeavour and preached his first sermon at 17 years of age. He became a deacon and Secretary of the Rockhampton Church for many years and served as Bible School Superintendent.

From 1941 to 45 he served in the armed forces and served three years, in two separate periods, at Milne Bay, Port Moresby, Madang and Bougainville.

At Gympie he met and married Mavis Portas. Mr. Vanham officiated at this ceremony in 1944. Mavis and Norm have five sons and three daughters and all are active in church affairs.

Norm worked at the Lakes Creek (Rockhampton) meatworks for 19 years, commencing as a stenographer and becoming Personnel Manager/Industrial Officer in 1949. He transferred to Brisbane in 1955 and to Townsville in 1962. Since 1963 he has worked for Ampol.

The churches have always been influenced by Norm's transfer to their

membership and he has moved in and served with them. With a wide knowledge of the brotherhood, enhanced by his moving about the state Norm has used these experiences in various capacities. As Conference Secretary for 1956 to '63; on the Home Missions and Social Service Committees for a number of years; as a current member of the Advisory Board, now totalling 15 years, and as Business Manager for the state paper "The Echo" since 1957.

An elder at the Ann St., (City) Church of Christ (1963) and Secretary since 1966 Norm continues to serve lengthy and distinguished periods of administrative witness.

Interested and concerned for the whole State and the Brotherhood at large, Norm is typical of thousands of our fellows in churches that would not be half as effective without them. Norm is the epitome of William Merrill's hymn—

"Rise up O, men of God,  
Have done with lesser things . . ."

Congratulations Norm, may God bless you and like Abou Ben Adam—"may your tribe increase."

—A.C.M.

## BRIBIE ISLAND RETIREMENT VILLAGE

An enthusiastic group of people shared in the opening of Stage 1 of the Bribie Island Retirement Village on Saturday, Sept. 15. The Conference President of Churches of Christ, Leonard Brooks, presided and the official opening was performed by the Chairman of the Caboolture Shire, Councillor Alexander Barr. Amongst the special guests were Evan Adermann, M.H.R. for Fisher, Mrs Adermann, and Mr. and Mrs. Ashton who represented the Department of Social Security.

The Bribie Island Retirement Village is a Community Service project, sponsored by the Churches of Christ in Queensland in co-operation with the Caboolture Shire Council. 8 acres of land have been made available for the development of the Village over the next 5 years. 150 self contained units, an ambulatory Guest Home for 60 guests and a 30 bed Nursing Home with 24 hour nursing staff, together with craft and recreation rooms, Village Hall and Chapel are envisaged for the setting which will lend itself to the provision of a sub-tropical garden. Already the enthusiasm of the Caboolture Shire Council is apparent in making available the initial grant of land, and sponsoring an approach to the Land Commission of Queensland for additional

land, and making a gift of \$3000 for the clearing and filling.

The "Pioneer Residents" of the Village are Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Muller from Redcliffe, and from Victoria, Mrs. E. Thomas and Mrs. B. Goslin who have already taken up residence in their units.

Stage 2 of the project has been sent out for tender, comprising a further series of self contained units in alternatives of duplex cottages for married people and row house units for single accommodation. Applications are invited for sponsors for these self contained units. Information may be obtained from the Churches of Christ in Queensland Social Service Committee, 363 Gregory Terrace, Brisbane, telephone 21-7503.

Architects for the Village are Messrs. Merrin and Cranston of Brisbane, and Messrs. C. J. & W. M. Westerhuis built the initial units at a cost of \$17,000. Stage 2 will include hostel accommodation for 30 people, provided under the Aged Persons Hostel Act 1972. Gifts were made totalling \$256 which will be devoted to Stage 3 of the project, the provision of the Nursing Home. All contributions of \$2 or more to the project are eligible for tax concessions.

# CASINOS ARE ANTI-HUMAN

"One thing Australia certainly does not need—now or ever—is more casinos. Or highly organised gambling of any kind." This is the view of Archdeacon Colin Sheumack of Bendigo, Vic.

He said, "There are a whole lot of reasons why organised gambling is against the interests of almost everyone. Gambling deliberately introduces the element of chance where it does not need to be at all.

"Organised crime of any kinds has historically found gambling, prostitution, graft, and organised, big-scale theft to be natural partners.

"Promised government control of big-scale gambling has not worked anywhere at all. We have only to consider the muddle in N.S.W. over the small illegal casinos there to know that.

"Economically, gambling is a curse. Extensive gambling would be a completely unproductive industry tying up working people and capital. The only results of it are a capricious redistribution of money, and a range of associated evils.

"Why does the community want extended gambling and casinos at all? The answer from the public opinion polls at the moment is that most of Australia does not. Victorians, at the moment, have told the polls they will 'approve' a casino in Hobart, but a majority will not

approve a casino in Melbourne."

Archdeacon Sheumack said this was true of most capital cities. They do not want a casino set up in their home state. The Tasmanians, the only people with a casino within their State boundary—are more hostile to casinos close to home than anyone else.

"The figures are so striking in Tasmania that I must say I think anything but a biased press would have made it headlines. To introduce more casinos would be to bring in more of something anti-human, uncivilised, and ultimately uncontrollable."

—Church Scene

## HARVEY (W.A.) CELEBRATES 75th BIRTHDAY

In 1898, two years after Mr. and Mrs. George Charman came from Emerald, Vic., eleven members formed the church in Harvey, W.A.

Services were first held in a tent, then in their home as soon as it was built. Later, meetings were held in the State School and the Town Hall, until the chapel was built in 1915. A crowd of 170 shared in the 75th Anniversary services, Aug. 25-26.

Many descendants of the early pioneers: the Charmans, Sheehans, Chapmans and Sharps, were present at the dinner and the Sunday services. Past ministers and local ministers also attended. Mr. Manning, M.P., and a representative of the Shire Council were present.

N. Ottrey, church secretary, outlined the church's history, Lou Park told of the early 30's, during the depression years

and the excavation for the River Diversion, and Harold Fitch and T. D. Maiden, former ministers, recalled old times.

Mrs. A. Stanford, 89 years of age, was honoured as the oldest living member. She now resides at Elanora Lodge, Bunbury. Mrs. Grace Higgins and Mr. and Mrs. Len Roesner were also honoured for their long association with the church. Mr. and Mrs. Roesner cut the cake, which was iced in the form of an open Bible and featured 75 candles.

John Somerville, Conference President, and also a past minister, spoke at the Sunday morning service, and T. D. Maiden gave the message at night. The singing was led by Len Jones.

### WORLD TALK NO. 82 A.B.C. OF THE BIBLE

This is one of the most significant of biblical themes. Redeem, redeemer, redemption and ransom — all words from the same base — are mentioned 143 times in the O.T. and 27 in the N.T. But their significance is even greater.

In the O.T. redeem is used of buying back an object in pawn (Lev. 25:25, 30, 33). Boaz redeemed the land of Naomi with its obligation to marry Ruth (Ruth 4). It was used of buying back something, a son, possessions or self originally given into God's service, by making regular payments to the priests. But redeem mainly applied to God's redemption of Israel from the slavery of Egypt (Exo. 6:6; Deut. 8:15). It was used of the release of Israel from captivity in Babylon when God paid a ransom to Cyrus by giving him, in Isaiah's opinion (Isa. 43:3), an African empire in exchange for Israel.

In the N.T. times redeem had two contemporary uses. It was used concerning the price paid to release an object from pawn or the purchase price for the freedom of a slave. This background develops one of the N.T.'s most beautiful pictures — we are bought with a price (1 Cor. 6:19-20; 7:23; Gal. 3:13; 4:4-5 etc) when as a slave to sin our freedom price was paid. Jesus was the fulfilment of the O.T. sacrificial system (Heb. 9:12).

Jesus said (Matt. 20:28; Mk 10:45) that he gave his life as a ransom, the freedom price for our release. In his blood we have redemption from sin.

Tied closely with this are the words of Jesus concerning the giving of his flesh for the world (Jn 6:51), the Good Shepherd laying down his life for his sheep (10:11) and the Master giving his self for his friends (15:13). That redemption has been completed but not yet consummated. All history and nature have yet to be redeemed (Rom. 8:19-23).

## REDEEM

### DICTIONARY

To redeem means to buy back mankind from the slavery of sin through the sacrifice of Christ. Redemption is the saving activity of God.

### FOR TODAY

An understanding of redemption explains Christmas — Calvary was the cost and purpose of Bethlehem.

Man's enslavement to sin is obvious. Individuals are alienated from God, from the environment, each other, and themselves. Reconciliation is vital for the sake of the world, our own sake, and, when we consider the alternative, for God's sake.

