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This year four overseas students are studying at LCBM. They are left to right: Dr. Pushpa Moti Lall, India; Peter E. Smith, South Africa; Johannes J. Templehoff, South Africa; and Webster K. Kasonso, Northern Rhodesia.

Testimonies From Overseas Students

Peter E. Smith
Port Elizabeth, South Africa

After leaving South Africa in June, 1960, and working my way to Europe as a steward aboard on ocean liner, I began wondering about the possibilities of further education.

After eight months at sea, I worked in London, England, for a short time. Then after some very effective promotion by a graduate of LCBM, I decided to apply here for Bible College training.

The financial burden was well taken care of and the timing of the Lord was faultless in arranging contacts and employment opportunities.

The past three years have been a broadening experience in intellectual attainments and personal living. All phases of school life provide lessons to be learned. I strongly recommend the experience.

Following graduation next year, I anticipate further studies in this country and then, Lord willing, I plan to return to South Africa and a teaching career.

Johannes J. Templeoff
Johannesburg, South Africa

Twelve months after my spiritual birth, I became convinced that God had designed my future to be spent in full-time service for Him.

While searching for the appropriate institute at which to receive my training, I became familiar with LCBM through one of its potential students from Johannesburg, Brian Cross. Ten months later, after God had confirmed that my preparation was to be away from home, I boarded the plane for London, Ontario.

Thus began a new phase in my life. It has been difficult for me to orientate to the icy winters in Canada though I have found them most conducive to studying. The warmth with which Canadian friends have received me is an experience I thank God for constantly.

Dr. Pushpa Moti Lall
Gwalior, India

I met the Lord when I was fifteen. Three years ago I felt a great need to be closer to Him. I had been involved in hard work which broke me physically. But I still had to go on since the need around me was great.

Having learned about LCBM from an evangelical Christian magazine, I applied and was accepted. I got my passport in two weeks, resigned from my work in the hospital, but was refused a visa.

Then suddenly in November, 1963, I heard from the Canadian High Commissioner in India. Without questions I received my visa and in two weeks I was in Canada.

Within 26 hours of my departure, I was in a completely different world. Upon arrival in Canada, I visited my brother who is a school principal in Alberta. I had not seen him for ten years.

Webster K. Kasonso
Solwezi, Northern Rhodesia

In August, 1941, at the age of 16, I went to Mwale Elementary School, one of the South Africa General Mission village schools. In December the same year, I accepted Christ as my Saviour. The following year I went to Mutanda River School where I completed grade eight in 1948. I spent the next five years in a government secondary school and teacher training college.

In 1960 I felt definitely called by the Lord to serve Him in full-time ministry. On August 17, 1962, after bidding my wife and family good-bye, I left for Canada. My air ticket was paid for by the students of LCBM.

On completion of my pastoral studies, I shall return to Northern Rhodesia where counselling other pastors will be one of my tasks.



Bud Penner and Buelah Browett, left, discuss Bible Christian Union literature with Karen Kehoe, '63, BCU appointee to France and Rev. Elwyn Davies, Canadian Secretary for the mission.

Missionary Conference

Rev. Elwyn Davies, Bible Christian Union, Rev. Paul Roffe, Peruvian Fellowship and Rev. Warren Modriker, Sudan Interior Mission were the main speakers at this year's missionary conference. Representatives from 17 missions and 13 Alumni missionaries also attended the conference, counselling with students and taking part in the program.

PRAISE and PRAYER

—Thank God for blessings received at the missionary conference. Pray that decisions made by those in attendance may be carried out.

—Jack Cox, former public relations director, has joined the executive branch of Moody Bible Institute as Assistant to the Director of Stewardship. Pray for him in his new responsibilities.

—Lillian Scobie who has been working as public relations secretary for the past year has accepted the position of Assistant Registrar. Her new duties will commence March 15. Part-time help is available for

the public relations office until a full-time secretary can be obtained.

—Pray for Mr. Adams and members of the choir as they begin the annual ten-day tour on March 20.

