



CHURCH of GOD

News

Chicago
District

July-August 1966



Mr. Waterhouse to be in Chicago

The Chicago area Churches of God are eagerly awaiting the arrival of one of God's evangelists, Mr. Gerald Waterhouse. During his brief stay here, he will show slides of the various areas of the world where he has been assigned. Mr. Waterhouse will arrive in Chicago on Tuesday, August 23. His crowded schedule follows:

AUGUST 23: Slides will be shown to the Chicago and LaGrange Churches at 7:30 P.M. in the Exhibit Hall, 11th Floor of the Chicago Sheraton Hotel.

AUGUST 24: Chicago-LaGrange Bible Study, 7:30 P.M. at the Keyman's Club.

AUGUST 25: Slides will be shown to the Chicago Southside Church at 7:30 P.M. in the Gold Room of the Southmoor Hotel, 67th and Stony Island.

AUGUST 26: Slides will be shown at the Peoria Bible Study.

AUGUST 27: Sabbath Services at 10:00 A.M. for the Southside Church at the usual location and at 1:00 P.M. for the combined Chicago-LaGrange Churches in the Keyman's Club. In addition to all this, a Chicago district ministerial conference will be held on August 24 and 25, with Mr. Waterhouse in charge and Mr. Bill McDowell acting as host.



Mr. and Mrs. Hoops greets Chicago area

Meet Mr. and Mrs. Hoops

by D. Alexander

The Chicago area churches warmly welcome Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoops, and Beauregard to the Midwest area. We know even from the short time that they have been here that we will grow to love them as much as the brethren in the Pittsburg area did while they were there. After you have had the opportunity to meet Mr. and Mrs. Hoops, and hear his helpful and sincere sermons, you will understand the reason for this feeling.

Are you wondering "who is this Beauregard?" "Is he one of the children?" "What an unusual name!" No, Mr. and Mrs. Hoops (better known as Mr. Bob Hoops) have no children, and Beauregard is a delightful ball of fur; a very small, very friendly puppy only a few months old! After you have had the opportunity, as we have had, to hold him cuddled in your hands, and had his small tongue, like a red rose petal, tickle your fingers, you will delight in

(Continued on page 7)



CHURCH of GOD *News*

Editor-in-Chief Bill McDowell
 Ministerial Advisor Allen Manteufel
 Editor Wilbur Ball
 News Editors Harold Stocker
 Ted Efimov
 Jim Howell
 Jack Freel

Regional Reporters

Chicago Fred Mancewicz
 LaGrange Dick Alexander
 Chicago South Elisha Crim
 Danville Gene Scarbrough
 South Bend Raymond Johnson
 Grand Rapids Roland Van Slooten
 Indianapolis Donald Hofmann
 Milwaukee Lyle Vershowske
 Minneapolis Russell Brown
 Nashville Ken Wingham
 Peoria Jean Dawson
 Evansville William Ogden
 Duluth

Richland Center
 Photographers Wilbur Vandermolen
 Ihor Karpowicz
 Wayne Meyer

Business Manager Ted Efimov
 Circulation Gene Madison

© 1966 by Radio Church of God
 Address all correspondence to the Editor. Notify us immediately of any changes of Address. Circulation over 2600.

Late Breaking News: **FT. WAYNE — NEW CHURCH IN THE CHICAGO DISTRICT!**

Effective August 20, Mr. John Bald will pastor the newly raised Ft. Wayne, Indiana Church. He will also continue at the Indianapolis Church as he has in the past.

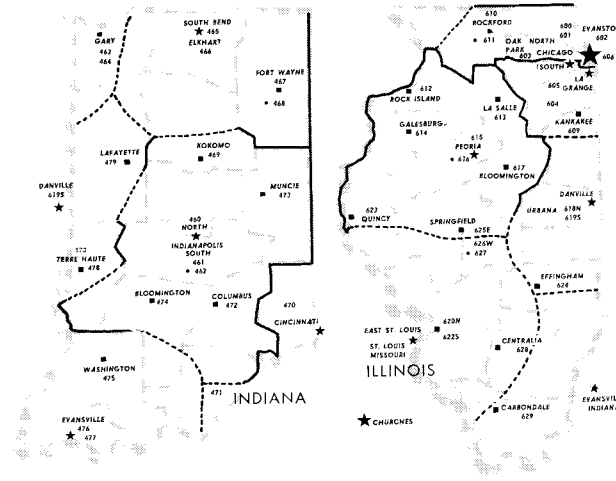
* * *

Mr. Jack Pyle will replace Mr. Bald as minister at the Danville, Illinois Church. This assignment will be in addition to his present duties at the Peoria church.

