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SUMMER PROGRAM EXTENDS THE WITNESS

NEW CHAPEL IN NORTH TONAWANDA, N. Y.

ROBERTS AND WALKER AT ANNUAL MEETING

The 7th annual associational meeting will be held at the Amherst Church, Sept. 10 and 11.

Outside speakers will be Dr. Ray E. Roberts, Executive-Secretary, Ohio Convention, and Arthur L. Walker, State Missions Secretary.

NEW YORK-NO. NEW JERSEY FELLOWSHIP AT ROME

On Sept. 24,25 representatives from churches will gather in Grace Baptist, Rome, N.Y. The evening session (7:15) will feature a progress and projection report of the Metropolitan N.Y. City area by Dr. Paul James. Greetings will be given by State and Home Mission Board workers. The 9:00 am session, Saturday, will hear reports from Central and Frontier Associations by John Tollison and Charles Magruder.

A report will be heard from the Executive Committee and a business session will also be conducted with election of officers.

Dr. Kenneth Chafin, Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky will be the key-note speaker at both sessions.

STATE CONVENTION, COLUMBUS, OHIO, NOV. 9-11

ASSOCIATIONAL TRAINING UNION CLINIC, NOV. 15-19

"SUMMER PROGRAM EXTENDS THE WITNESS" (continued from lead column, page 1) rewarding. In a VBS, where 100 were enrolled, 4 professions of faith were made and 2 came for baptism and 1 by letter in the evening revival services. The boys worked simultaneously in Rochester where 46 families (including a couple of Southern Baptists) were found in the Henrietta area. A Home Fellowship will be started there soon. As (continued on page two)

Fifty-seven summer missionaries served the four-state area of the Ohio Convention this summer. Among the very best were six who served in our area.

ROSS & MARTHA WEST were placed for the summer in the new mission area of North Tonawanda (35,000 population; only 1 Baptist church--GARB). Here, as interim pastor and wife, they followed up prospects from previous surveys, continued survey (along with periodic help of the four other missionaries), visitation, and launched on July 4 the new chapel, sponsored by Amherst Baptist. Sunday school has averaged 16, morning worship 20, and evening worship 12. Offerings have averaged about \$50.00. There are ten members to date. A V.B.S. enrolled 57 and witnessed six professions of faith. The building vacated by First Baptist as they moved to their new facilities is used for the chapel's services. A check for \$30 from BILL HODGES (summer worker, 1963--who did some survey in N.T.) went a long way toward meeting expenses. Without the wonderful help of the WESTS, it is doubtful the work could have been so successfully launched.

MARILYN RANDALL, MARILYN MAYSE, JAMES GRIFFIN, & SHELTON BRUNSON have laboured faithfully and conscientiously on seven different fields of service. Working in the pastorless Bradford, Pa., church early in the summer, they conducted a good VBS and turned up 54 good prospective families for the new pastor to cultivate. The efforts put forth in Lockport is already showing results in increased interest and attendance. Thirty-three were enrolled in VBS at Grand Island, providing a good source of prospects for the work there. The Fillmore Chapel was strengthened by the work done in this difficult area of Buffalo. The effort at Sheridan Park, where the girls worked, was (continued in opposite column)

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORTS (Received in Assoc. Office to Date)

PLACE:	ENROL./	AV. ATT./	MISS. OFF./	PROF. FAITH/	DED. /
Amherst	118	91	\$28.03	--	--
Fillmore Ave.	15	12	11.28	--	--
No. Tonawanda	57	39	13.80	6	--
Sheridan Park	100	60	21.97	4	--
Bolivar, Bradford	45	40	9.21	1	3
LaSalle, Ni. Falls	83	66	36.83	--	--
Grand Island	33	31	4.55	--	--
Lockport	36	24	10.08	--	--
Rochester					
East	25	20	3.33	--	--
	<u>512</u>	<u>383</u>	<u>\$139.08</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>3</u>

ASSOCIATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORT (May thru July, 1965)

