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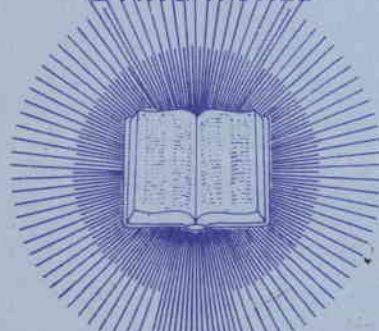
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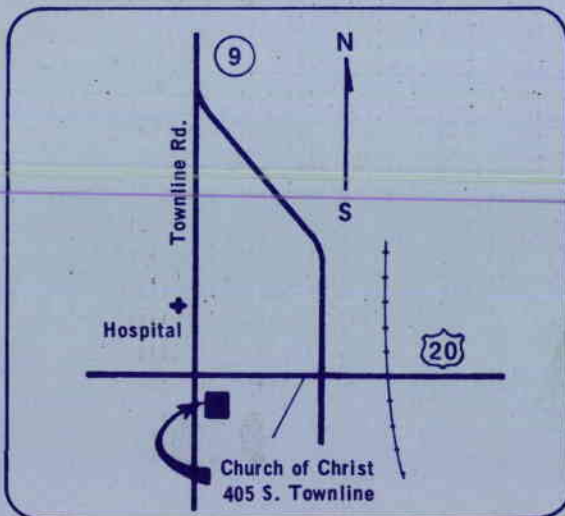
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May The Year 1978 Bring You ..

ENOUGH HAPPINESS TO KEEP YOU SWEET

ENOUGH TRIALS TO KEEP YOU STRONG

ENOUGH SORROW TO KEEP YOU HUMAN

ENOUGH HOPE TO KEEP YOU HAPPY

ENOUGH FAILURE TO KEEP YOU HUMBLE

ENOUGH SUCCESS TO KEEP YOU EAGER

ENOUGH FRIENDS TO GIVE YOU COMFORT

ENOUGH FAITH IN YOURSELF TO GIVE YOU COURAGE

ENOUGH WEALTH TO MEET YOUR NEEDS

ENOUGH DETERMINATION TO MAKE EACH DAY A GOOD ONE

AND

ENOUGH FAITH IN GOD TO PUT HIM FIRST.

Amen

The Record last week
Att. 155 Contr. \$756.85

We would like to announce these area events in January:

*Jan 7 at Mishawaka - theme of this workshop, GROWING IN SERVICE - Also a meeting is scheduled the day before and after with Eddie Lewis

*Jan 1-8 at Southside, Ft. Wayne

*Jan. 14, 15 Youth Rally at Lagrange.

*Note all these events are posted on bulletin board.

The schedule that the elders would like to follow in regard to the names submitted for consideration - Norm Herron, elder and Jim Pieratt, deacon is that any scriptural objections to be handed in by this Sunday. All of these will be investigated and if after such, they are qualified, they will be installed on Sunday, January 8, 1978.

Bowling Alley is being reserved this Sat. eve from 6:30 to 9:30. A flat charge of \$75.00 will include cost of shoes and bowling so the more that comes, the lower cost per person. After 9:30, let's meet at the building for fellowship (bring some finger foods -- there will some songs presented by the youth group -- then we can all sing in the new year and be led in prayer to God

Because of the time conflict of the 5 o'clock prayer service on Sunday evening with the singing at the Nursing Homes, we'll be keeping the Nursing Home's appointments as usual (4:30 at the Millers Merry Manor and 5:10 at the Lagrange) and consider and allow the Saturday eve get-together for a time of prayer.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS that appeared in bulletin dated Dec 18:

1. Moriah, Gen. 22:1-12
2. Sinai, Exodus 31:18
3. Olivet, Luke 22:30
4. Calvary, Luke 23:33

As our families, college students, teachers, etc. leave this week to go back, we wish God's richest blessings on them. It's been a pleasure to have each of you home for awhile.

WORD OF APPRECIATION

Dear Loved Ones,

As this year comes to a close, we wish to thank you for the love you have shown to our family.

You have shared with us in our joys and sorrows. And that's what Christianity is all about. We love each and every one of you and thank our Father for making it all possible.

We are looking forward to even a greater year of service together in '78.

The Herrons

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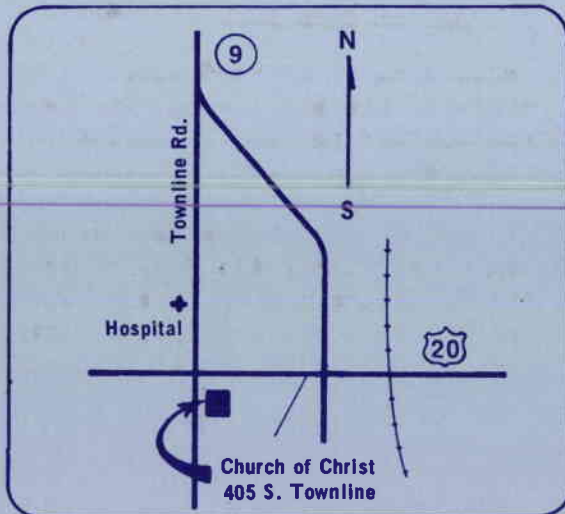
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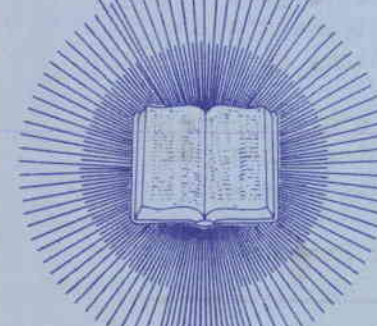


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YOUTH RALLY

JAN. 14 & 15

THEME:

"It Only Takes A Spark"

SPEAKERS: RON GHOLSTON, Williamstown, W. Va.
JERRY SELVEDGE, South Haven, Mi.

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YOU MUST BEGIN

A teakettle singing on the stove was the beginning of the steam engine. A shirt waving on a clothes line was the beginning of a balloon, the forerunner of the Graf Zeppelin. A spider web strung across a garden path suggested the suspension bridge. A lantern swinging in a tower was the beginning of the pendulum. An apple falling from a tree caused the discovery of the law of gravitation.

So it is with the life of a man. Once he has made a beginning at something, no one can predict the end result. Simple, seemingly meaningless beginnings often have wonderful endings. But, the beginning step must be taken.

Christian service is the same way. Only those who begin can become giants of Christian service. Some, because they feel incapable of doing great deeds in the vineyard of the Lord, never enter the field. No one has ever stepped directly into great pathways of service. Everyone must begin with the teakettle and spider webs of service. Then, having made a beginning, he can progress to the greater aspects of service.

Don't wait to serve the Lord until you think you are ready to do some big things. Begin where you are. Do the things that you can do. Once you make a beginning, no one can predict the greatness of your service.

Via Covington Spiritual Encourager

HAPPY?

If you want to be happy,
Begin where you are.
Don't wait for some rapture
That's future and far.
Begin to be joyous,
Begin to be glad,
And soon you'll forget
That you were ever sad.

Building boys is better than
mending men.

The fellow who lives a double
life gets nowhere twice as
fast

SHARE YOUR FAITH

Have a phone...will call!
Have an interest...will come!
Have car...will bring!
Have a concern...will pray!
Have a voice...will sing!
Have a conviction...will share!
Have a hand...will write!

MOVED: Glenda Newman has moved
to Portage, Michigan. Wouldn't
you write her an encouraging let-
ter. Address: Glenda Newman
802 Prosperity
Portage, Mich. 49081

THE RECORD LAST WEEK

Att. 125 Contr. \$598.00

A combination of holidays, sick-
ness and bad weather really cut
into the attendance last week. We
hope all can be back this week.

This Sunday, we ask that all our
teachers bring their classes to
the auditorium at 11:30. We would
like everyone to be present when
we recognize Norm Herron and Jim
Pieratt to the offices of elder
and deacon, respectively.

YOUTH RALLY is drawing near: Jan.
14 & 15. Much plan-
ing, led by bro. Dick Hostetler
will likely bring the expected
number of 250 here. There's need
for homes (overnight stay) and
food (for Sunday pot-luck). There
is a sheet to sign in the lobby
if you are willing to help in ei-
ther of these areas.

1st CORINTHIAN STUDY by bro. Bill
Smith at Glenwood
Ft. Wayne is Sat., Jan. 28. There
are 11 from here that have sign-
up to go, which is commendable.
This fine teacher can make this
study 'come alive' and make ap-
plication of it for us today. If
others want to go, let Norm know.

