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Gospel News Has New Editor

By Gorie Ciaravino

General Church President

The Gospel News begins the new year with Carl J. Frammolin as its fourth Editor-in-Chief. The appointment at this time has been necessitated because Donald J. Curry, along with his assistant, James T. Grazan, have asked to be relieved for personal reasons.

The contributions of these Brothers to our monthly paper are certainly well appreciated, and their departure is viewed with regret. All of us who have been privileged to benefit from their endeavors want to thank them for their efforts and wish them success as they continue to toil for The Church in other capacities.

Brother Curry was elected to the Editorship in April 1966. He succeeded George A. Neill who was appointed to that position after the death of William H. Cadman in April 1963. He had served as an Assistant Editor prior to that time. Brother Neill resigned in 1966 because of ill health and has since moved to Arizona. He too labored diligently to keep the Gospel News in production at home and around the world. Readers will be happy to know that Brother Neill, who had also served as Presiding Elder of the Monongahela, Pennsylvania Branch, has agreed to resume writing his old monthly column, "Editorial Viewpoint," commencing with this issue.

First elected as an assistant to Brother Neill in April 1964, Brother Grazan has occupied this position until now. His help has been most gratifying, and his experience has lent itself well to the operation of the paper. He also has been the Pastor of Monongahela.

ESTABLISHED IN 1945

The Gospel News was established in 1945 with Brother Cadman as the Editor. The objectives were to print news about The Gospel, The Church, and the members, as related. The monthly exchange of news, views, and spiritual experiences was intended to add to the edification of all and to allow readers to keep in touch with the various parts of our growing Church. Also, the outstanding General Church President for 41 years until his death in 1963 at the age of 86, Brother Cad-

man was equally successful for the last 18 years of his life in maintaining this publication in keeping with the high Church standards.

While we are on the subject of those who have served the Gospel News, it is appropriate to recognize the help which has been given behind the scenes by members of the office staff. Sara Vancik has been the Office Manager and Hertha Jones the Circulation Manager for some time. Without their efforts, the papers could not reach subscribers each month. The work of these Sisters and others who perform their duties in a so-called "unsung way" cannot be minimized.

Also of particular note are the aids given by all of the District and Branch Editors, regular writers, and special feature writers who have been the necessary links in the gathering, reporting, and dispensing of the news. Their efforts are required to continue the printing of our paper. They are undoubtedly essential to Brother Carl as he undertakes the job which he has been asked to fill. Possessing diversified editorial experience, Brother Carl has until recently served as the General Missionary Benevolent Association Editor. Ordained into The Ministry last April, he has also been a compiler and co-author of various General Church publications.

COMBINED EFFORTS

In considering the work which must go into the publishing of a periodical, it is apparent that it takes the combined efforts of many people to bring it to fruition. It is typical of all our volunteer labors, regardless of The Church work in

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The Missionary Field

By Dominic Moraco, Missionary Editor

MISSIONARY PROGRESS REPORTED

It is generally agreed that spreading The Gospel whenever and wherever the opportunity presents itself is the duty of every member of The Church of Jesus Christ. Primarily, however, this responsibility rests especially upon the members of The Priesthood who, of course, rely heavily on the prayers and aid of all members.

In reviewing the past, one of the most outstanding missionaries The Church has ever known was the Apostle Paul. To him, spreading The Word was so vital and important that his own safety and well being came secondary. He deprived himself in many ways so that he could give himself unreservedly to the preaching of The Gospel. It was largely because of his efforts that The Church became world known in his day. When he was ready to die, he could look back upon a life of almost unequalled evangelism and the many souls who were brought to the knowledge of truth through his efforts and know that he could face his Saviour without regrets.

Today, missionary work remains the lifeline of The Church. Without missionaries in the field spreading The Word, The Church would die. Because of its importance it is believed that every reader is interested in knowing the latest news about missionary progress; therefore, following is a brief resume of some of these efforts.

MEETING IN HAMMOND, INDIANA

During August, Brothers Gorie Ciaravino, Joseph Calabrese, and Spencer Everett visited a family in Hammond, Indiana which had shown an interest in The Church. A desire for a formal meeting was expressed, and Brothers Calabrese and Everett held this service there on November 16. Before the meeting, the following members residing in Indiana and nearby Illinois were notified of the plans and they were in attendance: Brother Bruce and Sister Darlene Large of Evanston, Illinois; Sister Sandra Corder of Highland, Indiana; and Sister Flossie Molinatto of Hammond. The Brothers reported it was a very good meeting and that it was well attended. Everyone stated they would attend any future meetings.

Members having friends or relatives living in this vicinity who may be interested in any future meetings should send their names and addresses to Brother Everett (see his address on Page 3), and they will be notified of future plans.

WARREN, MICHIGAN SERVICES PLANNED

The Michigan-Ontario District is planning to hold exploratory meetings in the city of Warren, Michigan. The community of Warren is situated some distance from the nearest Detroit Branches. The first services are scheduled for January 19 and 26 and February 2.

