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Christian Education Moves Forward in the Lake Region Conference

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Department of Education

THE educational work in the Lake Region Conference is moving forward in a definite manner. Two years ago, at the biennial session, it was voted to separate the educational and Missionary Volunteer departments. This wise decision on the part of the delegates and conference officers is bearing fruit to the glory of God. The conference officers and the lay members of the churches are giving strong support to the education program. One new school has been opened and one large eight-room school has been built in Inkster, Michigan, to facilitate the educational needs of the children of the Detroit City Temple and Inkster churches, along with others. Accompanying this article is the architect's

drawing of the school as it will appear upon completion. The new school in Inkster, Michigan, is one of the finest in appointments designed to meet the demands of modern education in the Lake Region Conference.

On Sunday, August 30, open house was held at the school, which is officially named the Frank L. Peterson Academy. To help celebrate the occasion many distinguished guests were present, including Elder and Mrs. F. L. Peterson of Washington, D.C.

Much of the inspiration for the Peterson school came from the leadership of R. C. Smith, pastor of the Inkster church, Joseph P. Winston and Calvin Rock, former and present

pastors of the City Temple church. The laymen of the area have sacrificed both money and time to get this school in operation. Henry Dowdell, chairman of the building committee; Mrs. Esther Lowe, school board chairman; and Nathaniel Shelton have given outstanding leadership in getting the school ready for occupancy. Without the full support and encouragement of our conference officers this school could not have been built. Their support is greatly appreciated by the churches involved.

The educational work around the conference has taken on new dimensions. The Davison Avenue school in Detroit, Michigan, is showing much improvement. A large enrollment in

Proposed school plant—City Temple and Sharon Seventh-day Adventist churches.



the elementary grades was realized here. The Detroit area is aflame for Christian education. It is hoped that this spirit of sacrifice for the boys and girls and youth of the church will encompass the entire conference before long.

During the summer of 1964 fourteen of our teachers attended summer school to help meet the demands of modern educational practices.

Our conference president, C. E. Bradford, says: "Let us care for the lambs of the flock, and a rich future awaits us all." The Lake Region Conference is on the move for Christian education. Won't you join us in prayer for our success?



The new members of the first baptismal class following their baptism by J. M. Phipps in Chicago, Illinois.

Lake Region Conference 1964 Summer Evangelism

THE countdown for the 1964 Lake Region summer evangelism began with the close of the Lake Region camp meeting on Saturday evening, June 27. Tents had already been assigned, and now equipment began to be gathered preparatory to transporting it to the seven locations of the forthcoming activities of soul winning. Sunday night, July 5, was the target date as each evangelistic team began to take steps to be in launching position on time.

M. L. Eagens was teamed with Albert White and J. W. A. Hatfield in Evansville, Indiana; Samuel Flagg with Horace Jones, James Steele, and Lucy Thompson in East Chicago, Indiana; R. L. Jones with Keith Dennis and Maxine Norman in Fort Wayne, Indiana; D. G. Rand with Willie Parker and Delores Cherry in Kalamazoo, Michigan; J. M. Phipps with R. W. Bates, John Guy, L. O. Anderson, Fred Williams, John Hardy, Ellen Anderson, Mary A. Anderson, Beulah Cross, Leola Phipps, Roxene Riggs, Bessie Smith, Birdie Williams, and Josephine Williams in

Chicago, Illinois; C. B. Rock with T. M. Kelly, Hattie Fulton, Elizabeth M. Harley, Susie Kelly, and Rosie Turner in Detroit, Michigan; and G. N. Wells with Calvin Powell and E. Tony Gardner in Peoria, Illinois. Assisting these teams, of course, were loyal laymen of each church district.

The campaign for souls has been fiercely contested, but God has blessed and the first fruits of these labors are as follows:

M. L. Eagens, Evansville, Indiana, 9 baptisms; Samuel Flagg, East Chicago, Indiana, 33 baptisms; R. L. Jones, Fort Wayne, Indiana, 6 baptisms; D. G. Rand, Kalamazoo, Michigan, 10 baptisms; J. M. Phipps, Chicago, Illinois, 94 baptisms; C. B. Rock, Detroit, Michigan, 68 baptisms; G. N. Wells, Peoria, Illinois, 5 baptisms.