GROWING IN SERVICE- lessons in
leadership,
this Sat., Jan. 7 at Mishawaka at
church bldg. located at Jeffer-
son and Currant Roads. Some 15

people are scheduled on the pro-
gram and should be profitable to
any who can attend. Brother Ed-
die Lewis will be speaking both
Fri. eve. and for Sunday service.
See bull. board for time sched.

MEETING CHANGE at So. Side, Fort
Wayne, reschedules
Albert Lemons for Jan. 11-15. The
lessons are on: The Power of Pra-
yer and Fasting Time 7:30 ea. evv.

MEMBER INFORMATION SHEETS which
will be helpful for the elders
have nearly all been turned in.
For those who have been gone or
otherwise have not turned one in
please see bro. Dean for one.

ATTENDANCE CARDS will be used
starting this
Sunday (if received from printer)
to help in record keeping. Hope-
fully a better follow-up program
can be planned with this proced-
ure, and it will take only a few
seconds to fill it out.

THE LADIES WILL MEET for tray
favors
Wed., Jan. 11 at 9:30 a.m. The
shut-ins (hospital & nursing ho-
mes) really appreciate this. Lad-
ies, come and share in this!

Signatures are needed for commu-
nion preparation, 4th Sun. fellow-
ships, Saturday morning breakfast
for bus workers. LADIES, if you
are willing to do any of these, do!

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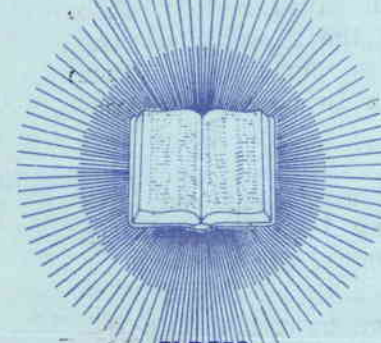


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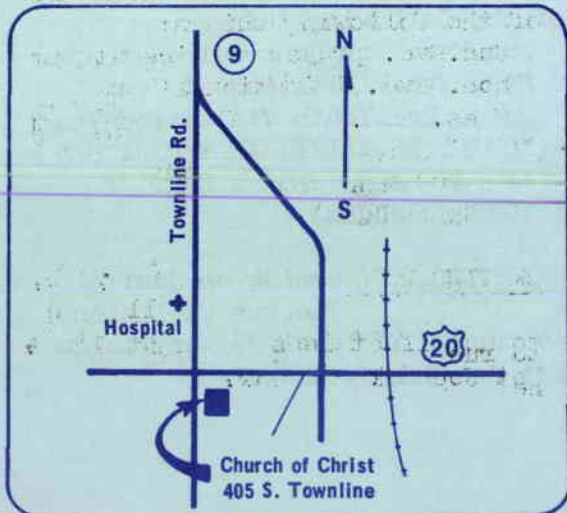
JUST ONE REQUEST

"Dear Master for this coming year
Just one request I bring
I do not pray for happiness
Or any earthly thing--
I do not ask to understand
The way Thou leadest me,
But this I ask: Teach me to do
The thing that pleaseth Thee.

I want to know Thy guiding Word,
To walk with Thee each day,
Dear Master make me swift to hear
And ready to obey.
And thus the year I now begin
A happy year will be--
If I am seeking just to do
The thing that pleaseth Thee."

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WHEN IS ONE SAVED?

Christ said, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned." (Mark 16:16) When did Christ say one is saved? Before or after baptism?

Peter said, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." (Acts 2:38) When did Peter say one receives the remission of sins? Before or after baptism?

Ananias told Saul, "And now why tarriest thou? Arise and be baptized and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord." (Acts 22:16). When did Ananias say that one has his sins washed away? Before or after baptism?

P Peter also said "The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ." (1 Peter 3:21) When did Peter say that one is saved? Before or after baptism?

Paul wrote, "Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?" (Romans 6:3,4) When did Paul say that one enters Christ? Before or after baptism?

Paul also wrote, "For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ." (Galatians 3:26,27) When did Paul say one puts on Christ? Before or after baptism?

The question is often asked: When is one saved? Before or after baptism? Many say before and others say after. If one will read the foregoing verses of scripture and honestly answer the questions asked then he will readily know when one is saved. When this is done there is no need for further discussion.

When were you saved? Or when did you think you were saved? Did your actions match those in the verses quoted? If not, you have not yet been saved. You can be saved only when you do what the Bible teaches.

J. C. CHOATE

The Record last week:
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THE YOUTH RALLY that the Lagrange congregation hosted last week end was enjoyed not only by the youth but by all the members who opened their homes to the young people last Saturday night. Statistically, more than 200 attended the two day meeting, from as far away as Troy, Ohio. There were 70 responses with 6 baptisms, 2 of which were from Lagrange. We are happy that Sandy Adkins and Doris Covey put their Lord on in baptism. Also Jeff & Sally Meade, Dan & Connie Davison, Connie Weaver, Kim Herron, Fran Hostetler, Penny Oakley, Terry Hostetler, Debbie Duzan and Mary Johnston expressed desire to be restored and for prayers. We express thanks to the good lessons that brothers Ron Gohlston and Jerry Selvidge brought to everyone. *at home now.

TIME IS NEAR for the 1st class to begin on the study of the Corinthian letters at Glenwood in Ft. Wayne. It will be from 9 to 4 p.m. on Sat. Jan. 28. At least a dozen from here are going and there is still room in the 3rd. car for more. For more info. about the class, see Norm or Jim Pieratt.

4TH. SUNDAY coming up, which means this time that another group of young men will be bringing to us the evening messages.

Hopefully, Wesley Boyles, Terry Edams and Joey Oakley will share with us their thoughts. FOLLOWING EVENING SERVICE, LET'T MEET in the fellowship room to share some finger foods and love.

THE SICK --- Roy Campbell is in Rm.#222 in the Sturgis hospital... Mary Helmer is in Rm.#1302D of the Community hospital in Indianapolis. (The address is 1500 N. Ritter St.)..... *Robert Hicks and Sherry Pratt are in the Lagrange hospital. Also, Kevin Hicks (son of Larry and Vicky Hicks) is in the children's ward... Mary Ann Wade has been confined at home with a cold ... Connie and Cris Morgan has been sick... Connie Weaver injured her toe (you'll have to let her explain that one - ha!)... Anyway, these all deserve our thoughts and prayers and cards and visits.

WE URGE ALL THE CONGREGATION to be involved in one or more of the following things:
Sun. Eve. prayer service at 5pm
Mon. Eve. Visitation at 7pm
Tues. Eve. Youth Visitation-7pm
(YOU'LL BE SPIRITUALLY ENRICHED IF YOU MAKE THESE A PART OF YOUR SCHEDULE)

SKATING PARTY coming up Jan. 31. The bus will plan to run if at least 25 want to go. Let Joe Oakley know.

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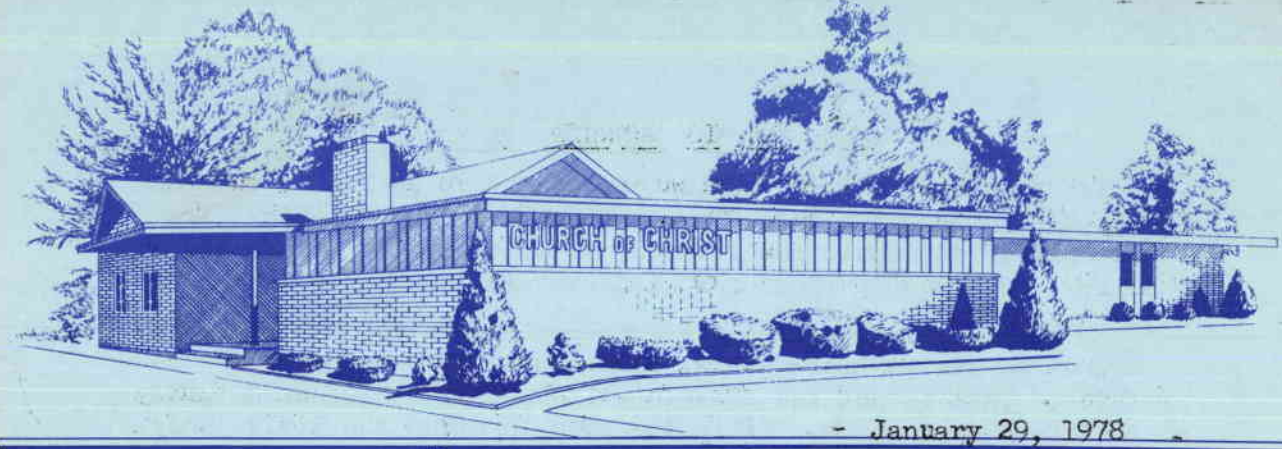
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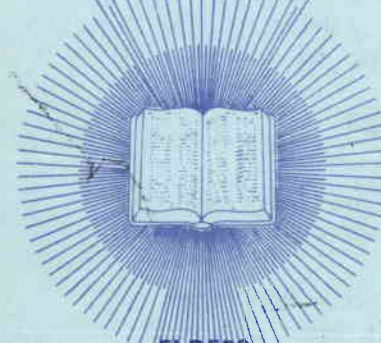
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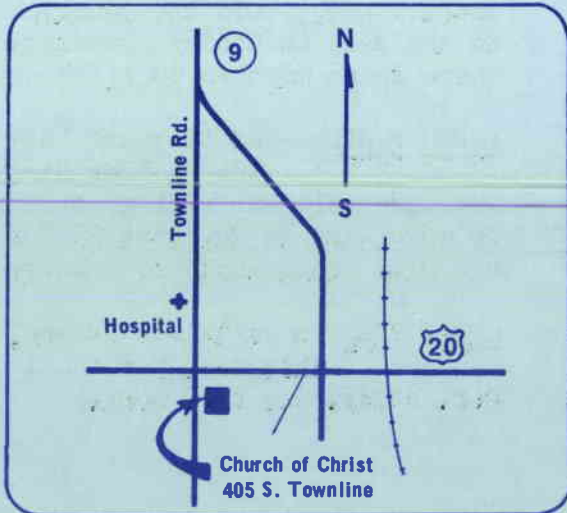
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It appears sometimes when we come together on Sunday that we forget the purpose for gathering. Although we should enjoy the fellowship of our Christian friends, that is not all we are together for. Our real purpose for gathering is to worship God and to study His word.