A large number of Church families and friends currently reside in this locality, and many have expressed a desire for meetings to explore the feasibility of opening a mission in this vicinity.

The services are being conducted by the District Officers. President Nicholas Pietrangelo, First Counselor Peter Capone, and Second Counselor Joseph Milantoni are in charge.

FLORIDA VISIT

At the request of The General Church, Brother V. James Lovalvo, along with his wife, Sister Mary, visited Florida for about two months after the October Conference. His specific mission was to encourage and uplift the Branches and Missions in Florida. During his visit, three young people were baptized in the Fort Pierce Branch. (See related story on page 8).

Brother Anthony Ensana of New Jersey should be commended for his generosity in making his personal automobile available to Brother Lovalvo for traveling while in Florida. This saved The Church the additional cost of leasing a car.

ITALY

Brother John Romano has spent the past ten months in his native country, Italy. This dedicated missionary has been a tower of strength to the faithful there. It is our prayer that God will immensely bless and repay him for his faithfulness in spreading The Word. Brother John has stated that he finds it tremendously rewarding to be laboring for The Lord whom he loves dearly and has served for many years. No date has been set for his return.

Incidentally, Brother Romano has not requested any financial assistance from The Church. His continual request, however, is for another Brother to come there and help him. If any Italian speaking Elder is available for this work, he should contact the Board of Missions Chairman, Brother Joseph Bittinger.

NIGERIA

The civil war in Nigeria is still blocking the free flow of communication with The Church in that distant land. Brother John Ross, our last missionary to Africa, is doing his best to keep in contact with members there.

Correspondence has been received from some parties, but, as yet, no constant exchange has been possible. To complicate matters, mail sent there has been returned undelivered. Many have died during the strife, but our prayers go out continually for the poor and victimized people in that sector. Food is a problem, with no satisfactory distribution patterns having been established to date.

INDIAN MISSIONS

Because of limitations, it will not be possible to give a lengthy account on Indian Missions in this issue. It can be reported that these missions are operating well. Good meetings and a number of baptisms have been reported. A more detailed analysis, dealing specifically with Indian Missions, will be given at a later date.

In closing, all readers are reminded of the importance of making their monthly donations to The Church's Missionary Fund so that our missionaries in the field may continue their labors. These aids can undoubtedly help to make 1969 a very happy and prosperous Church year.

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Editorial Viewpoint

By George A. Neill

May the turning of the year find us all as builders picking up our tools, whatever they may be, and going forth into action.

"Now turns the year." This phrase brings to our minds the question, "What does 1969 hold for this world?" We are all aware of the fact that the world is burdened with seemingly unsurmountable problems. The minds of our best statesmen are staggered by them.

In our nation we have elected a new president who will take office this month. He will be faced with some of the most critical problems in the history of our country. Americans like to think of a new president as someone who possesses super-human abilities. I say he will need such abilities if he is to solve or meet the major issues confronting our nation. Only time will bring us the answers; meanwhile let all Americans support him; this, I am sure, he deserves.

Perhaps he will begin by taking stock, a term used before "inventory" came into vogue. This is the time he will look both ways at once, back down the road we have traveled as a nation and up the road which lies ahead. As professing Latter Day Saints this is the time for us to take stock. Time and again we are called up on to consider our activities individually and as a community of believers. Let us each glance back down the road we have traveled for there is value in pausing now and then to evaluate our past performances. However, let us remember to guard against becoming preoccupied with the past lest we fall under the same condemnation as the person in Jesus' illustration of the plowman who "looking back is not fit for the kingdom of God."

As individuals and as a Church, what have we accomplished in the year 1968? Have we missed the mark many times? If so, let us pray to God to give us courage to realize this and for the determination to keep it from happening again this year. I believe, in spite of our failures of the past year, there is enough on the positive side to encourage us to press on to an even greater year ahead.

Though many individuals have been won to Christ, the field is still white and ready for harvest. The Church has a message to give to the world, a message of God's redeeming love: that Jesus died to save the vilest sinner; and this is the year to prepare for eternal life. Some of us may be taking The Church for granted. If so, let us relive our conversion days and show forth some of the joy that shines out from those who have just found The Saviour. Let us take on the attitude that this will be a good year for The Church, that progress will be made. Certainly this is within the plan of God. May we all become ready and devoted. Let us put God's plan to work; let us hear the call to labor. May the turning of the year find us all as builders picking up our tools, whatever they may be, and going forth into action.

As we turn from 1968 to 1969 let us focus our attention on the light up the road that lies ahead, the road that will lead to greater victories in the coming year; this road will eventually lead into the presence of God. This year awaits, as others have, the manifestations of the sons of God. Finally, this is the year for The Church to work, to grow, and to become a branch of the Lord's house most beautiful.