The total was 225 souls baptized at the first harvest, and there are more to come.

JAMES H. JONES, JR.
Public Relations Secretary

"Operation Keep Moving"

AT THE beginning of this summer's school vacation period, Hunter Crigler, the publishing department secretary of the Lake Region Conference, held a training class for prospective students desiring to engage in the literature ministry scholarship program. At the close of the training session he challenged all the students with the admonition to "Keep Moving." These words became their slogan for their summer campaign.

Twenty-seven students earned schol-

arships this past summer. They traveled more than 30,000 miles from East St. Louis, Illinois, to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. They covered many of the dark counties within our conference four-State area, and reached all of our large cities. The students canvassed more than 200,000 people, presenting to them our truth-filled magazines. They sold 70,000 copies of our magazines, *Message* and *Life and Health*, representing \$35,000 in cash sales.

Only in heaven will we know the true results of this mass distribution of our literature. We thank God for these stalwart youth from our colleges and academies who "kept moving." May the Lord bless them all with a most successful school year for 1964-1965.

News Notes

► New additions to the camp facilities were a pavilion for the adults, rest-room facilities, lease cabins for the constituency, enlargement of water facilities, and conversion of the previous adult pavilion to a new cafeteria and kitchen, Book and Bible House quarters, camp store, and first-aid quarters.

► L. B. Mitchell, president of the Liberian Mission, is in Chicago, Illinois, for medical treatment. Prayer is requested for this devoted worker. Dorothy Smith, his aunt, who served as Bible instructor in the Lake Region Conference since its organization, passed away August 6, 1964.

► J. H. Jones, Jr., director of youth activities, reported 12 ponies purchased for summer camp. George



1964 Lake Region Conference student literature evangelists who found great joy in traveling from city to city, spreading our gospel literature. They have all signed to work again next summer.

Baker, a local layman, taught the children horsemanship.

► Campers attending this year's camp meeting were pleasantly surprised to find the new pavilion ready for use the first weekend of camp meeting. "The coolest spot on campus" was the comment heard most frequently.

► Lake Region workers reported 241 baptisms the first 6 months of 1964.

► R. F. Warnick spoke to the members of the City Temple church, Detroit, Michigan, on a recent Wednesday evening. R. F. Warnick is a former pastor.

► Approximately \$3,000 in cash was given toward Operation Great Lakes, the conference-coordinated evangelism plan. The goal of \$20,000 is to be reached by December 31, 1964.

► T. M. Kelly was guest speaker at Northeastern camp meeting, conducting the youth services each night and on Sabbaths.

► C. E. Bradford, Lake Region Conference president, was guest at three camp meetings: Southwest Region, South Central, and Northeastern.

► E. E. Rogers and M. A. Warren are enrolled at Michigan State University in East Lansing, Michigan. Both men are completing their work toward the doctoral degree. They give freely of their services on weekends to nearby churches.

► Lake Region Conference workers and Central States Conference workers joined together for a retreat at Cassopolis, Michigan, October 5-7, 1964. This was the first such gathering for the two conferences. Special guests included R. R. Figuhr, General Conference president, H. D. Singleton, General Conference Regional Department secretary, J. D. Smith and R. H. Nightingale, Lake and Central Union presidents, and Dr. W. G. C. Murdoch, dean of the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary.

► F. S. Hill, new pastor at the Burns Avenue Detroit church, baptized 33 persons his first Sabbath after moving to Detroit.

► The Grand Rapids, Michigan, church was dedicated June 13, 1964. L. O. Anderson, pastor, planned the

services for the day. Former pastor, M. C. Van Putten, now conference treasurer, under whose leadership the building was purchased, was present and offered the prayer of dedication. C. E. Bradford preached the dedicatory sermon.

► The Gary, Indiana, Mizpah church held services of dedication on Sabbath, September 26, 1964.

ALLEGHENY

Evangelism in Allegheny

PLANS for a summer of strong public evangelism in the Allegheny Conference were laid for this year.

Of a score of requests by ministers for tent efforts, available equipment made it possible for the conference committee to authorize the following fifteen tent evangelistic campaigns, four church efforts and one hall effort:

C. D. Brooks (of the Columbia Union) in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Nelson Bliss in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

John Collins in Salisbury, Maryland.