When we are in Bible class, our purpose is to study God's scriptures. That is not the time to write notes or discuss Saturday night TV shows or dates. It is the time to study the Bible only!

When we are in the worship service, we are to do absolutely nothing but worship God and hear His gospel proclaimed. Is God pleased when we talk when we are supposed to be singing? How about when we talk to someone during the prayer, distracting another's attention from God? This sometimes happens in our services. Now, I love my brothers and sisters in Christ and I enjoy talking to and listening to you, but neither you nor I have anything to say to anyone that is as important as what we are saying to God when we are supposed to be worshipping Him.

-----ALAN MAYES
Hillcrest Hi-Lights
Youth Page

Does this article apply to not only our youth here but adults, too?

YOU ARE A KXY MEMBER

I am a typewriter. I have 43 keys, and all but one works perfectly. My owner was going to have my one key that does not work fixed, but then someone said, "Why, with a total of 43 keys the one that does not work will not matter. The other 42 can do the job just as if all the keys worked perfectly." So my owner did not get me fixed, and sure enough, I work without the one key.

In fact, I am just like a church. Why, with so many members, if one does not work, it will not matter at all. With the others working, the one member will not be missed, and things will go along fine.

So, if you are a member of the church, but you are not participating in its work, do not worry. With so many others to do the work, the church's program will not suffer at all. After all..... just look at me.. I have one key that does not work, but see what a fine job my other keys do.

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Spec. Contr. \$555.93

NOTE:

Our treasurer, Jamie McAlpin, will be posting another figure on the contribution board each week which will indicate the special contributions which are made during the current month other than the contributions given at the regular services on Sunday. Occasionally, contributions come in which are earmarked for specific needs of the church (others aren't) which are recorded separately by the treasurer. These have been shown before only on the typed treasurer's monthly report, however now, he will post it on the contribution board, for each current month.

IT WAS GOOD to hear the 3 young men, Wesley Boyles, Terry Adams and Joey Oakley, present lessons last Sunday eve. It is commendable of them as well as the other young men who spoke the 4th Sun. in Nov. to begin using their talents for the Lord.

FOUR came before the assembly last Sunday asking forgiveness for sins: Brother Bob Hicks, sisters Sharon Simpson, Claudia Hart and Sandy Adkins. The remedy for recurring sins is a determined will that "I can do all things through Christ which

strengtheneth me". Phil. 4:13. We encourage them to do what is right and that God will help them overcome their weaknesses.

THIS SUNDAY EVENING, being the 5th Sun. of the month, we will have congregational singing. About once every 3 months we look forward to this kind of worship as we blend our voices in praise God.

THE SICK -- At this writing, Roy Campbell is hoping to come home from the Sturgis hospital on Friday.. Martin Hall is in the Lagrange hospital, having entered Tuesday.... It was good to have Mary Helmer back for worship last Sunday.. There is still much flu, colds etc. going around (Mary Wade is over it and back to worship last Sunday)

About a dozen teenagers met-came to visitation last Tuesday evening. It was great to see their zeal... Now, would the adults do the same on Monday evening? There is so much to do !!!

YOUNG PEOPLE -- Skating at Holiday Roller Rink Tues., Jan. 31. Bus will go if 25 or more want to go. Cost 25¢ for bus plus usual admission charge

STILL TIME to go to Ft. Wayne, this Sat. for the 1 Cor. study. See bro. Norm.

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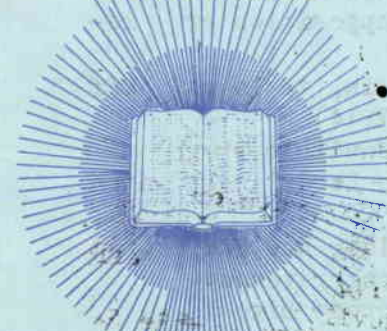


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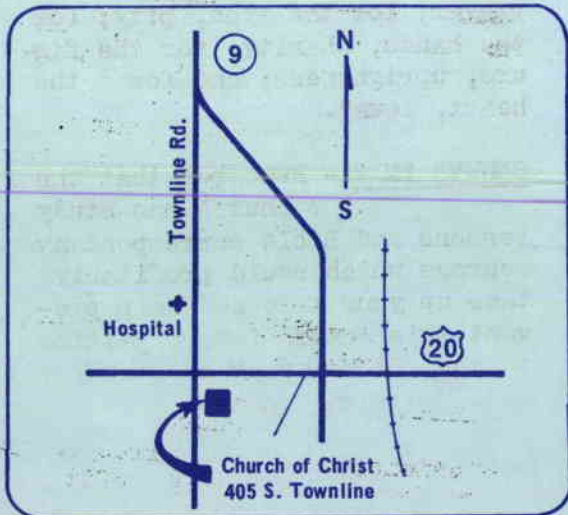
"Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:6,7)

"And let the peace of God rule in your hearts and be ye thankful" (Col. 3:15)



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TEN WAYS TO PROMOTE CHRISTIAN HARMONY

1. Remember that all are subject to failings of one kind or another.
2. Bear with each other's infirmities (Gal. 6:1-2)
3. Pray for one another in our assembled meetings, and particularly in private. (James 5:1-6)
4. Avoid going from house to house, or using the telephone, for the purpose of bearing gossip or interfering with other people's business. (2Thess. 3:11; 1 Tim. 5:13)
5. Always turn a deaf ear to any slanderous report, or lay no charge against any person until well founded. Do not take pleasure in what is evil, but in what is good. (1 Cor. 13:6; Phil. 4:8)
6. If a brother is in fault, tell him of it in private, but it is mentioned to others. (Gal. 6:1; Matt. 18:15)
7. Watch against shyness of each other, and put the best construction on any action that has the appearance of opposition or resentment.
8. Observe the just rules of Solomon, that is, to leave off contention before it is meddled with. (Prov. 17:14)
9. Remember that is always a great device of the devil to promote distance and animosities among brethren in the Lord, and watch against everything that furthers this end.
10. If a brother or sister has offended you, consider how Godlike it is to forgive and how unlike a Christian to seek revenge.

Via Hillcrest Digest

SELF-ABNEGATION

Says a quaint writer: "When two goats meet on a narrow bridge over deep water, what do they do? Neither can turn back again, neither can pass the other, the bridge is too narrow. If they strive, both will fall into the river. Nature has taught them that if one lays himself down and permits the other to go over him, both remain without hurt. Even so people are to act, rather than fight others.

WORKING TOGETHER

To work together is to help one another. Even hard work is lightened by the presense of someone who brings companionship, sympathy, and understanding. Working together with those you like is a pleasant adventure anywhere. It not only accomplishes great results, but it lightens the work for all. Working with a friend is the first step toward working for a friend. In this manner great friendships are gained.

THE RECORD LAST WEEK

Att. 34 Contr. ?

This must be a record - on the low side. The 34 that came all walked - If they could have driven - which they couldn't - there was no place to park. This snowstorm hit the area about the same time as it did last year. As we said then, "we hope the worst is over. It is February, isn't it?"

EXPECTED NEWS



Jamie and Sue McAlpin are the proud parents of a cute little girl, Leigh Lane, born Saturday afternoon, and weighed in at 4 lbs. 14 oz. Interesting how things worked out in view of being snowbound and without telephone service. We're thankful all is well with them.