M.B.A. Highlights

Looking Forward

By James D. Gibson, GMBA Editor

The Missionary Benevolent Association would like to wish everyone a very happy and prosperous new year. May God's blessings and mercies continue to be yours throughout the coming year. Now that another year is upon us and we can reflect on the events and happenings of the past months, let us look to the coming period with renewed hope and aspirations.

Let us first take a careful look at our local and national parts of the Missionary Benevolent Association. Those who are older in both age and in years of service to The Church have used hope, coupled with faith, as a source of strength throughout their lives. The younger members can take a lesson from them and exercise faith with which to look forward to greater things in life and in The Church.

Although the MBA as an organization under the parent Church has been primarily concerned with the young people, the older Church members have sustained it and have held fast under all conditions, setting a good example in accepting what is good and valuable in life. The burden now rests on the more youthful to continue upholding the purposes and design of our organization in line with Brother Alexander Cherry's intentions when he founded it in 1904.

WELFARE OF YOUTH

The Preamble of the organization states that the purpose of the MBA is to promote the spiritual welfare of the youth in our midst. It also seeks to provide opportunities for young people to assume responsibilities in the MBA. The organization attempts also to provide financial assistance for The Church's missionary efforts and to provide welfare assistance for needy persons. It is additionally pointed out that all persons are encouraged to show their interest by attendance at meetings and are urged to take part in the activities of the MBA.

What does all this mean to those of you who are in your youth? Primarily, it points out the opportunity to be an active part of the Association. You will not only be putting forth an effort for the organization but also for The Church which the MBA represents. Become an active part of the group by:

1. Regular attendance.
2. Becoming a member of the choir (if one exists). If one does not exist, then inquire about whether it is possible to institute one.
3. By involvement in projects which may be underway. If none, it may be possible that some undertaking may be begun for the Auditorium Fund for needy persons, or for various Church causes.

During the past few years, many projects have been instituted to raise money for donation to The General Church Auditorium. It can be said proudly at this point of the venture that many groups in many areas of The Church have raised, through untiring efforts and dedication of purpose, highly appreciated sums for this cause. There has seemed to be a gradual increase in desire and effort of late, and this accelerated activity has been led by those of younger years, as they have recognized the necessity for greater involvement in supporting good works.

DEFINITION ANALYZED

The dictionary defines the word "youth" as the appearance, freshness, vigor or other quality characteristic of the young. We know it to be this and more. It is a time when one can go forward without too much hesitation and use the resource of strength; however, those who are older and have survived the heat of the day cannot be overlooked. Let us use their good examples and strive to attain new goals and achievements. Although young and possessing good and even great determination, one must not forget our Heavenly Father from whom all good and all strength must necessarily come. With God before us, who can be against us?

God has loved us and always will, for we are His children whether a babe in arms or a hundred years of age. Now we must all place ourselves in such a position as to be used for furthering the work of The Church. The MBA presents a wonderful way for everyone to be an integral part of The Church. The General, Area and Local officers of the organization more than welcome your support. Looking forward to the coming year, let us hope for continued help and united efforts of one and all in contributing to the solidarity of our group.

Let our aim and purpose for the coming months also be ones of dedication to God, Church and fellowman. In conclusion, let us try to keep active and participate wherever and however we may to support the MBA.

Christmas Baskets Distributed At Two Ontario Missions

Once again this past Christmas, members of the Michigan-Ontario region donated and distributed baskets at the two missions at the Muncey and Six Nations Indian Reservations in Ontario, Canada.

The containers, warmly welcomed by the recipients, were filled with a variety of non-perishable foods. A Missionary Benevolent Association Area sub-committee sponsored the project. Peter Scolaro, Association Area Treasurer, headed the group which collected, assembled and distributed the baskets in conjunction with the District's Mission Board.

This marked the fourth consecutive year that the baskets were taken to the reservations.



The Children's Corner

Mabel Bickerton

"I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance." St. Luke 15: 7.

Dear Girls and Boys,

Jesus told beautiful stories called parables. These stories were about God's love. The followers of Jesus enjoyed these stories and we today enjoy them too.

Jesus told several parables about "lost things." One very interesting one was about a good shepherd and his sheep. This shepherd had a hundred sheep. Every day he counted them as they came out of the door of the sheepfold. "One two, three" — on up to a hundred, he counted. Then he led his hundred sheep out to the green meadows and by the streams of cool water that came down from the mountains. When night came, the good shepherd led his sheep back to the fold. Again he counted them one by one to see that they all were there.

One night as the shepherd was putting his sheep in the fold, and counting them, he discovered one was missing. There were only ninety-nine sheep! He counted again but there were only ninety-nine. How worried he was! Out into the dark night he went, over the fields and up the mountains where the sheep had grazed that day. Finally he found the lost one. Gently the good shepherd lifted the sheep to his shoulders and carried it home.

The shepherd was very happy, so happy he wanted to tell his neighbors. He said to them, "Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost."