If we are slaves purchased into freedom we should consider expressing our gratitude by claiming our purchaser as our new master. Abraham Lincoln purchased a slave in order to set him free. That slave's gratitude was demonstrated by serving Lincoln the rest of his days. Christians are purchased into freedom by Christ, but express their gratitude by placing themselves into his service.

Tillich and Bultmann while stressing the redeemed life as a new creation don't give credit where it is due. Man's self-realization is the work of God's grace not man's natural maturity. The scriptural emphasis is that man can escape sin by no conceivable means but the grace of God.

The old argument of mediaeval times was that the price paid by God for the redemption of mankind was made to the devil. This is not a N.T. concept for that would place the devil on an equality with God. The N.T. emphasis is on the fact of our deliverance and not on the legal details.

Gordon Moyes

# OPEN FORUM

Letters do not necessarily reflect the views of the management or editorial panel. Correspondents are requested to say only what is true, kind, necessary, and Christian, and to say it in no more than 150 words.

## COLOUR TV

To the Editor,

Bill Armstrong on behalf of Action For World Development says the introduction of colour T.V. raises fundamental questions. His questions raise fundamental queries.

1. If the cost of colour T.V. were diverted to undeveloped nations it would not make a measurable impact. We will have to think bigger than that!

2. Calling Australians to reject colour T.V. is to programme the Church for failure. Colour T.V. is in, and cannot be stopped. Our campaign is doomed to fail. Our P.R. should promote our successes, not publicise a pre-determined failure.

3. I reject the statement that colour T.V. is a luxury item. Admittedly we have not yet realised the full potential of the medium, but already T.V. is the major factor influencing public opinion in this country. (That few churchmen have realised this is evident in that we fund our C.T.A. in Victoria to a YEARLY budget equivalent to the cost of producing a 45 minute Homicide episode).

4. As Christians, have we the right to stop progress in one industry, whilst ignoring those industries producing stereos, cars and de luxe refrigerators? Is that fair?

5. The visit to the moon cost a lot of money, but brought in its wake an advanced technology that has benefited mankind. Used wisely, colour T.V. will do the same, especially in the field of education.

Obviously the call to reject colour T.V. is another misguided effort.

Worthy as their cause may be Action for World Development have failed to understand the ramifications of colour T.V.

Hasten on March 1975.

Malcolm G. Gray, Vic.

## OPEN FORUM

To the Editor,

Just as Mr. Bouce was interested to read Mr. Harper's letter about Freemasonry, so I was interested to read both letters.

I imagine there is something in the ethic of Freemasonry which forbids its members to defend the craft or advertise it in any way, so in case you get no letters defending Freemasonry, I, as secretary to the Women's Auxiliary of our own Church of Christ Masonic Lodge, Antioch, am writing.

Lodge Antioch was founded in 1930

by Harold Robbins, and I am positive that anyone who has ever belonged to it has become a better person for so doing.

Until I became connected with Freemasonry in 1968, when my husband became Master of Lodge Antioch for a year, I was a religious bigot; I thought everyone who did not think just as I did was bound for Hell. I have been humbled by the truly fine people I have met; people who have taught me a thing or two about unselfishness and brotherly love. I refer to people in other lodges who previously I would have condemned as "worldly." (It goes without saying that people in Lodge Antioch are of fine character).

It is true that Jesus said "No man cometh unto the Father but by me," but he also said there will be some great surprises when it comes to separating the sheep from the goats.

Jesus is behind all goodness. He condemned church members who were sure they were treading the only path of righteousness.

Freemasonry is not a religion—it is a kind of club with fine high ideals and strict rules for character and conduct.

In its social life there is some jolly good clean, healthy fun, which is good for all of us.

Merle Watson

(Sect., Companions of Antioch).

## MINUTES

To the Editor,

I fully support everything that Leslie E. Baker says about the necessity of Church Board Meeting Minutes, and add thereto. In law the names of the mover and seconders of motions are also required.

It is as an historian that I am most concerned about modern church Minute Books. They tell you nothing about business discussed at meetings and of the way the final motions were arrived at. This is in marked contrast to the way Minutes were kept, say a century ago, where a resume of the business discussed was part of the Minutes. From these Minutes one can write history because a true record has been kept. Today a true record is not kept, indeed one can say a record of any sort is just barely kept. The real business of the meeting is dismissed in little space. The reason for this is because whilst our secretaries now don't bother to record the movers of motions they do faithfully record such useless information as to what hymns are sung, who leads in prayer and the Bible readings.

Certainly we don't want the whole meeting taken up with the reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting. But we should have an accurate report of the business of the previous meeting, and that includes defeated business as well as

## LETTERS FROM TERTIUS

### FEELINGS

To the Editor,—I was a belated volunteer to look for a child lost in the bush. I arrived as they brought him out to his father. The re-union was deeply emotional. Even the tough bush walkers who found him had wet eyes. I thought my heart would burst open. I thought about it as I drove home alone in the dark. And I remembered how all heaven is shot through with emotion when just one weary child of God who has lost his way is brought home to the Father.

The car was running down towards the city lights, and I remembered that each Sunday morning the children of God who have lost their way again and again in this neon jungle, find their way back to the Father revealed in the bread and wine. But of course there mustn't be any emotion like there was by that bush track, or like there is amongst the angels of heaven. It's not Australian to show your feelings. And on the rare occasion on a Sunday night when some one walks out of his lostness down our carpeted aisle because God has found him, any show of emotion makes the elect cringe with embarrassment.

It's alright to weep at a sad film on telly. You can show your emotions unashamed at the footy, or in a demo, or at a moratorium. Passionate love may be made publicly in broad daylight on beach or in park. Teenagers can squeal at their pop stars. But it seems that some dour devil has placed a box outside churches with the sign, "Please leave your emotions at the door. You may collect them on the way out."

Yours respectfully,  
TERTIUS.

successful business, and sometimes a report of a mere discussion because it is important.

But, even if necessary for preservation, the mere machinery of the meeting has to be recorded, it does not have to be read. Eg. Meeting, 8 p.m., 29-8-73, hymn 249, Chairman B. Windbag, Reading Acts 25, 1-9 by Joe Blow.

That takes little to record but a fair time to read, and is needless. The movers of motions can be recorded in a couple of words, but they too could be omitted in the reading. And, may I ask, at what one of our churches could not the Minutes be read between the time the meeting should start and when it does start!

Neither the Lord, nor the Historian is going to thank anyone for the present slovenly way Minutes are kept.

John J. Alderson, Vic.

#### WILLIAMS ON TAPE

To the Editor,

Recently, the Churches of Christ Ministers' Fraternal, N.S.W., was addressed in its annual Refresher by Principal E. L. Williams of the College of the Bible,—"The New Morality" and the "Restoration Principle".

Those of us at the Refresher found these topics tremendously stimulating, and we deeply appreciated the scholarship commitment and personal integrity of Mr. Williams.

It seems a pity that many of the contributions of some of our

brotherhood leaders is received and appreciated by only a few at such gatherings. I am sure that many of our people throughout Australia will benefit from the lectures which Mr. Williams gave.

As President of the Fraternal in New South Wales, I am happy to say that these lectures were taped and are now available to any who want them on C90 Cassette tapes for the nominal cost of \$1.50 per tape (which includes 2 lectures). These 6 lectures are available on 3 cassette tapes:

**TAPE 1.** Theme "The New Morality" Lecture 1. "The Position of Situation Ethics" Lecture 2. "The Values and Disvalues of Situation Ethics" ...

**TAPE 2.** Theme "The Restoration Principle" Lecture 3. "The Restoration Principles" Lecture 4. "The Restoration Principle under Pressure" ...

**TAPE 3.** Lecture 5. "The Defence of the Restoration Principle" Lecture 6. "The Distinctive Witness and Aims of the Restoration Movement Today" ...

These tapes will be posted as soon as practical after orders are received, at a cost of \$1.50 each. It is my hope that in this way we can continue to promote understanding of our position, the unity of our people, and an appreciation of each other's point of view.

J. R. Bacik,

56 Alexander Street,  
Dundas. N.S.W. 2117.

#### JAMES DEFOREST MURCH

The death is announced of James DeForest Murch in the U.S.A. at the age of 80.

He had held responsible positions in the editorial department of the "Christian Standard", and was well known as an author and educator.

Among his books were "Christians Only", "Christian Education in the Local Church", and "Teach or Perish". A recently completed autobiography, "Adventuring for Christ in Changing Times", had just been published.

