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Fort Waye Bible College

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Two Appear in Senior Recitals

Roy Tobin and Marceil Sumney, music majors who are graduating this year, presented their senior recitals recently.

Mr. Tobin, bass-baritone, presented his recital on March 6. Included in his program were four classical numbers, four spirituals and four gospel hymns. Prof. Rene Frank, who accompanied him, also played three movements from Mozart’s Sonata in C Major.

Miss Sumney, soprano, gave her senior recital on March 13. Her program, too, featured several classical songs. In addition, there was a selection from “The Messiah,” three numbers from a song cycle by Cornelius, and four hymns. She was accompanied by Joan Clauser, who also presented excerpts from Debussy’s “Children’s Corner.”

Both recitals were well attended, and appreciative audiences called each of the vocalists back for several encore numbers.

COLLEGE LEARNS OF DR. GARTH’S PASSING

Dr. John G. Garth, brother of the late Mrs. J. E. Ramseyer, went to be with the Lord February 22, according to information received recently from Charlotte, N. C. Dr. Garth was a minister, and not long before his death, at the age of 81 years, he published a book on an interpretation of John 3:16, for which Evangelist Billy Graham wrote the introduction. Despite his advanced years, he was very active. He was a regular contributor to a local newspaper, the Charlotte Observer.

BOARD LOOKS AHEAD IN SPRING MEETING

While the Governing Board in its semi-annual spring meeting on March 5 received reports with gratitude to God on the present school year, it directed its attention mainly to plans for the future. Appointments were made for the next school year and consideration was given to further development and promotion of the College. The Board even took a look at the fiftieth anniversary of the College which is coming up in 1953-54, and appointed a committee to bring recommendations to the next meeting of the Board as to a suitable celebration of the event.

A number of recommendations from the Grounds Committee on summer improvements were adopted. These are in two classes—those which are immediately necessary and those which are needed but which are to be made only as funds become available.

The Board also made provision in the by-laws for a more effective handling of placement services. Hereafter, not one office was responsible to assist students in finding suitable opportunities of service. Hereafter, there will be a Director of Placement, who will be in a position to serve more effectively both students and Christian organizations.

Summer Session—June 16 to July 25


Applications are being received now. Address the Registrar, Fort Wayne Bible College, Fort Wayne 6, Indiana.
Commencement Speaker Is Named

Dr. William Culbertson, president of Moody Bible Institute, has been chosen to give the 1952 commencement address in the graduation exercises to be held on June 4. Dr. Culbertson is widely known as a Bible teacher, educator, and able exponent of the Christian faith.

GIFT FOR FOOD
SERVICE IMPROVEMENT

The college received a recent gift in the sum of $2,500 from a Fort Wayne corporation to be applied toward the new dining department improvement. This fine improvement has been financed largely on borrowed funds, and so this substantial gift serves a very useful purpose.

What was significant about the gift, however, was the letter that accompanied it. It stated that the corporation was aware of the difficulties that independent colleges have in balancing budgets in this time of inflation and rising operational costs. It also stated that industry is aware of the need of independent colleges in this period of expanding control of government. In addition, there is a growing sense of responsibility in industry to support independent schools. Accordingly, the board of directors of this particular corporation had unanimously decided to make this gift to Fort Wayne Bible College from the earnings of the previous year.

One important part of the new food service is a water fountain, which has been installed in the dining hall. It has been made possible through the gift of two alumni whose identity will be reported in the next issue of the Bible Vision.

In a recent inspection by the Fort Wayne Board of Health, the College was commended for the improvement and the general cleanliness of the premises.

Forty-six seniors have been approved for graduation. Of these, 21 are completing the three-year course, 21 will receive the Bachelor of Arts in Bible degree, three the degree of Bachelor of Sacred Music, and one is completing the five-year Bachelor of Theology course.

Commencement will climax the closing week of school, which opens with the Senior Program on Friday evening, May 30. The Annual Speech Program follows on Saturday night. Baccalaureate Services will be held Sunday, June 1, at 2:30 P.M. Monday evening will bring the annual Musical Concert, at 8:00 o'clock. The Fellowship Circle dinner is set for 6:00 P.M. the following evening.

PLANS BEING PUSHED
FOR BIG PATRON'S DAY

Committees appointed to lay plans for the second annual Patrons' Day, set for May 2, are working to make it an even more outstanding event than last year's. Designed to bring to the campus parents, friends, and patrons, in order to give them a better understanding of the college in action, the open house program is expected to attract several hundred visitors.