* * *

As a result of these changes, the Dixon Bible study will be discontinued.

Equally vital—what a child learns over his father's knee is fully as important as what he learns at his mother's knee.



by Mr. Bill McDowell

What Is Your ZIP?

Not long ago, the United States Post Office came out with the revolutionary sorting process known as the ZIP CODE. This dramatic change has already saved untold time and money for the Post Office Department.

The Work of God has also been able to save countless hours and effort by this simple process. All our IBM records are set up to correspond to it, all the mailing is dictated by it, all the ministers visit according to it, and **all the local churches** and those who attend are directly affected by it.

To simplify the work for all concerned, Headquarters has set up each local church according to certain Zip areas. Once the line has been decided and drawn, **each person** who lives in an area assigned, or "ZIPPED," to a particular church **is expected to attend that church**. He should NOT simply "attend the church of his choice!"

Some have been attending different churches as they pleased and at their leisure. This should not be done without permission of the minister in charge. It only leads to confusion, and the individual might miss a very important sermon that would be especially helpful to him in particular!

Of course, there are exceptions. Some must attend a particular church which may be out of their area due to transportation, health, and other varied problems. This is certainly allowable, but the minister in the local area must approve such a switch and Headquarters must be informed.

Because the inauguration of this system is still relatively new to all of us, we need the help and cooperation of each member to make it function properly and effectively.

If you are attending a local church out of your area, please write the minister in charge and inform him of this, including an explanation.

In particular, the problem includes Chicago and LaGrange. There has been some confusion due to the proximity of the churches. Please notice carefully the accompanying map and determine where you should be attending!

ALL THOSE WITH THE FOLLOWING FIRST THREE ZIP NUMBERS SHOULD ATTEND CHICAGO: 600, 601, 602, 603, 606, 610, and 611. The full number would be, for example, 60623, 60035, or 61120.

ALL THOSE WITH THE FOLLOWING ZIP NUMBERS SHOULD ATTEND LA GRANGE: 604, 605, and 609. For those in Indiana: 463 and 464.

If for some reason, you live in one area and are attending another church, please let us know as soon as possible and give your reasons. If perhaps you may have misunderstood which area you are in, it should be only a simple matter to begin attending the proper church.

If you have an extenuating circumstance, however, please inform us and help us to better serve you.

Mail all your "ZIP problems" for the Chicago-LaGrange area to:
BILL McDOWELL, P. O. Box 356, Palos Heights, Illinois 60463
 Thank you for your help in this matter!

MILWAUKEE MEMOS

A couple of days to go; then they are on their way to Orr. Christine Endries, Gregory Endries, Peter Endries, Eileen Neuendorf, Susan Holmgren, and Karen Booth are privileged to have an enjoyable summer.

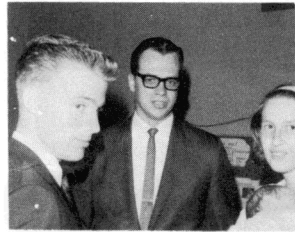


Manteufel and Krueger

Summer brings visitors and we have been very happy to have them with us for Sabbath services.

On June 4, Mr. Allen Manteufel had the Wisconsin churches since Mr. George Meeker was on vacation. It had been quite sometime since the Manteufels had been with us and we certainly did enjoy having them back.

Then on June 11, Mr. Kermit Nelson and family stopped over on their way to Orr, Minnesota for the summer camp. Mr. Gary Irving and family were home for the first time in several years as he attended Ambassador in Pasadena, and now makes his home in Sacramento, California. This was the day that Mr. Bill Freeland was introduced to us Wisconsinites as Mr. Meeker's assistant. Although we haven't



had time to become well acquainted as yet, his big smile and zesty voice make him easy to listen to.