Another "lost thing" story Jesus told was about a coin. Once there was a woman who had ten silver coins. These coins were very important to her. One day she lost one. Quickly she lighted a candle and swept the house. She looked everywhere, in every corner of her house. At last she found it. How happy she was! She called her friends and said, "Rejoice with me, for I have found the piece which I had lost." Jesus closed this parable with these words, ". . . there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth."

It is said in the Middle East in the early days, a woman would save ten coins and then she was ready to be married. She would wear these coins in her hair on her wedding day. The woman in the parable had saved her ten coins so if she were preparing for her wedding day and had lost one, you can see how desperately she would search for the lost coin. No wonder there was great rejoicing when this special coin was found.

The third story about "lost things" concerns

a lost son. This parable is called, "The Prodigal Son." The boy had a good father and an older brother. One day he asked his father to give him his share of the estate. The father divided his property between his two sons. It wasn't long until the younger son took what was his and traveled to a distant country. There he wasted his money in wild living. When he had spent everything and his new friends no longer wanted him, he was destitute and lonely. A great famine came in the land. He took a job with one of the citizens there and was sent into the fields to feed swine. He was so hungry, he was tempted to eat the pig's food! Suddenly he remembered home and his father. He exclaimed, "How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants."

Soon he left the country and started home to his father. While he was still some distance away, his father, catching sight of him, ran to him. He threw his arms around his son and kissed him. The son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son." The father turned to the servants and said, "Bring the best robe and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; And bring hither the fattened calf, and kill it; and let us eat, and be merry: For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost and is found." How happy the father was!

After hearing this parable can you understand the loving relationship of a father to his son and our Heavenly Father to us?

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Since we are starting another new year and will be doing many new things, I want to see if you can fill these blanks with Bible 'new things.'

1. "Sing unto the Lord a new"
Isaiah 42 : 10.
2. "There is no new under the sun." Ecclesiastes 1: 9.
3. "A new I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you," St. John 13: 34.
4. "In my name . . . they shall speak with new ;" - St. Mark 16: 17.
5. "And I saw a new and a new :" Revelation 21: 1.

I received a letter from Patti Wright asking for a Pen - Pal. Patti is 11 years old and likes to read THE CHILDREN'S CORNER. She attends our Church in Windsor, Ontario, Canada. Her father, mother, and sister were recently baptized. She plays the piano and hopes to play for Church services some day. Her address is — Miss Patti Wright, 3282 Parkwood Ave., Windsor 20, Ontario, Canada.

Happy New Year,
Sister Mabel



UR WOMEN TODAY

SHE HATH DONE WHAT SHE COULD.
HELEN C. TISLER

LADIES' CIRCLES REDEDICATE EFFORTS

As we enter into this new year, the Ladies' Circles are proud to continue in the total Church effort of spreading The Gospel. Although the end of 1968 means that the doors of the past are locked to us, we find ourselves looking forward to other doors of opportunity that will open to us as we continue to lend our assistance in the future.

The Circles are devoted to granting greater spiritual knowledge and in understanding The Word of God through classes and gatherings. Other objectives, according to the Law and Order, include encouraging the spirit of love among our members, assisting The Church financially, and helping to defray Missionary expenses.

In fulfilling the above, as well as other responsibilities, it is understood that there are still only 24 hours in each day and 365¼ days in each year. Time is our limitation, and it becomes exceedingly discouraging to be bound by it. Perhaps there may be the feeling that time is passing swiftly and little progress is being made. As a result, selectivity becomes the important thing.

It is with thanks that we recall the priority assigned by Christ, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." (Matt. 6:33) This passage will be our guide as we make our choices and seek to take advantage of the future doors of opportunity opened to us in the Ladies' Circles.

— By Helen C. Tisler

(The following presentation was made at one of the Area Ladies' Circle meetings held at Branch No. 4 in Detroit, Michigan several years ago. It is hoped that the Indian history will prove of interest to our readers, and in particular to our many Circle Sisters).

IROQUOIS INDIAN LEAGUE

"Our program tonight is based on the missionary work in which The Church is engaged among the seed of Joseph on the Six Nations Indian Reservation in Ontario, Canada. In introducing our topic, we would like to present a few facts and some background about the Iroquois League on Six Nations.

"Before 1769, the Iroquois group was the strongest but not the largest in North America. It was originally a league of five nations: Onondaga, Cayuga, Onieda, Seneca and Mohawk. This league was probably formed around the sixteenth century, and it was joined by the Tuscarora in 1715, which became the sixth nation. In the eleventh century, the Iroquois occupied practically all of the state of New York, although they occupied the lake area of that state as early as the fifth century.

"Originally, the typical Iroquois village consisted of a dozen or so Long Houses. About fifty people lived in each house. The five different Iroquois tribes constantly fought between themselves for the fertile lands in New York State. They became so weakened they could scarcely hold their own against their common enemy, the Algonkians. So, about 1570, the five tribes put an end to fighting each other and formed the league of Five Nations. Iroquois legends tell how an Onondaga named Hiawatha first thought of uniting the tribes. It was through his efforts this was accomplished.

