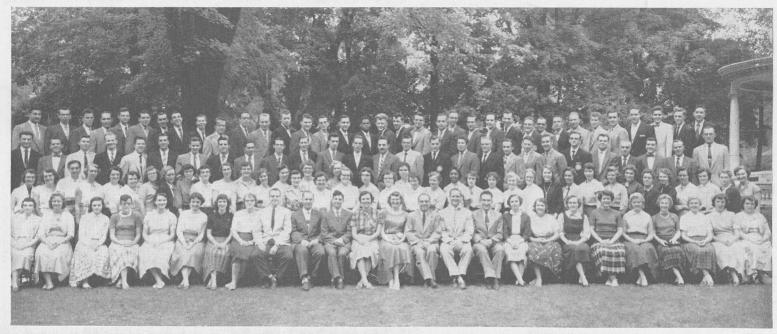


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Pictured above are the new students who were registered by Friday, September 6. Ten others not shown have enrolled since this date.

FORTY-ONE NEW STUDENTS

Forty-one new students have entered L.B.I. this year. A statistical analysis of the class follows, which may be of interest to our friends.

Academically, all but three have their Grade XII standing, and fifteen have Grade XIII standing. Several have had post-high school training. Six are teachers, two are registered nurses, one has had training in chiropractic, one is a graduate of Briercrest Bible Institute, one has taken work at Moody Bible Institute, one has training in medical technology, and one has earned a B.A. in mathematics from Queen's University.

Thirty-seven of our new students are single, and their average age is just over twenty-one years. They are slightly younger than former incoming classes.

As usual, they come from varying church backgrounds, with seven denominations represented. Geographically, they come from Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan, Africa, and the Dutch West Indies.

God has called these young people to us from a large area. They have a host of potentialities for service to God, and they have come with the very serious purpose of studying His Word, seeking His will, and doing His service. We ask your prayers on our behalf that this school may provide both the academic preparation and spiritual atmosphere so necessary to their training.

STUDENTS REPORT FRUITFUL SUMMER MINISTRIES



Jo Ann Cowles and Child Evangelism Group.

Our students returned from their summer activities praising the Lord for the privilege of serving Him and experiencing the joy of seeing several hundred either accept Christ as Saviour or dedicate their lives to Him. Scores of other people to whom they ministered told of spiritual growth under the teaching of the Word of God.

Many and varied were the situations and places into which our undergraduates were led. Christian camps, D.V.B.S., and Child Evangelism groups in Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Michigan, and New York gave excellent opportunities to some to present Christ to needy children and young people. Regular or occasional teaching and preaching assignments enabled others to serve Sunday Schools and churches. For some, the routine of a secular position filled the summer days, yet many of these still had valuable opportunities for ministering to others, sometimes to the blind, the mentally ill, or the hospitalized. Two of our students gained experience in general missionary work in the Bahama Islands. Whatever the work they had and wherever they were sent, they proved God's faithfulness in solving problems, supplying needs, and honouring His Word.

Some of our students have shared their experiences with us. That Christ is able to subdue the rebellious heart was shown afresh to one L.B.I. girl, who was given a camper so rebellious that she ran away before she even arrived at camp. After leading her to the Lord and witnessing in the days that followed the girl's tremendous struggle to be completely delivered from her past way of life, this L.B.I. counsellor realized anew her dependence on the Lord to give wisdom and victory.

That the Spirit of God often works in an apparently futile situation was experienced by another student as she sought to explain the Gospel to a family of three. She was wonderfully enabled to discuss John 3 with them, and after prayer all three confessed they had received Christ as their Saviour. This same student also saw that one soul saved widens the circle of influence for Christ. A few weeks after leading a teen-aged girl to Christ, she met her at a service with two chums, one of whom she had already brought to the Lord, while the other accepted Christ that night.

Yet, that opposition to the presentation of the Gospel is one aspect of Christian work that must be faced was illustrated by the experience of one student working amongst French-Canadian boys and girls. During D.V.B.S. she witnessed the efforts of the local priest to frustrate her efforts to teach these children of salvation through Christ alone. When he was invited to substantiate his doctrines from Scripture, he revealed his lack of knowledge of the Bible and finally left.

Again and again, these experiences were repeated. The results have been twofold. God has brought glory to Himself and the students who were allowed these experiences have returned to L.B.I. with a greater appreciation of God's works and ways and more firm foundation upon which to build this year. May God help them to do it.



Pastor Murray Hicks, South Zorra Baptist Church.

DEDICATION AND OPENING OF ARTHUR R. ALLOWAY MEN'S RESIDENCE

At 8.00 p.m. Friday, September 13, the dedication of the new Men's Residence took place.