He was associated with the National Sunday School Association, National Religious Broadcasters, and the Evangelical Press Association. He served for some years as managing editor of "Christianity Today."

#### o VIC.-TAS. D.C.E.

### CO-ED. CAMPING

The first "Co-Ed" Camp for Forms 1 and 2 young people was held last year at Hall's Gap.

This year, in September school holidays, two camps were held with 160 young people attending. Hall's Gap and Monbulk were the venues, and Monbulk was used for the first time for a "Co-Ed" camp for this age group.

Bad weather for most of the time did not dampen the campers' spirits—only their clothes! It did place extra stress on the leaders.

The D.C.E. appreciates the help of 36 leaders (and the cooks) in the smooth running of the camps.

—Ray McKenzie, Director.

**METHODIST BAPTISM** (Fullarton, A. T. Lawrie) Glenunga Methodist Church borrowed our chapel for a baptismal service . . . The S.S. anniversary theme was "Praise the Lord." . . . Blackwood young people conducted an evening service with items and testimonies . . . Noel Goodall was elected an elder . . . Lorraine Creeper has been accepted as a candidate for W.E.C. . . . Ian Dawkins was received into fellowship by faith and baptism . . . Mrs. Caldwell gave an inspirational message on "Flowers" to C.W.F. . . . University students took part in an evening service . . . The O/Seas Missions Committee visited the Guild.



## VICTORIA

**"GOD'S SQUAD"** (Chelsea, D. Oakes) Members from "God's Squad" were guests at Boys' and Mens' Tea on Sept. 23. They spoke at the tea and afterwards conducted the service. Several folk made deeper commitment to Christ. . . . Mrs. Bobbie Brown was a member of the Lay Witness team that visited Reservoir.

**BUILDING PURCHASED** (Warburton, C. W. Jackel) The church has purchased a building from the Church of England situated on half-an-acre on the Warburton Highway at Westburn. It will accommodate 80 and is almost fully furnished ready for use. The church was thrilled with a sacrificial Temple Day offering of \$4096, leaving only \$154 for payment of full amount. The building will be occupied in about six weeks time . . . Four adults were baptised at the Mt. Evelyn Church on Oct. 7 . . . The Ladies' Guild has sent offerings to Aborigines' Missions, J.E.W., and Underground Evangelism. The Guild also arranged a birthday fellowship tea at the home of Mrs. Ray Emonson to honor Mr. Jackel who has been preaching the gospel for 46 years . . . Mr. and Mrs. F. Lacy of Avonsleigh have donated a player piano, complete with stool, to the church.

**GIVING RESPONSE** (Mildura, T. Lawrie) The church annual meeting reported that in first year of planned giving the amount received was 95% of amount pledged. Mr Lawrie has been unanimously invited to minister for a further term of three years. . . . Features have included a Sunday evening Fellowship Tea and a shared evening service with Red Cliffs church . . . A "Tweens" group, 11 to 13, has been commenced . . . Mrs D. Job, Welfare Officer for Save the Children Fund at Dareton, was interviewed concerning Aborigine children . . . C.W.F. has purchased a refrigerator for the kitchen, and raised \$94 at annual "At Home" for Social Service Homes . . . C.Y.F. visited Bendigo and district function, also Robinvale. A 9 to 14 age Camp was held during school holidays . . . A badminton court has been made in hall . . . C.M.S., C.W.F., and C.Y.F. held combined night featuring "Would you believe . . . ?" Films of early camps were shown.

**SPORTSMEN'S SERVICE** (Berwick, K. J. Clinton) A special Sportsmen's Service featured Sir Douglas Nicholls; Harry Beitzel, TV football compere; and David Parkin, Hawthorn football captain. The Silvertone musical group gave items and Ken Luscombe was preacher. Supper was served to 160 with Dandenong and Noble Park churches giving support . . . An historical Civic Service was attended by 130, including local Members of Parliament, councillors, council staff and citizens, who came at the invitation of Cr. G. F. Rae, Shire President. This was the last thanksgiving service in the Berwick Shire as it is constituted at present. . . . A gift of \$400 has been received from the estate of the late Harold Hunter, who spent most of his life at Berwick and was actively involved in the life of the church.

### TOORA CHURCH (Vic.) Church Anniversary United Church Building November 11, 11 a.m.

Speaker: Mr. Stanton Wilson followed by Fellowship Luncheon.

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## PLANNED GIVING

# THE CHURCH HAD DOUBTS

The suggestion of a planned giving campaign often raises doubts in the minds of some, and Peel St. Ballarat, church had plenty of doubts.

The Board itself was divided, knowing that many board members and church members had a lot of big questions in their minds. However, a decision was made to go ahead.

The first meeting with Ted Keating from the Dept. of Home Missions and Evangelism, fired the Board with enthusiasm, but there were still doubts as to church membership being equally enthusiastic, or that the giving would increase by the 50% which Mr Keating anticipated.

The programme began with night programmes for those interested and this was where things began to happen. Members came and they did express their doubts, asked questions and found answers. They also found something they had not expected: an increase of fellowship led by the Spirit.

Those involved realised that the real and lasting benefit of the Home Missions programme was not an increase in giving of money, but an increase in commitment to Jesus Christ.

When visitation began, visitors already knew that the programme was a success and pledges of money seemed a secondary thing compared with the new spirit in the church.

Nevertheless, in facts and figures there were results. 72% of the members visited pledged, and there was an increase of 57% in giving. The church is grateful to Ted Keating and the Dept. of Home Missions.

## EVANGELISM CONGRESS

The chief addresses to be given at the 1974 Congress on World Evangelisation in Lausanne, Switzerland, will be delivered by Dr. Peter Beyerhaus (Lutheran, Germany); Dr. Rene Padilla (Baptist, Argentina); Dr. Susuma Uda (Reformed Presbyterian, Japan); Bishop Festo Kivengere (Anglican, Uganda); Dr. Geo. Peters (Mennonite, U.S.A.); Dr. Howard Synder (Free Methodist, Brazil); Dr. Donald McGavran (Disciples of Christ, U.S.A.); Samuel Escobar (Baptist, Peru); Canon Michael Green (Anglican, U.K.); Prof. Henri Blocher (Baptist, France).

The addresses will be printed and circulated to the delegates in advance, and the speakers will present them in condensed form. The speakers will then discuss questions submitted by the delegates, also in advance.

The intention is to focus attention on the theological and strategic issues on which the success of world-wide evangelistic programmes will depend.

## WRINKLIES AND SMOOTH

(Traralgon-Morwell) "We hope you'll like it," they said, "but it will be different." It was different. Eight young people and two leaders had put months of effort into preparing the service. There was no preview. After all, one doesn't get to preview the minister's sermons. Tape-recorders and projector were a part of the setting, as well as the communion table.

Gerald, who had never before taken part in public, led the song service. Then Malcolm invited us to hear ten sacred recordings and to cast votes for the favourite three. Some were wrinkly—some too smooth, depending how old we were. Bob led in prayer, a simple, sincere, well-prepared prayer.

They then presented an audio-visual of their own making. It led naturally into the Communion Service, presided over by Sue and Ruth. When we broke bread, Ruth carried the half loaf in her hands and invited us each to break it with her. Prayer by Bob again closed a meaningful, if different act of worship.—D. A. V. Thomas.

# JAY'S FOR JUNIORS

## BIBLE BIRDS

In the Psalms, one writer says that if he had the wings of a bird he would fly away and be at rest. What bird did he name?

A migratory bird used to make a nest for itself on the very altar where the people came to worship God. Which bird is mentioned? (see page 15)

## GOOD FOOD

The budgerigar is a native Australian bird, although many thousands have been sent overseas. As far back as 1868, 10,000 were taken away in a single ship. The aborigines thought of them as eating birds . . . "boodgereegar" mean't good food.

Cavewoman to mate: "Don't just stand there—slay something."

"Mother," said Bobby, "they're not going to be happy down at the grocer's. His wife has got a baby girl, and he's had a 'Boy Wanted' sign in the shopwindow for a week.

Joe: "You look all broke up."

Jack: "I am. I wrote home for money for a study lamp."

Joe: "So what happened?"

Jack: "They sent me a lamp!"

The Stone Age is about 20, and the bigger the stone the better she likes it.



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# REVIEWS

## CHURCH MEMBERSHIP KIT (Joint Board of Christian Education)

The Joint Board of Christian Education has produced a "Church Membership Manual" for ministers and other leaders conducting church membership training courses.

