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- MARCH 4 7:30 P.M. — HOLINESS YOUTH CRUSADE
MARCH 5 11:00 A.M. — MILAN BAPTIST CHURCH, MILAN, MICHIGAN
MARCH 5 7:00 P.M. — CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN
MARCH 17 8:00 P.M. — PEOPLE'S BIBLE CHURCH, WOODSTOCK, ONTARIO
MARCH 18 8:00 P.M. — CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, OAKVILLE, ONTARIO
MARCH 19 11:00 A.M. — OAKWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH, TORONTO, ONTARIO
MARCH 19 7:00 P.M. — HIGH PARK BAPTIST CHURCH, TORONTO, ONTARIO
MARCH 20 8:00 P.M. — PARKDALE BAPTIST CHURCH, OTTAWA, ONTARIO
MARCH 21 8:00 P.M. — CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, OTTAWA, ONTARIO
MARCH 22 7:45 P.M. — CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, OSHAWA, ONTARIO
MARCH 23 8:00 P.M. — KEELESDALE BAPTIST CHURCH, TORONTO, ONTARIO
MARCH 24 8:00 P.M. — GRACE GOSPEL CHURCH, NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO
MARCH 25 8:00 P.M. — JARVIS COMMUNITY HALL, JARVIS, ONTARIO
MARCH 26 11:00 A.M. — LAKE GOSPEL CHURCH, HAMILTON, ONTARIO
MARCH 26 7:00 P.M. — GARSIDE GOSPEL CHURCH, HAMILTON, ONTARIO

Appreciation

This is the first monthly edition of the LBI News. The change from once every three months is to enable us to keep you better informed as to what is happening around our school.

You will have noticed our new receipt form. This has been designed to insure immediate acknowledgement of all gifts. In view of the fact that the "News" will be issued each month the "thank you" letters which accompanied the receipts have been discontinued.

We will endeavour to keep each issue of the *News* alive with up-to-date information. The back page, for instance, will be reserved for a message from Dr. Macaulay. The message this month is

the first in a series of six. May we suggest you file these so that you will have the full set for reference.

We want you to know that we are thankful to God for your prayer interest and support. Many precious souls have come to know the Lord and many believers have been strengthened through your gifts to support God's work at LBI. Because of your fellowship, your ministry for the Lord has been multiplied by many dedicated young people.

LBI has championed sound Bible training and spiritual development for its students since its beginning 26 years ago.

Our STEWARDSHIP FELLOWSHIP PLAN is one of the provisions God has used to provide this training.

Stewardship Fellowship Plan

WHAT IS IT?

The S.F. program is composed of interested individuals, churches and other organizations who will pray and give regularly toward the financial support of LBI.

Our many friends who already give systematically are deeply appreciated. We hope to add to their number so that the progress of LBI may continue. Our concern financially has always centred in the fact that LBI needs a large number of regular givers in order to meet current expenses. With increasing costs, as well as with immediate needs for expanding our facilities, it is important that the number of regular givers be increased.

This increase is a vital need which should be made known by our friends.

WHY IS IT NEEDED?

Total yearly cost per student.....\$870.00
Tuition fees, etc., paid by student 150.00
Difference met by your support
per student per year 720.00
Needed each month, 12 months
of the year, per student..... 60.00
(These figures do not include room and board.)

HOW CAN YOU ENROLL?

After you have seriously prayed and the Lord leads, you can indicate on the enclosed card your intention to support LBI regularly as the Lord provides.

Student Pastor Area Churches

Ten LBI students are already pastors of churches in the London area. Some of these students are on a full-time basis, some on a part-time basis. Two are Interim pastors.

Nine have pastorates in Fellowship Baptist churches; one is the pastor of an Associated Gospel church.

Many more of our students assume various degrees of responsibilities as assistants to pastors.

We are grateful for these men who already are active in the ministry. Pray for them!

Bill Adkins	Courtright
Doug Dakin	The Church at Blair (Baptist)
Don Evans	Manor Park Bible Church (AGC—Interim pastor)
Eustace Meade	Fingal Baptist
Don Perkins	Thamesford Baptist
Neal Smith	Longwood Baptist
Harold Stainton	Calvary Baptist, Aylmer
Gowan Thamer	Westminster-Hope Baptist (Interim)
Rev. Ron Mills	St. Mary's Baptist Tabernacle
Rev. Bob Robinson	Central Baptist, London (Assistant)

Trained At LBI — Used Of God

Revival does happen today. Read what graduates Don ('56) and Thelma ('57) Webster wrote about the work of the Holy Spirit in Wainwright, Alaska.