Charles Cheatham in Englewood, New Jersey.

Alfred Jones in Trenton or Asbury Park, New Jersey.

U. S. Willis in Richmond, Virginia.

William Ervin in Petersburg, Virginia.

Isaac Lester in Martinsville, Virginia.

Leon Cox in Cincinnati, Ohio.

D. L. Davis in Dayton, Ohio.

J. C. Smith in Toledo, Ohio.

Milton Thomas in Cleveland, Ohio.

W. C. Scales in Erie, Pennsylvania.

J. F. Street in Bridgeton, New Jersey.

James Thomas in Newport News, Virginia.

D. J. Williams in Lynchburg, Virginia (church effort).

James Washington in Columbus, Ohio (church effort).

D. L. Davis in Springfield, Ohio (church effort).

James Washington in Delaware, Ohio (church effort).

Lorenzo Grant (Columbia Union College ministerial student) in Alexandria, Virginia (hall effort).

D. B. SIMONS

Public Relations Secretary

Cincinnati Church on Radio

RECENTLY a new radio program beamed from Station WCIN, Cincinnati's most progressive broadcasting station. The program, sponsored by the Shiloh SDA church of Cincinnati, and conducted by the pastor, Leon G. Cox, has been heard every Sunday since its beginning. The time is 9:00 to 9:15 A.M. It is called "Truth for Today."

The program has caught on in Ohio's Queen City, and a large file of Truth for Today radio interests provides a thrilling opportunity for Shiloh soul winners.

The station announcer, Dr. Abraham Swanson, often refers favorably to our broadcast through the week and calls attention to its inspiration and challenge to the large listening audience in this great southern Ohio city.

So large is the interest from the broadcast program that Elder Cox conducted a special series of evangelistic meetings in the Cincinnati church to accommodate the interest. Your prayers are requested for the soul-winning program in this area.

HAROLD I. HARRIS, *Press Secretary*
Cincinnati, Ohio

News Notes

► Dr. Lennox Westney, resident physician of obstetrics and gynecology at the Baltimore City Hospital, was guest speaker at the Berea-Temple Seventh-day Adventist church during their annual Home and School Day.

► During the annual spring meeting of the Eastern Allegheny Ushers Federation, held at the Ebenezer church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, a presentation of \$1,000 was made by James McFarland on behalf of all the ushers to the scholarship fund of the Allegheny Conference. It was received by President W. L. Cheatham. The money will be used to help students on the college level who need financial assistance.

► Progress in all lines of denominational activity in a seven-State Territory of the Allegheny Conference was reported at the tenth biennial business session at Pine Forge. A ten-year, one-million-dollar expansion plan is planned for Pine Forge Institute. The vocational, instructional, and musical departments will be expanded and

developed. With the erection of a new dormitory for boys and a gymnasium-auditorium for the entire school body, definite needs will be fulfilled. Of encouragement on the scholastic level, 78 per cent of the graduating class of 1964 planned to go on to higher education. A total of 17 elementary and junior academy schools are in operation in the Allegheny Conference. Enrollment at these schools increased by more than 10 per cent during the past two years.

► Members of the new executive committee include W. L. Cheatham, president of Allegheny Conference; W. A. Thompson, secretary-treasurer; Luther Palmer, Jr., principal, Pine Forge Institute; Walter M. Starks, pastor, Washington, D.C.; Aaron N. Brogden, pastor, Cleveland, Ohio; Leon G. Cox, pastor, Cincinnati, Ohio; James Thomas, pastor, Newport News, Virginia; William L. DeShay, pastor, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Alfred Winston, layman, Newark, New Jersey; Samuel Darby, layman, Pine Forge, Pennsylvania; and E. U. Carter, layman, Oberlin, Ohio.

NORTHEASTERN

Summary of Progress Northeastern Conference

THE first six months of 1964 are now history. As we look at the way God has led during this six-month period, we are constrained to say that God is good and He leads His work in a marvelous way.

In the General Conference Statistical Report for the first quarter, Northeastern was listed number 13 among the conferences of North America, with 8,336 baptized members. We are happy to see the upward movement that the conference has made this year.