SHULTS LEWIS ANNOUNCEMENT

Some openings for Christian Houseparents are expected this summer. If you feel that you might qualify for this challenging, rewarding ministry, contact Allen Dixon soon and request an information packet. Box 471, Valparaiso, In 46383

CLASS POSTPONEMENT - because of bad weather the study of 1 Cor. with Brother Bill Smith is now scheduled for the last Saturday in May. We'll announce again as the time comes.

NURSING HOME singing is scheduled for this Sunday. Time: 4:30 at Miller Merry Manor and 5:10 at Lagrange.

Sick - Brother Bob Hicks is in the Lagrange hospital (entered Tuesday) with a recurring back problem.... Roy Campbell, (because of road conditions) did not get home until Sunday..... Martin Luther was released Tuesday.

RECIPE FOR CHARM

A dear old Quaker lady, distinguished for her youthful appearance, was asked what she used to preserve her charms. She replied sweetly: "I use for the lips, truth; for the voice prayer; for the eyes, pity; for the hands, charity; for the figure, uprightness; and for the heart, love".

SNOWED IN ? - Remember that the church has study lessons and Bible correspondence courses which could profitably take up your time and help prevent this 'cabin fever' getting to you. Stock up as soon as you can. See Dean Hoggatt.

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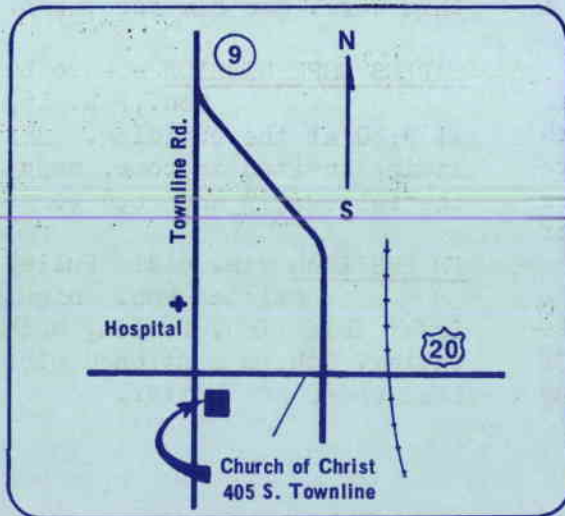
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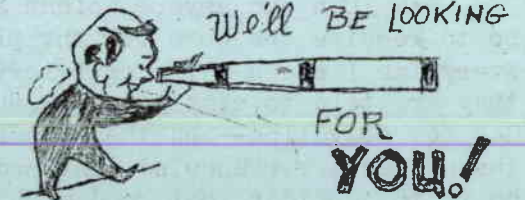
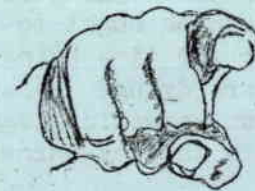
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"NEITHER BID HIM GODSPEED"

"If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: for he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deed." - 2 John 10-11.

It is with a great deal of sadness that I hear members of the Lord's church jump to the defense of proponents of error and false doctrine. If a man has achieved any degree of prominence and a following, he becomes a "sacred cow" whose false representation of the gospel of Christ ought to be overlooked because he seems to "do some good." Brethren, this ought not to be!

Paul certainly did not adopt a "hands off" policy when he encountered those who were perverting the gospel in his day. "As we said before, so say I now again, if any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed" (Gal.1:9). That is pretty strong language. But Paul knew that more than feelings were at stake; it was a matter of souls being lost.

Suppose for a moment that a cure for cancer had been found and was available for the asking. And along comes a man advertises himself as an expert on cancer and tells people that they ought to be taking a sugar pill which he has for sale, never telling them about the real cure. He gathers a large following and the people who need the cure, instead take the sugar pill-confident that they need nothing further. What do you think ought to be done with such a man? Praise him because he has, for the time being, given a more positive outlook on life to those who are dying? Defend his right to teach whatever he believes? As a minimum we would judge the man as a criminal who deserves to be locked up with the key thrown away.

How then can anyone defend a man who does not teach people what to do to receive the cure for the plague that will bring eternal death? Everytime I see a rally on television with thousands in attendance, and they are told to simply take Jesus into their hearts--to just believe God for salvation--and then hundreds searching for eternal life flood the aisles never knowing that God's Word requires more; it breaks my heart to consider what good might have been done had not the gospel been perverted.

Brethren, we need to understand that tampering with a person's soul is serious business. God's Word condemns one who perverts the gospel. How dare any Christians to stand for his defense!
----Chuck Barrington, Donnmyer Digest

THE RECORD LAST WEEK
Att. 174 Centr. \$1039.00

DOES YOUR LIFE SPELL CHRISTIAN?

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H - onest
R - esponsible
I - nterested
S - teadfast
T - houghtful
I - nnocent
A - wake
N - ew Creation

"Christianity is no mere religion; it is a life"

GOSPEL MEETING...at Lagrange.

-Apr. 16 thru 21,-
Brother Coleman Crocker who is a gospel preacher and presently teaching at Freed-Hardemen College will be our speaker. This meeting has been planned for many years (previous to Norm's coming to Lagrange). Bro. Earl Gieseke (former preacher here) had done campaign work with bro. Crocker and recommended him highly. We now look forward to a good meeting here in April.

ELDERS AND DEACONS are working this month especially, in the attempt to restore delinquent members. Please go to the Lord daily in prayer for their behalf.

TIME DRAWING NEARER for the second SOUL WINNING WORKSHOP at Ft. Wayne, scheduled for May

11 thru 14. We hope that this year, many, many more Christians will take advantage of this great program.

YOUTH RALLY is scheduled Sat. Feb. 18th at Angola. Information on this is posted on the bulletin board.

BUS WORKERS BREAKFAST - to be this Saturday at Devon Hostetler's, at 8am. A great time of fellowship is enjoyed each week by those involved. The Hostetler's invite regulars as well as all others who are interested in the bus ministry.

TAPES OF SUNDAY MORNING SERMONS are being recorded and made available

for any who are unable to be here, or otherwise would desire to hear the lessons that bro. Norm gives, again. Thanks to bro. Wade Spears for doing this work. See him for tapes.

LADIES WORK SESSION - - to be Wed., Feb. 15, at 9:30 at the building. All ladies invited to come, enjoy the fellowship and good works.

IN HOSPITAL Sis. Goldie Pulley admitted Mon. night is at this time, feeling much better. Others mentioned sick last week, are better.

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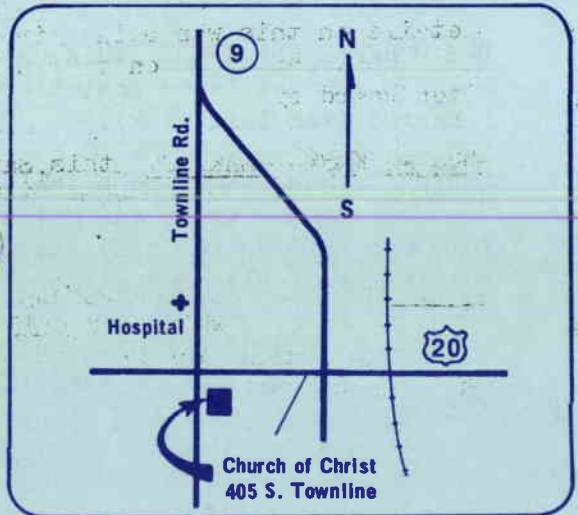
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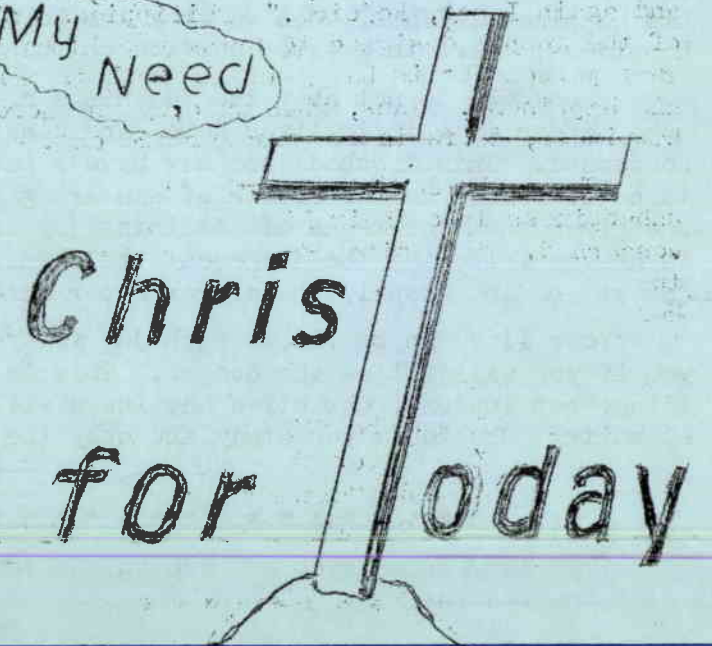
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THERE IS JOY IN CHRISTIANITY!