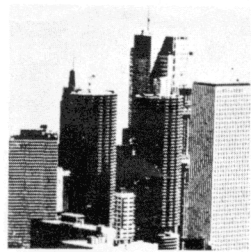
The sun was hot, but the men had lots of ambition anyway as they played 4 games of ball. It was the Milwaukee Church picnic, June 26, 1966. Among other activities were horseshoes, followed by an airplane contest which Dyle Koch and Mark Roth won, and baking contest for the girls that was divided into two age groups. Eloise Kleier won in the 16-21 group and Vicky Dostal won in the younger group. The women played some volley ball and there was plenty of food, drink, and visiting—all the necessary components to make it a wonderful time.



A Flyboy gathering



It is with deep feeling that we all extend our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Kampe at the death of their son Mark on June 24th.



IN AND AROUND CHICAGO

SOUTH SIDE—ESTHERLENE HOLMES

● Who said history is dull? The South Side Church has concluded consecutive Bible studies covering the history of the Church. By the way, have you sent for Mr. Meredith's thesis on the Protestant Reformation, or Dr. Hoeh's discourse on Church History? ● MR. McDOWELL delivered an interesting lecture to the South Side Church on June 12 on the Origin and Purpose of marriage. ● The next time you see MRS. LILLIAN HUDDLESTON, notice her hat. She makes them all. Other ladies also wear her fabulous creations. ● Did you know that MR. ELBERT ATLAS is now a Preach-Elder, and Mr. Dean Blackwell's brother Tom is a Local Elder? Good news travels fast from Pasadena! ● Little JENNIFER LYNN was born June 13 to MR. AND MRS. GEORGE BAILEY; ALISA topped the scales at 8 pounds when she was born on June 27 to MR. AND MRS. ULYSSES HAYES. Congratulations, parents. ● It seems we receive quite a few visitors from other church areas—Tom Oakley, a member of the visiting team in Greensboro, North Carolina, spent a weekend here. Mrs. Jones and daughter, Rita, are visiting from Greensboro, Mississippi. Tina Robinson came to visit her "Pittsburgh Pal," Linda Burkley. Mr. Earnest Lee was our visitor from Seattle. We won't see Mr. Lee in Texas this year—he'll be in Long Beach. Gerald Mann, brother of Ralph, finished college in Texas and came to Chicago to stay. Welcome all! ● Congratulations recent graduates: Stanford Graham, Willie Johnson, Sandra Childress, Hattie Rogers, Judith Ann Woods, Michael Mosley. ● SAM GILLESPIE and VERONICA JORDAN are now united. They were married on

June 11 by Mr. Frank McCrady in Indianapolis. The couple then journeyed to Chicago for the reception at the home of Mr. Harold Jackson.

LA GRANGE NEWS —LILLIAN FOSTER



Nancy and Mrs. Lane

● We receive the next announcement with mixed emotions. MRS. LANE and her daughter NANCY are going to be leaving us. We in LaGrange are very sad to see Mrs. Lane leave us to attend the Atlanta, Georgia Church. We love her very much and she will be greatly missed. On the other hand, we are VERY

HAPPY to see Nancy leave . . . yes, you guessed it . . . She was accepted for Ambassador College, Texas Campus. ● Several weeks ago. MR. AND MRS. GIBBS and children had the wonderful privilege to visit Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell and their children. They mentioned that Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell both look well and have a wonderful dark tan from the sun. Gina, Rhonda and Bonnie, are really growing and Jeffrey is developing quite a southern accent! Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs and Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell went out for dinner Saturday night while Rhonda Gibbs took all of the children to the movies. ● Anyone who had the opportunity to play soccer at the church picnic will agree it is one of the most fun filled games on record. In the opinion of some, it tops the fun of playing volley ball or even baseball. MR. MANCEWICZ is quite a star in this game. If you ever play soccer and Mr. Mancewicz is participating—be sure you get on his team and you'll win for sure. ● One way to swell the attendance figures is to have babies—and the LaGrange families have been very obliging, especially in these last few weeks—a few of the newborn are:

The Mazurance baby—Neal Edward 7 lbs. 2 oz., May 19, 1966
The Griggs baby—Tammie Louise 7 lbs. 5 oz., May 31, 1966
The Adkins baby—Rebecca 7 lbs. 9 oz., June 21, 1966
The Marshall baby—Robert Eugene, Jr. 8 lbs. 11 oz., June 29.
The Arlie Patterson baby—Samuel Arlie 8 lbs. 2 oz., July 2, 1966

Local Elder Leaves for Pasadena!

by Fred Mancewicz

Our well known and respected local Elder Joseph Tkach (known to many as TK) is being sent to Headquarters to take special training at Ambassador College. Those old timers in the Chicago Church might well have predicted this, for since he was baptized in 1958, he has been a zealous and dedicated servant of the church brethren.

