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CHURCHES CHALLENGED TO SET LONG-RANGE GOALS

Representatives from seven of our eleven congregations met on Friday, January 15, at LaSalle Church to receive instructions for church goal setting. Mrs. A. L. Kirkwood, of the State Convention in Ohio, served as instructor in explaining the goal setting instruments.

SET GOALS Each church will now set its own goals in nine areas. These long-range goals are to be achieved in the nine year period between October 1, 1965 and December 31, 1974.

AREAS OF INCREASE The various areas of church progress will include increases in church membership, new churches started, denominational usefulness, ministry to community and the world, gifts to the total work of the church, usefulness of individuals and groups withing the life and work of the local church, and in improving the church's worship.

RETURN COPY TO STATE After the church has set its goals and selected its strategy, a copy of the instrument will be returned to the State office. This is to be done by MARCH 1, if possible, and no later than MARCH 15.

RECEIVE STRATEGY MANUEL On MARCH 30, Mrs. Kirkwood will return to meet with the pastors whose church has completed and returned the instrument by the deadline. At this meeting, in ROCHESTER, the strategy manuals with detailed actions to help the church reach its goals will be distributed and explained.

MAP STRATEGY Each church will then decide its detailed strategy to reach the goals it has set for itself. This will be done through the various organizations of the church.

VALUES TO THE CHURCH: A church which plans its work and works its plan, with God's help, shall be able to accomplish more for the Lord and the church. The church--which knows its own situation best--sets its own goals.

TO THE ASSOCIATION: From year to year, by looking at the goals the churches set for themselves, the Associational organizations will be able to set realistic goals for the Association.

TO THE STATE: The State Staff in consultation with the Southern Baptist Convention program leaders and associational leaders will be able to plan the special field services needed to assist your church in reaching the goals you have set.

The State has already set some goals (see elsewhere in paper) on the basis of a sampling from 31 churches in our Convention (26 actually returned their instruments). After the goals are returned from all our churches the State will be able to intelligently adjust its goals and seek to serve you better in reaching yours.

The best thing in all of this is that it is initiated by the LOCAL CHURCH, and you will in effect be telling the denomination what help you can best use in doing the job you want to do for your church and the Lord. So a word to the wise is sufficient. YOUR CHURCH WILL BE THE LOSER BY NOT PARTICIPATING IN THIS.

PASTORS FELLOWSHIP PROVES BLESSING

The Pastors' Fellowship, initiated last October, has proven to be a great blessing to the pastors of the association.

Organized loosely with no officers and conducting no business, the bi-monthly sessions are given over to praise and prayer, studies in Acts, and either a coffee "klack" or luncheon.

The Fellowship generally meets in one of the pastors' homes, or church building, in the Buffalo area, but periodically moves out to the periphery of the Association.

Occasionally the meetings are held at the Youthtime Centre in downtown Buffalo, where a period of recreation, including basketball or volleyball, and swimming is enjoyed by the men.

One meeting was held concurrently with the pastors' wives in a luncheon at the James Mitchells. At this meeting the ladies decided to meet on a quarterly basis.

It is the consensus of the men that these meetings are fulfilling a real need in their personal lives and ministry.

ASSOCIATIONAL CAROL SING A FIRST

Another first was realized in the Association when about 75 persons braved a snow storm to participate in an Associational Carol Sing, December 18 at Lockport Chapel.

Jim Whitt moderated the program which included congregational Christmas hymns led by Curtis Porter and special numbers by Mrs. Robert Craig, Mrs. Geo. Kostenbader, and Mr. & Mrs. John Gooch. Rev. Al Johnston brought the inspirational message. The missionary and his family were pleasantly surprised when called to the front after the program and presented with a Christmas gift by the Association. (See Missionary's "Thank You" note in this issue.)

FRONTIER WELL REPRESENTED AT OFFICERS CLINIC

The Associational Officers Training Clinic held in Columbus, Ohio, Nov. 20-21, was well attended by officers of Frontier Association. Jim Whitt, Moderator; J.O. Stephenson, Missions Chairman; Curtis Porter, for the S.S. Supt.; Leonard Robertson, T.U. Director; and James O. Beck, Evangelism Chairman made the trip with the Area Missionary.

The men expected to return to Buffalo by 10:30 p.m. on Saturday night. But, being Western New York and being winter --- "The best laid schemes of mice and men..." It was already 10:30 when the men arrived at the N.Y. State line. After having fought the snow storm for some 80 miles, it was discovered all roads North from the State line were closed. Consequently, the men spent the night standing up in a nearby restaurant.