The third and fourth quarters usually produce the largest baptisms in Northeastern. However, we were pleasantly surprised to note that at the end of the second quarter 220 persons had been baptized and 8 accepted on profession of faith. At the end of the second quarter our membership stood at 8,562.

G. H. Rainey, associate evangelist for the Atlantic Union, teamed with C. C. Eaton, pastor of the Hartford, Connecticut, church, in a series of



The Columbians with Edward Kilby, III, director, and Allen O. Breach, organist, appeared at the spring festival of music held at the Dupont Park church. Other choirs appearing were from First church, Washington, D.C.; Berea Temple, Baltimore, Maryland; Pine Forge Institute, Pine Forge, Pennsylvania; St. Luke's Episcopal and Shiloh Baptist churches, Washington, D.C. \$6,300 was raised on the Dupont Park church mortgage at this event. The pastor, W. M. Starks, says that the church hopes to liquidate its mortgage before the year ends.

meetings in Hartford. God blessed these men with 55 baptisms in less than three months. The church membership in Hartford has doubled in less than one year and a half.

In Buffalo, New York, D. B. Reid baptized 42 persons on one Sabbath. This was a great boost to the conference membership during the second quarter.

The tithe for the first quarter totaled \$279,718, a gain of \$4,200 over the same period in 1963. We are on course to reach the million-dollar figure in tithe for the first time in the conference history.

We cannot help expressing our gratitude to God, to our faithful ministers, conference workers, and loyal church members across the conference.

We are certain that 1964 will be the greatest year in the history of the Northeastern Conference in evangelism, tithe and general progress.

Groundbreaking ceremony for the Linden Boulevard church, St. Albans, New York, was held Sunday, July 11. A new addition will be added to the present structure. The upper section will house the main chapel seating 500, and the lower section will contain five classrooms and a large auditorium. Left to right: Julius C. Carter, pastor of Carter Community A.M.E. church of St. Albans; E. A. Lockett, pastor of Linden Boulevard church; Henry Wolinsky, architect, of Flushing, New York; R. T. Hudson, guest speaker and president of Northeastern Conference, and G. R. Earle, former pastor of the Linden Boulevard church.



News Note

► The new camp pavilion at Victory Lake Camp, Hyde Park, New York, will cost approximately \$30,000 and will seat 2,500. It can be added onto yearly to meet the growing demands of the conference. Air conditioning and heating equipment can be added also, so that it can be used in the summer and winter months.

Sunday, July 19, the Bethesda church of Amityville, New York, held its groundbreaking ceremony. Left to right: Fred H. Morris, town comptroller; A. R. Haig, pastor; R. T. Hudson, president of Northeastern Conference; and George Granelle, councilman.



George William Timpson (left) and James Alonzo Edgcombe were ordained July 4 at Northeastern camp meeting. T. Carcich, F. L. Bland, and H. D. Singleton, of the General Conference, joined R. T. Hudson and F. L. Jones in the service.



OAKWOOD

Oakwood Has Forward Look

OAKWOOD COLLEGE is primed for a good year 1964-1965 with the strongest academic faculty the school has ever had. Fourteen staff members have their doctorates. This represents 41 per cent plus of the total staff. The accrediting association requires the college to have 35 per cent of the faculty with doctorates.

Four staff members are on Sabbatical leave, and twelve professors and instructors were on academic leave to improve their professional status during the summer. Five of these attended special institutes on university campuses made possible by grants from the Carnegie and Rockefeller foundations.

Dr. Earl N. M. Gooding, member of the faculty, is doing research for Oxford University on Tobago, West Indies.

C. T. Richards has just returned from a special study tour sponsored by Andrews University, which took him to several countries in Europe, the Near East, and the Holy Land.

His description of the trip follows: "It was raining at Kennedy Airport on June 7, at 8:15 P.M. as our superjet was airborne. The Andrews University Tours had begun.

"The trip across the Atlantic was thrilling and was marked by the shortest night in my life. I settled down to sleep at 10:00 P.M., Eastern Standard Time, and before 1:00 A.M. Eastern Standard Time, three hours later, the sun was gleaming high in the sky.