It was soon recognized that he had God-given abilities and a degree of maturity that could be used. Before an "official" visiting team was established in Chicago, both Mr. and Mrs. Tkach were requested to visit among the brethren to help where they could. When the first Spokesman Club was formed in Chicago he was among those chosen to be a club officer.

He was a pearl in the rough when it came to giving speeches. Because he was born and reared of foreign-born parents, he developed what became known as the Chicago "slanguage." Yet through perseverance and the help of his wife, he overcame this handicap until he qualified to give sermonettes and later sermons in many churches of the Chicago District today.

It was January of 1961 that Mr. Tkach was ordained as a Deacon. He fulfilled this office so well that he was actually doing a job of a local elder. This was recognized and he was ordained to that office Pentecost of 1963.

Mr. Tkach will quickly tell you that the successful life he has enjoyed so far, began with the rough but helpful training his Russian born father gave him. His father allowed him to join the Navy at age 17. He saw action through many Naval battles in the South Pacific while serving on a destroyer during World War II.

Long before he was called into the church, Mr. Tkach was serving his employer with the zeal he is serving God's people today. Starting as an machinist apprentice, he became a skilled tool-maker and later a foreman over his own crew. Even then he had the respect of his men so much so that even two years after leaving his employment for the ministry, some of the old crew heard of his leaving for California and came by to say Good-bye! This certainly indicated the voluntary respect given him by those without as well as those within the Church.

Whatever can be said about Mr. Tkach, a truth is that behind a successful man is a successful woman. His constant aid, confidant, counselor and devoted wife Elaine is as much responsible for his achievements as he is. She has fulfilled successfully the office of Deaconess, being ordained in December of 1962.

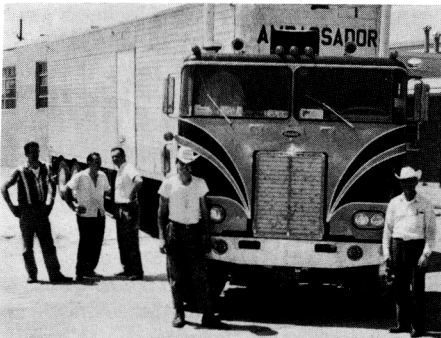
As every good tree bears good fruit, the Tkach children Joey, Tanya, and Jennifer, are well on their way to following their parents footsteps. Joey earned a double promotion in grammar school and was a straight A student. Both the girls have done outstanding

work in school. Tanya was an A student while Jennifer received awards for her science projects.

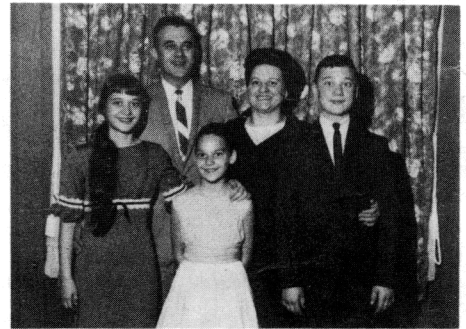
Because time allowed, the people showed their love and respect for the Tkachs' in a tangible way. First the Chicago-LaGrange Choir which they served, honored them with a party at the home of Mrs. Vance. They presented them with a pair of beautiful silver candelabra. They also were given a picture album containing memorable candid shots from the two Choir Concerts and many Church socials.



Mr. Joseph Tkach



These two pictures were taken on the morning of July 17 during the moving process for the Tkach family. In one picture are several men of the church who "lent a hand" in this difficult task; the other photo shows the very fine Ambassador College semi-trailer which is driven by Mr. Archie McNair. This truck is kept busy moving ministers' possessions and church supplies.



Left to right: Tanya, Mr. Tkach, Jenny, Mrs. Tkach and Joey.

At the recent Church picnic the Tkachs' were presented with a multitude of beautiful and truly exceptional gifts. They received a full set of silverware including silver meat platter, gravy, and butter dishes. Now they may serve dinner at the zenith of elegance. They also were given a 12 place set of white bone china with silver rim. In addition, each of the children were given personal gifts.