Being one of the fortunate ones, the team got in one of the convoys going North at 5:00 a.m., arriving in Buffalo about 8:00 a.m.

All the preachers, somewhat sleepy-eyed and haggard from the ordeal, still made their pulpit engagements on time.

ATTEND STATE EVANGELISTIC CONF.

Five pastors, Curtis Porter, Jim Whitt, Al Johnston, James Beck, and James Mitchell, and the missionary attended the Evangelistic Conference in Dayton, Ohio, Jan. 21-22. Great blessings and inspiration were received.

That's right --- as usual at this time of the year --- expecting to be in Buffalo on the return trip by 11:30 p.m. it was 5:30 a.m. ! Ice--snow--and hazardous driving conditions made it a long, hard, journey. (The Apostle Paul's "in journeyings often...in perils of waters...in the wilderness...and in the sea" has nothing on these modern New York pioneers!)

"M" NIGHT SERVICE AT ORCHARD PARK

Eight congregations were represented at the "M" Night meeting held Dec. 7. There were 63 in attendance, including eight pastors and four T.U. Directors. Leonard Robertson, Associational T.U. Director, presided over the meeting. Curtis Porter led the singing and Mrs. Robert Craig served as pianist.

Recognition was made of the various Associational Officers who each gave a brief report on their goals for 1965.

The LaSalle Choir brought the special music. The Rev. and Mrs. James B. Mitchell jointly brought the message.

Rev. William Raper awarded the attendance banner to representatives from the Fillmore Ave. Chapel, having the largest percentage in attendance.

STATE CONVENTION SETS LONG-RANGE GOALS

	1954	1964	1974
Churches	39	312	750
Missions	12	124	250
People	10000	57000	150000
Baptisms	1200	6000	15000
(Baptize a total of 100,000 by 1974)			
S.S. Enrol.	11000	65000	155000
T.U. Enrol.	2819	23000	75000
Bro.Organ.	-----	150	350
WMU Organ.	29	314	955

MISSIONS GIVING:

Coop.Prog. Gifts	\$38000	\$360000	\$1000000
Lottie Moon	1600	52000	165000
Annie Armstrong	700	17000	65000
State Offering	300	8000	30000

ASSOCIATION NURSERY CLINIC CONDUCTED

On January 26, twenty-five persons attended a Nursery Clinic conducted by Mrs. James B. Mitchell at the Orchard Park parsonium.

The facilities of the Larned Lane Nursery School provided an excellent background for this workshop and review of the procedures, potentials, and necessity of a good program for this age group.

BENEFACTOR SOUGHT

FRONTIER ASSOCIATION HAS A RARE OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE A RECONDITIONED MULTILITH, MODEL 1250, FOR ABOUT \$700 -- A WONDERFUL BUY, FAR BELOW THE ORIGINAL COST.

SUCH A MACHINE COULD GREATLY AID THE ASSOCIATION IN ITS MANY PRINTING REQUIREMENTS.

ANY PERSON, OR PERSONS, INTERESTED IN CONTRIBUTING TOWARD THIS CAUSE MAY FORWARD YOUR GIFT TO THE AREA MISSIONARY AT THE ADDRESS ON THIS NEWSLETTER. CHECKS MAY BE MADE PAYABLE TO: "FRONTIER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK."

SPORTS CONTEST WAGES

For sometime the youth and men of the Amherst Church, LaSalle Church, and Sheridan Park Chapel have engaged in an inter-church sports contest.

Depending on the season, the games have included football, basketball, volley-ball, bowling, and water polo.

The facilities of city parks, Air Force gymnasium, and the Christian Youthtime Centre of Buffalo have been utilized for these activities.

A trophy passes on to the winner of the day and is held until relinquished in defeat. Victories have been almost equally achieved.

OUR LOSS --- WICHITA'S GAIN

The J. O. Stephensons left our area shortly after Christmas to take up their new residence in Wichita, Kansas. The move was a triple loss--to Amherst, Sheridan Park Chapel, and Association, for they served faithfully and regularly in all three areas. Their loss is deeply felt, but God will greatly use them in Kansas and already they have found a church home. Their address is:
1838 Drollinger.

MISSIONARY'S MILE-C-GRAMS:

"THANK YOU"

The missionary and his family take this opportunity and means of reaching the most people who were involved in order to express our sincere appreciation for the love-gifts presented to us at Christmas.

We were completely overwhelmed by the abundance of love expressed in the gifts of cash totaling the sum of \$135.85, plus the many delicious articles of food.