"In 1777, about 1500 Iroquois under the leadership of a Mohawk Chief, Joseph Brant, served with the British army against the American Colonists in the Revolutionary War. The English had made great friends with them some twenty years earlier, sending missionaries among them and building school houses. After the war, in return for their help, the British gave them a large tract of land on both sides of the Grand River in Ontario. Many moved into Canada. Some colonists wanted to drive the Iroquois out of this country, but George Washington was against this. To this day the Iroquois gratefully recall how George Washington stood up for them. They even say that, although only Iroquois can enter the Iroquois heaven, George Washington is one exception because he was kind to the People of the Longhouse.

"Today half of the Iroquois live on seven reservations in Canada. They have schools and they follow trades of all kinds. Some go to college and become teachers, doctors, and businessmen. One group of Mohawks has found unusual work. They are steel construction men and have worked on almost every famous bridge and skyscraper in the United States and Canada. They have no fear of high places.

"Our Ministers are endeavoring to work with them to help them recognize the role they will be playing as a revitalized and chosen people of God — the true children of the promise. The Church does this with love because we Gentiles are their adopted Brothers and Sisters. May we work together with them and all God's children so we will be ready and waiting when He appears among us as we live in peace and harmony with our fellowman. That will be a time when we will hear no more the threats of battle and strife among men and when our only desire will be to live in peace and love with all people. The words "peace and love" recall to mind a beautiful and impressive card received during the Christmas season:

*"Lord, make me an instrument of thy Peace,
Where there is hatred, let me sow love,
Where there is injury, pardon,
Where there is doubt, Faith,
Where there is darkness, Light,
Where there is sadness, Joy."*

"Along with this verse was an ancient prayer, 'O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in pardoning that we are pardoned and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.'"

— By Antoinette Ciaravino

Auditorium Plans

By Spencer G. Everett, Secretary

General Board of Trustees

The General Church Auditorium Committee met in Warren, Ohio on Saturday, December 7, to review interior specifications for the new building to be constructed near Imperial, Pennsylvania. Methods to obtain possible donations from persons and organizations outside of The Church were also discussed.

The following room finish schedule was approved by motion to keep within the limits of the previously established budgeted amounts and to allow the architects and designers to finalize the overall design of the auditorium.

Walls will be composed primarily of interior brick in the auditorium, lobby, and vestibule; and they will be plastered and paneled in the other areas. Suspended acoustical ceilings will be constructed throughout the building. Floors will be finished with vinyl tile and will be carpeted wherever most practical, such as on the rostrum and the aisles in the auditorium.

The kitchen and eating area will be designed to provide cafeteria type service. Those waiting in line will be guided by stainless steel rails to positions where they will be served. The design, which will be set up to serve approximately 32 persons a minute, will be covered in some detail in next month's issue. It is believed that everyone will be most pleased with the layout and labor-saving features, particularly the Sisters of The Church.

The lighting of the auditorium building will be a standard recessed fluorescent and incandescent type system. It will allow wide variations of lighting density and quality and will be wired so that there will be different zones and degrees of light possible by the use of various controls or switches. Variations will permit full illumination of the auditorium at maximum lighting; low auditorium lighting with the aisles highlighted at night; partial lighting for dark cloudy days during daylight hours; and lighting for special occasions when a maximum illumination is needed on a particular area, such as the rostrum or the area occupied by a choir.

The lighting system is one of the most expensive ones available, but it offers the greatest versatility for special effects or time of day. Not only is the initial cost kept at a minimum but the maintenance of this system is also inexpensive.

From limited reports presented, it was learned that at least an additional \$10,000 in donations were received in the approximate one-month period after the October Conference. Not all Branches, Missions, and Districts have reported their progress as of this date, however. The ensuing months should reflect a better showing, and every Branch and Mission should notify their District Auditorium Representatives of their standings.

It was suggested that Branches and Missions can obtain additional funds by making up a mailing list or by personally contacting friends

or relatives who many attend Church or be sympathetic towards The Church but who are not members. One Brother who did this has already received five separate donations which would not have otherwise been given.

The next Auditorium Committee Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, January 11, in Warren, Ohio.

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which we are involved. Countless hours of our time are devoted toward spreading The Gospel. For The Ministry, it involves the direct approach of preaching. For others, it may be an indirect endeavor aimed at helping in our overall objective of disseminating The Word. Without mentioning all the various phases in which we may be involved, it is only fitting that we acknowledge all those who labor for The Gospel and who are unceasing in their devotion to the Doctrines of Christ. We are certain their work does not go unrewarded by God.

It is also appropriate that two major endeavors being pursued by The Church be highlighted at the start of this new year. These are the auditorium project and the work of our General Church Appointee, Brother V. James Loyalvo.

AUDITORIUM PROJECT

This coming May we shall break ground and begin erection of our auditorium. It is my sincere hope that all members of The Church will find the means to help support this worthy cause.