Several hundred friends and students gathered at 507 Queen's Avenue to participate in the ceremony of the dedication of these new facilities for the use of our Lord in the work of equipping young men to carry the Gospel of God's saving grace to those both at home and in foreign lands.

Mrs. Arthur R. Alloway, widow of the late Chairman of the Board, was present to cut the ribbon and to declare this residence open. Dean P. H. Harris spoke of the progress of the school, of the Lord's blessing upon it throughout the twenty years of its history and of the efforts expended by many who had worked unceasingly throughout the summer months to recondition this building and to equip and furnish it in preparation for nearly fifty male students.

Mr. Harris pointed out that there is a considerable mortgage owing on this new Men's Residence. Constant need exists for a continued and increasing support by the Christian public in order that this work might continue and grow. The Lord has supported this work in the past, out of His bounty and through His dedicated servants, and can be trusted to continue it for His glory.

Mr. Frank B. Dixon, present Chairman of the Board, gave a brief outline of the work accomplished through the able leadership of Mr.



Reception Room, Men's Residence.



Mrs. Alloway Cuts Ribbon.

Arthur R. Alloway, who had served on the Board for twelve years, and had been Chairman of the Board for over ten years. Although living in Oshawa, a hundred and fifty miles from London, he was not only always present to lead monthly Board meetings, but constantly was available for consultation on matters pertaining to the welfare of the school. He gave of his time unstintingly though he was a man active in a large number of Christian enterprises, and had, as well, extensive business obligations. Mr. Dixon stressed the fact that Mr. Alloway had been endowed with the spiritual gift of leadership and was able to inspire Board members, staff and faculty alike to give their best in building up this great Gospel witness whose influence is being felt around the world.

At the conclusion of the Dedication Service, the many friends of the school who had gathered for this memorable occasion, retired to the Hooper Memorial Chapel for a Service of Welcome for the new students. Afterwards, the large crowd enjoyed a time of fellowship on the lawn of Mahood Hall, at which time, too, the entire plant of the school was opened for public inspection. When the evening's schedule had concluded it was the general consensus of opinion that not only had a blessed evening been spent but that also another year freighted with blessing appeared to lie ahead of L.B.I.

Rev. Percy H. Harris

A Note From The Acting President's Desk

This morning as I sat at my desk I was handed the following note by one of the members of our staff. This note bore the following quotation: "When we rely upon organizations, we get what organizations can do; when we rely upon education, we get what edu-

cation can do; when we rely upon eloquence, we get what eloquence can do; and so on, but, when we rely upon prayer we get what God can do." The more I thought of this statement, the more I came to the conclusion that this brief note seemed to have particular relevancy to the needs of the London Bible Institute and Theological Seminary at the present time, and consequently it was well worth sharing with you friends of our constituency in this my first message to you as Acting President of our institution.

We here at the London Bible Institute and Theological Seminary are firm believers in organization. Without an efficient organization it is utterly impossible to do the efficient task that God wants us to do. We have always been convinced of this fact but since we have entered into the program of seeking accreditation, we have been even more so convinced. For this reason special care is taken in the selection of each member who is added to our staff. The result has been that the Lord has very graciously provided us with a team of technicians to take care of the office work, the library, the book room and the kitchen, as well as the maintenance of our school, who not only are seeking to perform their task efficiently and well in accordance with their abilities, but are doing it as unto the Lord. For this we praise God, but then remind ourselves afresh that if we should rely only upon organization, we would get only what organization can do.

We also firmly believe here in education. That is the purpose for which God has raised up this institution and all of us here, whether we be part of the faculty or staff, are dedicated to the task of preparing young people under God for whatever ministry He has in store for them. We are seeking to provide our students with a thorough knowledge of the Word of God and to develop skills which will make the Bible content vital in their lives and ministries. We are seeking to encourage a well-balanced Christian personality in each one of them. We are seeking to provide each one with opportunities for various types of Christian service. We are seeking to promote an understanding of God's world-wide program for the church and the student's responsibility in that program.

At the same time, we as a faculty are seeking to better equip ourselves for the task which has been committed to us. That is the reason why Miss Winslow, Mr. Koksma, Mr. Oakley and

myself participated in further formal training throughout the summer months. That is the reason why Miss Limburg, the Director of Christian Education, spent the summer as Co-Director of Pioneer Girls' Camp at Huntsville, Ontario, in order to better evaluate the techniques which she presents in class. Because of this Mr. Carey enrolled in a course in Music during the summer months in order that the ministry of our choir might be more acceptable both to our public and to the Lord in the school year which lies ahead. And that is the reason why Dr. Beckman occupied the largest part of his summer doing research in preparation for the establishment of a night school beginning September, 1958, if the Lord so wills. Obviously, we believe in education. But we are reminded as well that when we rely upon education alone, we get what education alone can do.