Though they will be missed, the Chicago District people do not regret that the Tkachs' are leaving. It is with the understanding that they both may grow further to be better equipped to serve God's people in even a greater capacity. Through their years among us the Tkachs' built strong enduring friendships and personal love among many of the brethren, so on your leaving us for a while, we simply say to you—We love you and God's speed.

South Side Annual Picnic

At 7 A.M. Sunday morning July 3, 1966, four men met at the Dan Ryan Woods forest preserve at 89th and Western to have everything in readiness by 10 A.M. for the Chicago South Side Annual Family Picnic.

We have been looking forward to this event since last year. Many arrived early and began to participate in various activities for all ages. There were soft ball games, horse shoes, sack races, tug-of-war for the more active; for the less active, cards, chess, checkers. In addition, there was a demonstration on how to assemble and disassemble a tent.

The assorted varieties of food and drink were fully enjoyed. Sharing the food, fun and fellowship with us were Miss Theresa Robinson from the Pittsburgh church, Thomas Oakley from the Greensborough church, and Mr. and Mrs. John Onwumelu from Nigeria.

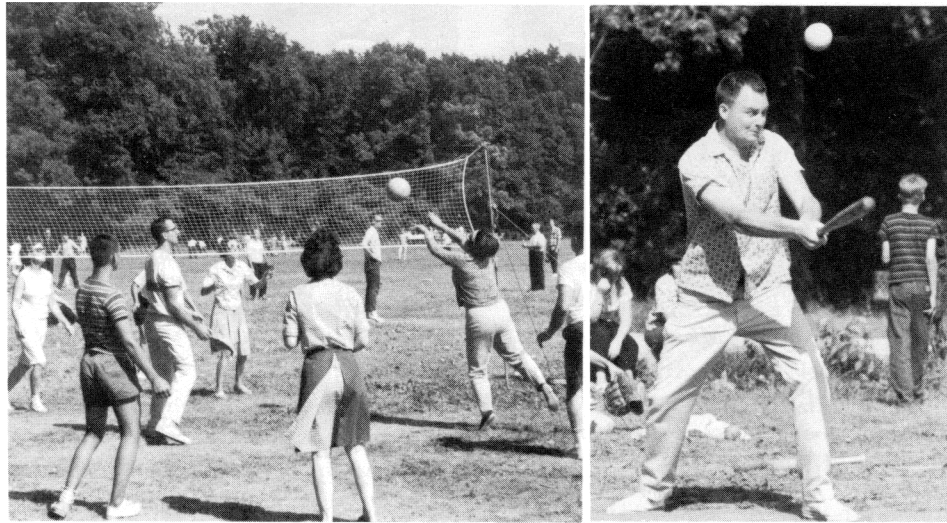


PHOTO AT TOP: Thatcher woods invaded by the Chicago brethren's annual picnic. UPPER LEFT: Well, if the net wasn't there the ball would have gone over. UPPER RIGHT: Hey George, open your eyes—"You're OUT!"

FAREWELL PICNIC

by Nancy Kurtz

Did you go to the picnic on the 17th of July out at Thatcher Woods? It was great! The sun tried its best to get the women brown as berries while they played game after game of volley ball. Meanwhile, the men played a good game of baseball in the next field, in addition to soaking up some sunshine. Even the children found a dirt hill on which to play! Now where could you have found more fun?

There was an "aura of mystery" surrounding the roped-off area under the trees—later revealed to be the workshop of "Kriedich's Kitchen Krew." Our efficient deacons dooned chef's aprons for the first time in Chicago's picnic history. Believe it or not, it was the best "burnt offering" of the day. How many times did you go back for seconds?

(Continued on page 8)

FAREWELL DINNER

On Wednesday evening, the deacons and elders of the Chicago area, along with Mr. and Mrs. Meeker, said a very elegant and sad farewell to the Joseph Tkaches.

The setting was the Red Carpet room of the Ramada Inn and elegance was the by-word for the evening! The food was superb and everyone was poised for a gay farewell to the couple who grew and served this area with vigor ever since they came into God's Church in 1958.

As the meal began, Mr. Tkach gave a heartwarming speech reminiscing old times with the members who assembled to honor him. The meal progressed beautifully and afterwards the honored couple were toasted by Bill McDowell.