Let us all unite behind our quotas and our current fund-raising drives to raise sufficient money to start on the designated date. Also, let us all pray mightily to God that He may assist us and help us to realize our dream.

A General Church Auditorium, located midway between Michigan and New York, is long overdue and is badly needed today because facilities to rent for conferences are becoming scarcer to find.

GENERAL CHURCH APPOINTEE

At our April 1968 Conference, Brother V. James Loyalvo felt prompted to volunteer to serve in whatever capacity The Church saw fit. The blessings of God were felt as he arose before the Quorum of Twelve Apostles and the Quorum of Three to declare that he was willing to take a leave from his job to work for The Gospel.

The joint committee recommended to the Conference that Brother Loyalvo be authorized to visit the various areas of The Church to strengthen and uplift the Branches. The General Priesthood approved this recommendation.

Shortly after our last October Conference, Brother Jim visited our Branches and Missions in Florida. In a report from him, we learned that he kept very busy conducting many meetings and was well received by everyone. All of us who know Brother Jim are fully aware of his many God-given talents, and we are certain that he will do much good wherever he is sent!

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Baptisms At Ft. Pierce

The gifts of The Church of Jesus Christ were in great evidence as three new members were baptized into the fold at Ft. Pierce, Florida on November 3. The meeting at which Brother V. James Lovalvo spoke inspiringly was enriched by the gifts of tongues, the interpretation of tongues, the speaking in the spirit, and the power of discernment.

Sister Rose Rogolino spoke in the tongues, and Sister Mary Glover gave their interpretation. Sister Glover also spoke in the spirit.

Before the close of the meeting, Karen Rogolino of Ft. Pierce asked for her baptism. Brothers Ernest Schultz and Dominic Giovannone discerned that others in the meeting were being called into The Church, and the other two responded at the water's edge. After Sister Karen was baptized, Ray Wiley of Vero Beach and Mark Rogolino of Ft. Pierce requested baptism. Brother Frank Rogolino immersed all three.

At the Church building after the baptisms, Sister Karen was confirmed by Brother Patsy Rogolino; Brother Ray was confirmed by Brother Anthony Ensana, who was visiting from New Jersey; and Brother Mark was confirmed by Brother Giovannone.

The baptisms left everyone rejoicing, as they were answers to many of our prayers, asking God to show our younger people the right way.

Spanish Mission Celebrates Its First Anniversary

The Lorain, Ohio Spanish Mission of The Church of Jesus Christ celebrated its first anniversary on October 26. A good representation from the parent Lorain Branch, members of various Church committees which had been meeting in Warren, Ohio during the day, and the members of the mission and their families attended the event.

A dinner of special Spanish dishes was served early in the evening. The delicacies, prepared by the expert cooks of the mission, were enjoyed by all.

There was a service after the dinner. The customary enthusiastic Spanish singing at the mission was featured. Brother Juan Gonzalez, along with Brother Joseph Calabrese, spoke on the beginning of the mission and its progress over the past year. The ways in which The Lord has accompanied the work were reviewed.

In the last year, the group has had 14 baptisms, and there have been prayers of blessings for 24 Children. In addition, many individuals have benefitted from the mission's program of donating clothes and food to the needy.

The Spanish Mission wants to thank all the Branches, Missions, and Brothers and Sisters who have helped in many ways. The statement has been made that the more mission members help others, the more that is received. "Please continue to help us, especially with your prayers," is the request made by Brother Calabrese, who is in charge of the mission.

Two Baptized At McKees Rocks

Two baptisms, in confirmation of revelations of their occurrence, were experienced in the McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania Branch on successive Sundays. Walter John Laird was baptized by Brother Chester Nolfi on November 17, and Carol DiAntonio was taken into the waters by Brother John Manes on November 24.

It was revealed in dreams to two Sisters on Saturday night, November 16, that these baptisms would take place, and the McKees Rocks flock has been praising The Lord that they were fulfilled exactly as foretold.

Ordination, Baptisms At Vanderbilt Branch

Brother Nephi DeMercurio was ordained into The Ministry and two new Sisters, Pamela King and Donna Nillen, were baptized into The Church recently at Vanderbilt, Pennsylvania. These events, along with the prayer for blessings for an infant, have enriched the worship at this location.

The ordination and Sister King's baptism both were performed on October 27. Brother Emerson Fuller washed Brother De Mercurio's feet, and Brother Joseph Bittinger ordained him on Elder. A native of Detroit, Michigan, Brother DeMercurio obeyed The Gospel in Vanderbilt several years ago and has attended there ever since. He and his recent bride, Sister Lorraine, now reside in Morgantown, West Virginia. His family came from Michigan for the special occasion.

Sister Nillen, who lives in Bellaire, Ohio, has been very ill and was recently hospitalized. Anyone wishing to offer her encouragement and good cheer may do so by writing to her at the Ohio General Hospital, Wheeling, West Virginia.