"Traveling in Europe began with our landing at Frankfurt, Germany. A number of cities in Italy, Greece, and Turkey were visited. Additional excursions taken by members of the group included cities in France, Spain, Austria, and Switzerland.

"The rich and full summer's experience was highlighted and enhanced by periods of intensive study at Villa Aurora, in Florence, Italy. Two courses were offered, 'The Nature of Man' and 'New Testament Archeology.' The classes were taught by Drs. Jean Zurcher and Earle Hilgert of the Andrews University and Extension School Faculty.

"An appropriate climax to our activities for the summer was provided by a tour of (spiritually significant)

Bible sites in Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, and Jordan."

New teachers added to the faculty this year are Dr. and Mrs. Otto Christensen, Dr. S. A. C. Doss, Dr. Donald M. Brown, Prof. and Mrs. John Blake, Prof. and Mrs. Douglas T. Tate, Prof. Leo Moreno and Prof. Elliana Abbott.

Thanks are expressed to the constituents in North America for their fine support in the August 8 annual Oakwood College offering.

The college and community mourn the loss of Violet G. Wiles, critic supervisor at Oakwood's demonstration school, who was killed instantly in an automobile accident while returning to the school from her home in Boston, Massachusetts, Tuesday, September 1, about 3:00 P.M. on Highway 81, at Arlington, Virginia. Her car left the highway, plunged down an embankment, and struck a tree. Miss Wiles, driving, died instantly, and three students in the car were bruised; however, their injuries were not serious.

The funeral services were held in Boston on September 5 at the Berea Seventh-day Adventist church. R. T. Wilson, the pastor, was in charge. President A. V. Pinkney of Oakwood College preached the funeral sermon.

A. V. PINKNEY, *President*

PACIFIC UNION

News Notes

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

► We are happy to report the purchase of a representative church building for our church at San Jose under the pastorate of Earl Canson. We are looking forward to a similar purchase in Menlo Park.

► We are sorry to report the death of Mrs. Ina Marie Jones of Hutchinson, Kansas, who is the mother of Ted Jones, the pastor of our Bakersfield, California church. We extend our sincere sympathy to the Jones family.

► W. E. Galbreth and W. C. Webb are exchanging places of labor. W. E. Galbreth is to take up his duties in San Francisco and W. C. Webb in Fresno, California. We wish both men

great success in their new responsibilities.

► Sunday, August 23, in the spacious recreation hall of the San Francisco Philadelphian church, a farewell party was given to Elder and Mrs. W. C. Webb. The auditorium was beautifully decorated, and a complete dinner was served. The Webbs have done an outstanding job, and the tone and spirit of this party indicated the appreciation and gratitude of the church for the work accomplished during his seven years in San Francisco. At the same occasion W. E. Galbreth was given a warm welcome.

NEVADA-UTAH

► Although there is no conference-paid worker in the Regional church at Salt Lake City, under the leadership of William G. Green the church reaches all of its goals in every area, and is well known in the city. The Lord is blessing the Liberty Park church. Brother Green is a retired hotel worker. He is well known throughout the city and gives good leadership to the church. Sharing in this program of leadership is Alex Dulan. With a limited Negro population, these leaders keep an active program of evangelism in the homes.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

► A well-located and well-appointed church building has been purchased by the Pittsburg church in Pittsburg, California, under the pastorate of Edward White. The Whites have given excellent leadership to the two churches at Vallejo and Pittsburg. Plans have been laid to obtain a new pastor for the Pittsburg church, and

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the Whites will concentrate in the Vallejo area.

► The Sacramento church, under the leadership of William Penick, is unusually active in evangelism, especially among the young people. Before and after the dedication of their church in March many contacts have been made. They are looking for a large harvest of souls.

► H. A. Lindsey and the members of the Market Street church are looking forward to a completely remodeled church in the near future. The groundbreaking services have already been held, and all permits and requirements by the city have been obtained. This promises to be virtually a new church.