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for the joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field." Matthew 13:44

Mr. McDonald was an elderly Christian. One morning while engaged in his yard work, a neighbor heard him whistling a happy tune. The neighbor remarked, "You sound very happy this morning." The reply Mr. McDonald gave immediately was "I am happy; I'm a Christian!" The neighbor thought a moment, then had a question; "Can't anyone be happy but a Christian, Mr. McDonald?" And Mr. McDonald taught a wonderful lesson when he replied; "Not at my age!"

What the world, and many church members, fail to realize about Christianity, is the joy that comes from following the Christ. Quite appropriately Paul commanded the Philippians; "Rejoice in the Lord always and again I say, Rejoice." Philippians 4:4. Teachings and commandments of the gospel designed to bring happiness into the lives of all people. That person who is happy in his work is a better workman as a result of his happiness. Thus, when we obey the Lord, happiness comes; and with happiness, there is greater service on the part of the Christian.

Those who do not obey the teachings of the gospel frequently bring unhappiness into their lives here, and disaster as far as eternity is concerned. This disobedience may have a passing happiness, but it soon turns to sorrow as the fruits of sin are gathered. What a tragedy? God has given them the means of attaining joy in this life, and eternal life in heaven following the judgement; but because of a disregard for God, Christ and the gospel, the sinner experiences sorrow and spiritual death.

Your life can be filled with joy for yourself and for those around you if you will follow the Gospel. This is not a transient, floating thing; but instead, Christian happiness will abide with you throughout eternity. Shouldn't you study and obey the Gospel of Christ?

----Foster Ramsey

QUOTES

"Too many of us keep our eye on the temptation that we are praying not to be led into."

"All of us leave our footprints in the sands of time. Some leave the mark of a great soul, others of a heel."

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CONSIDER THE MESSAGE IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING:

- (1) Born once, die twice. Born twice, die once.
- (2) Make stumbling stones stepping stones.
- (3) God turns disappointments into appointments.
- (4) Don't stare up the steps. Step up the stairs.
- (5) A mul can't kick while he is pulling, or pull while he is kicking.
- (6) A giver never gripes. A griper never gives.
- (7) If the Lord does not stick with me, I'm stuck.
- (8) The Lord looks for availability rather than ability.

VISITORS - It was good to have Carl & Jesse Pieratt back for Sunday evening services. Jesse, was, however, admitted to the Lutheran hospital in Fort Wayne for blood transfusion and will likely be there about one week. Room number can be given at services when it is known.

CAMP INDOGAN DINNER - like the one given last year in Mar at Pokegon Inn will be held this April 14 in Ft. Wayne. Speaker and location will be forthcoming. Should be a good program and be a big help for the camp.

WE'LL BE ANNOUNCING for gospel meeting with bro. Coleman Crocker, coming up April 16-21, in each bulletin as a continual reminder. Keep these dates open for evening services and start work-

ing toward bringing friends.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICES for the two Nursing Homes is scheduled for the church for Mar. 12 in the afternoon: Miller Merry Manor at 2 and the Lagrange Home at 2:45.

YOUTH SING at Angola this Saturday. Details on this was being circulated and should be on the bulletin board by now.

BUS WORKERS BREAKFAST this Sat. at Devon Hostetlers (changed from last week).

LADIES please save and bring white and yellow foam egg cartons for tray favors. Put them on table in new lobby.

SKATING PARTY at Holiday Rink Feb. 28, in Elkhart,

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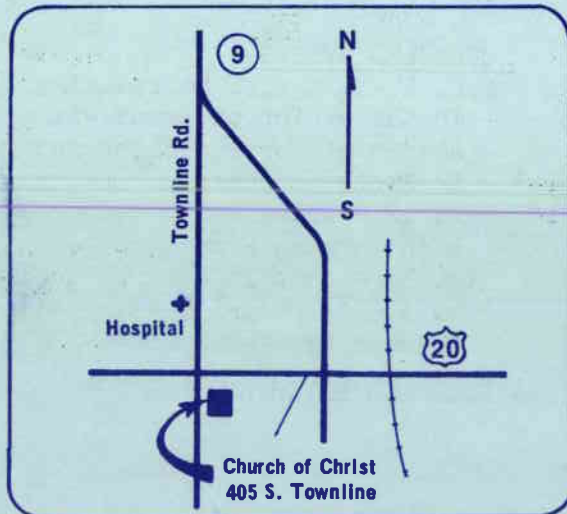
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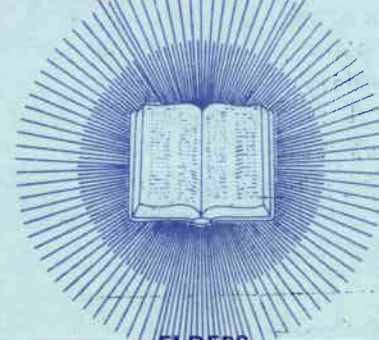
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THE CHRISTIAN HOME

North, South, East and West - everywhere thoughtful people are concerned with the wave of crime that is sweeping our nation.

Even those who have been inclined to treat the situation lightly are now faced with undeniable statistics. Crime, juvenile and adult, has become a frightening thing. And it will continue so until the home again fulfills its rightful place, a place of training and prayer and devotion where love holds sway.

We read of Jesus in the second chapter of Luke that he "advanced in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man". This should be the goal of all parents for their children. Not merely in science, not merely in education, not merely in the social realm - but in "wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." - Dan Harless

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LET ME ALONE

Several years ago a lady came to visit me, saying she was thinking about placing membership with the congregation for which I was preaching.

"The congregation I have been meeting with just won't leave me alone; they're always calling up to say that they missed me in Bible study. I have told them that I just don't attend Bible study but they don't seem to understand that. They just won't leave me alone."

I assured her that I could offer her little comfort. Neither could I understand why she did not attend Bible class. I told her that personally I could not "let her alone", and that I did not believe that the elders would "let her alone".

She added, of course, a time-worn cliché, "But it's nobody's business whether or not I attend Bible study." Kindly, but firmly I tried to explain to her that it was the Lord's business. The Lord wants Christians to grow, and surely studying the Bible with other Christians will help us grow. I explained further that it was the elder's business whether or not she studied the Bible. Elders are charged with the tremendous responsibility of feeding the flock. They must encourage sick members to take spiritual nourishment.

There are many such people today who think they would like to be "let alone", but the Lord will not leave any of us alone. Let us pray that we may never leave each other alone, but provoke each other to love and good works.

-Virgil Bentle -



HAND
IN
HAND

She placed her hand in mine -
Pudgy, tender, and small -

Expecting that the size of my hand
Might prevent a serious fall.

She yielded her life to my guidance -
Trusting, depending, and sure -

That whatever the plight or danger
With me she would be secure.

The responsibility O Lord is frightening!
To have a task so devine!

For assurance of the right direction,
LET ME PLACE MY HAND IN THINE.

- James C. Barry -

THE RECORD LAST WEEK
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"He is no fool who gives up that
which he cannot keep to gain
that which he cannot lose."

DON'T FORGET...



4TH SUNDAY COMING UP - This Sunday evening,
brother Joe Hughes will be bringing us the gospel message. We appreciate Joe and his example of faithfulness in the Lord's work. Following the evening service, be sure to stay for the fellowship (bring some light things to munch on - kool-aid and coffee will be provided) We will meet in the new fellowship room.

NEW BUS DIRECTOR - Bro. Joe Oakley will be replacing Perry Miller in the great job of co-ordinating our busing program. Brother Perry's new job assignment with Vigertone calls for him to be away too much to oversee this work as well as it demands. Perry hopes that before too long, he can again be at home more, with less travel. (we do too). Many thanks to Perry

for his continued work as director since we began the bus ministry. Joe has had much experience, too, in this work. We look for a good work under his direction.

LADIES CLASS to begin soon on Wednesday evenings. Sister Marilyn Herron will teach this using the booklet "The Christians Everyday Problems! These books are in, ladies, so be sure to pick yours up.

RESPONSES - Bro. Bill Oakley asks forgiveness and prayers of the church (failing to attend when he could have) also sister Carolyn Mains sees her need to come back and live a life of faithfulness again. Let's continue to pray for these and encourage them in every way.

EVERY MEMBER - If you haven't turned in an information work sheet yet, please do so. Some thirty members yet need to give theirs in.