By the end of the evening, everyone seemed saddened by the realization and full portent of the farewell. At this point Mr. Tkach invited everyone to retire to the lounge for the floor show and refreshments.



H. Cormany

Dave Major and the Minors entertained with the verve and vitality that all God's people should exhibit. Mr. Harold Cormany guested with a solo on the masonite board to accompaniment of "Tie me Kangaroo Down, Boys."

Everyone departed in high spirits, fond farewells and the knowledge that one day in the not too distant future, we would all be together once again.

Report from Orr

by Bill Butler

The fabulous natural beauty of northern Minnesota lakes and forest lands is the inspiring and exciting setting for the Imperial Schools Summer Education Program. Let's take a tour of this camp near Orr, Minnesota as seen through the eyes of recent Chicago visitors.

The first thing that strikes our eye as we complete the drive over the long, narrow entrance road is the boat dock. Almost a dozen motor boats can be seen tied to the pier.

Proceeding on up a hill, we see the water purifying plant for the camp. Still further up and turning right, we see several of the faculty dormitories. These duplexes resemble motel accommodations. Continuing up and to our right we see the attractive "northwoods-looking" dining hall and line of neatly dressed young people awaiting entrance.



TOP PHOTO: Shape up girls, we're shipping out! ABOVE PHOTO: Summer school draftees at Induction Center. Boys, in 7 weeks you will be MEN—IMPERIAL STYLE!

The boys are in blue sweat shirts with the Imperial Schools insignia on the front and the girls in similar yellow shirts. Several young people with red shirts are seen. These are Ambassador students acting as counselors here.

We are courteously greeted in the Administration Building adjoining the dining hall. After signing the guest register, we are shown into the dining area for a delightfully balanced and filling meal. It's Friday evening, and Mr. McMichaels' sermon for the 400 campers, plus faculty and guests, concerned how teen-agers should view sickness and healing.

It's Saturday now, and a tour of the 200 acre camp reveals a clean, intelligently supervised, well organized operation. We observe that the eight boys and eight girls dorms are at opposite ends of the camp separated by the assembly-dining hall and several faculty homes. There are about 30 handsomely constructed buildings on the grounds.

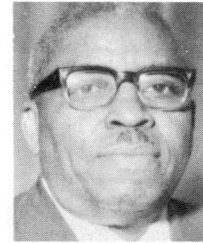
We see evidence of the diversified program of activities provided. Over 50 aluminum, fiber glass, and canvas-covered canoes can be seen neatly arranged on the beach. Twenty horses are available for the campers. What a magnificent and majestic setting for these young people to learn!

When we hear that it got down to 44 below zero and up to 4 feet of snow fell here last winter we doubt if many complain about the heat.

Parents feel happy to know their children have these healthy surroundings. We feel reassured when our guide tells us that the camp is patrolled all night, every night on land and from the lake by powerful motor boats. Any strange boat docking in the area would be challenged. Any unwelcomed visitor would certainly be discouraged when he saw the 2 large German Shepards on the grounds. We all feel the tour was enlightening and just wish, in a way, we could be Imperial Campers too.

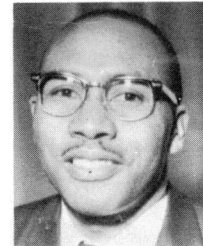
Two New Deacons ORDAINED

By Elisha Crim



Mr. R. Sampson

While enjoying the rich blessings of spiritual guidance and friendly fellowship at the 1966 Feast of Pentecost, Chicago Southside Church was further blessed with the ordination of two deacons. They were Mr. Roland Sampson and Mr. Charles Watson. For a long time, these men have been very diligent in serving the brethren and carrying out successfully any responsibility assigned to them.



Mr. C. Watson

Mr. Roland Sampson, a property maintenance employee, graduated from Wilson Junior College and Utilities Engineering Institute. He furthered his studies at Illinois Institute of Technology. He served four years in the armed forces (1942-46).

In 1959, Mr. Sampson first began listening to the World Tomorrow Broadcast on station WLS. He was baptized by Mr. Harold Jackson. His faithful wife, and son, are also active members of God's Church.

Mr. Charles Watson has listened to the Broadcast since childhood. In 1955, he came to Chicago from Snowhill, Alabama. Upon arriving here, he became active in the Church and was baptized by Mr. John Bald in 1962.