SOUTHEASTERN CALIFORNIA

► As a result of Evangelist B. R. Spears' work in the evangelistic meetings in the Southeastern California Conference, 154 people have been baptized into the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Meetings were held in Santa Ana, Fontana, Riverside, and San Bernardino. In each city the churches have cooperated in the evangelistic endeavor. Isadore Evans has been associated with B. R. Spears in all of these evangelistic meetings. B. R. Spears is now preparing for a city-wide evangelistic meeting in San Francisco.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

► William R. Robinson, after completing one phase of the church building program at Pacoima, in which the congregation is now worshipping, and conducting a successful evangelistic program in the church, has now assumed his new duties as the pastor of the Fifty-fourth Street church in Los Angeles.



Anna Montgomery teaches German at Golden Gate Academy at Oakland, California.

► Emmanuel Wilkins, retired, has assumed the responsibility of pastoring the church at Pacoima until the new pastor has been appointed.

► Richard Simons served as pastor of the Compton Avenue church while R. W. Nelson was studying at Andrews University during the summer.

► For the first time in more than twenty-five years evangelistic meetings will be conducted under a tent in the Altadena-Pasadena area. The new pastor of Sunset Avenue church, H. L. Kibble, began his meetings early in September. The Sunset Avenue church is working feverishly for a new church within the next year and a half, and under the leadership of Elder Kibble, and with a dedicated congregation, the goal is in sight.

► In order to step up the work of placing our literature in the homes of Negroes in southern California, Ted Simpson has been appointed service representative to aid the colporteurs in their collections and to supervise and to distribute supplies for the Home Health Education Service. This will be a boon to the colporteurs and give them more time to reach more people and place more books in the homes. Thus far the program is proving successful.

► At a meeting of the Pacific Union Conference Executive Committee on September 1, W. S. Lee was made temperance secretary for the union and G. N. Banks was elected as Regional department secretary. An excellent statement on race relations in the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the Pacific Union was also drawn up and voted at this meeting.

RIVERSIDE

Riverside Briefs

► Riverside's new director of nurses, Mrs. Emma DeShay Chaffin, assumed her responsibilities on September 6. She is a graduate of the Glendale Sanitarium School of Nursing. One of her brothers, William DeShay, is pastor of a Philadelphia church, and another brother, Dr. Samuel DeShay, is medical director of the Ahoada County Hospital in East Nigeria. Mrs. Chaffin brings to Riverside a wealth of experience garnered in leadership capacities in West Coast hospitals.

► Joint commencement exercises and dedication of the new nurse dormitory-classroom building, name. Drulliard Hall in honor of the layman founder of Riverside, was held at 4:30 P.M. in the hospital chapel on September 20. F. L. Peterson, vice-president of the General Conference was the commencement speaker and H. D. Singleton, secretary of the Regional Department, conducted the dedicatory exercises. Twenty young people were awarded practical nursing diplomas by N. G. Simons, hospital administrator. This was the largest class to graduate in the history of the institution.

► The Riverside family has had occasion recently to rejoice in the baptism of three associated with our operation. They include Sara Turner, nursing student, George Walker, practical nurse, and James Hendricks of the maintenance department. James Hendricks served as a foreman during the construction of the hospital in 1946 and 1947.

► The best two months in Riverside's thirty-seven years of service occurred July (\$52,151) and August (\$54,529) of this year.

SOUTH ATLANTIC

Biennial Session

HIGHLIGHTS of reports at the biennial session of the South Atlantic Conference were the 1,953 baptized; the fact that the conference led North America in baptisms in 1963; the 139 branch Sabbath schools operated; the \$240,000 worth of literature delivered, including \$65,000 student sales; the enrollment of 1,500 boys and girls in the twenty church schools; the \$933,039 tithe and \$312,223 missions offerings; the new churches in Atlanta, Georgia; Miami, Florida; Greensboro



View of first-aid room provided by medical missionary nurses corps of the Ephesus church at Wilmington, North Carolina. This corps has 27 members, all of whom have taken the home nursing course of the American Red Cross.

and Charlotte, North Carolina; Fort Lauderdale, Florida; and Blakely, Georgia; and the new school at Jacksonville, Florida.

New Church in Greensboro, North Carolina

THE members of the East Market Street church in Greensboro, North Carolina, rejoiced last year as they walked into their newly completed church. It has the following accommodations on the upper floor: A sanctuary seating 500 people, a balcony seating 80, mothers' room, choir room, organ, piano, and a pastor's study.