SCHEDULED EVENTS :

- Feb. 27-Norm will be speaking to the senior citizens with slides of Norway and bringing in Bible teaching.
- Mar. 12 - Afternoon services at both Nursing Homes.
- Apr. 14 - Camp Indogan banquet.
- Apr. 16-21- Gospel Meeting with Coleman Crocker

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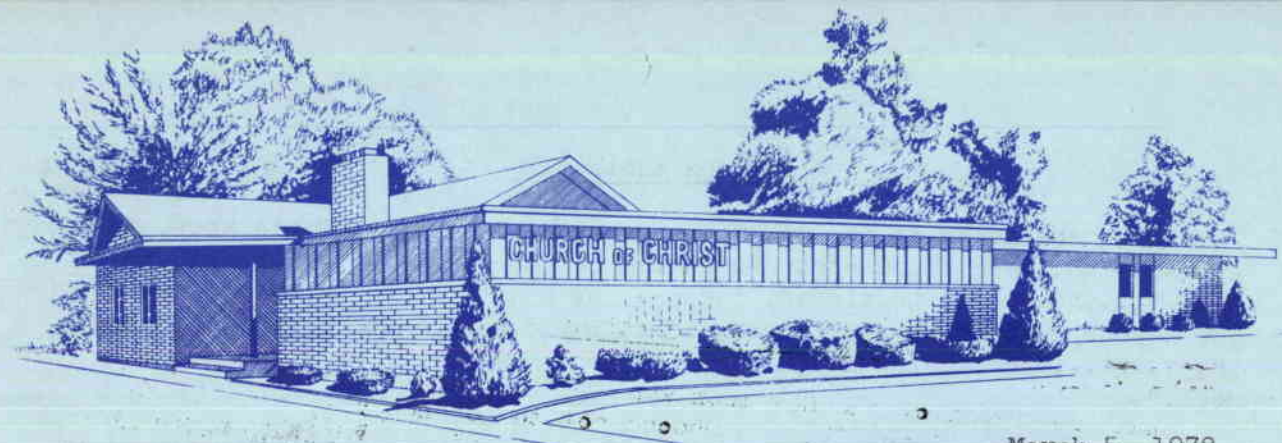
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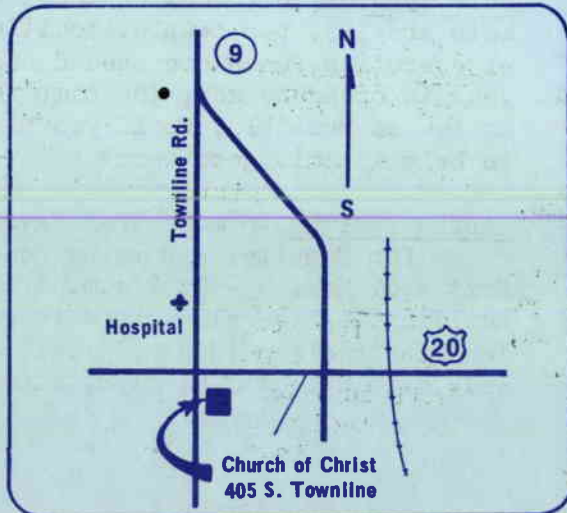
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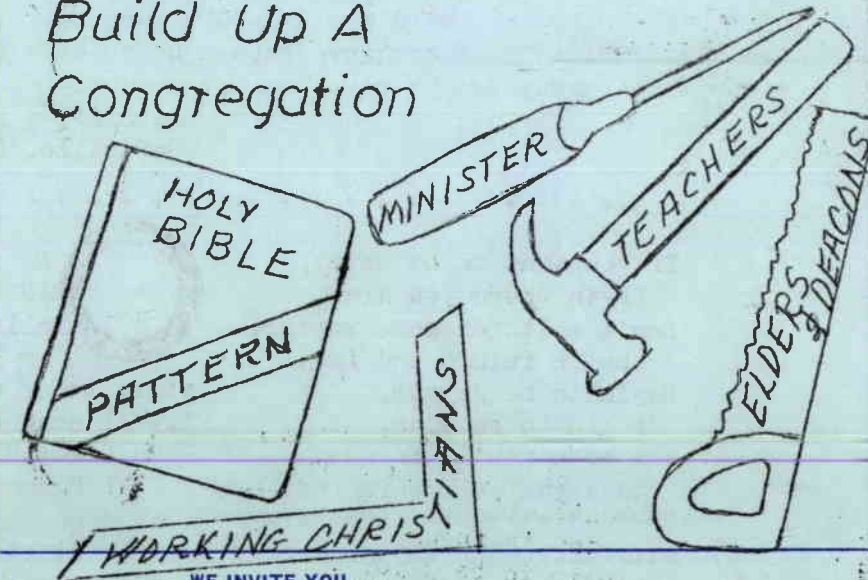
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love for one another

When the feast of the new moon was about to arrive, David knew, to attend might mean his death. He choose not to go and Jonathan said to him, "...Thou shalt be missed, because thy seat will be empty." ISam.20;18 The reason for Jonathan's concern about David can be found in the preceeding verse..."because he loved him: for he loved him as he loved his own soul."

We all miss the things that we love when they are gone. I miss people, places and ideals, when they have vanished from my life. But, the key to missing something is loving it. Jonathon missed David first because he loved him.

There are many of our own brethern who have chosen to "miss the feast" Yet we often allow them to be absent without our missing them, because we do not love them enough. If it could be said of us "that their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love..." Col:2:2, perhaps the absence of one of our number would cause us to leave the ninety and nine to search for that one.

Jesus said the world would know we are His, "if we have love one for another." It is time our love caused us to care enough to reach out and touch those about us who have been overcome by the world.

Alan Lindsay
Hartville, Ohio

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If you want to be happy,
begin where you are.
Don't wait for some rapture
that's future and far.
Begin to be joyous,
begin to be glad,
And soon you'll forget
that you ever were sad.

Live carefully each day. Remember
whose child you are.

Be carefull of your life lest a
child stumble over you.



Be sure to clip this round
TUIT out. Keep it. Don't
allow it to be misplaced
or lost. Then you can give
it to those who say:
1. I'll come back to church as soon
as I get "a round TUIT".
2. I'll become involved in the work
as soon as I can get "a round TUIT".
3. I'll start talking to others about
their souls, as soon as I get "a
round TUIT".
See how valuable this "ROUND TUIT" is?

THE RECORD LAST LAST WEEK
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RESTORING DELINQUENT MEMBERS -
this work continues on. The elders, deacons and others are making a special effort at this time to lead the erring back to God. Please continue to pray for those who are teaching as well as those we are trying to restore. Three precious souls have returned home: Carolyn Mains, Lois Summey and Peggy Porter. Let us show our love & concern toward these, as a family of God should. Each of us needs the strenght of brothers and sisters in Christ. Never underestimate the simple instruction of the Lord, to "not forsake the assembling of yourselves together". It is a great source of strength.



SINGING AT NURSING HOMES - this
Sunday evening
If YOU were confined to a home,
wouldn't you want your Christian
family to visit YOU? Someday you
just might! The Lord said, "As ye
would that men should do to you,
do ye also to them likewise".
Mt. 7:12 & Lk. 6:31.

AM I MY BROTHERS KEEPER? The
Lord says "yes". Study Gen.4.

Next Sunday Afterneen we are sched-
to hold services
at both Nursing Homes (we receive
this opportunity by invitation, the
last one being last spring) Time is
2 at Miller's & 2:45 at Lagrange.

OUR MEETING WITH COLEMAN CROCKER
is scheduled
April 16 thru 21. We learned, too,
that the next week, the Elkhart
congregation is having a meeting
with Bro. Goebel Music. Both these
men are excellent preachers of the
gospel (Bro. Music held a meeting
for us in the fall of 1970) We can
gain strength, personally, from these
meetings and perhaps lead someone
to Christ by them. Let's plan for
it, just that way!

CAMP INDOGAN BANQUET is now sched-
uled for Apr. 14,
at Petawatomi Inn, Pokagon State
Park (same place as last year). The
speaker for this occasion will be
our own Bro. Crocker, who will be
arriving a day or so early to meet
this appointment. Cost of the tic-
kets are \$25. per couple. Addition-
al operating funds are needed each
year in order to keep the camp fee
as low as possible. Would you plan
to help in this good work?

LADIES INVITED to make tray favors
for Hospital & Nursing Homes
Next Wed. Mar. 8 - 9:30 a.m. at the
building. LADIES also urged to at-
tend their class (just started) on
Wed. evenings at 7. Marilyn, teaching.