We are certainly interested in eloquence, for it has a great deal to do with the presentation of the message which God has so graciously given to us. It has been said that there are some who present the truth in rags and that there are others who say nothing beautifully. I am sure that all of you who read this note would prefer, as I would, to be numbered amongst those who present the truth in rags. However, is it not better that we be able to proclaim the truth of God well? We doubtless agree that it is. As a result, this year at L.B.I. we are laying greater stress than ever on appreciation and understanding of our own native language. We thank God for the English teacher whom God has sent our way and are especially arateful that Miss Winslow appreciates the significance of her task of preparing young people to present the Word of God attractively. At the same time we are endeavouring to make our Speech and Homiletics Courses more practical and efficient in the endeavour to increase constantly the proficiency of our graduates. But again, when all is said and done, if we rely upon eloquence, we get alone what eloquence

Since the London Bible Institute and Theological Seminary is the type of school that it is, then it will only be a success in accordance with heaven's measurement of success if God accomplishes what He wills to accomplish in our midst. Therefore, we dare not rely upon organization alone, upon education alone, upon eloquence alone. Consequently the burden of this note is as it is. If it is true that when we rely upon prayer, we get what God can do, and it is, then you, our constituency, are a vital part of L.B.I. We must have your prayers if those of us who are occupied with the details of this task are to fulfil the purpose which God had in establishing this institution. As a result, enclosed in this Bulletin is our latest Prayer Calendar. May I encourage you to use it daily. Whether or not our prayers pertain to material, physical, academic or spiritual matters, there is a very close relationship between our petition and God's provision.

Please remember that when we rely upon prayer, we get what God can do.



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CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Reserve now the date, **Friday**, **December 13**, on your calendar for our annual Christmas concert to be held at Sir Adam Beck Collegiate. Don't miss it!

PRESENT WITH THE LORD

On Monday, Sept. 30, Mrs. Shirley Stanley (nee Peachey), ('49), wife of Rev. William R. Stanley ('51), went to be with the Lord after a lingering illness. We know that for her this is the "far better" experience, and though her loved ones sorrow, it is "not as others which have no hope". Our sincere sympathy is extended to her husband and family.

ALUMNI HOMECOMING

Date: November 22 Through 24, 1957

Speaker: **Rev. George McAlpine**Pastor of Oakwood Baptist
Church, Toronto, Ontario

Place: L. B. I.

P.S.: Hope you can come!

PRAYER CALENDAR

The enclosed Prayer Calendar has been supplied through the kindness of friends. We greatly appreciate this contribution and trust that God will wonderfully use the Prayer Calendar to encourage a more extensive prayer ministry that will result in a real blessing for the life of our school and its graduates around the world.

WEDDING BELLS RANG FOR:

Agnes Hoyes and Gilbert Shepherd, on June 8, Markham, Ontario.

Audrey Seymour and John Harder, on June 22, Kingston, Ontario.

Marilyn Wardle and Ronald Hawkins, on June 22, Hamilton, Ontario.

Kay McCarty and Lee Kennedy, on June 22, London, Ontario.

Nancy Boyd and Patrick Dermenjian, on August 3, Fredericton, N.B.

Helen Zeran and Bill Kennedy, on August 17, Cornwall, Ontario.

Maureen Fraser and Earl Clemens, on August 24, Ottawa, Ontario.

Joyce Thorn and Robert Irvin, on September 6, Toronto, Ontario.

Beverly Middlestead and Roy Gellatly, on September 7, Kitchener, Ontario.

Doris Badgley and James Green, on September 7, Kingston, Ontario.

Thelma Cudney and Donald Webster, on September 14, Galt, Ontario.

BABY-GRAMS:

Rev. and Mrs. Frank R. Koksma, a chosen daughter, Dee Ann.

Eric and Muriel Johnson, on June 9, a daughter, Susan Lynn.

Don and Joan Hamilton, on August 16, a son, John Richard.

Ross and Barbara Laidlaw, on August 27, a daughter, Linda Beth.

Ed and Dorothy Mitchell, on September 10, a daughter, Dorothy Lynne.

Laurie and Bev McElary, a chosen son, Laurie Kim. John and Nettie Zinchyk, on August 2, a son,

Peter John.

Rev. Tom and Mrs. Watson, on September 20, a son, John Douglas.

Roy and Dorothy Schaub, on September 22, a chosen daughter, Susan Ruth.

ORDINATIONS:

Rev. Roy Lawson at North Broadway Baptist Church, Tillsonburg, Ontario, on September 19, 1957.

Note to Alumni: We are requesting our graduates and former students to send us accounts of events in their lives which are newsworthy.

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