The downstairs section consists of a large fellowship hall and youth activities room seating 400, and also includes a kitchen and a ladies' lounge. The educational building houses the church school, grades 1-8, with an enrollment of more than 65; and a kindergarten with more than 100 children enrolled.

The five lots of land on which the church is situated are across the street from the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Technology.

The men and women of the church donated free time at nights and on Sundays in order to complete the church. We shall always be grateful to the ladies who brought baskets of delicious food to renew our strength at the lunch hour.

As we look in retrospect over the humble beginning of our building program, at the steadfastness of its members, and the mercies of God who directed, sustained, and motivated us, we are led to exclaim, "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow."

RALPH B. HAIRSTON, *Pastor*
Greensboro, North Carolina

SOUTH CENTRAL

News Notes

► C. A. Myers, pastor of the Lexington, Kentucky, district, was ordained at our camp meeting in June. He has done outstanding work in this area. Only recently he came to work with us in this field, but already has had a number of baptisms and has raised a goodly amount for a building project. His entire district reached its goal for the *Message Magazine*. We welcome Pastor and Mrs. Myers to the gospel ministry.

► For the first time in the history of the South Central Conference, camp meeting was televised by one of the local TV stations in Huntsville. S. H. Cox, our public relations director, was successful in securing this service for us.

► The laymen's congress held at camp meeting met with tremendous success. It was interesting to learn the way the Lord is blessing our laymen as they work to save souls for God's kingdom. At Murfreesboro, Tennessee, Dr. W. E. Coopwood labored a number of years giving Bible studies. A good interest has been aroused and we are praying that a new church can be established there very soon. At Eads, Tennessee, Mr. and Mrs. N. Wilson have conducted a branch Sabbath school for a number of years with approximately 183 persons in attendance each Sabbath. At Yazoo City,

Mississippi, a dear sister 89 years old was successful in winning a soul to the Lord. She took her stand when she was 84. We never get too old to work for the Lord. In Franklin, Tennessee, the Meharry Boulevard laymen under the direction of Pastor and Mrs. J. H. Hardin, Mr. and Mrs. G. Beaden, Mrs. B. Burts, Mr. and Mrs. C. Johnson, and Mr. L. Bass, have been successful in conducting a series of lay meetings. Recently a goodly number of persons were in attendance at these meetings and several have received the rite of baptism. J. E. Cox is the district pastor.

► Pastor and Mrs. R. J. McKinney were introduced recently as the new workers for the Jackson, Tennessee, district.

► Ten evangelistic meetings were conducted in the South Central Conference this year, and each met with tremendous success. They were held in the following places: Birmingham, Alabama, E. T. Mimms; Louisville, Kentucky, C. R. Graham; Brownsville, Tennessee, R. P. Peay; Nashville, Tennessee, J. E. Cox; Murfreesboro, Tennessee, E. W. Moore; Chattanooga, Tennessee, M. M. Young; Jackson, Mississippi, R. C. Brown; Hattiesburg, Mississippi, S. H. Cox; Greenville, Mississippi, G. I. Pearson; and Greenwood, Mississippi, C. D. Joseph.

► Scientists from the Huntsville Arsenal were in attendance at our camp meeting this year and gave lectures on the missile and space program.



Market Street church of Greensboro, North Carolina. The pastor, R. B. Hairston, standing on the steps.



Choir from the First SDA church in Huntsville, Alabama, directed by Mrs. Barbara Hundley, MV leader. This group appeared at the long-to-be-remembered youth congress held by the South Central Conference at the Cameron High School in Nashville, Tennessee, in the spring.

► The members and ministers of South Central Conference reported at camp meeting time 4,623 paid subscriptions for the *Message Magazine*.

► Henry Wright had an accident while driving in Louisville, Kentucky, recently. His condition has greatly improved, and he is out of the hospital and back at work.

► I. J. Johnson of Mobile, Alabama, has a very good plan for the youth in his church. Each weekend some activity is planned—banquets, picnics, socials, et cetera. Why not write to him and find out how he does it?

► Dr. C. A. Dent is opening a beautiful office building next door to the conference office. We congratulate our good doctor on this achievement; it enhances the beauty of the area.