RECEIPTS:	MAY	JUNE	JULY
Amherst	\$20.05	\$18.40	\$27.92
Fillmore Ave.	1.87	1.35	1.27
Sheridan Park	3.20	8.00	2.30
Bolivar, Bradford	--	15.00	--
LaSalle, Ni. Falls	5.00	--	20.00
Grand Island	--	--	6.06
Lockport	5.00	--	10.00
Orchard Park	7.85	22.49	--
Rochester	--	--	51.74
East	--	--	--
Westlake, Erie	--	--	--
Other:			
Dr. Swor Meeting	19.30		
Multilith donation		10.00	
Wm. Hodges for No. Ton.			30.00
	<u>\$62.27</u>	<u>\$75.24</u>	<u>\$149.29</u>
DISBURSEMENTS:			
Annuity Board	16.67	16.67	16.67
Bro. Magruder	37.50	37.50	37.50
Expenses, Swor Meeting	11.60		
Multilith		10.00	
No. Tonawanda, Gift, Hodges			30.00
	<u>\$65.77</u>	<u>\$64.17</u>	<u>\$84.17</u>
Bal. End Month	\$162.66	\$173.73	\$238.85

Respectfully submitted, JOHN W. ADAMS, Treasurer

Summer Program Extends...

(con't. from p. 1)
this is being written the missionaries have started their final two weeks in Erie, Pa., where already over 50 are enrolled in Vacation Bible School.

AMONG THE CONGREGATIONS..

AMHERST... Pastor Porter has been doing triple duty, serving as evangelist in his church's Fillmore Ave. chapel and new North Tonawanda chapel; and principal of VBS in the former. This is in addition to VBS in his own church--and all with the lack of proper rest, for he and several others took long night watches to apprehend the thief who in a period of one month, struck six times, stealing over \$115 worth of shrubs and flowers from the church. At 3:27 a.m., Tuesday, July 27, Pastor Porter and Magruder finally apprehended the man. Such are the "joys" of a busy pioneer pastor.

FILLMORE CHAPEL...

Pastor Odlyzko was privileged to attend the Baptist World Congress, Miami and Polish Baptist Assoc., Brooklyn... The chapel had two additions in June... a testimonial dinner was

held in honor of the four single summer missionaries, July 23... Paul Odlyzko, eldest son, has been with his family in Buffalo while on summer vacation from college in Kansas.

NORTH TONAWANDA CHAPEL... Ross West, student summer missionary and interim pastor, only licensed and just enroute to Louisville Seminary after the summer program, has had experiences few mature, experienced pastors of many years have had--seeing the birth of a brand new witness for Christ and giving it loving nurture in its early life. Wife, Martha, has shared these experiences... In an eighty year old church building, on July 4th, when North Tonawanda was celebrating its Centennial, the new chapel was brought into

being... 23 assembled for that first service. As Area Missionary Magruder gave the invitation, eight persons declared themselves for membership---they were Mr. & Mrs. John Harbridge, John Jr., Donna, David, and Lois and Mr. & Mrs. Neal Short. Ross and Martha presented themselves for membership in the evening service, where Ross brought his first of many messages there this summer... The work has gotten off to a good beginning because of the vision, faith, and splendid work these have given it.

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MISSIONARY MILE-O-GRAMS

The six summer workers assigned to our area are among the finest and the most consistent we have ever had. Their individual personalities, several abilities, sense of humor (a necessary ingredient here), and degree of dedication have blended together in such a way to produce a harmonious and productive relationship. We are grateful to our Lord for each of them. The impact of their labors will reach far into the

future and bear eternal consequences. We hope to have a personal word from each of them in the next issue of the paper. It has been a busy-long-hard summer, but God has blessed in souls saved and new work started. In the latter category, beside the North Tonawanda work mentioned elsewhere, four exploratory Ukrainian services have taken place on Sunday afternoon in the Rochester church. The services have averaged in the twenties. Enthusiasm is

high. A home fellowship in the Henrietta area is also in the making. And, there are two or three other pending possibilities for home fellowships. Pray for us.

It was a joy to have conducted Jay Durham and Cecil Etheredge, of the Home Mission Board, on a tour of our area, July 16,17. Many pictures of various places in our area were taken and some may appear in the 1967 Home Mission series.