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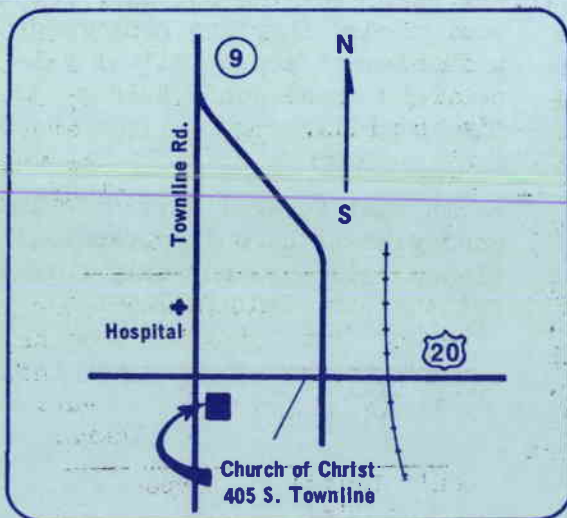
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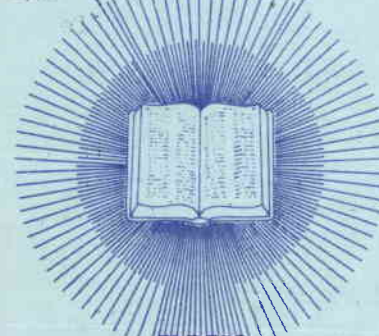


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A SUCCESSFUL MAN

Alfred Sutro wrote a little known play entitled, "A Maker of Men". In it was a scene where a bank clerk came home to face his wife after missing a promotion. He said to his wife, "I see other men getting on; what have I done".

His wife answers him this way: "You have made a woman love you. You have made a woman love you. You have given me respect for you, and admiration loyalty and devotion- everything a man can give his wife, except luxury, and I don't need that."

What makes a man a success? It's not to be found in things, jobs, and automobiles. Any man who has provided a climate in his home that has produced love, loyalty, admiration and respect, is successful. Solomon wrote, "Enjoy life with the woman whom you love all the days of your fleeting life which He has given to you under the sun. (Eccl. 9:9)

Dr. William Lyon Phelps, one time president of Yale wrote: "The highest happiness on earth is in marriage. Every man who is happily married is a successful man, even if he has failed in everything else. And every man whose marriage is a failure is not a successful man even if he has succeeded in everything else."

A man is successful if he has made a home where his wife loves him and trusts him. I wonder, "Are you a successful man?"

--Dick Marcear
Via Covington Spiritual
Encourager

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WORDS AND DEEDS INSPIRATIONITIS

What is words without deeds?
It's like a field without seeds;
No seedlings will show,
And no crop will grow.

Inspire me preacher,
Let me be an upward reacher.
Point me toward God.
(I'm sleepy, almost to nod)
Lift me up, let me soar.
(I'm so sleepy, let me snore)
UMPH ZZzzzzz...huh---what---when,
UH? AMEN BROTHER! AMEN!

But words with deeds entwined,
Is like a harvest combined,
Where seed and soil had done their
thing,
And did together a harvest bring.

- Robert R. Page -

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THE RECORD LAST WEEK
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We failed to get the announcement in last week's bulletin, that on Feb. 22, KEITH ADKINS obeyed the gospel. We rejoice with the young people concerning this addition, and know that he will be an asset to them in their work for God. We are happy, too, that MARY HART confessed the sin of negligence and was restored last Sunday. We hope and pray that many more restorations will occur, as we deal with the erring.

AFTERNOON SERVICES are scheduled at both Nursing Homes this Sunday: Miller Merry Manor at 2, and the Lagrange Home, 2:45. Norm will be speaking at both but would like to have others share in the prayers and singing and scripture reading. Please see him.

SCHEDULED EVENTS FOR OUR AREA

- Mar. 17, fellowship dinner at the Heritage House, Ft. Wayne, for the Soul Winning Workshop scheduled in May. Details on Bul. Bd.
- Apr. 14, Camp Indogan banquet at Pokagon State Park. \$25./couple. Reservations needed by Apr. 3.
- Apr. 16-21, Gospel meeting with brother Coleman Crocker, here.
- Apr. 25-30, Gospel meeting with brother Goebel Music at Elkhart.

YOUTH RALLY at Canton, Ohio, on Mar. 17-19 th.

This is an annual rally that is attended, by the hundreds, by the youth in the Tri-State area. For more info. see Bull. Bd.

LADIES - would like to finish the Mar. tray favors by next Wed. They will meet Wed. morning at 9:30 at the building.

TIMELESSNESS

When I read the New Testament I find the writers are indifferent to chronology; dates are nothing to them. They don't date their letters, they don't even tell you when Christ was born. Everybody acknowledges December 25 is inaccurate; it is as near as they can get. They don't care anything about dates or new years. What they are talking about is always a new life, a new man; putting off not the old year but the old man; putting on not the new year, but the new man; renew your minds. They are concerned with eternal and spiritual values, and these don't belong to time at all. - Stewart-

Seems that several were sick last Sunday. When there is sickness, please call - to not only inform, but that we might follow-up. The elders.

Don't Drift! No Purpose?
Find One!

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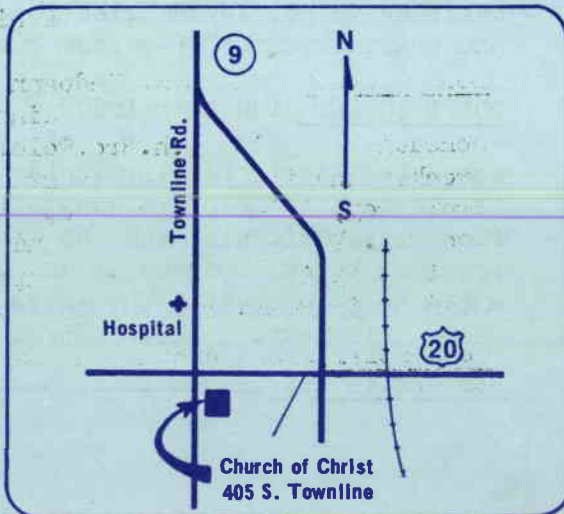
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MARY HAD A LITTLE BOY

Mary had a little boy,
His soul seemed white as snow.
He never went to Sunday School
Cause Mary wouldn't go.
He missed the Bible stories
That thrill the childish mind
While other children went to class
This boy was left behind.

Now Mary goes to Sunday school
And stays for preaching too
She begs the preacher, "Isn't
there
A thing that you can do?"
He tries and fails and then he
says
"We're just too far behind."
"You warned me years ago," she
cries
"But I would pay no mind."
And so another soul is lost
That once seemed white as
snow.
He would have gone to Sunday
School
But Mary wouldn't go.

And as he grew from babe to
youth
Mary-to her dismay-
Saw the soul that once seemed
white
Was turned to dingy gray.
Knowing now that he was lost
She tried to win him back
Alas, The soul of the boy she
loved
Had turned as ugly black!

-Bus Evangelism

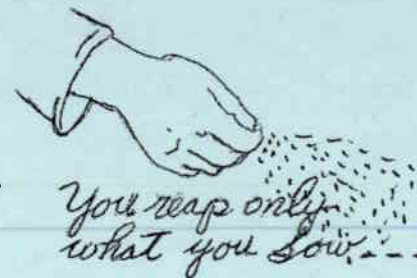
FOR THAT TIRED FEELING

Have you not seen church members who seemed tired, as though serving the Lord was about to get them down? What is wrong with such Christians? Overworked. . . or in need of something that will arouse and stimulate their interest? Really, are such members overworked? They may be like the small boy who was out walking with his father. The boy became so tired he asked his father to carry him. The father, wise in the way of small boys, took his knife, cut a limb from a tree and handed it to his son. "Here," he said enthusiastically, "is a fine horse for you to ride!" The boy grinned, climbed astride his horse and galloped off in glee. When Christians reach those "tired spots", it isn't fewer activities they need, but a "stick horse" in the form of renewed interest. Perhaps more contact with their fellow Christians. . . more visitation among the weak and ailing members. . . a goal within their reach. . . something they alone may find to do. . . anything that will renew their spirit and give meaning to their service.

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THE RECORD LAST WEEK
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It's not what you'd do with a million,
If riches should e're be your lot;
But what you're doing at present
With the dollar and a quarter you've got.
(This poem is out of date. Perhaps as
much as 50 years. But the lesson of
stewardship remains the same.)



REGULAR MEETINGS will be held
by the elders
every Wednesday night (follow-
ing evening services). If there
are any matters that you would
like to discuss with them, please
feel free to come to them.
They will meet in Rm# 10.

OUR ATTENDANCE over the past
few months
shows a lack of "drive" on the
part of ALL of us to keep vis-
iting and inviting others to
the services. Our "reason" for
being a Christian is to seek &
save those who are lost. Romans
7:4 & John 14:5. Let's not forget
this! WE'D LIKE TO PROPOSE
THAT EVERY CHRISTIAN INVITE 10
PEOPLE EVERY SUNDAY BETWEEN
NOW AND OUR MEETING DATE WITH
BRO. COLEMAN CROCKER, ON THE
16TH. OF APRIL. If we increase
25 each Sunday, we'll be hitting
nearly 300 by meeting time.