Graduation Banquet

FRIDAY, APRIL 17

- Beal Tech
- 6:30 p.m. sharp
- \$2.50 each
- Rev. W. F. Steeper, B.A., B.D.
- Isaac Sisters Trio
- School Ensemble

For Tickets: Banquet Committee
Write Box 65, London, Ont.

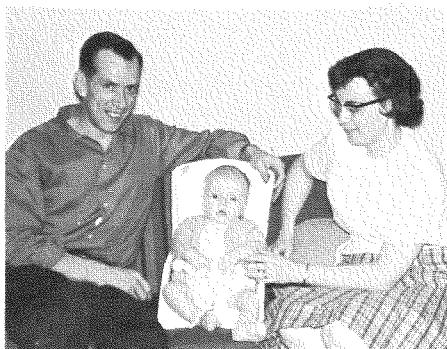
KEEP THESE DATES OPEN

- May 3, 1964 - Baccalaureate, 3:30 p.m.
- May 4, 1964 - Commencement, 8:00 p.m.

College For a Day

April 2 and 3 are the dates for this year's college for a day program in which students in grades 12 and 13 are invited to spend a day at LCBM. They will attend classes, chapel, and eat in the dining hall. They will tour the campus and visit the dormitories, discovering in a small way what school life is like.

Alumni Corner



Margaret '60, Bill '57, and Ian Paterson expect to sail from Halifax on March 21 for South Africa to begin work with the South Africa General Mission.

Testimonies By DR. J. C. MACAULAY

"Suffer a sinner, whose heart
overflows
Loving his Saviour, to tell what
he knows."

The words of the song writer beautifully define a testimony. But the psalmist had it said nearly three thousand years earlier. "Come and hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my soul." (Psalm 66:16).

Testimonies can be vibrant, vital, warm and real. On the other hand some speeches that are called testimonies are poor, lifeless things, stereotyped and lacking conviction. For some it is borrowed language that does not express personal experience. For some it is the recital of an experience long grown cold and dusty with age.

An experience of the long ago is not worth recounting unless the fruit of it is still being produced. Rehearsing one's "conversion" is a mockery if the "new creature" is not in evidence. One is reminded of the inebriate who staggered up to Dr. R. A. Torrey and thickly said, "I'm one of your converts, sir"; to whom Dr. Torrey replied, "I would not doubt it. If you were one of the Lord's converts you would not be in your present sorry state."

There are, indeed, occasions for telling of one's first meeting with the Lord, but for the most part, the story of a recent meeting, issuing in some new thrust in the Christian life, is more likely to bless the audience.

There is enough of the Methodist in us at London College of Bible and Missions to believe in testimonies. They are an important item in our choir concerts, and their director keeps insisting that these testimonies be free from padding and varnishing. But we do not keep our testimonies for tour, as a show piece. We have them at home, in the family circle, and one can sense the happy response of the family to these recitals of up-to-date dealings with the Lord.

I wish you had heard two of our students telling how the Lord brought them to a knowledge of His will concerning service in the "regions beyond." One is a nurse, given victory over a fear of having to teach others, and responding to the call of the mission field. The other is a student pastor relating how the Holy Spirit turned in on his own heart the sermon on missions that he had prepared for his congregation. What a blessed start-off for a missions conference.

Here is another group giving testimony, telling how the Lord answered prayer and used them in leading others to Christ. One is rejoicing in the salvation of two of her own family. Another tells of leading a waitress to the Lord, and dealing with another employee of the same restaurant the following night - a young man who had confessed Christ as a boy but had wandered far. So with the rest - happy experiences of being used to win others.

Or here is a graduate, just back from candidate school and appointed to service in Europe. She ingenuously tells of all the fears that had beset her, and how the Lord delivered her from them, one after another, till now, not without fear, but still with triumphant confidence, she is facing her new task.

Not all testimonies will be as dramatic as these, but they may all have the same freshness and vigor. How can we assure such testimonies? The first thing is to have a daily meeting with the Lord Himself. Our devotional exercises must be real and not just a perfunctory ritual. We must go to the place of trust with an expectant and an obedient heart. Days started with such a meeting will not lack new experiences, which will bless not only ourselves but others also, and even the telling of them, if they ought to be told, will find response in the hearers.