

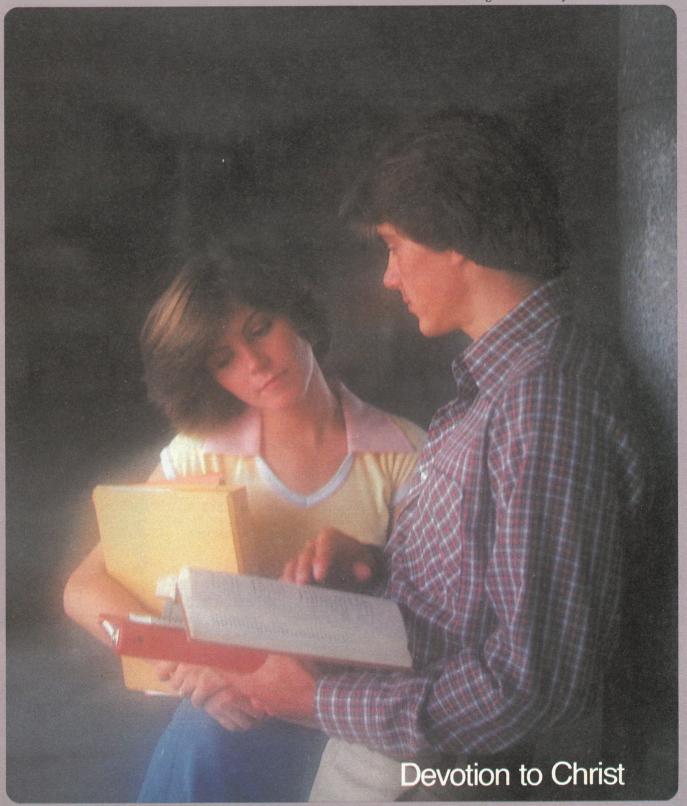
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Undoubtedly, you have already noticed the "new look" of this issue of the *Evangelical Recorder*. Our recently-revised statement of purpose is setting a new direction for us. You will be interested in this statement I am sure.

"The Evangelical Recorder is published quarterly by OBC/OTS for the purpose of ministering to our broad constituency (a) through instructional and inspirational articles and book reviews written primarily by our faculty and (b) presenting the programs and events of our institutions through promotionals and testimonials so as to encourage recruitment as well as prayer and financial participation."

Our sincerest desire is to so nurture the people of God that we may "grow up in all aspects into Him, who is head, even Christ."

Four concentric, ever-widening circles will be the focus points for the next four issues: Devotion to Christ, the Family, the Church of Jesus Christ, and the World.

It is not by accident that the theme of this first issue is our devotion to Christ. Our highest calling is to be worshippers of God and lovers of our Lord. If we fail here, we fail. He still asks, "Do you love Me?" Our devotional life really is our life and and our first priority.

This is one of the commitments upon which OBC and OTS were founded. Our heritage is one which emphasizes the imperatives of godliness, meditation, prayer and praise. The early leadership of Dr. John McNicol and many others set us on a course which we continue to pursue. Our entire curriculum, as well as every event on our calendar, is built upon this foundation and measured by this criteria.

As A.W. Tozer has so aptly stated, worship is still the "missing jewel of the evangelical church." If we, at OBC/OTS, could contribute significantly to radically transform just one aspect of evangelicalism today this would be our target area personal and corporate devotion to Christ. It is the single greatest need in our country today. This issue is devoted to meet this urgent and desperate need.

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Worshipping God in Prayer



The core of significant worship is formed by the acknowledgment of God's gracious majesty and the exaltation of His person. Our

prayers must be offerings of worship which focus on God in His greatness and wonder, rather than on our needs and concerns. Eph. 1:15-23 is an excellent model of worshipful prayer.

The Presentation of Thanks - Eph. 1:15-16a

Thanksgiving is essential, worshipful prayer because it is an expression of dependence on God. It is the recognition that the good that has come our way is not of our own doing but derives from God. Giving God the credit for the blessings He grants, is the initial step of worship. The apostle's presentation of thanks has to do with other people ("giving thanks for you"). Specifically, he is grateful for the "faith in the Lord Jesus" and the "love for all the saints" which is evident among the believers. Therefore, Paul's gratitude centres around God's work in and through other people who serve Him. We, too, need to move beyond personal concerns and recognize the larger work of God's rule in others. An acceptable worship of thanksgiving

transcends gratitude for personal benefits and focuses on the broader work of God's kingdom in and through other Christians.

The Privilege of Intercession - Eph. 1:16b-19a

It is a great honour to God when we recognize our dependence on Him, along with His willing ability to provide, and so make requests of Him.

Paul, however, does not ask for himself but intercedes for others. Earlier, he thanked God for the faith and love of others but he is not satisfied with this. He now prays that they may go beyond faith and love and receive "a spirit of wisdom and a revelation in the knowledge of Him." As a result, they will have enlightened eyes to appreciate the abiding hope, glorious riches and surpassing power He has provided for them. The apostle's request is that they will know and experience God more and more. Thus, by requesting God to be at the centre of the believer's knowledge and experience, the prayer of intercession reflects our trust and worship of Him.

The Priority of Praise - Eph. 1:19b-23

In worship, praise transcends even thanksgiving and intercession. The apostle no longer has himself or others in view, so thanksgiving and intercession recede into the background. Now God alone captivates his thoughts and he pours out superlative expressions of worshipful praise to Him.

Praise involves the recitation of the great works of God. In the passage before us, these are the resurrection and exaltation of Christ: His enthronement as Lord over all powers; His headship of the Church; and His divine fullness with which He fills all things. These are magnificent thoughts about God which stretch beyond the limits of our understanding. Yet the heart of worship is to recite them back to God to the praise of His glory. There is nothing greater we can say about God than to recount with adoration who He is and what He has done. That is praise and worship! Do we wish to worship God in prayer? If so, then our prayers must be filled with thanksgiving for God's gracious work in the whole body. They must be replete with intercession that longs to see God known and experienced in the life of every believer. They must focus on recalling again and again the majesty of God and His marvellous works for

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all mankind. "O Lord, our Lord how

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"I get nothing out of my personal Bible reading!" Frequently, believers are exasperated at their seeming inability to hear God speak to

them personally through the Bible. I believe that with a few simple tools and a little perseverance, that situation can change!