Visitors In Niles, Ohio

The Niles, Ohio Branch has been fortunate to have had visitors from both Florida and California recently. Brother Dominic and Sister Marietta Giovannone from Florida were the first here. They were followed by Brother Robert Ciarrochi of California.

Brother Dominic spoke at a Wednesday night meeting, reminiscing about earlier days in this vicinity. As he identified the older members individually by name, he recalled their first days in The Gospel approximately 40 years ago. A good blessing was felt by all present, especially when he related how the late Brother Joseph Corrado had directed him to Niles. Touched by The Spirit of God, Brother Dominic said he felt the same kind of blessing he had experienced during that earlier period.

The memories were especially meaningful, because Brother Dominic had been instrumental

in helping to bring The Gospel to some of our older Brothers and Sisters in the area. He had walked many miles in spreading the Word to nearby Champion in 1925. His efforts, along with those of Brothers William Gennaro of Warren and Phillip Melico of Aliquippa, Pennsylvania, were rewarded when Nicholas Dorazio was converted there after several months of frequent visits. Shortly thereafter, following many verifying dreams and experiences from The Lord, Nicholas and Josephine Iorio and Rose Dorazio were also baptized. Through the untiring labors of Brother Dominic and of other Elders, others were converted to The Gospel here in Niles, and we are continuing to enjoy The Lord's blessings today.

After speaking, Brother Dominic and his wife, Sister Marietta, were anointed because of illness.

Brother Ciarrochi was in Niles for a Wednesday night and for Sunday services. He preached inspiringly on love, the power of God, and the qualifications needed in everyday life. He related several dreams and experiences which were enjoyable to all.

The visits were very welcomed and highly edifying.

Ordination At Windsor

Brother Donald Collison, whom The Lord saw fit to use in his Branch, was ordained an Elder in Windsor, Ontario, Canada on Sunday, November 17. Among those present at the unforgettable service were many Elders, an Evangelist, and an Apostle.

As the Spirit of God directed, Brother Samuel Cuomo washed Brother Collison's feet following a request by Presiding Elder Frank Vitto for all members of The Ministry to come down from the rostrum to take part. While they all knelt, Brother Allan Henderson had offered a prayer, asking for God's direction. After further awaiting the one important key to The Priesthood, which is inspiration, Brother Dominic Thomas ordained Brother Collison into his new office.

Other visitors included Brothers Mario Coppa and Tullio La Civita who had recently been ordained into The Ministry themselves.

The Windsor Branch has been growing of late, with the addition of many new members. Brother Vitto, along with his family from Detroit, have been attending in Windsor for the last six years. His efforts, in conjunction with those of Brother Henderson, Brother Cuomo, and other previous members of The Priesthood there, have been greatly rewarded by the blessings which have been received.

Two More Windsor Converts

The membership of the Windsor, Ontario, Canada Branch continued to increase on Sunday, December 8, when two more repentant souls obeyed The Gospel. Maureen Cuerrier and Anna

Wright went into the waters, thus following their recently baptized husbands into the fold.

Both of the new converts were immersed by Brother Donald Collison. Sister Cuerrier was confirmed by Brother Frank Vitto, and the confirmation for Sister Wright was performed by Brother Allan Henderson.

The main speaker at the inspiring service had been Brother Anthony Gerace, who was visiting from Detroit.

Two Ordinations At Detroit No. 4

It was a memorable day at Detroit, Michigan Branch No. 4 on Sunday, October 27, when Brother Tullio LaCivita was ordained an Elder and Brother Anthony Lovalvo was elevated to the position of an Evangelist.

Visitors from Ohio and from other local Branches were in attendance for this special occasion. In the morning, Brother Joseph Calabrese from Lorain, Ohio was the principal speaker.

Brother Carl Frammolin was asked to open the afternoon meeting. Other speakers included Brothers Dominic Thomas, Paul Vitto, and Louis Vitto. Additional visiting Elders were Reno Bologna, Fred Heath and Frank Vitto.

During the ordinations conducted in the afternoon, Brother Peter Capone washed Brother LaCivita's feet, and Brother Gorie Ciaravino ordained him into The Ministry. Brother Bologna washed Brother Lovalvo's feet and also ordained him into the Seventies.

Ohio representatives from the families of both Brothers ordained joined all assembled from Detroit in sharing the event and in prayerfully observing the Brothers in their callings. Brother LaCivita moved here from Youngstown about 20 years ago, while Brother Lovalvo is a native Detroiter.

The spiritually joyful day was not only memorable but was uplifting to all present.

Baptism At Detroit No. 4

Another blessing was received at Detroit Branch No. 4 when Candace Yusko joined The Church of Jesus Christ on December 1 following the afternoon service. She was baptized by Brother Anthony Lovalvo and confirmed by Brother Peter Capone.