All who plan to come for Patron's Day are requested to send their reservations, as soon as possible to Mrs. Ione Fitch, 800 W. Rudisill Blvd., Fort Wayne 6, Indiana.
God’s Rainbow on the Clouds of Our Times

While Jesus was ministering at the Sea of Galilee, certain of His enemies came to Him and asked Him for “a sign from heaven.” He said to them, “ ‘In the evening,’ you say, ‘it will be fine weather, for the sky is red, and in the morning, it will be rough weather today, for the sky is red and murky.’” (Weymouth, Matt. 16:1-4.) There were many signs of Jesus’ Messiahship all around them, but they could not discern them. They asked for an extraordinary sign, a demonstration from heaven to prove His claim.

He who reads the present signs of the times in the light of prophecy can see that there is rough weather ahead, for,

The Sky Is Red and Murky

The believer is not to be disturbed when he sees the moral, religious and political conditions of men and nations as they can be seen today. “Be not soon shaken in mind,” the apostle said, “or be troubled neither by spirit nor by word.” We will be shaken, if we place the emphasis upon the present, or the things that are only of material value.

Today the great effort is being put forth to make secure what is shortly to pass away. The chief thought is to improve the conditions of society and make the world a better place in which to live. However, many are in despair, since their world-improvement efforts have so sadly failed.

Not long ago, Dr. Britton Ross told us of his experience with a man in a hotel on the coast. This gentleman took a seat next to his in the lobby. He dropped his suitcase next to his chair and sat down, saying in a discouraged tone of voice, “Oh hum, what is wrong with this world anyway?” He went on to enumerate the things that were out of order, as he saw them. Dr. Ross said, “I believe I can tell you what is wrong with this world. I have a little book here that tells about these very things.” Taking his New Testament from his pocket, he turned to II Tim. 3:1-7 and read to him, saying, “This is God’s book and He says here that there are 22 things wrong with this world.” “I did not know that was in the Bible. I used to go to Sunday School, but I do not remember ever reading that description of the world. It certainly is a true picture.” The conversation led to the man’s conversion.

Today’s murky skies also tell us of

Men’s Boasted Self-Sufficiency

Quite frequently we hear of the plans that have been made for a new world-order, to make society’s future secure. They seem to be ignorant of the fact that God also has plans for a new world-order. Men presume to bring their program about without prayer, or the help of God. They remind us of the words of Pharaoh when he said to Moses and Aaron: “Who is the Lord, that I should obey His voice and let Israel go? I know not the Lord, neither will I let Israel go.” Or, recall the pride of Nebuchadnezzar as he walked in the palace, saying, “Is not this great Babylon that I have built by the might of my power and for the honor of my majesty?” The

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The Ft. Wayne Bible College Broadcasting Service presents...

Sunrise Chapel
A personal word...

A radio program is of little value without listeners. That's why you are a vital part of the "Sunrise Chapel" ministry. The program is presented for you... with the prayer that it will give you the spiritual blessing and inspiration you need to start the day. These few pages are designed to acquaint you better with the "Sunrise Chapel" personnel and ministry. We hope you'll find them interesting and enjoyable.

Richard Gerig
Director of Radio

Marjalee Dull, vibraharp
Barbara Cate, piano

Loren Millikan, announcer

The Chapel Singers—Roy Tobin, director


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"Now... Dr. S. A. Witmer, president of Ft. Wayne Bible College, with today's sunrise meditation."

Each "Sunrise Chapel" broadcast includes a meditation by Dr. S. A. Witmer, president of the college. Many listeners have reported spiritual help through these talks. Two of them are included here for your blessing.

PRAYER THAT PLEASES GOD

Let us consider for a few moments how the Lord Jesus wants us to pray. I have heard men say, "I don't know how to pray. I don't seem to get anything from God. If I only knew how to pray!" Now Jesus taught His followers how to pray, and He even gave them an illustration of the kind of prayer that pleases Him. But here is a strange paradox: The very lesson that He tried to teach in what we call the Lord's prayer has been overlooked, and the prayer has been used as a practice against that which Jesus warned—repetitiousness in prayer.

Just before giving this memorable example, Jesus said, "When ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think they shall be heard for their much speaking." The praying that He had in mind was a repetition of words. The oftener the prayer was repeated the more God was disposed to hear it. Effective praying was by the process of addition. Addition took the place of faith and wordiness took the place of contrition. In some parts of the Far East worshippers write their prayers on wind wheels; the wind keeps repeating the prayer instead of the human voice. I wonder what kind of a deity would be impressed with that kind of petition.

Our Lord, however, was not speaking about the heathen; He was referring to the most religiously correct people of His time, the Pharisees. He was speaking about prayers very commonly heard in His day and in His country,—the long, repetitious prayers of its religious leaders.