I have just completed a Training Class and I used this entirely new study material. The C.L.C. Church Membership Manual gives several different approaches to classes — one of which is the use of the \$25 kit. This kit I used, with its audio-visuals, recordings, theologise game, posters, work sheets and check lists. The kit would serve adults as well as young people and could be used in a mixed group.

The kit is planned for nine sessions, but my church calendar required me to keep within a six weeks period. I therefore combined three sessions. These were each for 45 minutes after school. I had material far in excess of what I could use. The order and grouping we used was: Session 1: Look at Life, The Life of Faith; Session 2: Jesus Christ; Session 3: The Church, Worship; Session 4: Grace and Guidance, including Baptism and the Lord's Supper; Session 5: Dilemmas and Decisions, Saying what we Believe; Session 6: Life Commitment.

The variety of the sessions was appreciated and a readiness to use worksheets between several of the classes was noticeable. Response in commitment was higher than in any previous class.

I commend such a programme for secondary school students attending Youth 1-3 Bible School or CYF groups. Invitations are by letter with reply slips. The direct approach seeking intention to make commitment is also by letter with stamped addressed envelopes. Although many envelopes are handed in at the final class, they are slipped into the file and opened later rather than in front of the person or other class members. The decisions are made privately and individually as to whether they will make a commitment at the Commitment service or defer their decision until some later time. — E. W. Roffey

(Available from Federal Board of Christian Education, 217 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne, Vic., 3000).

## JONATHAN LIVINGSTON SEAGULL

By Richard Bach (Turnstone)

Richard Bach does not identify himself as being a Christian. After reading this book one in fact gains the impression he is probably a pantheist. Yet even if his theology may upset some, this is a book that not only all Christians, but all people who have thought about life should read.

Jonathan is a seagull who learned to live. When called before the elders of the flock he replies to their charge of irresponsibility with "For a thousand years we have scabbled after fish heads, but now we have a reason to live — to learn, to discover, to be free."

When at last this outcast was taken higher, taken home, it

## LET'S FACE IT.

By Bruce Shelley (Moody Bible Institute).

In every realm of life we hear people using the expression, "Let's Face It!" It is all rather vague. What is the "it" that we are to face. One supposes that it is a call to reality.

This modern Baptist minister goes back to mediaeval days, applying to our day the two great Christian Classics, the "Seven Deadly Sins", and the "Seven Cardinal Virtues."

Dr. Shelley grips and holds the interest through a wealth of illustration and quotation.

His style is lively, shown in his liberal use of the epigram, a concise and pointed saying. We commend this book for its thrust and verve.

—J.E.B.

## THE CHRISTIAN WAY OF DEATH By Gladys M. Hunt (Zondervan) \$3.50

Gladys Hunt, a Christian writer and editoress, heard of the death of her college room-mate, Kathryn, and has wrung from her sorrowing mind and heart, a book that must bring deep comfort to all in a like situation.

Naturally, to one who majored in it, she had the rich realm of English

literature. But the supreme resource is to dwell on the great assurances of the Scriptures.

Psychiatrists believe a massive panic pervades our culture. They also see obsessive interest in sex as a subconscious expression of anxiety over death.

With deep simplicity Mrs. Hunt pens this lovely sentence: "There is no need to be scared of death; not if it means, as to a child, 'going to God's house' and being with Jesus".

—J.E.B.

## Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



"It says here that parents live longer than people without children—maybe it just seems longer!"

was to discover that the divinity which was within him was to be shared with all people. Not only those in heaven, but those back in his old flock who wanted to learn to fly; and live.

As the fly leaf of the book says, "those who know there's more to this whole living than meets the eye they'll be with Jonathan Seagull all the way." I hope you enjoy the book as I did and I hope you'll think a bit when you read it. —T.A.B.

## THE CRAFT OF SERMON ILLUSTRATION by William E. Sangster (Baker Book House) \$1.95

This is a re-issue of Sangster's valuable contribution to the preachers' library. It is useful for speakers of every kind. Churches fortunate enough to have a class for public speaking will profit by using it as one of the text-books.

The book deals with the place and use of illustration, the types and sources (Sangster didn't believe in ready made sources such as anthologies and encyclopaedias. We should build up our own treasure house from the Bible, general reading, the newspapers, and personal experience), the way to index them, and mistakes to avoid.

There is a warning against elevating the place of the illustration. A speaker would no more "be caught building a sermon around his illustrations than a builder would build his house around the window frames."

# BALWYN CALLS YOUTH MINISTER

(Vic.) At one time, the Balwyn church had some of the strongest youth clubs and societies in the State. Now that it is "down-town and inner suburban", its youth work is a shadow of its great past.

The church, however, refuses to accept any suggestion that the church's days are numbered or that young people can no longer be influenced.

A second minister has been called to concentrate on youth activities and to participate in a programme aimed at the church youth and the 1500 students of the two primary and two post-primary schools in the area.

Gary Wake, a 1973 exit student of the College of the Bible, will serve as youth minister with W.W. Saunders in 1974. Mr & Mrs Wake and the Balwyn church are anticipating a fruitful ministry.

## • VIC.-TAS.D.C.E.

### LEADERS COMING AND GOING

\*George Mathieson will conclude his three-year (part-time) ministry with the Department in December. George's contribution to the Department's ministry in our churches has been very much appreciated. He has given himself unsparingly to the work, and it is not easy to constantly change roles from Christian Education to Pharmacy every other day. George has been actively involved in Renewal Programmes also, as part of the "Strategy for the Seventies" Programme.

\*New State C.Y.F. Chairman is Mrs. Lynette Burden. This is the first time a woman has held this position. Lyn has served the Committee in many ways over the years and knows what the task before her involves because her husband, Peter, was also State C.Y.F. Chairman two years ago. Retiring Chairman, Barry Ryall, has served the Committee well during his term.

\*Open Day at Monbulk on Sunday, Nov. 18. There will be an Open Afternoon at Camp Waterman, Monbulk at 3 p.m. It will be the climax of the Combined Service Appeal by Good Companions, Explorers, and C.Y.F. groups. Opportunity will also be taken to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Lance Fisher (newly appointed Camp Supervisors) and to farewell Mr. and Mrs. K. Humphries and Mr. George Mathieson. We hope many friends will join with us at this function. —R. McKenzie.

"TOUCH OF JESUS" (Echuca, R. Ritchie) "The Great Night of the Touch of the Jesus" was a memorable service. There was one decision and several rededications. The youth choir sang and there was a soloist . . . Ron Westmore has been hospitalised . . . There is a second prayer meeting on Saturday night . . . The C.W.E.F. held a First Aid night where they were addressed by the local ambulance officer.

MISSION PLANNED (Victor Harbor, J. Luff) Peter DeWildt will be speaker for mission planned for Oct. 28-Nov. 4. Several committees are working . . . S.S. picnic was held on Peter Threadgold's property . . . The Women's Fellowship birthday had Miss Margaret Wellington of Bedford Industries as speaker . . . "The Young World Team" conducted a modern church service, followed by coffee time . . . Six of our young people have been baptised.

VISIT TO EMMAUS (Box Hill, K. R. Bond) Y.P.C.E. entertained guests at Emmaus. . . . 35 Buds and J.C.E. attended State C.E. Rally at Collingwood . . . Church supported "Jesus Way '73" meetings at Box Hill Town Hall and P.L.C. . . . Peter Mackley assisted at organ at gospel service and Helen Waterworth of Camberwell was soloist . . . Dr Derek Moore was visiting speaker at Nurses' gospel service. David and Jill Friebel were duetists . . . A.C.W.F. and E.C.W.F. held combined annual thanksgiving. Offering was \$225 . . . Mrs Street welcomed back after long illness, and Mrs Myrtle Mott after hospitalisation. Sympathy expressed on the death of Mr Jeffrey Sr.

APPLECROSS BAPTISMS (W. R. Whitton) Two young men, David Cutt and Graham Hoskins, were baptized recently . . . A large number have been welcomed into fellowship . . . The Intermediate Christian Endeavor group is grateful for the use of a hall for its Friday night activities.

### DONATIONS ACKNOWLEDGED

The Vic.-Tas. Conference Executive gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the following donations: For Home Missions, \$25; \$20, for Overseas Missions, \$25; \$20.

### NEWS HELD OVER

Because of pressure of space, news items for the following churches were unavoidably held over until the next issue: Morawa; Mile End; North Williamstown; Margaret St., Launceston; Fremantle-Hamilton Hill, Oakleigh, Footscray, South Perth, Aldgate Valley, Kalgoorlie, Collingwood, Meredin-Bruce Rock, Bendigo, Mitcham.