Suppose you are reading through Matthew in your devotions and come across the following text: "And when you pray, you are not to be as the hypocrites, for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on the street corners, in order to be seen by men. Truly I say to you they have their reward in full. But when you pray go into your inner room and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in secret...who will repay you" (Matthew 6:5, 6 NASB). How shall we understand and apply this text to our lives?

TO STUDY THE BIBLE EFFECTIVELY

Tools

I need a Bible whose language I understand, a pen, a notebook, a one-volume commentary (New Bible Commentary, or Wycliffe Bible Commentary will do admirably), and possibly a Bible dictionary and a concordance.

Two Things to Keep in Mind First, the Bible is a book that teaches me how I can come to know God and walk in faith and obedience to Him. It is not a secretly coded message with detailed instructions and particulars regarding every choice I might make. So, while the Bible cannot specifically tell me whether to take the job offered me at Company X or Y, (some people are adept at trusting verses to give them guidance, but then it is themselves not the Word of God who is guiding!) it can give me a perspective and principles with which to make an intelligent, God-centred

choice. It tells me what God values and despises, what He approves and condemns, what He loves and hates.

Second, the Bible does not resemble an onion which yields "deeper truths" to the "super spiritual" person who penetrates its many layers. Rather, God moved upon the hearts and minds of individual authors who wrote what God wanted them to say. Thus, the one correct interpretation of a text is that which the author intended his words to convey. Our job is to discover that meaning by studying the words and sentences before us. Our spirituality is manifested by putting the meaning into practice!

What Does This Passage Mean? Each Biblical passage was written in a specific life situation, and for a specific need in the life of God's people. We need to analyze these things and come to an understanding of the meaning of the passage. To do this, we must ask:

- (a) What was life like in the times described? What did people eat, drink, wear, sleep on, believe? How did they sow, reap? In Matthew 6:5,6 we need to know how prayer was conducted in a synagogue and when and how someone would pray on the street corner.
- (b) What do the words of the text mean? What is a hypocrite? How does God "reward" and "repay"? Why does Jesus speak of an "inner room"?
- (c) What is intended to be taken literally and what is illustrative? In our text, it would be wrong to say that the disciple should never pray in public, standing up or with an open door. These things are illustrative of an important dichotomy, i.e. praying to show oneself to be spiritual versus sincerely sharing one's heart with God.

The proper tools can help me answer these questions. Cultural practices (e.g. Synagogue worship) and key words (pray, reward) can often be

found in a Bible dictionary. Parallel passages which shed further light can be found in a concordance. Commentaries can give additional insights. Some believers enjoy daily devotional guides. These can also be helpful, if carefully chosen.

Discover a Principle

Now take your pen, and in your notebook try to summarize the central truth of the passage. Try to state it as an eternal principle, valid for any believer in any situation. Our chosen text might yield the following principle: God rewards and answers sincere prayer, while "showy" prayers designed to impress others accomplish nothing (except impressing others). One passage may contain several valid principles – simply select one.

Explore Your Life

While there is generally one authorintended meaning to a particular text, the applications of the text are infinite. Examine various areas of life that the principle could be applied in, then write them down. For our chosen text, areas would include: church prayer meetings, planning meetings, family prayers, saying grace at meals, and private devotions.

Specify a Response

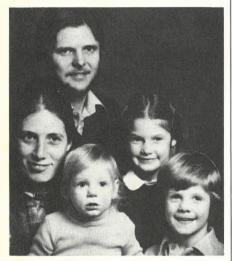
Choose one or two of the areas above and write out a specific response that you can exhibit in the near future. Avoid vague generalities and speculations about situations which may never occur. Most of us are very weak at the point of specific application. Writing down the response helps immensely. "I'll pray more earnestly", is probably too vague. A good response would be: I'll pray more directly and succinctly at prayer meeting this week, and I will be sure to have 15 minutes of private prayer daily from 7:00 - 7:15 a.m. this week.

Do It!

Put into practice that which you have decided. The Holy Spirit will give you strength as you, by faith, seek to obey the Word.

It is so important to first understand what the Biblical authors meant by what they wrote. Then as you discover how it relates to your life, and what you can do about it, Bible study becomes exciting as God begins to transform your life.

Rev. John Kessler OBC/OTS Faculty



KESSLERS TO FRANCE AS MISSIONARIES

John Kessler has been a member of the associate faculty at OBC/OTS during the past two years. He has taught two courses in Greek in the Seminary each term, and courses in the College on Methods of Bible Study, Genesis, and Galatians. John, his wife Stephanie, and their three children, will be leaving for France this summer for full-time service with the Fellowship Baptist Foreign Mission Board. They are already at home in the French language and culture, and have a deep sense of God's call for this ministry.

In the future, John hopes to pursue New Testament doctoral studies in France, which will enable him to develop and use to the full the remarkable gifts with which God has endowed him. So may the grace of Father, Son and Spirit accompany the Kesslers in all that they do.



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Tests of Love



There is no doubt about it – we are loved by the Lord. The evidence of His love is written large in history. He loved us and gave Himself for

us (Gal. 2:20). The question is: Do we love Jesus?

An astounding assumption of the New Testament is that Christians are people who love the Lord! In 1 Corinthians 16:22 we read: "If any one does not love the Lord, let him be accursed." There it is. The apostle describes believers as those who love Christ. Do you? Are you ready for a test?

There are some remarkable parallels between measuring my love for my wife and my love for my Saviour. How can I test my love for Marilyn?

Test No. 1: I Tell Her

Hardly a day goes by that I do not tell my wife, at least once, that I love her. That is because I really do love her, and I delight to tell her so. It certainly would be unusual to love her but never tell her so, wouldn't it? When was the last time you told the Lord that you love Him? Do you do it often, even regularly? It would be rather strange for a person who

claimed to really love the Lord never to tell Him so, wouldn't it?

Test No. 2: I Spend Time With Her I would rather go for a walk with my wife, play tennis with her, sit and talk with her, or go out for dinner with her than with anyone else on earth. I just delight in spending time with her. Why? Because I love her. It is hard to imagine a fellow who loves a young lady but does not enjoy spending time with her!