► Odell Mackey, publishing secretary, reports that our good colporteurs sold more than \$150,000 worth of truth-filled literature during the month of August. This is the highest ever in sales for us.

► The members of the Memphis church under R. P. Peay have secured three acres of land on which to construct a new church building.

► J. E. Cox states that the preliminary plans for the new Meharry Boulevard church have been received.

► L. W. Williams and his congregation in Columbus, Mississippi, opened a new church building on October 10. This building replaced the structure erected by Elder and Mrs. James White in 1895.

► Some 200 persons were baptized in the South Central Conference during the month of August. Our brethren have reported good success in their meetings and we say to God be the glory!

► Mrs. N. A. Lindsay has received an associate professorship at Peabody College where she is working on her doctorate in special education.

► The workers of the South Central Conference gathered at the Montgomery Bell State Park near Nashville, Tennessee, for a workers' retreat a few days ago. R. A. Anderson from the General Conference Ministerial Association was guest speaker. He instructed the workers on new methods in evangelism.

► Four new churches will be organized in South Central this year, bringing the total number to 60. These churches will be organized at Brownsville and Eads, Tennessee, by R. P. Peay; Harriman, Tennessee, by W. J. Mitchell; and Murfreesboro, Tennessee, by E. W. Moore, Dr. W. E. Coopwood and N. S. McLeod.

SOUTHWEST REGION

Evangelism in the Southwest Region

THE Lord richly blessed all of our evangelistic meetings. The reports that we received were gratifying. We had a larger number of baptisms from this past summer's efforts, 248, than any summer since the organization of the conference.

ROSWELL, New Mexico—E. D. Rudley and William Downes have baptized 14 thus far with still a very good interest.

TULSA, Oklahoma—C. Sampson Myles and Rawdon Brown report 34 baptized and others in the baptismal class.

LAKE CHARLES, Louisiana—The Lord blessed C. M. Bailey and Calvin Robinson with 73 souls. Sixty-four of these were in the first baptism. The whole city of Lake Charles was stirred. We believe that they are going to baptize 100.

NEW ORLEANS, Louisiana—W. J. Cleveland had tremendous crowds throughout the series, and a good attendance for the first Sabbath service, August 22, in spite of the rain. He baptized 84.

ALEXANDRIA, Louisiana—Van Runnels and H. M. Mouzon baptized 25. Alexandria had continual rain this past summer, but the attendance was good.

DALLAS, Texas—Elbert Shepperd joined L. B. Baker on August 26 and worked with him until the close of his evangelistic meetings. The attendance was good and Brother Baker baptized 52.

FORT WORTH, Texas—L. G. Newton and Carey McNorton had their first Sabbath service, August 22. The meeting was held at the church. After



The mobile disaster unit of the Roswell, New Mexico, church health and welfare group. Left to right: Mrs. Ina Burger, E. J. Boyer, Mrs. Landonia Monroe, Mrs. Earlene Ben, Mrs. Katherine Boyer, and J. A. Kindell. The Artesia, New Mexico, newspaper gave them front-page recognition for their work during the June 13 flood in that area.

the tent in Fort Worth was destroyed by a storm L. G. Newton preached in the open air each night until a new tent arrived. His crowds were larger than he had in the tent.

V. L. ROBERTS, *President*
Southwest Region Conference

News Note

► C. E. Moseley, field secretary of the General Conference, departed for Warsaw, Poland, on the United States Lines, September 10, 1964. Elder Moseley will conduct evangelistic meetings there until mid-December. His wife accompanied him. Enroute to Poland the Moseleys visited the following places: London, England; Paris, France; Brussels, Belgium; Duesseldorf, Frankfurt, and Berlin, Germany. We know that you join with us in praying God's blessings to be with Elder Moseley in his evangelistic endeavors.

LAST-MINUTE NEWS

As we go to press word has come to us of some late results in baptisms from this past summer's evangelism. E. E. Cleveland has baptized 126, J. Malcolm Phipps in Chicago 151, and C. D. Brooks in Philadelphia 270 (including some rebaptisms).

We can thank God for these results along with the many other successful meetings. There will be further baptisms in these meetings due to the large interests still existing. Let us pray for our evangelism.

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