CHURCHES OF CHRIST  
1974 CALENDAR OUT NOVEMBER  
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## STATE NEWS

DEGREE AWARDED (Ainslie, A.C.T., C. H. J. Wright) Peter Wright has been awarded his Doctor of Philosophy degree by Australian National University and is now doing cancer research in Chicago, U.S.A. . . . There were two confessions of faith and one baptism on August 26 . . . 80 attended Progressive Dinner organised by C.W.F. for organ fund . . . Young adults are meeting for Bible study breakfasts on Saturdays . . . Couples' Club continues with bi-monthly functions.

VISITS TO MISSION FIELDS (Forestville, M. Munyard) Lil and Charlie Wood and Lloyd Lovell were interviewed on their trips to New Hebrides and New Guinea . . . C.W.F. held a luncheon and viewed slides of our mission work. Proceeds supported Overseas Missions . . . A Discipline and Discovery programme will be held in Nov. and Dec. . . . Members are involved in Australian Festival of Light meetings. Major Wheaton was interviewed about this on Sept. 16 . . . B.S. picnic was held at Hazel Wood Park . . . Members were involved in L.I.F.E. week-end seminar at "Nungara."

SECTS STUDIED (Harvey, H. A. L. Clark) Mr. Clark is leading mid-week studies on the Christian sects . . . The Thursday evening Fellowship has met with Bunbury members and also with the Reform Church at recent meetings . . . G. Sharp underwent a successful bone operation in Perth . . . Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Higgins and Dean in the death of Mac.

## THINGS TO COME

### NEW SOUTH WALES

#### OCTOBER

- 13 D.C.E. Teacher Training Day
- 13 C.F.A. Annual Meeting, Epping
- 14 Woolwich Bible College Sunday

#### NOVEMBER

- 9-11 Leadership Camp, Stanwell Tops
- 16 3rd Term ends, Woolwich College
- 25 H.M. & Evang. Sunday

### VICTORIA

#### OCTOBER

- 16 C.W.F. Rally, 8pm
- 19 Good Companions Swimming Sports
- 24 C.W.F. Education Meeting
- 27 F.O.Y.A.
- 30 Explorers' Annual Dinner

#### NOVEMBER

- 16 College of the Bible Graduation and Ordination, Lygon St.
- 17 Social Service Homes Garden Party
- 24 F.O.Y.A.
- 25 H.M. & Evang. Sunday
- 27 C.F.A. Annual Meeting.

o IN UNITY

# ACCORDING TO THE SCRIPTURES

Among all Christians opinions vary regarding the process of inspiration—how God communicated to men in the ideas and events which produced the Bible. Views of the Scriptures vary according to different opinions about the process of communication.

Whatever the differences—and we have to accept and live with these—all Christians accept the authority of the Scriptures which bear witness to the finality of Christ.

The ecumenical position is affirmed in the basis of membership of the World Council of Churches. "The World Council of Churches is a fellowship of Churches which confess our Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour according to the Scriptures and therefore seek to fulfil together their common calling to the glory of the one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit."

In the official presentation of the basis at Amsterdam, 1948, it was asserted that the W.C.C. affirmed it in "the radical sense of the New Testament." It was further stated that the basis is an "Affirmation of the Incarnation and Atonement."

Back in 1937 at the world conference on Faith and Order the authority of the Scriptures was asserted but it was recognised that among Christians there is also the recognition of the authority of tradition (the Church) not as an alternative but as a supplement to the authority of the Scriptures . . . This latter point and the emphasis on the finality of the Scriptures were made plain in a later ecumenical statement in the publication, "Biblical Authority for Today." "There is no question of an alternative (still less rival) authority to the Bible in the Church's tradition."

"It has been our experience that when an ecumenical group sits down with the Bible open before it at a specific passage, there emerges a common agreement concerning what the Holy Spirit wills to speak through the Scripture."

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At the second and third Assembly of the W.C.C., 1954 and 1961, Christ was declared to be the Hope of the World (not a hope) and the Light of the World (not a light). This was in accord with the phrase added to the Basis at New Delhi, 1961, "according to the Scriptures."

While we share in the differences of opinion among all Christians, we rejoice in the unity of all concerning the finality of Christ according to the Scriptures.

—Department of Christian Union.

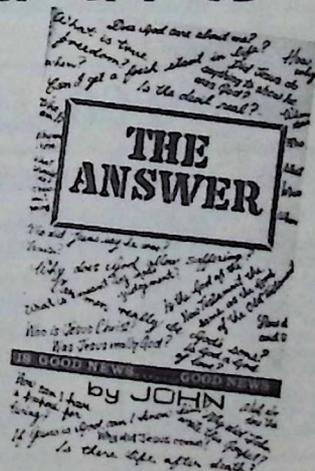
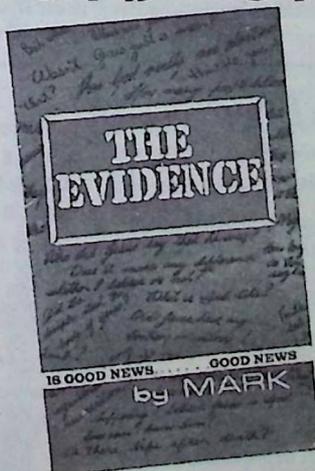
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**SPEAKER FROM CANADA** (Warracknabeal, S. Hince) Mr. Gates from Canada was guest speaker at church anniversary. The offering of \$250 was for church expenses . . . Mrs. Christian, who is in hospital, celebrated her 100th birthday this month . . . Some of our young people had a week-end with the Thornbury church . . . Ladies held their social afternoon at the Evans' farm. Vivienne Pollard has left here and is nursing at Ararat Hospital.

**MIDLANDS CONFERENCE** (Vic.) The Midlands Conference will be held at Newbridge Reserve on Oct. 21, with the theme "The Church Meeting Need". Communion is at 11 a.m., afternoon session from 2 till 3.45 p.m. The secretary is R. C. Walker, 233 Gladstone St., Maryborough, 3465.

## CASTLEMAINE'S 3rd MISSIONARY CONVENTION.

The Castlemaine Church of Christ conducted their third Missionary Convention, August 17-19.

The Federal Secretary of Churches of Christ Overseas Mission Board, Ron McLean, came from Adelaide especially to participate.

World Vision was represented by Graeme Irvine, the Australian Director, and Mr. and Mrs. John Ritchie came to us from the Japan Evangelical Band.

The programme included thought-provoking films and audio-visuals.

Mr. and Mrs. McLean spoke to the children at Open Bible School on the Sunday morning, and the deacons, deaconesses and church leaders met the missionaries at a barbecue lunch.

All the representatives participated in the final Sunday evening service when the Faith Promise offerings were taken. Twenty eight people pledged money which they are going to trust God to supply during the next 12 months, and the total pledges amounted to \$2000.

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## VICTORIA

**BURWOOD'S NEW MINISTERS** (L. Allsop) Following the appointment of Mr. Allsop as Director of the Federal Board of Christian Educ., the church unanimously approved the Board recommendation that Roger Brown of Edwardstown, S.A., be invited to minister here from Dec. 1975 . . . Trash and Treasure effort by Mr. and Mrs. Allsop realised \$150 . . . Contributions of food have been sent to College of the Bible . . . Three leaders attended Monbulk Co-Ed Camp . . . Church participated in "Jesus Way" mission. 30 men attended breakfast at Doncaster Shopping Town.

**VISIT TO EMMAUS** (Thornbury, G. J. Crossman) C.W.A.F. ladies were joined by ladies from Preston in visit to Emmaus Rest Home . . . Explorer Boys' Sunday emphasis was "Adventure with Christ." Fellowship tea majored on "Tassie Trek '73." Boys shared in evening service when the film "Troubled Waters" was screened . . . Youth group from Warracknabeal-Brim led by Mr. and Mrs. Stan Hince were weekend guests at Thornbury. Programme included sightseeing tour of Melb.; barbecue lunch at Toorourong Reservoir; a gospel concert by "The Pilgrims"; and a Fellowship Luncheon at church.

**CHORAL SOCIETY AT HORSHAM** (R. Roberts) The Choral Society presented a weekend of music when they visited here, Sept. 15-16. Three cantatas were presented. A fellowship dinner was held on Sunday . . . Eric Patterson, Conf. Pres., renewed fellowship here on Sept. 2 . . . 70 ladies met at a coffee morning conducted by Christian Women's Conventions International. Matron Phyl. Davies of Royal Women's Hospital was speaker. She also spoke at C.W.A.F. birthday meeting . . . C.W.A.F. donated \$50 for Famine Relief in India . . . Parcels of clothing have been sent to General Dorcas Society. . . L.C.E. has recommenced . . . Y.P. conducted anniversary at Yanac Methodist. They also led a service and coffee shop at St. Arnaud.