LET'S DO IT !!!

TEACHERS MEETING is being sched-
uled this Sunday evening
at 4:30 sharp. (This meeting is vi-
tally important, and we urge all
teachers, and prospective teachers
to be present. It does conflict
with the usual 5 o'clock prayer
session, but for this meeting
there will be a special emphasis
and prayer for the teachers and
our educational program as a whole)

TULSA, OKLA. soul winning workdop
is Mar. 23-26.
25,000 Christians are expected to
come this year. Dick Hostetler is
desiring to go. Anyone like to go
and share expenses? If so, see him.

DON'T FORGET the Camp Indogan
dinner
scheduled April 14th. Bro. Coleman
Crocker and the Masters quartette
from Troy, Ohio will make up the
program. You will enjoy it and be
a big help in meeting the camps
needs this year. Tickets \$25/coup
Some still sick. Announce at serv.

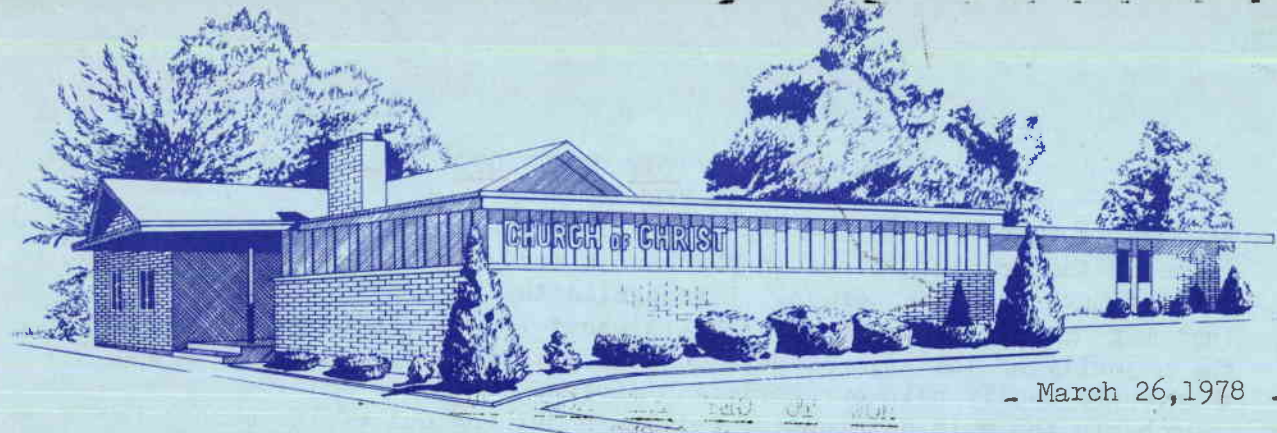
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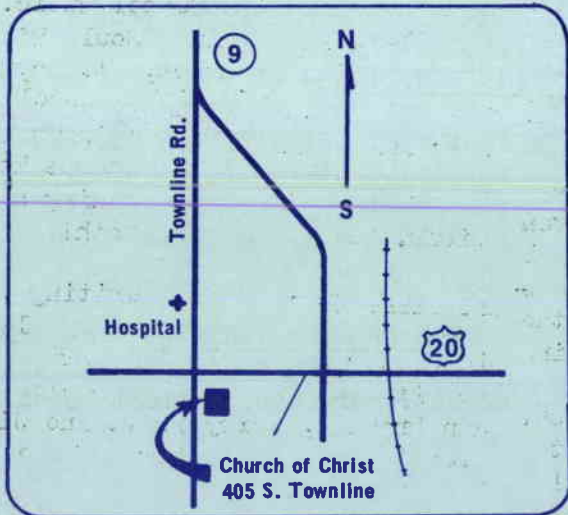
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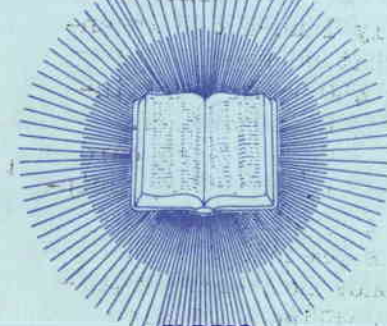


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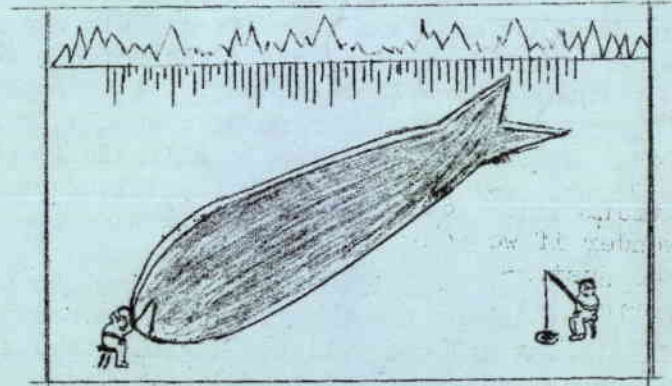
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HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT
A SERMON

One of the great failings in the church today is that most people do not get much from the sermon. I recognize that we often preach sermons that may not contain much for the listener to get. But, we know that the majority of the sermons have something that everyone of us can use that would really help our Christian living.

Probably the main deterrent of getting something out of the sermon is the wandering mind. We hear a thought and immediately launch out in another direction on our own. Psychologists tell us that we hear about 125 words a minute and that the mind can think about 450 words per minute. We can easily race ahead of any speaker with our own thoughts.

It would help each listener if he or she brought a pad or a note card and took notes on the sermon. Try to outline the lesson. Put down scripture references and look them up later. Notice how many scriptures are in the lesson. I wonder what this would do for us as preachers if we knew that our audience was taking notes that would show how much preparation we had made and how easily our sermon could be outlined? I also wonder if we would not put in more scripture if we knew that people could see just how much was there from their own notes. I have listened to sermons that I outlined and found not one verse of scripture. That was no sermon; a nice lecture, maybe, but no sermon.

To get more out of a sermon we should bring our own Bible or New Testament. We should feel free to write in it and make notes. If the preacher brings home the truth of a certain passage that we had not learned before, this would be the time to make a note in the margin beside the passage.

We ought to come with the determination that we are going to get something out of the lesson. Attitude is very important here. Come with disinterest and you will not leave with anything. Come hungry and thirsting, and you will be filled.

Good listening will take some diligence on the part of all of us. As children of God, we all ought to get more from the sermons we hear.

—Harvey Porter

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Archie Walker from Shults Lewis Home will be in Lagrange April 1 about 2:00 P.M. to explain the Foster Parent Program. If you think you would be interested for the present or the future, the Hoggatts invite you to their home to discuss this.



The Record Last Week:
Att. 184 Contr. \$703.30

Will a man rob God?

Some folks think they are honest; yet they rob God of their GIVING, rob Christ of their WORSHIP, rob the church of their SERVICE, and rob their children of their RELIGIOUS BIRTHRIGHT.... ALL BY NOT GOING TO CHURCH.



TWO RESTORED - Last Sunday evening Kim Stewart, and Claudia Hart acknowledged sin in their lives and desired to be restored. We appreciate these young sisters in Christ and urge their association with Christians as much as possible, which will help them.

INVITE TEN - Let's remember the primary work of a Christian is to lead souls to Jesus Christ. Would you agree to invite ten each week between now and our gospel meeting. All of us doing this, we should easily reach a goal of 301 by the 16th of April, when the meeting begins. Inviting is a little thing, but can accomplish much. "He that is faithful in that which is least, is faithful also in much ...". Lk. 16:10

THINK BIG!

COMING EVENTS:

- Mar. 28 Roller Skating - Elkhart
- Apr. 14 Camp Indogan Banquet at Pokagon State Park.
- Apr. 16-21 Gospel Meeting here with Colman Crocker.
- Apr. 25-30 Gospel Meeting at Elkhart with Goebel Music.
- May 11-14 2nd. annual Soul Winning Workshop, Ft. Wayne.
- June 5-9 Vacation Bible School.
- 4th. SUNDAY EVENING coming up. different speaker and fellowship after evening services. Come and enjoy both!

IN HOSPITAL - At this writing, Kimberly Sowles is better but still in Sturgis hospital. Others in hospital: Mrs. Jan Frazier, Jerry Pratt and Jim Cleveland - all mothers of our bus children.

THANKS FROM BUS WORKERS for all who prepare breakfast on Sat. mornings. A great boost!