A graduate of Alabama A & M College with a B.S. degree, Mr. Watson furthered his education at Coyne Electrical School, Chicago Teachers College and Northwestern University. Mr. Watson served two years in the armed forces. He is presently employed as a teacher in the Chicago Public schools. His wife, Ella, is a devoted member of God's Church. She is also a school teacher and mother of two children.

These two men have served as officers in the Spokesmen Club, leaders at camp-outs, picnics, socials and other activities of the church.

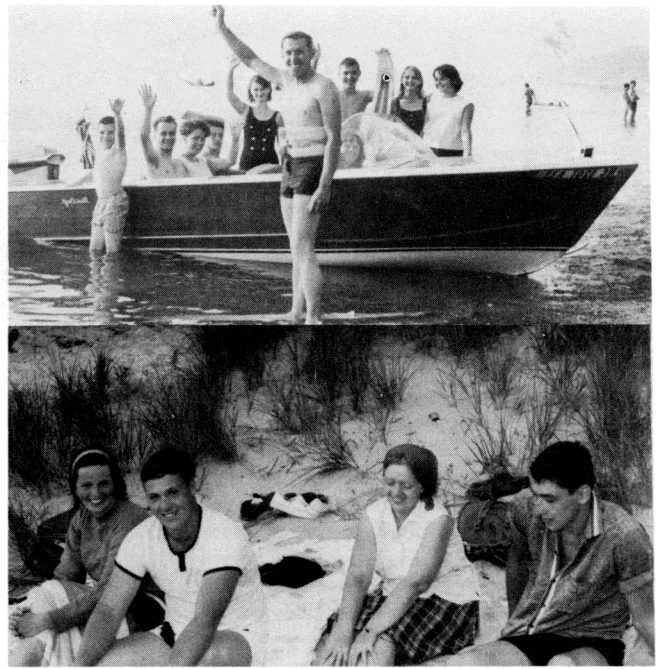
Teen Agers "Cool Off" at Beach Party

by Victor Johnson

South Bend and Grand Rapids teenagers turned out in force to enjoy the "bill of fare" at a BEACH PARTY, July 24, near South Haven, Michigan.

Sunbathing, motorboating, waterskiing and volleyball, interspersed with cooling dips in Lake Michigan filled a sunny day with temperatures in the 90's. The hot dogs were keeping cool under a canopy until early afternoon; they were soon set upon by 150 famished people; By 3 p.m., the hot dogs were officially declared "extinct."

*Above: Passengers and water skiers ready for another "spin!"
Below: Left to right—Sharon Couchman, Rocky Keeley, Helene Welty, and Tom Younts.*



Meet Mr. Hoops

(Continued from page 1)

petting him and scratching his ears. Very likely the children in this area will be waiting in line to hold him!

Mr. Hoops was born in Fort Morgan, Colorado, 90 miles east of Denver. He was reared in Denver after his family moved there while he was still at the age of two. Mrs. Dorothy Hoops (close friends call her Dody) was born and reared in Loveland, Colorado. Mr. and Mrs. Hoops first met in Denver while Mr. Hoops was attending Colorado University in Boulder. Mrs. Hoops was engaged as a beautician in the Denver area. This was the time of World War II, and like many other young Americans, Mr. Hoops enlisted in the U. S. Navy Construction Battalion, better known as the Seabees". After going through all the basic training and just before being shipped overseas into combat, Mr. Hoops was selected to go into the V-12 program of the Navy Officer's Candidate School at Cornell University. The significant part of this selection was that the battalion to which he had been attached was shipped overseas into some of the hottest battle of the war. There are times when the Construction Battalion must precede the Marines, or Army spearhead in order to erect bridges or other necessary construction. This battalion to which Mr. Hoops had been attached consisted of 1200 to 1400 men when they left the United States, but when they returned, there were only 7 or 8 left of this original group. The rest of the group had been wiped out in battle! Therefore, you can see that God surely must have been intervening even at this point in Mr. Hoops life. After training in the V-12 program, Mr. Hoops spent several months in Japan

in the occupational forces shortly after the close of World War II.