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# OBITUARY

## BLACK, Miss Ray

The Gardiner church conducted a memorial service on Sept. 9 for Miss Ray Black who died suddenly while holidaying in Corowa, N.S.W. Ray Black became a member of Churches of Christ at Hawthorn, Vic. when she was a young girl. Her father was Supt. of the Sunday School. She has been a member of the Gardiner church for many years and has been an energetic and loyal Christian. Though loyal to her own Church her Christian faith and discipleship were nourished by many streams of Christian thought and fellowship. She was greatly benefitted by her association in her earlier years with the Oxford Group Movement, now called Moral Rearmament. A feature of her Christian experience was her conscientious endeavour to live by the Four Absolutes. Ray Black loved the scriptures and studied them continuously. She made a genuine attempt to keep her life under the guidance and discipline of God's word. She was an avid reader of Christian literature and was frequently recommending helpful books to others. In addition to her keen interest in brotherhood missionary enterprise Miss Black gave herself enthusiastically in the interests of other missionary bodies. She was greatly honoured in the W.C.T.U. to which she gave energetic service. Having a sensitive Christian-social conscience she was always ready to write a letter, make a telephone call or lead a deputation to fight social evils. The Gardiner church rejoices in her Christian faith, hope and love. Sympathies were expressed to brothers Ronald and Alec and their families.

—Leslie S. Dewberry.

## BLACKWELL Gilbert D.

Born at Kettering, England, in 1896, Gilbert came to Australia as a lad of 15 years with his family and they settled at Allenby. He served with A.I.F. in the 1914-18 War. While on leave in England he met Annie Davies also of Kettering. They married at the end of the war and came out to Australia. Mr. Blackwell took up coach-painting and signwriting. Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell had a long association with the Ormond church, Vic., having joined in 1926. They were both very active in the Bible and Mr. Blackwell served as a deacon and took a great interest in the church cricket club. Annie Blackwell died in 1969. Mr. Blackwell married Eva Cook in 1972 who passed away in February of this year.

Mr. Blackwell was a man who loved life and loved the place of his birth and childhood. He loved his work, but his first love was his Lord and the church and then his own wife and family. He was a man of great and radiant faith.

He died on August 26.

We commend his daughters Mevis (Mrs. Alf Kroe) and Joan (Mrs. David McMillan) and the loved ones to our heavenly Father.

A large crowd gathered at the Ormond Church and the Springvale Crematorium for the services conducted by the writer.

—R. McKenzie.

## ELLIS, Mrs. Emily Mary.

On September 14, Mrs. Ellis died at Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital. She came to Perth from Pemberton where her husband had been the foreman of a timber mill. In June 1935, she was welcomed into membership at Lake St. Perth, as a baptised believer. In the years since then, she was active in her support of Christian work, in particular of the Dorcas Society which became the Christian Women's Fellowship, and also the Women's Auxiliary Conference.

We remember her faithfulness to Jesus Christ and her loyal share in the work of his Kingdom. We thank God for her love and care as a mother, a grandmother and in more recent years, as a great-grandmother of nine children. Mrs. Ellis was an unassuming lady, and she bore patiently the suffering of her latter years.

When "Carinya Lodge", Mt. Lawley, was built for elderly people, it was fitting that she should be one of the earliest guests of the home. We offer our love and sympathy to her daughter Dora (Mrs. Verge) and son, Bob, and the members of her wider family circle, and we rejoice that their loved one lives on because of her quiet but victorious faith in Christ. A large gathering of church members came to pay their tributes at Karrakatta, where the writer conducted the funeral service.

—R. A. Ryall.

## SMEDLEY, Gertrude.

Born at Taradale in 1886, the youngest member and only daughter in a family of four children, Gertrude Smedley in the 87 years of her life endeared herself to many people. She was baptised at Doncaster in 1906 and at the same church married Frank Smedley in 1913. Their home was established on Anderson's Creek Road where until just eight weeks prior to her death she lived out her life. Their two sons, Ron (Doncaster) and Glen (Shepparton) are active in the church. Mrs Smedley was faithful and loyal. She sang in the Choir, was President of the Mission Band, held office in the WCTU, was a foundation member of the Royal Auxiliary for the Blind, and for almost 40 years a church representative on the Women's Conference. For many years after the death of her husband she lived alone in her cottage enjoying the precious things of her house and garden. Known for her wonderful hospitality, simple faith, humble desires and an integrity of the highest order, she was active in the worship services until eight weeks before her death at Mooroopna. She died rich in the things money can never buy—goodness—faith—

love—trust—respect. The Doncaster church was filled to capacity and the minister of the church was assisted in the service by Louis Van Lear (Shepparton).

—K.D.H.

## WAUGH, GLADYS LAUREL

Gladys Laurel Waugh was born in 1919 and died on Aug. 31, 1973, at her home in Albion, Qld. In her teen years she accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Saviour, and entered into fellowship with the Albion Church. Gladys was a person about whom it was easy to say good things. Two of her qualities stood out: her unselfishness and her hard work. Her goodness was not only refraining from wrong but also in going out and doing positive good for others. She would deprive herself in order to help another. She assisted at camps, arranged barbecues and other fellowship activities at her home, taught in the B.S., encouraged children to attend, shared in church catering, was president of the Homes and Hostels' Committee, helped with Meals on Wheels, and gave occupational therapy in a local convalescent home. Over the last 12 months, Gladys was limited by ill-health, but even this deepened her spiritual life.

—Barry Benz.



## QUEENSLAND

**SHOCK AT DALBY (R. Holt)** The whole church was shocked at the sudden death of Bob Mitchell outside the chapel on Sept. 2, immediately after he had given the evening message. He had been preaching in the absence of Mr. Holt who was serving as song leader at a mission in Brisbane . . . Several men attended the annual Men's Camp at Coloundra . . . Some members were at the Western District Fellowship meetings at Kingaroy. Principal F. L. Ewers of Kenmore was guest speaker.

**ANN ST. IS 90 (Brisbane, L. G. Armstrong)** Gordon McKelvie, who served the church as elder and secretary, was guest speaker for the church's 90th anniversary, Sept. 23. The B.S. scholars, led by Ray Smith, shared at night. One young man was baptised. Five have been received into fellowship by faith and baptism during past three weeks . . . Mr Armstrong will minister to migrants coming from Europe per the M.V. "Ellinis". Mr and Mrs Armstrong will leave by air for England on Oct. 7, commencing their return journey on Oct. 22. Cyril Flood will minister at Ann Street during Mr Armstrong's absence.

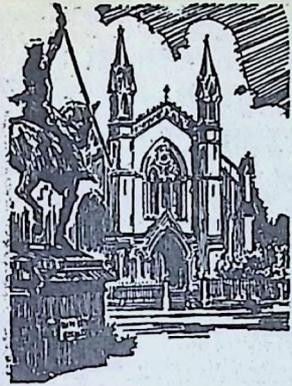
**M.P. VISITS FATHERS (Ipswich, B. Rice)** Dr Llew. Edwards, Christian parliamentarian, was speaker at Father and Son tea on Father's Day. He also spoke at evening service . . . Margaret St., Toowoomba, young people visited us on youth exchange. Their youth minister, Jim Cunningham, was morning speaker and the young people led the night meeting . . . A mini-mission was conducted by Kenmore students . . . 27 people attended a camp at Cunningham's Gap, with Mr. Rice as speaker . . . Gospel services have shown considerable increase . . . No. 1 Section of Boys' Brigade has been registered.

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## VICTORIA

**"HIGH MARK"** (Essendon, C. S. Badcock) Nine northern and western churches held the "High Mark" mission at Essendon Town Hall Sept. 12-16, with Barry McMurtrie of Ballarat as leader. Over 1000 attended. The Men's Prayer Breakfast at Coles' city Cafeteria was attended by 120. . . Jill Wallis and John Hemsley have made decisions. . . The church mourns the deaths of Mrs. G. Sell and Miss Annie Little and expresses sympathy with Mrs. Val Link and family in the death of her father. . . Mrs. L. Holmes and Mrs. G. Harrison are still very ill. . . Prayer meetings followed by sharing groups are held every Wednesday evening.

**GIFT TO MISSIONARY** (Tootgarook, D. Brown) On Sept. 16, Sister Dianne Cooksley was presented with a copy of "The Living Word". She is leaving shortly for 12 months mission service in the New Hebrides. Some members have promised to support Dianne by prayer and finance. . . Rowland Wilkie (Elder) was speaker on Sept. 9. . . Members have been asked to help in the "Freedom from Hunger" door-knock appeal in October.