Jesus said, "Don't think that you will be heard by wordiness, by repetitiousness. But rather pray after this manner: Our Father which art in heaven... " He gave the prayer as an example, not as a model that was to be copied verbatim.

There are several things that this prayer teaches: First, it is brief. It has less than 70 words in the English, only 57 in the Greek. Then there is no repetition in the prayer. Only once is God addressed, and that at the beginning. Then there is the simplicity of the prayer. It is not clothed in flowery, ornate language, but it does have the beauty of simplicity and it does have the eloquence of direct address.

Our Lord meant to say to His disciples, "After this manner you are to pray." Let prayer be the expression of your heart. When you come to God to speak to Him in prayer, come just as you are. Ask simply, directly, as children would address their father. God knows what you need before you ask Him.
ALERTED FOR DANGER

I heard a commanding officer during World War II say something that impressed me as good advice for Christians, and I should like to pass it on to you this morning. This CO was in command of a B-29 training base, and he took his job seriously. He had a mission to perform and he expected every man to give his best in the accomplishment of that mission. He himself had been in the Philippine Islands when they fell and he had flown General MacArthur to Australia. After getting burned there, he said, he didn't want the men in combat zones to feel that we were letting them down.

The CO had a staff meeting every morning of the year, Sundays and holidays included. Every meeting began sharply at 8:00 in the morning. One day he told the staff why he felt that there should be no letdown in training. There could be no letdown in the combat zones; there should be none at home. And to drive his point home he said: "The enemy in the Pacific studied our habits to find our weaknesses. They discovered that our vulnerable point was inertia. We are not always on the watch. We let down and get careless." Of course, we were all reminded that the enemy had caught us with our guard down at Pearl Harbor. The CO has history to back him up when he said to us, "We must constantly be on the alert. No groove mentality can be tolerated."

I wish we could translate that advice into the spiritual conflict in which every Christian finds himself. Certainly the enemy of souls knows our weaknesses, and without doubt the most common weakness is that of inertia. We fail to watch and pray and then we are unprepared when suddenly confronted with spiritual peril. Or we assume that because everything seems to be going well we do not need to spend time each day in prayer and self-examination. Or because we have had a great victory in our lives we indulge in a letdown.

That is why Jesus said, "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation." And again, "Men ought always to pray, and not to faint." That is why the Apostle Paul said, "Watch ye, stand in the faith, quit you like men, be strong." Again, "Ye are all the children of the light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night nor of the darkness. Therefore let us not sleep as do others; but let us watch and be sober." And here is what the Apostle Peter said, "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour."

We are reminded in the story of a recent court-martial in Korea how serious the military regards negligence. It is a major offence to go to sleep while on duty. Are we aware that every Christian is on duty? His own security and that of others depend on his vigilance.
"Sunrise Chapel" listeners write . . .

Hundreds of letters and cards reach us . . . telling how "Sunrise Chapel" provides just the inspiration needed for our listeners to start the day. Here are a few excerpts.

CENTERVILLE, MICHIGAN—We hear you while at the breakfast table . . . and how we do enjoy it! Not as entertainment, but as a real inspiration and a fine way to start the day.

DECATUR, INDIANA—My heart is always filled with overflowing after the close of your program each morning. What a wonderful inspiration you have been to my family the past two years.

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND—I received with much blessing your message of the gospel in ministry and song. It comes over our country with a very clear reception and is bringing much blessing.

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A thought for the day closes each broadcast. We leave you now with just a few.

The day opened with prayer . . . will close with praise.

Life is a school; you are a student; let God be your Teacher.

The Christian has no business . . . that is not God's business.

Peace rules the day . . . when Christ rules the mind.

The human spirit fails . . . unless the Holy Spirit fills.

We praise God for His continued blessing on the "Sunrise Chapel" ministry. May we count on your prayerful interest and support? Send your gifts to . . .

Sunrise Chapel
FORT WAYNE BIBLE COLLEGE
Fort Wayne 6, Indiana
The Kenosis, or Emptying

"He emptied Himself, taking the form of a servant, being made in the likeness of men." (Phil. 2:7 A. S. V.)

The Kenosis means the surrender of the independent exercise of Christ's divine attributes and powers. We cannot think that Christ emptied Himself of His omnipotence and omnipresence. The human body naturally limited His omnipresence. Christ showed supernatural knowledge in dealing with Nicodemus and the Samaritan woman, and the power with which He performed miracles was inherent in Himself. These things came, it seems, as the Father granted them. He gave up, especially, the right to use His powers for Himself or in His own defence.