How much time have you been spending with the Lord lately? Time spent with Him in prayer and in His word is precious time to those who love Him. Do you not think it would be more than strange for a person to claim to love the Lord who does not spend time with Him to nurture and cultivate the love relationship?

Test No.3: I Eliminate What Irritates Her

A few months ago, I asked Marilyn what there was about me that really irritated her. Immediately, she mentioned something that used to upset her twenty-five years ago when we were first married. Then she said, "But you aren't that way anymore." What she identified had been a problem to her and by God's grace it has been largely eliminated from my life. The Lord has changed me in an area that I desperately wanted to

change. Why? Because I love her. That is how love functions.

What is there in your life that is displeasing to your Lord? What do you plan to do about it? Could a person actually speak of loving the Lord if they are not concerned and anxious to eliminate from their life the things that irritate Him?

Test No. 4: I Seek To Do What Pleases Her

Fortunately, the Lord has given me a wife who is very easy to please. The things she enjoys the most are relatively simple to provide. Some of these things, however, I find particularly difficult to do; others take little effort at all. Both I attempt to do, however, because I delight to please her. You see, I love her. It would be strange, indeed, for one to speak of loving the Lord without living to please Him. Painful as it may be to take this test, it could be a new beginning in your life. "My Jesus I Love Thee" has suddenly become

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Enriching Your Devotions



Hymns can play a significant role in the development of your devotional life. If they are truly biblical in content, and you meditate upon

them with calm reflection, you will find yourself refreshed and enriched.

Of course, there are hymns worthy of meditation and other "hymns" (bits of doggerel set to a fascinating rhythm) that simply cannot stand scrutiny when divorced from the catchy tune. Praise selections that are paraphrases of Scripture, or deal with the poetic narration of Bible history, or warmly respond to the great objective realities of redemption, richly reward careful study.

One way of doing this is to concentrate on the hymns of one author. If you are majoring in the poetic praise that flowed from Charles Wesley's gifted pen, be prepared to spend the rest of your devotional life at it. He wrote at least 6,000 hymns! Most hymnals have a fair selection of Wesley's compositions. Notice references to the person and work of Christ, the dynamic of the Holy Spirit, and the intensely personal response of a believing heart.

The hymns of Isaac Watts should also be studied devotionally. He not only produced poetical versions of the Psalms, but magnificent hymns such as "Joy to the World", "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross", and "Jesus Shall Reign". John Newton, former slave trader, became a preacher and hymnwriter. Many of his praise selections were written to conclude a worship service and clinch the day's biblical exposition in memorable form. James Montgomery is another whose religious verse expresses the Christian faith in forms of beauty fit for public worship. Consider also the hymns of Fanny

Crosby, Frances Ridley Havergal, and Margaret Clarkson.

Another way to benefit from hymns in your devotional life is to focus on a specific aspect of biblical revelation. For example, at the pre-Christmas season concentrate on the great hymns of the incarnation. Some of these come from the era of the Middle Ages and the Early Church. Leading up to Good Friday and Easter, read through the hymns of His passion and death for our redemption, and His mighty resurrection on the third day. Then look for hymns on the ascension, Christ enthroned in heavenly majesty, the work of the Spirit, the inspiration and authority of Scripture, the nature and mission of the Church.

Hymns of repentance, responding to the Spirit's ministry of conviction, certainly have a place in the deepening of piety. So do those whose theme is faith, hope, love, joy in answer to God's promises in Christ. Hymns of social concern and world evangelization also serve a most useful purpose, but many hymnals have a selection that is marked by either paucity or poverty in this connection.

Why not memorize some hymns, in whole in in part? A few lines of poetry can often summarize several paragraphs of prose, and do it with a greater depth of feeling. Look for the scriptural allusions in hymns. How many can you find, for example, in a selection such as "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"? Above all, remember the grand purpose of hymnody: to glorify God, through the proclamation of gospel truth and the response of a devoted heart.

Dr. Mariano Di Gangi OTS Faculty

Author's note: Some of the better hymns (biblical contents and poetic expression) may be found in older hymnals available in second-hand book stores or church broom closets. Also, useful explanatory texts like "The Gospel in Hymns" by A.E. Bailey (Scribners, 1950) or "Hymns and Human Life" by Erik Routley (Eerdmans, 1959)

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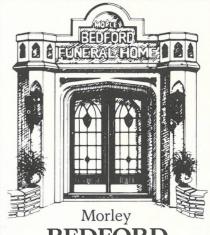
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Books That Have Influenced My Devotions

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What precisely does He mean? Is He really saying we can take our treasure with us?

I believe He is, and He is pointing us directly to our devotional life.

The following five books have helped me to better understand the importance of having a strong, personal devotional life.

Christian Counter Culture -

J.R.W. Stott (Recommended to me by my foster daughter, Sarah (Moore) Kearns, OBC grad of 1979).

He states that the treasure Jesus is referring to in Matt. 6 is:

- (a) The development of Christlike character (since all we can take to heaven with us is ourselves.)
- (b) The increase of faith, hope and charity, all of which (Paul said) 'abide'.
- (c) The active endeavour (by prayer and witness) to introduce others to Christ, so that they too might inherit eternal life.

Prayer Power Unlimited -

J.O. Sanders (Recommended to me by David Michell, Canadian Director of Overseas Missionary Fellowship).

An easy rule of thumb he points out is that 'Acts' reminds us of the dimensions and order of prayer.

A - adoration/worship

C - confession

T - thanksgiving

S - supplication.

Creative Prayer -

E. Herman (Recommended to me by George Law, a friend and businessman.)

Quotes from p. 26 & 27:

"For we too have sojourned too long in the dusty city of eternal relationships. We have gazed so fixedly and persistently upon the pageantry of passing things that they have become our own reality..."

"It has been well said that in the darkness the eyes are opened, and in silence the heart speaks..."

"A discipline of solitude and silence is essential for those who would acquaint themselves with God and be at peace."

The Saints Everlasting Rest -Richard Baster (Recommended to me

by Dr. Ian Rennie - Dean, OTS). "Not only the green pastures and still waters, but the rod and staff they comfort us. Though the Word and Spirit do the main work, yet suffering so unbolts the door of the heart, that the Word hath easier entrance." (p.129) The Christian Mind - Harry Blamires Finally, it should be noted that we cannot have a deepening devotional life if we are unable to think "Christianly". Here I am in debt to my friend Harry Antonides (Research Director for the Christian Labour Association of Canada) who referred me to this book.