**TEMPLE DAY** (Portland, B. Duff) Temple Day had Stanton H. Wilson as guest speaker. He also met informally with members on the Saturday night. The Temple Day offering, incomplete, stands at \$622. . . A. R. Rivett and G. Bennett showed Wild Flower slides to C.W.F. (Evening Group). C.W.F. held a street stall. Morning prayer meetings are being held in C.W.F. members' homes prior to Mini-Mission. . . Mr. Duff and three other members attended Centenary Dinner. . . Theos members were billeted in church hall over a week-end. The leader, Russell Adams, spoke at morning service.

**CRUSADE PREPARATION** (Caulfield, K. W. Berston) Mr. Berston shared with Balwyn Church in Sunday services and house meetings to prepare for the "Jesus Way '73 Centenary Crusade". . . Reg Jones is continuing as secretary in the absence of Robt. Story. Mr. and Mrs. Story are visiting northern mission stations. . . Soloists at morning services have been Dare Stevens and Graham Bumford, accompanied by Kenneth

Briggs on the recently acquired Hammond organ. . . Young people were entertained at after-church supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Chalkley. . . Mrs. Ida Ghys and Mrs. Anna Carnie are thankful for safe return home after experiencing floods etc., on their bus trip to Alice Springs.

**NEW MINISTRY** (Reservoir, A. Baker) Keith H. Pitt, now of Williamstown, will commence a ministry with this church in the new year. After serving here for three years, Alan Baker, with his wife and family, leaves for the New Hebrides in Jan., to serve with the Overseas Missions Department for an initial period of three years. . . Mrs. E. Coughlin visits the Children's Hospital each Monday morning. . . Members and Friends took part in a 48-hour Lay Witness programme. The leader was L. Carter of Springvale. . . Neville and Gwen Thomas and son, David, are home from Adelaide Bible Institute.

**TWO BAPTISMS** (Croydon, A. B. Clark) Two young people were received in by faith and baptism. . . Y.P. activities included an after-church "Coffee Shop" and a film at Camberwell. . . C.W.F. luncheon was held at the home of secretary, J. Sterling, for general funds. . . C.W.E.F. birthday celebration was a parade "Fashion Through The Ages." Local and eastern district groups attended. . . Sympathy is expressed to the Archer family in the death of Barbara's grandmother. . . Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Healey were interviewed by Mr. Clark in their "Christian Life."

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The Worship Service, prepared by the women of the New Hebrides for the eighteenth birthday of the World C.W.F., was presented by the members of the Missionary Committee with their Superintendent, Mrs. J. Preston, as leader.

A special thank you was given to all who had contributed to the Aboriginal Clothing Appeal.

The October Rally will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 16, 8 p.m., in the Lygon St. Church. Mrs. Joy Sneddon will speak on "Child Foster Care".

Next Council: Friday Oct. 5 at 10.30 a.m. Speaker—Mrs. Jones from "Winlaton"

M.N.

**THREE BAPTISMS** (Noble Park, T. Giles) There were three baptisms on Sept. 2. . . On Sept. 16, an all member present day, there was a dedication of deacons, deaconesses, and members. Three were welcomed into fellowship. The B.S. anniversary that evening featured quizzes, prizes, singing, displays, and a puppet show. Kevin Denton was guest speaker. . . A library has been commenced. . . Work is progressing on new porch for chapel. . . A share group has been commenced.

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## NEW SOUTH WALES

**FOR BROADCAST** (Chatswood, C. G. Taylor) The evening service on Sept. 16 was taped for later broadcasting over Radio 2CH . . . Neville Flynn has made new cushions for platform chairs to match new green carpet financed by ladies of the church. He also made a kneeling cushion for the wedding of Dorothee Perkins and Phillip Crowther . . . The S.S. Primary Dept. has been sending home-made "Get Well" cards to members ill at home or in hospital . . . Girls' Brigade presented a concert for parents and friends . . . Ron Kallmier, former student minister, was recent speaker . . . C.Y.F. led service on Sept. 2.

**DEATH AT 102** (Hamilton, D. Craig) The church members extend deepest sympathy to the Fraser family in the death of their mother, who died on Aug. 31 at the age of 102 years . . . F. J. Stephenson was a recent gospel service speaker . . . A missionary night arranged by the E.W.F. had Colin Saxby as guest speaker. A film on missionary work in India was shown . . . A parent dedication service was held for Mr. and Mrs. Fergus and Mr. and Mrs. Heggs and their infant sons on Sept. 9.

**"SCHOOL OF PRAYER"** (Marrickville, D. Holloway) The 80th Anniversary was celebrated with a "School of Prayer" conducted by Frank Hunting of Ballarat. Members from other brotherhood churches shared . . . The Girls' Brigade, led by Captains Enid Stinson and Joyce Hoppit (of Tempe), report that eight girls wish to accept Christ as Saviour and are now being counselled . . . Special efforts

are being made to increase B.S. attendance . . . Recent speakers have been R. Bartholomew, F. J. Stephenson, L. Thomas, and B. Benson . . . C.W.F. is assisting Dunmore House Fete. 200 boxes of homemade sweets are to be packed for the Sweets' Stall. This is a yearly function to help care for the lads at Dunmore. The ladies also made personal donations to purchase seven Bibles for Dunmore lads.

**SHARE IN MISSION** (Inverell, R. Craig) A number travelled to Armidale to share in the mission meetings conducted by John Timms. Mr. Timms preached here on Sept. 9. The young people attended a youth camp at Armidale to coincide with the final mission meetings . . . The chapel exterior is being painted. The C.W.F. have purchased a rotary clothes hoist for the manse . . . Mr. Craig attended Annual Preachers' Refresher Course . . . 80 attended a Family Gospel Tea, including visitors from other churches . . . Mrs. Bate, C.W.F. State President, visited here on Sept. 12 and following a devotional meeting, 30 ladies enjoyed a hot luncheon.

**SECRETARY AT DAPTO** (E. S. Holt) The N.S.W. Conference Secretary, F. J. Stephenson, spoke at a recent Men's Dinner and at the communion service . . . N. Flint visited us to speak on his experiences in Indonesia . . . On Father's Day, a fathers' panel answered questions on the home . . . Two adults and four young people have been baptized.

**JEWISH PASSOVER** (Gilgandra, I. R. Martin). On Sept. 8 the church shared with Mr. and Mrs. I. Belcher and son from the Jewish Evangelical Witness in demonstration of the Passover as observed by the Jews, to show the meaning of Jesus Christ as our Passover.

On Sept. 9 Mr. Belcher spoke and at night showed three films . . . Mr. and Mrs. Combridge and family will transfer to Orange. Mr Combridge has been church treasurer and also active in B.S. work . . . The church is seeking a minister for next year.

**SENIOR YOUTH RESPONSE** (Hamilton, A. J. Franzone) Under guidance of leaders, Mr. and Mrs. Goetzens, senior youth leaders, senior youth group conducted a service. Two teenagers responded and were baptized . . . Stephen Trimmell made his decision at Stawell S.S. and has also been baptized . . . The Interchurch Council sponsored a mission by Campaigners for Christ in Sept. Follow-up programmes included Teen Crusades from Melb., a Christian Women's Convention International, and Christian Business Men's Committees . . . In co-operation with Castlemaine church and others we are conducting a School of Prayer with Rev. Rowland Brown, of U.S.A.

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## SOUTH AUSTRALIA

CASINO? NO! (R. H. Sercombe) Prospect, with many other areas, is disturbed by the bringing of a Bill before Parliament to open the way for a Casino in S.A. Petitions are being signed in the churches protesting against the move. . . . Bible Distribution Project is under way, with training sessions being conducted to prepare for visitation . . . A special Night of Prayer was held on Sept. 11 for the Northern Districts Mission in Prospect Town Hall Feb. 26-March 3, 1974. . . . On Youth Sunday, young people met at the manse for tea with Kilburn youth, before conducting the youth service . . . A. Roberts led a Favorite Hymn Night on Sept. 16 . . . J. Grade netball team was defeated in the preliminary final by Blackwood. Our State Netball representative, Leonie Burton, is back after the Interstate Carnival in Hobart . . . Mrs. Skinner is recovering after an operation. Mrs. Wainwright is in Gloucester St. Private Hospital.