He (Christ) certainly gave up His glory, for He speaks of the glory which He had had with the Father; yet He "was made a little lower than the angels . . . that He might taste death for every man," and "took upon Him the form of a servant." In "taking on the likeness of sinful flesh," Christ entered the "becoming" realm and became one of whom humanity was asserted. His personality resided in the divine nature; in this way the human nature was impersonal—did not change the divine, but made a way to show it.

—Dorothy Read.

God's Rainbow on the Clouds
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Lord put him upon a diet of greens until "the thoughts of his heart were wonderfully changed."

"It is not by might nor by power: nor of man's ingenuity, "but by my Spirit, saith the Lord."

When Napoleon Bonaparte, Emperor of France, had conquered nearly all of Europe and was about to undertake a great expedition for the conquest of Russia, his court chaplain suggested prayer for the success of his arms. He replied: "It is not necessary; God is on the side of the strongest battalions." When one of his counsellors said to him, "Circumstances are against us;" he replied, "They do not disturb me. I make circumstances!" In 1812 he set out with a half million men. The campaign succeeded well until he reached Moscow, then the severe Russian winter set in.

God used the little snowflakes to defeat the proud commander of the world's greatest army. He was compelled to retreat, and less than 20,000 men returned to their homeland. He returned to Paris where he organized another large army by which he hoped to conquer the British Isles and suppress the rebellion of the conquered countries of Europe. His pride urged him on; his ambition to be world-emperor knew no bounds. A number of great battles were fought and his success seemed assured. Before the final battle and defeat at Waterloo, Belgium, God sent the little raindrops, they came in torrents. The emperor found it impossible to move his heavy artillery over the rain-drenched roads and country-sides. On June 18, 1851,
Napoleon Bonaparte surrendered to the English Duke of Wellington.

On the Island of St. Helena, where he ended his career as a prisoner, he made the confession that, "All kingdoms established by the sword will perish; only the kingdom founded by God can endure." The day of reckoning for the proud and rebellious leaders, who trust in their own ingenuity, and ignore their Creator, is decreed. It is declared: "He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision." "He shall speak unto them in His wrath, and vex them in His sore displeasure."

Fair Weather, for the Sky is Red

God gives His people a rainbow of promise for every stormcloud. We are cheered as we see the fulfillment of prophecy that points to the dawning of a new day. God's elect see "the budding of the fig tree" and believe that "summer is near." But there may be varied conditions arising between the red glow of the evening's sun and the dawning of "the morning." The night may seem long and some may become impatient because of the delay. In the meanwhile, we are not to be controlled by the spirit of this world. Conscious of this, a brother in England deplored the conditions that came upon them, especially during the last War. He said:

"We have been a pleasure-loving people; we have dishonored God's day, gave ourselves to picnicking, bathing and motoring instead of the house of God. We have ignored the ringing of the church bells calling us to worship. Now the bells cannot ring except to warn us of invasion. Many churches were only half filled, now they are in ruins. Our people would not give heed to the Way of Peace, now we must listen to the way of war. The money we refused to give to the support of God's work is now taken from us in taxes for defense. The service we refused to give to God, is now conscripted for the country. But there are not a few turning to God in earnest prayer. There are some well-attended prayer services. Some are being greatly humbled as a result of the trials through which we have passed."

The warning is given to "Watch," have the "lamps trimmed" and burning. "Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing."—Rev. Simon S. Gerig, Turlock, Calif.

SLATES OF F.W.B.C. EVANGELIST-ASSOCIATES

Rev. and Mrs. Blanchard E. Amstutz, Pandora, Ohio:
April 8-20 ................. Bethany Missionary, E. Peoria, Ill.
April 22-May 4 .............. Missionary, Ottawa, O.
May 7-18 ..................... First Missionary, Cleveland, O.

Mr. Gerald I. Gerig, Fort Wayne Bible College, Fort Wayne 6, Ind.:
April 8-13 .................... Missionary, Sterling, Kan.
April 15-20 .................... Missionary, Concord, Kan.
April 22-27 .................... Missionary, Dodge City, Kan.
April 30-May 11 ............... Culbertson, Nebr.
May 13, 14 ..................... Eden Missionary, Wauneta, Nebr.

Rev. Robert C. Strubhar, 417 South Broadway, Sterling, Kan.:
April-July ..................... Mid-Western District
Kansas, we have settled down for a while in Phoenix, Arizona, my home town. At present I am enrolled in Grand Canyon College, a liberal arts college with a Spiritual emphasis.—God has been good to us and has opened the door for us to serve in the Eastside Missionary Church where we have charge of a very fine choir made up of folks who love the Lord and who really love to sing.”—Bob and Rita Quay.