God bless you dear people of our Association! We only pray our service to you may in some little way demonstrate how deeply we love each of you in Christ Jesus. We thank God for the privilege of working with you and appreciate the service you render for Christ and His Cause in this so great a mission field.

Lovingly yours in Christ,

The Charles E. Magnickers

SUMMARY OF MISSIONARY'S 1964 ACTIVITIES

Miles Traveled	30,791	Tracts & Literature Distributed-	18,721
Churches and Missions Visited	98	Surveys Conducted	11
Sermons and Addresses	132	Conferences with individuals & gps.-	73
Revivals conducted	7	Professions of Faith	13
Soul-winning Visits	185	Additions by Baptism	11
Other Religious Visits	171	Additions by Letter	16
Bibles & Portions Distributed	13	Decisions for Special Service	1

"GOD'S WORK DONE IN GOD'S WAY WILL NEVER LACK GOD'S SUPPLY" - - When, thru the Lord's leadership, three pastors, James Mitchell, Al Johnston, and James Beck, were led to Orchard Park, Grand Island, and Lockport, respectively, a need immediately arose for raising moving expenses totaling almost \$2,500. God never fails. He had his people ready with a willing heart to give over-and-above to these pioneer congregations. How grateful we are to them. "And this they did, not as we hoped, but first gave their own selves to the Lord, and unto us by the will of God." Thank you, God!

State Convention, Ohio
 Reedy River Assoc., S.C.
 Taylor Co. Assoc., Ky.
 G.A. Camp, Louisiana (per testimony by Loretta Dennig, summer worker in N.Y.-1963)
 First Baptist, Pascagoula, Miss.
 Immanuel, Little Rock, Ark.
 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, Tenn.
 7th St., Memphis, Tenn.
 1st, Richardson, Texas
 Ellendale, Ellendale, Tenn.

Mr. G. Wayne DeHart, Hickory, N.C.
 Mr. & Mrs. W. Lanson Allen, High Point, N.C.
 Mrs. R. A. Currie, Memphis, Tenn.
 Mr. Earl McKee, Pascagoula, Miss.
 Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Hall, DeCatur, Ala.
 Mr. Donald Binder, London, Ky.

EVANGELISM CLINIC

Amherst Church
FEBRUARY 26 7:30 PM
Featuring:
DR. LEONARD STIGLER
Sect'y. Evangelism, SCBO
and
DR. ROY FISH
Pastor, Fairborn Church
President, Ohio Convention

MISSIONS RALLY

FILLMORE AVE. CHAPEL
821 Fillmore
Buffalo
MARCH 12 7:30 PM
Film:
"REACHING OUT"
Inspirational Speaker:
WILLIAM SLAGLE
Missionary, Cleveland, O.

STATE V.B.S. CLINIC

MAR. 18, 19
Columbus, Ohio
Clinicians Trained At The
Clinic Will Conduct

ASSOC. CLINIC
LANSLE CHURCH April 3
Have YOUR VBS workers
elected and committed to
attend. Order materials
NOW

ASSOCIATIONAL YOUTH NIGHT

FIRST CHURCH, ORCHARD PARK
7:00 - 9:00 PM

YOUNG PEOPLE PRESIDING SPEAKER: W. C. DUDLEY, SEC'TY. STATE T. U. DEPARTMENT

SWORD DRILL ELIMINATIONS

Leaders in local churches should already be engaged in training and conducting eliminations on the local level. The local winner will represent the church at the association eliminations. The winner of the association shall go on to the State eliminations. PUSH THIS LOCALLY & HAVE A GOOD GROUP FROM YOUR CHURCH YOUTH NIGHT.

ASSOC. W.M.U. MEETING

ROCHESTER CHURCH MARCH 30
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Mrs. A.L. Kirkwood, Ex. Sec'ty. W.M.U.
Ohio Convention will be present

ALL LADIES URGED TO ATTEND

PASTORS - (who have completed
church goal setting instruments !)
STRATEGY PLANNING MEETING

ROCHESTER - MARCH 30 - (After Lunch)
Mrs. Kirkwood will meet with us to dis-
tribute & explain materials. Please be
present. If you arrive before 12:00
noon, the WMU may let us share their
lunch. Our meeting - about 1:00 PM.

ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING - 7:30 PM - APRIL 5 - BRADFORD (There may be
a change in place of meeting if Bradford is still pastorless)
ASSOCIATION MISSIONS COMMITTEE MEETING - same - 7:00 PM

PRAY FOR THE

ASSOCIATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS REVIVALS

APRIL 11-25

As of our last Executive Board meeting (Jan. 15), 31 have been received for baptism into our churches. This already surpasses all baptisms for last associational year. Let us pray for a great harvest of souls during these Spring revival meetings.

HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT THE RECREATION CLINIC ? ? (See Page 6)

RECREATION CLINIC

AMHERST BAPTIST CHURCH * APRIL 26 - 30 * 7:15 to 9:15 NIGHTLY

Led By: MISS ADELLE CARLSON and MR. FRANK HART SMITH, Sunday School Board, S.B.C.

CONFERENCES ON: Worship in Recreation - Why in Recreation - Church Recreation Committee - Demonstrations of Fellowships - Parties, Music, Drams, Banquets, Sports - Materials, Equipment and Facilities.

Local Program Personnel: Mrs. James B. Mitchell, General Chairman; Chas. Magruder, Publicity; Curtis Porter, Arrangements; Mrs. Charles Magruder, Exhibits; Mrs. June Craig, Music.

CLEAR YOUR CALENDAR - FRAY - PLAN - PUBLICIZE - PROMOTE - ATTEND

AMONG THE CONGREGATIONS . . .

AMHERST . . . Pastor Porter and his people are currently engaged in a "Bring Your Neighbor" emphasis... Attendance has ranged recently in the high 60's and 70's... Laymen participated in the services January 24 with Mr. Marlin Biele bringing the evening message . . . The men have been finishing up interior work on the building . . . weekly offerings averaged \$246 in January.

FILLMORE CH. PEL . . . Mrs. Odlyzko and their youngest son have moved to Buffalo from Chicago to join Pastor Odlyzko. They reside at 818 Fillmore--an upstairs apartment across the street from the church building. We welcome them!

SHERIDAN PARK . . . Pastor Craig announces an average of 29 for January... offerings averaged \$39 per Sunday for the month . . . The Chapel is engaged in an "Operation Andrew" in February.

BOLIVAR DRIVE, BRADFORD . . . The area missionary has supplied the pulpit since January 3 . . . A prospective pastor will appear before the church March 7.

L. S. LLE, N. GAR. FALLS . . . Observed Laymen's Day with Men's Choir and Men's Quartet bringing special music and Fred Toner bringing the morning message . . . Attendance has recently been averaging 100 . . . A Loyalty Dinner was observed in December when \$9,000 of a \$14,300 budget was subscribed . . . Plan are underway for a new building program . . . Home Board Loan is being investigated.

GRAND ISLAND CH. PEL . . . Having disbanded last summer, the arrival of Pastor Johnston and his family has sparked new interest . . . Meetings are now held in the pastor's home, 1611 Stony Point Road . . . Attendance averaged 10 per Sunday in January . . . The Chapel is conducting a telephone survey of the Island . . . Both of the Chapel's laymen participated in Laymen's Day services . . . a Junior Training Union was started in January.

LOCKPORT CH. PEL . . . The Chapel (and sponsoring church) called Rev. James O. Beck as their pastor. Accepting the call, he and his family moved on the field December 29. Brother Beck formerly pastored the Bolivar Drive Church, Bradford, Pa. . . . Things are on the forward move.

AMONG THE CONGREGATIONS;(Continued from p. 6)

ORCHARD PARK, FIRST . . . Pastor Mitchell is enthusiastic and reports attendance has risen to the 40's in worship services; 27 averaged in S.S. and 18 in T.U. . . . New interest and zeal characterizes the work . . . There have been several received by baptism and letter . . . investigation and plans are being made for building in the Spring . . . A \$500 gift was received recently toward the Building Fund . . . Mrs. Mitchell has started a week-day Nursery School in the basement of the pastorium with about 14 enrolled. This is making some good contacts for them in the community . . . Dr. Ray E. Roberts, Executive Secretary, Ohio Convention, spoke Jan. 24.

ROCHESTER . . . Engaged in a week-end revival in December with Curtis Porter as Evangelist. There were four additions . . . Pastor Raper reports the congregation is conducting a telephone survey and following up with personal visitation . . .

EAST CHAPEL . . . weakened by the loss of the pastor in December and one key family, plus the loss of the building in which it was meeting, the Chapel stands in a precarious situation.

WESTLAKE, ERIE . . . Pastor Johnson reports some worthy goals for 1965 - 25 baptisms, 40 total additions in membership, 80 enrolled in S.S. , and 65 in average attendance . . . engaged now in a S.S. campaign, a high of 31 was realized in attendance . . . The church recently suffered a loss in the death of its only deacon.