NEW STYLE BUSINESS (Dulwich, M. Drake) The annual meeting had a new format. General business was interspersed with three short messages of personal inspiration. Those present then grouped to discuss 1. Significant events of the year; 2. any questions; 3. future suggestions. The report back was displayed indicating where the church had gained or lost and where effective work could be planned . . . Planned giving results are encouraging . . . A survey of community needs within parish boundaries was conducted recently with members of other churches with a view to meeting those needs.

LADIES IN WORSHIP (Murray Bridge, A. H. Coleman) The ladies continue to lead morning worship once a quarter. B. Watts was recent leader, E. Henning conducted induction service following C.W.F. annual meeting. N. Coleman is president and P. Harper is secretary . . . Ladies catered for net-ball dinner. Church team D1 won grand final. Kath Deed was made a life-member . . . S.S. scholars donated and planted shrubs for manse . . . Mrs. Langford has entered Christian Rest Home. Eric Weidenbach is convalescing after operation. Les Buckley has foot in plaster following an axe accident . . . The Evangelical Union of Adelaide conducted a service following a fellowship tea.

GLENELG MINISTRY On Sept. 30, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Ricketts were farewelled after a helpful period of interim ministry. There was an S.S. organised church tea . . . A welcome function is planned to meet Mr. and Mrs. C. H. J. Wright on Nov. 3 with the induction to follow on Nov. 4.



## WESTERN AUSTRALIA

JAILHOUSE ROCK. (Scarborough, K. Duffy) Nervous but poised, the youth group stunned the Fremantle prisoners into a thoughtful and admiring silence with their presentation of "Revolution in Heart and Mind" on Aug. 26. Even one of the guards said it inspired him to work harder in his own Church. . . . At night the congregation gathered in the new hall and after choruses and prayer, Ken Duffy presented an audio visual centred on "A Real Person In The World Of Things." A baptismal service was held on Sept. 16, when Ian Johnston was baptised by one of the church elders, George Smith. Rodney Monger made his decision for Jesus Christ.

KALGOORLIE IS 75 (R. Taylor) The 75th Anniversary celebrations commenced on Sept. 15 with a Reunion Dinner attended by 164 including many visitors. The oldest and youngest active members cut the special birthday cake: Mrs. Duclie Bird and Dennis Wright. Items were given by the Nollamara Youth Brigade Band led by Eric Banfield. There were soloists, reminiscences, and an audio-visual prepared by Vern Smythe depicting the church's history. 153 were at the communion service on Sept. 16. Frank Griffiths, well loved past minister, was speaker. Des Nelson conducted the evening service at which Paul Tonkin was baptised . . . Prayer meetings are being held each day of the Crusade at 6.30 a.m. and 7 p.m.

ROBIN HOOD CLUB (North Perth, E. B. Clapp) During school holidays a "Robin Hood Club" was conducted for children connected with the State School. It was led by B.S. staff and helpers. Contacts were made with 90 children of many national backgrounds. It is planned to follow-up with a one-day a week after-school programme to develop contacts with children and parents . . . Miss Elaine Henderson, W.E.C. missionary in Japan, has been welcomed home on furlough . . . J. Sara, (Bible Society) screened a film on "Thailand" . . . Jack Henderson is recovering from surgery . . . The church mourns the passing of Mrs. Eva Roberts, foundation member of C.W.F. and a faithful church member for many years.

"MUSIC AND SONG" (Wembley, J. K. Bond) Three special "Music and Song" services concluded on Sept. 2. At each of them there were re-affirmations of earlier confessions by a young married couple, a young married woman, and a young man . . . Sept. 9 was parade night for the Girls' Brigade . . . The C.W.F. evening on Aug. 29 featured "Music in Worship" using vocal and instrumental numbers. Forty women from neighboring churches shared in the enjoyment of the good selections of Mrs. Hancock of the Methodist church . . . During the second week of the school holidays, "Happy Hours" resulted in six additions to the B.S. with prospects of six more.



## VICTORIA

**CO-OPERATION CONSIDERED** (Malvern, Miss R. Haskell, J. May) The church is considering ways of co-operating with the Hawthorn church to strengthen witness in both areas . . . Clubs and B.S. provide good contact with families in the district . . . The church is actively involved with COCIAC led by Barry Jenkins, Inner Areas minister . . . James Hollway, nearing 90, has been absent from church for a few weeks because of illness.

**FAREWELL** (Briar Hill, R. Baxter) Ray and Wilma Fitzgerald and family were farewelled on leaving for the U.S.A. for a study period of at least two years . . . The church was saddened by the death of Bob Dorning, a former elder and foundation member . . . The C.W.F. again helped to clothe an Aboriginal child . . . The Good Companions won the Zone Pennant in the Festivals competition and took part in the service on Aug. 5.

**PRESIDENT AT KANIVA** (B.W. Brown) Mr. & Mrs. Eric Patterson and family visited here Sept. 2. Mr. Patterson, Conf. Pres., was speaker . . . Vacation B.S. held during school holidays . . . 60 ladies attended N.W. District Women's Conference at Kaniva. Mr. & Mrs. Colin Crouch, who recently visited the Holy Land, showed slides . . . Evening C.W.F. entertained elderly inmates at "Avonlea", Nhill . . . Miss Norma Hunt, of World Evang. Crusade, spoke at two meetings . . . C.M.S. meets regularly. D.R. Williams was recent speaker on trip to Queensland.

**WEST PRESTON LOSSES** (A. J. Storay) A great sense of loss is felt in the deaths of Mrs. Flo Cook and Stephen David . . . "West P" hosted the Preston Inter-Church Council meeting when Rev. Brian Allen spoke on "Life-Line" . . . The Cheer Squad has been officially launched and made the front page of the local press when they commenced helping and cheering the elderly, lonely and needy of the community . . . Y.Ds. followed a camp with an afternoon spent with children at Sutherland Homes . . . Youth 3 gave a performance of "Jonah" at Shepparton . . . Ian Hotham is notching up successes in music studies in London . . . Bruce Gillespie is at the World Science Fiction Convention in Toronto, having been nominated for a prize for publications in this field . . . Libby Green has joined Lorraine Bertram and Joan Ross in Rome.

**SCHOOL OF PRAYER** (Castlemaine, J. Byrnes) Electronic organ fund is progressing . . . Roland and Marcia Brown will conduct a "School of Prayer" in November . . . Recent features were the annual C.W.F. Fair and the Men's Social . . . Deacons, deaconesses, and C.W.F. executive's half-yearly meeting chose October for the Church Planning Programme when amendments to the church constitution will be made.

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—I. J. Chivell.

## THE LAST WORD . . .

"Ideas can enslave men and ideas can free them, but ideas that move men must be translated into action by leaders with the willingness to assume risk."

—A.M. Sullivan

### "Beyond"

I have ridden the wind,  
I have ridden the sea,  
I have ridden the moon and the stars,  
I have set my feet on the stirrup seat  
Of a comet coursing Mars.  
And everywhere  
Through the earth and air  
My thought speeds, lightning-shod,  
It comes to a place where, checking pace,  
It cries, "Beyond lies God!"

—Cale Young Rice.



HE who has reason on his side need not speak in a loud voice.

Chinese proverb



Clean and starched and brightly dressed.

Cindy's lovely as a saint.  
I sent her to the park to play,  
And she discovered—yes—WET PAINT!  
BETH M. APPLIGATE



A TOYMAKER is putting out a political doll. It talks but it doesn't say anything . . .

Have you heard about the waiter doll? You wind it up and it looks the other way . . .

Then there's the Hollywood doll. You sell it to two children and it spends six months in the home of one and six months in the home of the other.



"When I think of all the men you could have married, I almost want to cry, too."

## AUSTRALIAN & SOUTH PACIFIC TEMPERANCE COUNCIL

The Australian and South Pacific Temperance Council held its Annual Meeting at Mount Martha. Representatives were present from all Australian States and from New Zealand. The Council has been traditionally concerned with problems arising from the use of beverage alcohol only, but appreciates the hazards associated with the non-medical use of other drugs and now interests itself also in these problems.

Some new films, including 'Because of Lack of Interest Tomorrow is Cancelled', prepared for use as part of an education policy on alcohol and other drugs, were viewed.

Members of the Conference expressed unanimous support for

the proposal of the Minister for the Media to phase out liquor and drug advertising. It also moved to prepare an education policy which would be integrated financially and generally with the policy of the Australian Government.

The Conference agreed that education and legislation must move together in any solution of alcohol and drug problems. Unanimous support was expressed for the type of legislation recently introduced in Victoria for the compulsory blood alcohol testing of road accident victims and also for the introduction of random breath testing as generally advocated by surgeons involved with the treatment of road accident victims—a preventative rather than a punitive measure.

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