"...The world known vividly to the Christian mind (is a) world in which angel and demon are locked in conflict. A world packed full of sinners desperately dependent on the mercy of God. A world amok with fundamentally powerless creatures, running hither and thither, foolishly imagining that they can do without God, and making an appalling mess of things as a result. A world voyaging like a little vessel across the sea of time, taking its passengers to their final home. A world fashioned by God, sustained by, worried over by God, died for by God." p. 73.

Jesus says that where your treasure is there your heart will be also. Is your heart in heaven?

It will be there more and more as you take time, particularly devotional time, to become "so heavenly minded that you are more earthly good." Mr. Raymond Binkley Coordinator of "Christians in Business" Course at OTS

A LIST OF DEVOTIONAL CLASSICS

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An Example of Devotion



Ontario Bible College has had many examples of Christian devotion in its history of 90 years. Alumni members, from various decades

of time, will remember the godly lives of faculty members, administrators, or staff members. It was my privilege to be closely involved for six years with **Dr. Joseph C. Macaulay**, President of the London College of Bible and Missions from 1960-66. To me, he was an outstanding example of devotion.

When I first met Dr. Macaulay in 1961, he had already had a long

history of experience as an evangelist, a pastor, a musician, and a Bible College teacher. My responsibilities as the Academic Dean often brought me into his office for discussion, prayer, and much encouragement. In those days of the 60's, our College was faced not only with many opportunities, but also with many trials. In such situations, the quiet confidence and godly insight of this man of God was a tower of strength to me as a new administrator. There were many times when our only recourse was to go to the Lord in prayer, and Dr. Macaulay taught me much about the life of persevering in prayer. Those times together in his office were, and still are, very precious to me as I seek to walk with the Lord.

Not only in private sharing, but also in public ministry did Dr. Macaulay become an example of devotion. The President's chapel each week was a time when we sat under his rich expository ministry, and also learned so much about the great hymns of our faith, some of which Dr. Macaulay had written, himself. Although he was never very strong physically, he was spiritually a great example and blessing to many of us, and to me in particular. An example of devotion is so much more profitable than a lesson in devotion.

Dr. William Foster, OTS Faculty

TESTIMONY OF DEVOTION



Eight years ago, I finally surrendered to the gentle insistent call of the Holy Spirit and gave my life to Jesus Christ. I loved Christ then

because I knew with certainty that He loved me. He died for my sins.

The early years were full of zeal,

excitement, and commitment. The later years held deep disappointments, failure and pain. Yet, in all these experiences, Christ proved Himself to me. He never left me. His faithfulness made me love Him even more. I know that He is mine and I am His.

It seems an amazing contradiction to me that God, so awesome in His holiness and perfections would have a tender care for me. He continually provides for my needs. Every day, He ministers fresh strength and grace. I have come to realize that all I have and all that I am has come from His

God's presence has become precious to me. He is a source of solid strength and comfort. His beauty and purity leave me longing for that great day when my faulty understanding of Him will pass away and I will meet my God face to face.

Miss Liz Dobson OTS Student

BOOK REVIEWS

Worship: Rediscovering the Missing Jewel

by Ronald Allen and Gordon Borror. Multnomah (distributed by Beacon), 1982, 206 pages, \$9.95 (U.S.)

A.W. Tozer has described worship as "the missing jewel of the evangelical church". The authors of this lively volume encourage us to rediscover that iewel and enrich our spiritual experience. Worship is defined as "an active response to God whereby we declare His worth" (p. 16). The essence of worship is the celebration of God's acts and attributes, not the entertainment of the congregational clientele or the gratification of a performer's ego. It includes the reading and preaching of the Word, as well as prayer, praise, meditation, and the sacraments

Everyone has a liturgy, whether free and contemporary, or formal and traditional. What does the way we worship reveal about our relationship to God? Architecture, music, proper ventilation and good acoustics are not to be depreciated. "The real factor in worship", however, "is a heart desire for God: the reason it fails to

occur in the pew is because it fails to occur in the daily routine of living" (p.24). But this celebration of heart doesn't come in a package ready to heat and serve. We need to prepare ourselves, as individuals and as a gathered fellowship, for an encounter with Him who is worthy of adoration. This calls for disciplined study and fervent prayer, and an intense concentration on the Triune God. What these colleagues at Portland, Oregon's Western Conservative Baptist Seminary have written should prove a welcome stimulus in the right direction.

Dr. Mariano Di Gangi OTS Faculty

The Hard Sayings of Iesus

by F.F. Bruce, InterVarsity, (distributed by I.V.P.), 1983, 265 pages, \$6.95 (U.S.)
Hard sayings are those that are (a) difficult to understand and (b) those that are easy to understand but difficult to receive and practice. Seventy of Jesus' hard sayings are discussed in this book in easy-to-read chapters of 2-3 pages each. No new insights are offered, but each saying is

presented in its grammaticohistorical context from the perspective of conservative scholarship. Some of the language is technical and presupposes an acquaintance with contemporary study methods. Bruce retains the challenge of each saying while leaving the reader with personal decisions to make about each one. This is a good investment for graduate students, pastors, and interested church leaders. Rev. Robert Muse **OBC** Faculty

Enjoying Intimacy with God

by J. Oswald Sanders.

Moody, (distributed by Mitchell Family Books), 1980, 218 pages, \$7.75 (Can.) To be more like Jesus is the cry of every Christian heart. It is possible, says Sanders, if we are willing to count the cost. He dares to say that we are as close to God as we choose to be. He illustrates this through Old and New Testament examples. Jesus' disciples clearly indicate four levels of intimacy, and Sanders shows how intimacy is nurtured through worship, cleansing, abiding and many other

Christian experiences. He challenges all Christians to evaluate their relationship with God and seek closer intimacy with Christ. Charlotte Church OBC/OTS Library Staff

Balancing Life's Demands

by J. Grant Howard. Multnomah, (distributed by Beacon), 1983, 168 pages, \$5.95 (U.S.)