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WE LOOK TO THE MISSION FIELDS THRU THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM . . .  
(Receipts Dec.26,1963 thru Dec.25,1964)

| <u>CONGREGATION:</u>       | <u>DESIGNATED:</u> | <u>COOPERATIVE:</u> | <u>TOTAL:</u>     |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Amherst . . . . .          | \$456.98           | \$1,132.37          | \$1,589.35        |
| Fillmore Avenue . . . . .  | - - -              | 100.65              | 100.65            |
| Sheridan Park . . . . .    | 15.00              | 39.88               | 54.88             |
| Bolivar Drive . . . . .    | 285.75             | 592.57              | 878.32            |
| LaSalle . . . . .          | 250.51             | 80.90               | 331.41            |
| Grand Island . . . . .     | 38.09              | 57.23               | 95.32             |
| Lockport . . . . .         | 129.00             | 203.23              | 332.23            |
| Orchard Park . . . . .     | - - -              | 56.38               | 56.38             |
| Rochester . . . . .        | 89.70              | 210.58              | 300.28            |
| East . . . . .             | - - -              | - - -               | - - -             |
| West Lake, Erie . . . . .  | - - -              | - - -               | - - -             |
| <b>TOTAL FOR YEAR '64:</b> | <b>\$1,265.03</b>  | <b>\$2,473.79</b>   | <b>\$3,738.82</b> |

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LOTTIE MOON OFFERINGS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS OVER TOP
(As known by & reported to the missionary to date)

Amherst	\$300.00	Lockport	
Fillmore Avenue		Orchard Park	\$ 82.00
Sheridan Park	26.50	Rochester	115.00
Bolivar Drive	300.00	East	
LaSalle	214.00	WestLake	
Grand Island	41.00	TOTALS:	\$1,078.50

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ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT

(Period Of Sept. 1964 thru Jan. 1965)

Amount Forward from August, 1964 . . . . . \$105.18

| <u>RECEIPTS:</u>                                 | <u>SEPT.</u>    | <u>OCT.</u>     | <u>NOV.</u>     | <u>DEC.</u>     | <u>JAN.</u>    | <u>TOTALS:</u>  |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Amherst                                          | \$ 26.11        | \$ ---          | \$ 14.97        | \$ 42.32        | \$ ---         | \$ 83.40        |
| Fillmore Ave.                                    | ---             | 1.00            | 1.38            | 27.50           | 2.18           | 32.06           |
| Sheridan Pk.                                     | ---             | ---             | 1.49            | 2.87            | 3.82           | 8.18            |
| Bolivar Drive                                    | 10.00           | 20.00           | 10.00           | 43.60           | ---            | 83.60           |
| LaSalle                                          | 26.91           | ---             | ---             | 17.00           | ---            | 43.91           |
| Grand Island                                     | ---             | ---             | 8.86            | 17.44           | ---            | 26.30           |
| Lockport                                         | 5.00            | ---             | ---             | ---             | 25.00          | 30.00           |
| Orchard Park                                     | ---             | 2.37            | ---             | 5.43            | 4.20           | 12.00           |
| Rochester                                        | ---             | 105.40          | ---             | 25.00           | ---            | 130.40          |
| East                                             | ---             | ---             | ---             | ---             | ---            | ---             |
| West Lake                                        | ---             | ---             | ---             | ---             | ---            | ---             |
| <b>TOTALS:</b>                                   | <b>\$ 68.02</b> | <b>\$128.77</b> | <b>\$ 36.70</b> | <b>\$181.16</b> | <b>\$35.20</b> | <b>\$449.85</b> |
| <b>TOTAL BE ACCOUNTED:</b>                       | <b>173.20</b>   | <b>247.80</b>   | <b>230.33</b>   | <b>357.32</b>   | <b>223.50</b>  | <b>\$555.03</b> |
| <b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>                            |                 |                 |                 |                 |                |                 |
| Annuity Board                                    | 16.67           | 16.67           | 16.67           | 16.67           | 16.67          | 83.35           |
| Missionary                                       | 37.50           | 37.50           | 37.50           | 37.50           | 37.50          | \$187.50        |
| Designated: (Love-offering, Magruders Christmas) |                 |                 |                 | 114.85          | 11.00          | 125.85          |
| <b>TOTALS:</b>                                   | <b>\$54.17</b>  | <b>54.17</b>    | <b>54.17</b>    | <b>169.02</b>   | <b>65.17</b>   | <b>\$396.70</b> |
| <b>BAL. END OF MONTH:</b>                        | <b>119.03</b>   | <b>193.63</b>   | <b>176.16</b>   | <b>188.30</b>   | <b>158.33</b>  | <b>\$158.33</b> |

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) John W. Adams, Treasurer

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