AMONG THE CONGREGATIONS (Con't. from p.2)

SHERIDAN PARK...Strong leadership has been added in recent weeks, such as the Ray Baumans who took part of their vacation to visit prospects for the chapel... Building fund, begun in February, has over \$3,500 (\$3,000 of which came from an interested party in Decatur, Ga.)...property a problem (cheapest found yet, about 125'x500' for over \$100,000) PRAY! ... June Craig, pastor's wife, has an article published in August, Home Missions. (Thank the Lord the picture has changed somewhat in various respects, i.e. more full-time pastors now, and the little girl who inquired about who Jesus was made a profession of faith just a week ago in the V.B.S.!)

BOLIVAR DRIVE, BRADFORD...God has answered prayer in a wonderful way! Rev. Bob Rowe was called as pastor and began his duties July 16...He is a native of Sulphur, Okla. Mrs. Rowe is from Gunter, Tex. They have two children, Sharon,11, and Thomas, 8. Bro. Rowe is a May graduate, with a diploma in theology, from Southwestern Seminary. The 34 year old minister has served as pastor of churches in Texas and Oklahoma for eleven years...Attendance has soared already from the thirties to the fifties and even more in morning worship. They have been warmly received by church and community...We welcome them and anticipate great things from Bradford.

ORCHARD PARK, FIRST...there's a hole in the ground and a footer is in place for the new building! ... Pastor Mitchell reports several additions by baptism and letter... attendance averages 50 in S.S., seventies in morning worship, and 32 in T.U. (last summer it was about 12 in S.S. and no T.U.) ...Jamie Munro, a young man and student from Columbia, S.C., has been advantageously used in survey, setting up records, construction, services, and in working with the young people...The Ralph Mashburns have an 8mm film on the Orchard Park work, with tape recording, available for use on a loan basis.

ACTION PLANNING MEETING HAILED SUCCESS

Most every participating congregation was represented in a meeting, July 24, at Niagara Falls, when convention personnel came to meet with organizational heads of local churches in orientation for long-range planning and church programming.

Headed by Mrs. A. L. Kirkwood, Ohio's State WMU Secretary, the orientation team consisted of Dr. Crawford Howell, BSSB; Harvey T. Gibson, TU Dept., BSSB; Miss Bernice Elliott, Pioneer Missions, WMU; Jay Chance, Bro. Commission; Dr. (& Mrs.) Cliff Holcomb, Ch.Music,BSSB; Dr. Courts Redford (former Ex.Secty-Treas. HMB); and Charles Clark, Admin.,BSSB.

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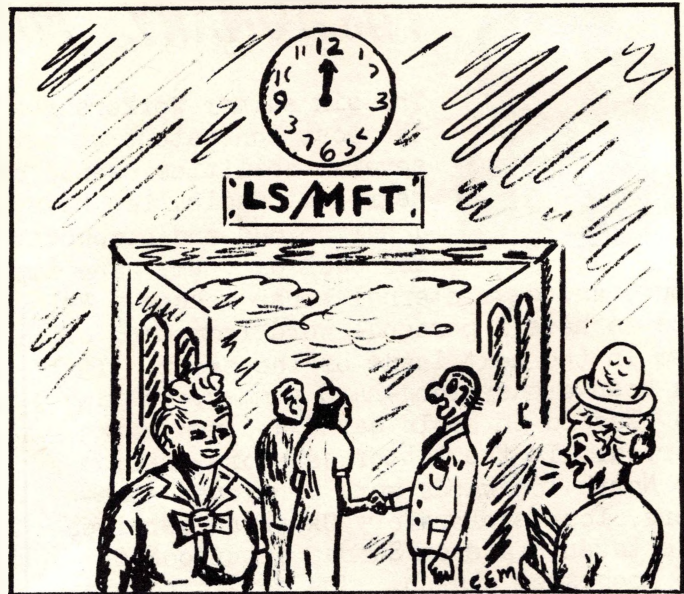
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THIS WILL ENABLE OUR CLERK TO HAVE A DIGEST OF THE LETTERS PREPARED FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING. SEND COMPLETED LETTERS TO:

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