The Christian faces complex pressures in sorting out priorities related to God, family, and church. Nearly everyone has problems in this area - including the author in his ministry as pastor, author and college professor. He guestions some of the common views which Christians have held and presents a careful analysis of the Biblical teachings related to each topic. The book features many illustrative stories and diagrams to clarify its message. This book is highly recommended as a practical approach to setting priorities, especially for those who are involved in careers within the church. Dr. William Foster OTS Faculty

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ALUMNI IN ACTION

HERE AM I, SEND ME!

Mr. & Mrs. Wayne MacLeod, B.Th. '82 (Diane Arnott, B.R.E. '82) are presently involved in French language studies and deputational work as they prepare to serve the Lord on the island of Mauritius with the Africa Evangelical Fellowship. The following testimonies are extracted from the *Africa Evangel*, Winter 1983-84 issue.

WAYNE

How often I look back upon my life and hear the words of God as they were spoken to Ieremiah. "Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee: and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations" (Jeremiah 1:5). As I grew up, these words rang louder. With no coercion on the part of my parents (even though I am a "preachers kid"), I cannot remember a time when I had any other desire for a life career but to serve the Lord in a full-time capacity.

Feeling confident of the call of God upon my life, I enrolled at Ontario Bible College in September 1978. Little did I know what God had in store for me there.

After listening to an A.E.F. missionary at a Student Fellowship meeting, my eyes were opened, for the very first time, to the possibility of missionary service. I began to sense an excitement about missions that I never felt before

Wanting to be certain that what I felt was not a self-made excitement, I sought God in prayer and study of the Word to confirm His perfect will...

...As I opened my Bible, God led me to three passages (Rom. 10:14, Acts 1:8, Matt. 28:19, 20) and I heard in a clear voice what God had for my life.

Overwhelmed, as I sat in the very presence of God, I cried out to Him, "Lord, I'll go", only to see before me on the page of scripture, the very passage God had also used to call my father into the

ministry of the Word. "I heard the voice of the Lord saying, Whom shall I send, and who shall go for us? Then said I, Here am I, send me" (Isaiah 6:8).

What a privilege. The very God who created the universe has chosen me to go as His ambassador to a world lost in sin!

I am excited at what lies ahead. Afraid? Yes, to some extent, but also learning that the God who called me is able to guide and strengthen me to serve Him as I should, as I yield more and more to Him.

DIANE

It has been exciting to look back and see the way that God has been at work in directing each step of my life. I was raised in a "missionary-minded" family. Therefore, I had exposure to missions at an early age. On several occasions during my teen years, I felt that God was speaking to me concerning missions. However, my plans were different. I felt that as

long as I was serving God where I was, He would be pleased.

During my second year at OBC, I was once again challenged by God to consider my future. Was I willing to give myself totally to Him, to serve Him in a different way than I had planned? After much struggle, I came to realize that God did have a special plan for my life, and that I must be willing to follow that plan, regardless of my own dreams and ambitions for my future. This involved giving every part of my life to Him.

Since that time, God has continued to guide me. He brought Wayne and me together as husband and wife, and has led us to become interested in service with A.E.F. We look ahead with anticipation to what God has for us in the future. We are confident that God will continue to guide us as He has done so faithfully in the past.

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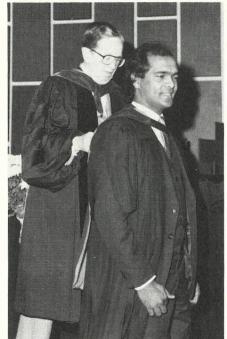
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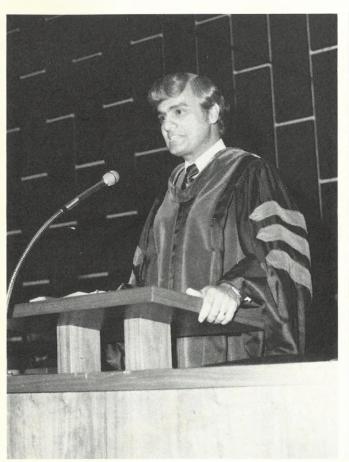






The OBC Baccalaureate and Graduation services were held on Saturday, April 28, 1984 at the Peoples Church, Toronto, Ontario. The OTS Graduation was held on Saturday, May 5, 1984 at the Bayview Glen Church, Thornhill, Ontario.

Top photo: Some of the 1984 OBC grads. Bottom left: OTS grad Ram Kalap is hooded by OTS Faculty member Dr. William Foster. Bottom centre: OBC grad Miss Jane Gibson is hooded by OBC Faculty member Miss Miriam Sailers.





Top left: Dr. Ravi Zacharias was the guest speaker at the OTS Graduation. Top right & bottom right: More 1984 OBC Grads.



GRADUATION TESTIMONIES



continues to love us and teach us as we stay open to Him. Being a Registered Nurse, I have been accepted by the Leprosy Mission to work in Papua New Guinea. My desire is to share God's love with these people (lepers) whom no one loves."

Ruth Copland, M.T.S. Windsor, Ontario

"At OTS, I have acquired many important tools for fultime church ministry. It has been a tremendous privilege to learn from men devoted to the Lord Jesus and to preparing leaders for His church. I have appreciated their informed insight, their spiritual depth and their personal interest in each student."

Zahir Visram, M.Div.

St. Catharines, Ontario



"I have loved every part of my four years at OBC. My faith has been challenged as my eves have been opened to many godly principles that I probably would not have discovered on my own. Yes, I have been trained and better equipped through the knowledge and practicality of my courses. What I have come to cherish most of all, however, is how God has worked in my life over the past four years; how He has planted within me, a real desire to live a holy and godly life as I strive to be more and more like His Son, Iesus Christ."■ Miss Jane Gibson, B.R.E.

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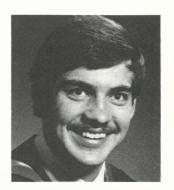
"God has shown His love and faithfulness to me over and over, at OTS. I have been challenged to consistently study the Bible and to relate it to my daily life. It is such an encouragement to know that God never gives up on us but



"My studies at OBC have made me more aware of God's faithfulness. They have changed me as I have grown in my awareness and knowledge of our Holy God. His people have shown me love and acceptance. My eyes have been opened to my responsibilities and privileges in sharing the gospel with all peoples.

The apostle Peter admonished – Set apart Christ as Lord – then be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you about your hope. This I can do confidently as I continue to grow, strengthened by His power at work in me."