Don and Thelma have served there under Wycliffe Bible Translators, Inc., for two years.

"Revival has come to Wainwright. For the past ten days we have been exulting in the incomparable joy of spiritual revival. Every Eskimo in our village of 250 who is over 16 years of age has been saved or revitalized except for four or five. The young people have been particularly touched, and we know that this is a definite answer to your prayers as well as ours.

"You have been praying for the immediate needs of the village, as well as the translation program. God has marvellously answered, 'exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think'.

"How can we thank you enough for promoting this great move of the Holy Spirit? Pray for us now, that we may guide the new converts into spiritual realities. I now teach all the young people from ages 16 to 35. We shall begin a study of Romans, which book is printed in the dialect of Eskimo. 'Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord.'"

Student Visitation Week

During the spring vacation of the high schools in Ontario, LBI is having "open house" for prospective students. Last year over 100 high-schoolers spent a day on the campus.

If you know a teenager and would like to have him come for one of these days between April 3 to 7 write immediately for information.



Faculty Member Earns M.A.

Mr. Kermit A. Ecklebarger, who joined our faculty last September received the Master of Arts degree from Wheaton College Graduate School on January 27, 1961. His thesis dealt with four Greek prepositions used by the Apostle Paul in his references to the atonement.

Mr. Ecklebarger is a graduate of Moody Bible Institute and Wheaton College. His wife, Shirley is also a graduate of Moody. Their daughter, Kae Anne, is 20 months old.

Mid-Winter Conference

Dr. John G. Mitchell, pastor of the Central Bible Church, Portland, Oregon, and a Founder and Vice-President, Multnomah School of the Bible, will present a special series Feb. 27 through Mar. 3.

Each morning at 10 a.m. and each evening at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Mitchell will present a spiritual-life and Bible-teaching emphasis.

In addition to his other duties in Portland, "Dr. Jack", as he is affectionately known, is Special Lecturer at the Dallas Theological Seminary, Dallas, Texas.

This is the first of articles entitled "Men Ought To . . .
BY PRESIDENT J. C. MACAULAY

Men Ought To Pray



I am sorry for words. They are terribly abused. Take this word "ought". It is a prince among words, yet it is often associated with a mere trifle.

No such humiliation of it occurs in the Scriptures. This mighty word rings out its trumpet note in the realm of moral duty—and not least where our Lord teaches the necessity of prayer. "Men ought always to pray" (Luke 18:1).

Let the force of that "ought" grip us, and we shall confess that neglect of prayer is sin. Samuel was conscious of this truth as he committed himself to pray for Israel: "God forbid that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you" (I Sam. 12:23). Notice that failure to pray was not merely sin against his people, but first was sin against God.

This fact is true because God instituted prayer. He established it as a way of communication between the human heart and Himself. Establishing means of communication is sometimes costly. Think of the Pennsylvania Turnpike being bored through mountains, or the Atlantic cables being laid on the ocean floor. Yet their cost cannot compare with the cost of the communication line called prayer. To establish this line, Christ had to take away the sin of the world with His precious blood. If the institution of prayer was so costly to God, then "men ought to pray".

Prayer is also an acknowledgment of God. The Proverbs exhort: "In all thy ways acknowledge Him" (Prov. 3:6).

The man of the world does not acknowledge God, first because he wants his own way rather than God's will, and second because he feels that he needs no help from God. It is nice to know that God is there to help in a pinch, but otherwise let Him mind His own business, whatever that is!

The man who prays has a very different philosophy. To him, God's will is paramount and must be sought for and carried through. He believes that he needs God's daily enabling to do His will. This man acknowledges God. So men ought to pray because prayerlessness is practical atheism.

Prayer is God's method of operation. When He would end Judah's captivity in Babylon, He set Daniel to pray. When he would bring His Son into the world, He had His Simeons and Annas praying and waiting for the consolation of Israel. And when the Lord comes again, He will return in answer to the prayer of the church: "Even so, come, Lord Jesus" (Rev. 22:20). God thus unites His people with Himself in His great purposes. Men ought to pray because prayer is participation in the works of God.

"Praying always . . . for all saints," writes the apostle Paul and then adds, "and for me". As you, dear friends, fulfil your prayer responsibilities, allow me to insert an "and for us". God's purpose for London Bible Institute will be fulfilled as you and I pray. May this grace be ours!