The former Candace Heath of Greensburg, Pennsylvania, the new Sister was married to Martin Yusko there recently. After marriage, they moved to Virginia and became friends of Brother Gerald and Sister Patricia Hildenbrand. The two young couples then moved to Detroit and have been attending Branch No. 4 regularly.

Middle age is when you don't care where you go, just so you're home by nine.

Brief News Of Interest

PRAYERS WELCOMED

Sister Margaret Iorio from Bryson City, North Carolina thanks everyone for their prayers on her behalf and for her husband, Brother Nicholas. She asks for continued prayers for them.

WEST ELIZABETH EXPERIENCE

The West Elizabeth, Pennsylvania Branch is grateful and edified by an experience given to Sister Norma Maletta while hospitalized for an operation. A Heavenly Personage visited her and strengthened her on the day prior to surgery. She felt the reassurance that God would not forsake her and that He never leaves His People alone. Sister Norma expresses her thanks for the many prayers and encouraging correspondence she received from all members of the Church.

WEEKEND VISITORS

There were many visitors at St. John, Kansas over the Thanksgiving Day weekend. Brother Isaac and Sister Bonnie Smith and Brother Kem Metz of Monongahela, in addition to Brother Joseph and Sister Connie Ross of Aliquippa, journeyed from Pennsylvania. Brother John and Sister Connie Ross traveled there from Rapid City, South Dakota. They were joined at St. John by Brother Joseph and Sister Rose Milantoni, Sister Karen Milantoni, Sisters Sheila and Judy Alberts, Brothers Gary and Kerry Carlini, and Brother Dennis Moraco from Detroit, Michigan.

Meetings were held Friday and Saturday evenings in addition to the customary Sunday morning service. The touching testimonies of all there, particularly the young people, featured the spiritually festive weekend.

OPEN HOUSE

A very informative and enjoyable Saturday evening was spent on November 16 by members of the Greensburg, Pennsylvania Branch at an open house held in the home of Brother Oskar and Sister Nina Hagen. Brothers Gorie Ciarravino and Nicholas Pietrangelo from Detroit, Michigan and James Campbell from Monongahela were the special guests. Informal discussions were carried on about Church missionary work, experiences dealing with the overall general welfare of The Church, history and present status of the Indian people, and the General Church Auditorium project. In addition, Brother Ciarravino answered questions about the traffic injury he sustained over 35 years ago and from which physicians had given him no hope to survive, indicating he only had a few hours to live. This miraculous healing experience has been a great source of spiritual strength and inspiration to The Church throughout the years.

The Detroit Brothers spoke at the next day's usual morning service at the Greensburg Branch building. The topic was the "Parable of the Good Samaritan."

HATS OFF!

Word has been received that help for the future General Church Auditorium has come from unexpected sources.

It has been reported that Sister Pauline Kowalczyk of Hopelawn, New Jersey, who is 74 years old, has been collecting money from her friends and has accumulated over \$74.00 at last count for this worthy cause. The donors have complimented Sister Kowalczyk for her efforts and have told her how much they respect her for her devotion to The Church, which has always been the main concern in her life. Her humble testimony, strong desire, and courage in presenting The Gospel to others have always been wonderful examples to her acquaintances.

From Italy has come some other good news for the auditorium project. Brother Leonardo and Sister Maria Pietrorenzi have forwarded a substantial donation for the new building even though they will be unable to personally benefit from its use. They are anxious to do their part nevertheless. Former members of Detroit, Michigan Branch No. 1, the Pietrorenzis have been hosting Brother John Romano, in Italy on missionary work, whenever he is in their area.

VACATION AROUND CHURCH

Brother Nicholas and Sister Lena Liberto of San Diego, California visited Branches and Missions in the midwest and east during their recent vacation. Among the places in which they fellowshipped and were most welcomed were the locations in Detroit, Michigan; Lorain, Ohio; and Pennsylvania. They also attended the General Missionary Benevolent Association Conference in Aliquippa, Pennsylvania in November, along with Brother Dwayne Jordan from San Fernando, California. Brother Jordan was there to present plans for the coming field trip the week of June 30. Incidentally the name for this GMBA project is "CALIFORNIA CAMP '69".

MOVED AGAIN

Brother Ether Furnier has once again been transferred. After living in the St. Louis, Missouri area for about four months, he was moved by his employer to the Edwards Air Force Base in California. The new address will be published when received. Until this last summer, the Furniers had been living in Phoenix, Arizona.

NEW ARRIVALS

Belated news from Youngstown, Ohio offers the information that there have been two new arrivals there. Daughters were born recently to the Martin Kline, Jr. and Charles Hughes families. Their names are Vickie Layne Kline and Anudria Lynn Hughes.

New arrivals in Detroit, Michigan have been John Anthony to the Louis Alma Palenos, Matthew Mark to the Samuel DiFalcos, Mark Anthony to the Roland Palenos, Theodore Joseph to the Joseph Kaczmareks, and Ann Marie to the Richard Stopinskis.