Mrs. Lois Stephens, B.R.E.
Willowdale, Ontario



"At OBC, my eyes have been opened wide to see the awesome greatness of the God I serve and His involvement in my daily life. Because of God's

work in my life, I have come to see myself more clearly. God is not limited by our limitations. As Jesus opened the eyes of the blind man Bartimaeus, so too He is willing to open our eyes. We do not need to sit as blind people along the road of life. God has been opening my eyes, let Him open your eyes too."

Art Van Middelkoop, B.R.E., B.Th.
Bothwell, Ontario



"When I came to OBC, it was with an acknowledgment of God's call on me to serve Him in a full-time capacity, although I was not sure what form that would take. But through increased exposure to the needs of large parts of the world that are still unreached with the gospel of Jesus Christ, God formed a deep concern in my heart to see our world evangelized. God has used OBC to give me a vision and a task. What a blessing to know that God has a plan for my life and what a greater blessing to know that my life can have meaning as I live it for Him. Norm Leduc, B. Th. Timmins, Ontario

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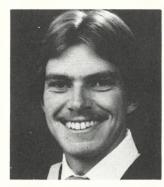


OBC/OTS APPOINTS RECRUITMENT REPS.

Mr. and Mrs. David Roberts have recently joined the OBC/OTS staff as Recruitment Representatives. Both are recent OBC grads (David, B.R.E. '84 in Pastoral Studies - Sandy (Janzen), B.R.E. '83 in Christian Education/Camping). David is a "third generation graduate" of OBC. His grandfather, Rev. J.J. Roberts graduated from T.B.C. in 1918. His parents, Rev. John and Audrey Roberts, graduated from T.B.C. in 1949. His older brother Timothy, now a missionary in South America, graduated from OBC in 1975. Sandy is from Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario.

As recent grads, Dave and Sandy have first-hand knowledge of all aspects of Bible College life. Dave served one year as a Residence Advisor and sang in the Chamber Choir. Another year, they ministered together in the OBC Chorale. Both were also active in College athletics and Community Life events.

As Recruitment Representatives, Dave and Sandy have already participated in several mission and youth conferences and have visited Christian high



schools and various churches. They have been appreciated by the leaders and the students.

Throughout the coming year, they will continue to travel extensively in Southern Ontario speaking to youth and young adults on Christian and secular high school and university campuses through ISCF, IVCF, Campus Life, Navigators and other Christian groups. They will also visit Christian camps and churches, and represent OBC/OTS at conferences. rallies and conventions. In addition to their promotional work, they will be involved in preaching, teaching, ministering in song and personal counselling.

Pray for Dave and Sandy in this vital work and ministry. If you are interested in arranging an opportunity for them to minister in your church, camp, school, youth groups, retreat, etc., contact the OBC/OTS Development Office, 25 Ballyconnor Court, Willowdale, Ontario M2M 4B3. Phone (416) 226-6380.

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OBC/OTS CALENDAR AND UPDATE

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July 30-August 31 OBC/OTS "Crash" Greek Summer Course

August 6 - 17 OTS Summer Session

August 20 - 25 OTS/IVCF "Build Your Faith" Series

September 10 **OBC** Day Classes: Fall Term Begins OTS Day Classes: Fall Term Begins **OTS** Continuing Education Division: Fall Term Begins

September 12 OBC 90th Birthday Party on Main Campus: 2.00 - 7:00 p.m.

September 29 1984 Annual Meeting of OBC/OTS Board and Corporation - 10:00 a.m. ■

OBC/OTS STAFF UPDATE

Mrs. Sandra Klauke resigned from the Accounting Department on December 19th as she and her husband, Dave, have joined the family business in Wheatley, Ontario, Miss Helen Hofstetter ('49) has returned to OBC/OTS to assume Sandy's responsibilities in Accounting.

Ianuary 6th marked the end of just over two years of faithful service as OBC Admissions secretary for Miss Cathy Zynomirski. Her successor is

Miss Mary Lou Johnston, who comes to us from Lindsay, Ontario.

On June 1, 1984, Mrs. Shirley Brush moved from Administrative Secretary of Evening School to the title of Registrar of Evening School. She is also continuing as Director of Audio Visuals.

OBC FACULTY UPDATE

Mr. John Wilkinson, Chairman of the Christian Education Department will be on sabbatical leave during the coming academic year. He will be pursuing a doctorate in education at the University of Toronto (The Ontario Institute for Studies in Education). His major will be

Educational Psychology with specialization in Motivation, Learning and Teaching Strategies.

Miss Nancy Black retired from her counselling duties in the Admission's office on May 31, 1984. She is returning to the Christian Education Department on a full-time basis.

Rev. Robert Muse has taken over the counselling of students in the Admission's office. He will also continue on a full-time basis in the Bible Department.

Dr. John Unger assumed responsibility for supervision of the Curriculum Research Centre effective June 1, 1984. ■



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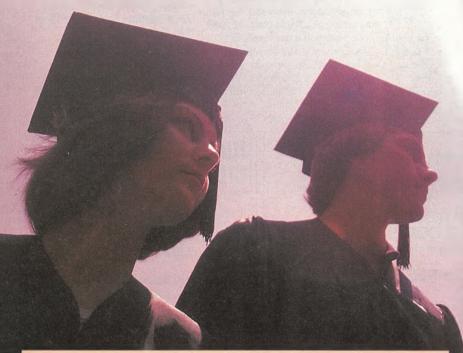
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ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRAD GIFTS

Each year, the Alumni Association awards scholarships totalling \$1500.00 to OBC/OTS students based on academic excellence, evidence of approved Christian

character and significant contribution to College/Seminary life. We are grateful to all Alumni who designated gifts to the Scholarship Fund to make these awards possible. Top left and top centre: OBC students Catherine Andrews and Brian Reynolds received scholarships (\$500.00 each) from Mrs. Laurine Schmelzle (Alumni President). Top right: OTS students Charles Koo and Wayne Heideman (in absentia) received

scholarships (\$250.00 each) from Rev. Wray Graham.

Every year, each student in the OBC and OTS graduating classes receives a gift from the Alumni Association. This year's gifts were NIV Bibles. Centre left: Gary Horst (President, OTS Student Council) receives NIV Bible from Rev. Wray Graham (member of Alumni executive). Centre right: David Ramberan (President, OBC Class of '84) receives NIV Bible from Rev. Jake Small (Director of Alumni).