“I am pastoring the Spring Lake Church near Manito. We are in a S. S. contest—96 out last Sunday. We used ‘flying saucers’ (paper plates dropped from an airplane) to help promote the effort.—We also help sponsor Youth for Christ in Manito.”—Paul Rager and family.

“It hardly seems possible that we have lived on this little, wet rock for nearly four years. We are now ‘kamaainas’ (old timers); and if hungry, the poi, raw fish, cow stomach soup, boiled swine entrails, fish heads, and other delicacies which we have had served to us, can almost taste good! Strange as it seems Hawaii has the lowest percentage of Christians in any of the territory governed by the ‘Stars and Stripes.’ One-fourth of all the population bows daily to Buddha. October Rally Month brought an increased attendance to all of our services. The S.S. enrollment is now 171. Praise God for evidences of His working.”—Don and Faythe Rohrs.

“Greetings from our Mission field here in Geneva. Two years ago we came to Geneva Nazarene Church. We fought many a battle; but God was good. The church shows a great blessing of God upon it. I have worked at International Harvester in Ft. Wayne since March ’50.”—Delmar Stalter.

“Since we last heard from you Laverne has received his B. A. at Taylor U. and since June we have been back—same house, same sta—
tion, working under the ‘Go Ye’ Mission. Laverne has the opportunity to take one class at Northeastern State College here in Tahlequah this semester.” —Laverne & Letha (Snyder) Steiner.

“This year again finds me at Nyack, New York. I graduated this year from the Missionary course. I was married to a Nyacker on August 24th. We are looking forward to serving the Lord on the Mission field.” —Joyce (Lawson) Trainer.

“This year finds me at Taylor University again. I am planning to graduate in June with a B.S. Degree in Education. After that, I hope to teach Home Economics in high school here in the states, and then on the foreign mission field.” —Ruth Zimmerman.

“By the time you receive this class letter I should be in good old U.S.A. I’m praising the Lord for keeping me through this first term. I recently finished my language exams, but this doesn’t mean I’m finished learning. However passing this goal makes one feel more like pressing on.” —Ruth Zollner.

Here and There with other Circle friends:

Wayne and Hilda Brenneman (‘45) left late in January with their family of three children for Igbetti, Nigeria, W. Africa. These words they left with us: “In the words of the great pioneer missionary, Wm. Carey, we say ‘Yonder ... is a gold mine. We will descend and dig, but you at home must hold the ropes.’”

Ruth (‘49) and Paul (‘51) Van Gorkom write that last September the Lord definitely led them to a small community church about one mile north of Beulah, Michigan. The people in the church are ordinary farmers with only small incomes. Their S. S. attendance has increased from 20 and about 30 in church to 35 in S. S. and about 55-60 in the worship service. They have a fine group of young people who have been active in tract distribution.

Eugene and Clara Niblack (‘51) announce the birth of a little daughter born January 12th. Her name is Betty Jean. The Niblacks live in Hutchinson, Kansas.

Word comes of the death of George Hostetler (class of 1911) on December 22, 1951. He suffered a coronary attack last summer from which he never fully recovered. He was ordained to the ministry in 1914 and since 1922 ministered at Westover, Maryland. The outstanding characteristic of his life was his great love for the Word of God, and his highest ambition was to make the profound truths of God known to others. He is survived by his wife, five sons and four daughters.

Alberta Peters (‘49) writes of her work in the Strongsville, Ohio, Missionary Church. There is good interest in the work there and the work is encouraging. She is pastoring the work and has been amazed how God has mysteriously worked His plan and purpose in her life. She gave an interesting account of her need of a car. She prayed much and finally her faith began to mount as she waited upon the Lord. So one day she called and ordered a new ’51 Willys station wagon. The day the order was placed she only had a couple of dollars in her pocket. Several weeks later when the call came that the car was in she paid $461.00 cash plus a trade-in allowance of $383.00 for the old car for which one dealer told her he would be stretching it a lot to give her $100.00. Her monthly payments have been met and she is praising the Lord for His many blessings.

Our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. (June Swaback ’48 and ’49) Joe A. Harrison in the loss of their one-day-old son, James Douglas, born March 13th.
Easter Gladness

Behold, the regal Easter Sun
   Breaks on your soul today,
While, tinged with flames of rosy dawn,
   The stone is rolled away!
And men throughout the aging world
   Can hear the glad refrain:
"The tomb is riven! The Lord is risen!
   HE lives, HE lives again!"

Luke 24:5—"Why seek ye the living among the dead?"

—Frieda Martini Buchen
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