KEEPING IN TOUCH

1896-1929

* Miss Alice Munns '18 passed into the presence of the Lord on Jan. 16 in Toronto.

1930-1939

* Rev. & Mrs. John Percy '32 (MARY SUTTIE '32) celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Jan. 13.

1940-1949

- * Rev. Arthur Murfin '43 is now Minister-at-Large for Trans-World Radio, and will be holding Bible Conferences in Canada and the USA.
- * Rev. & Mrs. F. E. Kempling (MARGARET LEGATE '44) are now serving as orator-curator of the museum belonging to the United Church in Bothwell, Ont.
- * Miss Thelma Clark '47 (T.E.A.M.), serving at Tama Church in Tokyo shares: ''... we face the challenge of this year with great expentancy considering all that God has done in the past. What started as a Saturday morning Ladies' Bible Study 20 years ago, has now become a full-organized, self-supporting church... What was once a handful of new believers, has grown into a congregation of 40-50 faithful attendants. Whereas we met in a tiny, rented room at the beginning, we now own ... a newly erected church building."
- Mr. & Mrs. Frank Wiig (MARGARET SAMS '47) serving in India (INT'L MISSIONS, Inc.) write: "It was shocking to see people engage in idol worship. More shocking: We have learned that human sacrifice is still practiced in remote places . . ."

1950-1959

* Miss Audrey Lawrence '56 in Chad, Africa (T.E.A.M.). "The work of Theological Education by Extension is going well. It's hard to keep up to the demand . . ."

1960-1969

- * Rev. Norman Bullock, B.Th. '63, was inducted into the ministry at Stanley Park Baptist Church in Kitchener, Ont. on March 13. Rev. Dan Filyer, B.R.E. '73, was the guest speaker.
- * Miss Lillian Scobie, a graduate of T.B.C. Evening School (Hamilton) enrolled for full-time studies at LCBM and graduated in 1963 with a B.R.E. degree.
- After graduation she worked at LCBM as Public Relations Secretary and then as Assistant Registrar. She also became a member of the Faculty, teaching Christian Education courses.
- The desire for further education led her to Wheaton College, where she earned a Master of Arts degree in Christian Education.
- In 1968, the year of the merger between LCBM and TBC, Lillian returned to the College and resumed the responsibilities of Registrar and taught various Christian Education courses. Presently, she specializes in the area of children's ministry.
- * Mr. & Mrs. Edmund Fabian '64-'67 share: "We're coming home! It's been 5 years since we left the U.S. and the thought of returning is overwhelmingly wonderful. . . . We think of the awesome changes ahead, especially for our children. They were born in Papua New

- Guinea and have lived here all of their lives. So for them it is not 'coming home' but 'leaving home'"
- * Miss Marilyn Briard '66 was married to Mr. David Breakey on January 14 at Grace Presbyterian Church in West Hill, Ont. Mr. Pat Caya, B.S.M. '83, was the organist.

1970-1979

- * Mr. & Mrs. Seth Crowell (DAWN RAMEY, B.S.M. '72) were blessed with a baby girl, Shannon Dawn, on Mar. 13, in Moncton, N.B.
- * Rev. & Mrs. James Turpin, B.R.E. '72 (RUTH REGNAULT '69-'70) have resigned from A.B.W.E. and have become independent Baptist missionaries to Norway.
- * Mr. & Mrs. Richard Horn '72-'73 are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Kerri-Joy Grace, on Dec. 25, in Newmarket, Ont.
- * Miss Annemarie Hattenhauer, B.R.E. '73, at Cameroon Baptist Theological Seminary (S.I.M.), shares how God works in unusual ways. "We are helping our 22 women learn to read... a slow process. God used a seeming obstacle to encourage the Class One student-wives to read. I lost my voice temporarily, due to a cold. So, instead of speaking, I had to write everything on the chalkboard and the women had to read."
- * Mr. & Mrs. David Richardson '73-'74 (DIANE GLOVER, B.Th. '77) have been accepted by the Canadian Home Office of the Red Sea Mission Team.
- * Mr. & Mrs. George Pawluk (RUTH JORDAN '74) rejoice in the birth of their son, Joshua, born Feb. 2, in Dorion, Ont.
- * Mr. & Mrs. Del Cressman (LESLIE GARROD, B.R.E. '75) are thankful to the Lord for the safe arrival of twins, Ryan Delbert and Rachel Joy, born Sept. 29 in Cobourg, Ont.
- * Mr. & Mrs. David Weatherby (BETTY PLAXTON, B.S.M. '76) are pleased to announce the birth of Marla Beth, born Feb. 17, in Moncton, N.B.
- * Mr. Doug Anderson, B.Th. '78 was married to Miss Beulah Catanus on Feb. 11, at Springvale Baptist Church in Stouffville, Ont. Mr. Jim Amy, B.Th. '77, was an Usher. Doug and Beulah continue to serve with Emmanuel International Mission Board.
- * Mr. & Mrs. Jim Rende! (SANDRA MITTON '79) were blessed with a son, Jason James, on March 30, in Niger Republic, Africa.

1980-1984

- * Mr. & Mrs. Karl Janzen, B.Th. '80 (JANET EAGLESON '76-'77) praise God for the special gift of their daughter, Jennifer Eva, born Mar. 13, in St. Catharines, Ont.
- * Mr. & Mrs. Robert Cousins, B.Th. '80 (SHEILA STONE, M.T.S. '80) have returned home on furlough after spending 3 years as Bible School teachers with A.I.M. in Kenya.
- * Rev. & Mrs. Robert Hayes, B.Th. '80. He is presently serving as Assistant Pastor at Alta Vista Baptist Church in Ottawa, Ont.
- * Mr. & Mrs. Gord Johnston, B.Th. '81 (DIANA MORPHET, B.R.E. '80) joyfully announce the birth of their son, Benjamin Gordon, on Feb. 6, in Dunnville, Ont.
- * Miss Christine Sheppard, B.R.E. '81, has returned home on a 4-month furlough from Zambia, Africa (A.E.F.).
- * Mr. Heino Blaauw, B.Th. '82, was married to Miss Karen Thomas,

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ALUMNI PROFILES

MR. AUDLEY GOULBOURNE, B.Th. '80



Audley has been appointed to a full-time position in the Youth Guidance ministry of Youth for Christ. This program ministers to troubled youths and their families through a combination of neighbourhood clubs, one-to-one "partnerships", and

camping retreats. In addition to his own direct ministry, he will also provide leadership to a number of volunteers recruited to assist in these important programs.

Audley comes to this ministry with a broad, relevant background and experience. Working as Youth Pastor for the past 2½ years at Lisle Memorial Baptist Church in Toronto has provided new insights and understanding of today's youth. Experience has also been gained as Audley has demonstrated his commitment to the Youth Guidance ministry through his involvement in it as a volunteer. Feeling a deep burden for the young people of the Jane-Finch area in Toronto, Audley's own Jamaican heritage is a definite asset in understanding the unique multi-cultural nature of this mixed ethnic area.

Presently, Audley is involved in deputational work to raise the necessary prayer and financial support. He is also continuing his studies toward the Master of Theological Studies degree at O.T.S. ■

KEEPING IN TOUCH (Concluded from P. A2, Col. 2)

B.R.E. '83, on August 27, at Spring Garden Baptist Church in Willowdale, Ont. Mr. Al Mascheretti '78-'81 was an Usher and Miss Nellie Tuinhof, B.R.E. '82, assisted in the music.

Rev. & Mrs. John Ross, B.Th. '82. He has resigned as pastor at Millville United Baptist Church and have accepted a call to the St. Andrews United Baptist Church, in St. Andrews, N.B.

Mr. & Mrs. David Thomson, B.Th. '83, were blessed with a daughter, Marianne Marie, on Feb. 21, in Kitchener, Ont.

* Mr. & Mrs. Steven Kerr, B.Th. '84 (KAREN BAKER, B.R.E. '80) announce the birth of a son, Joel David, on Oct. 19, in Waterloo, Ont.

Mr. & Mrs. Doug Duvall, B.R.E. '83, serving with C.E.F. in Ontario, give us a lesson on 'changed attitudes'. "At one time, I viewed ministry among children as second rate, as nothing more than babysitting. But during these past few months, I have seen, as never before, the tremendous need of reaching children with the Gospel. 'That makes sense', was the response of an 8-year old in our club. She made this remark as she listened to Esther's (Doug's wife) explanation of the memory verse . . . as she came to know Christ in a personal way at the end of the week.

REV. DONALD HAMILTON, B.Th. '57

I cannot remember a time when I did not believe I should preach. Being born into a devoted Christian family and sensing from the earliest days the throb of love for Christ in my home, it was a natural instinct to follow the leading of God. When Abraham's servant started out to look for a wife for Isaac, he prayed for divine guidance. Later on he



said, "I being in the way, the Lord led me." This is my testimony, too. My Lord knows the way . . . all I have to do is follow.

My years at London College of Bible and Missions were good years: thrilling and stimulating and maturing also, as the leading of God into church ministry came clearly into focus. In more recent years, Master of Ministry studies were undertaken through the International School of Theology in California, U.S.A.

Graduation from LCBM took place in 1957 followed by ordination into ministry with the Associated Gospel Churches (Westmount Park, Toronto; Redeemer Bible Church, Niagara Falls, Ontario; Peoples Church, Montreal, P.Q.; and Parkway Bible Church, Toronto). Currently, all but one of the full-time staff of Parkway Bible Church are OBC graduates.

Denominational leadership has also been an aspect of my Christian service opportunities. I have been chairman of several standing committees, and twice been elected President of the National Executive Council. Missionary interest is kept alive by participation with the Board of Child Evangelism Fellowship, the CNEC, and the Slavic Gospel Association.

It is a challenge to be available to God for His continued leadership in pastoral work, and to follow His gracious direction. My greatest joy is to preach and teach the Word of God and to see it take root in lives, bringing change to His honour and glory.

After 28 years in active pastoral ministry, I can only marvel at the way God has gone before me in this journey. "All the way my Saviour leads me, what have I to ask beside?" At the same time, it is a great thing to have the promise of the supply of God along with the assurance of the leading of God. When there's a work to be done for Him, we need all He will give!

MR. JACK PHILLIPS, '53



Faithful, caring church members, the sound teaching of the scriptures, and an awareness of his personal responsibility to be obedient to God's will led Jack Phillips into a personal commitment of his life to Christ and involvement in foreign missionary work.

Jack graduated from TBC in 1953. Two years later, he and his wife, Dorothy, went to Nigeria with the Sudan Interior Mission to serve as Principal of Kent Academy.

From 1975 to the present, Jack has served as Administrative Assistant and Canadian Secretary, and is now serving as Canadian Director of the Mission.

At the Mission, his responsibilities involve leadership of 30 missionaries on staff, 150 Canadian missionaries active on the foreign field, along with 70 retired missionaries. Jack and Dorothy demonstrate warm and genuine interest as they spend time with their fellow-missionaries, talking with them and discussing their ministries, joys, and burdens. Because they feel that each missionary (active or retired) is important in the service for Christ and the Gospel, they receive strong appreciation and high regard from the missionaries in their care.

Their dedication to serving the missionaries on the field can best be summed up in Jack's own words: ". . . if we cannot help our missionaries on the field to do their job, we might as well close up this office "

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WANTED . . .

. . . Alumni to be present at our 90th Anniversary Homecoming!

WHEN: Saturday, October 13th, 1984. TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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Mrs. Richard Schmelzle (LAURINE

PERRY, B.R.E. '67)

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B.R.E. '75)

Rev. Wray Graham, M.T.S. '82 Mrs. James Lewis (HELEN

MILLER '49)

Mrs. Doris Warren '30-'31 Rev. Stan Hibbins, B.R.E. '68 Rev. Don MacKenzie, B.Th. '58 Dr. John Weiler, B.Th. '69 Mrs. Murray Barrington (WILMA

WEIR '55)

The executive members were duly nominated prior to the last Homecoming at which time there was opportunity for further nominations from the floor. The above named were elected by the majority vote of the alumni assembled at Homecoming Oct. 15, 1983. Their term of office is 2 years.

Also serving on the executive as Director of Alumni is Rev. Jacob Small, B.Th. '65.