After an honorable discharge from the service, Mr. Hoops was employed in various fields such as clerical, banking, real estate, farming, and carpentry; that certainly is an interesting and varied cross-section of life! During this time he also took educational extension courses, and attended Colorado University in Boulder studying for a degree in electrical engineering. It was while attending the University at Boulder, that one of the important events in his life took place; Mr. Hoops met his future wife, Dorothy, for the first time at a fashionable restaurant in Denver! They were married soon after this in May 1947, while Mr. Hoops was exploring a career in the banking business. After finding that there was a lot of money in the banking business, but that the majority was deposited and very little given to those engaged in this business, Mr. Hoops decided to join his father in real estate. So he obtained his license as a real estate agent. After a period of time in real estate, Mr. and Mrs. Hoops started farming near Pine Bluffs, Wyoming. They farmed for approximately five years and Mr. Hoops commented that these were some of the happiest years of their life. During the winter months Mr. Hoops served as an apprentice carpenter and learned the trade of a cabinet maker.

It was during this period that they heard the "World Tomorrow" broadcast for the first time in 1952. In 1953 they met Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong at the home of one of the brethren in Colorado and were baptized by Mr. Armstrong. At their first Feast of Tabernacles in 1953 in Texas, there were only 720 people attending! Soon after this they moved to Pasadena and Mr. Hoops attended Ambassador College for 3 years

as a part time student, and then as a full time student, graduating in 1959 with a class of 13! Soon after graduation they were sent to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania where Mr. Hoops served as an assistant to Mr. Wayne Cole. In 1960, Mr. Hoops was ordained a local elder, and it was the same year that Mr. Bill McDowell was sent to take the place of Mr. Wayne Cole.

Mr. Hoops stated that he will never forget the long distance phone call he received one evening from Mr. McDowell shortly after Bible study. Mr. McDowell very seriously and solemnly told him over the phone, that he and his wife had one hour to catch a plane for New York City as Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, who had just returned from Europe, along with Mr. Wayne Cole and Mr. Raymond Cole, were there waiting for him to discuss something quite serious! After meeting with them, and answering several questions, Mr. Hoops commented he didn't know whether he was going to be disfellowshipped, or quite what was going to happen! Finally Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong with much emotion said, that they were going to ordain him as a Preaching Elder! Soon after this, Mr. Friddle came to take Mr. McDowell's place in Pittsburgh, and it was in May of 1965 that Mr. and Mrs. Hoops returned to Ambassador College in Pasadena for one year. Mr. Hoops stated this was a wonderful opportunity and a very thrilling and gratifying year that they spent in the headquarters area. After the year at Pasadena, Mr. Hoops was assigned to this area as an assistant to Mr. McDowell. This brings us to the close of this brief biography, but it is only the beginning of a wonderful and warm relationship which we will have with Mr. and Mrs. Bob and Dorothy Hoops; and Beuregard!



YOUNG PEOPLES CORNER

by Bill Butler

Out of about 35 who have made application to *Ambassador College* in the Minneapolis and Duluth area, seven have been accepted. From Duluth, Darryll Watson was accepted to Pasadena. From Minneapolis: Pat Nelson, Arlene Hemanway, Evon Schaffer, Vitor Kubic and Bob King are going to Pasadena—Melva Michelson and Darwin Nelson to the Big Sandy Campus.

Debra and Kedric Baldwin along with several others from the Minneapolis Church are at the *summer camp*. Michael Holmes is the only camper from Duluth.

Congratulations go to Bonnie J. Marth and John Snieder. Bonnie and John are to be MARRIED Aug. 20 in Minneapolis.

Nancy Lane from the LaGrange Church will be on her way to Big Sandy and Ambassador. Cindy Galloway from the Chicago Church also will be going to Big Sandy.

Welcome home from Ambassador in England, Bob Roenspies.

Kathy Haynes from the South Bend Church will be heading for the Big Sandy campus.

Richard Hegna from the Milwaukee Church was accepted for the Big Sandy college.

Gregg, Kristine, and Peter Endries are representing Milwaukee at the Orr summer camp along with Eileen Neuenendorf, Karen Booth, and Ronald Nesleti.

Donna Luttig from Richland Center is also at the camp.

Betty Groce from Indianapolis and Peggy Scarbrough from the Danville Church are enjoying the camp.

Vicki Beyersdorfer and Mary Stanciu are among some of the Chicago faces that can be seen in and around the Orr camp.

Bob Kaes is in the Indianapolis area serving on the 1-w work program.

FAREWELL PICNIC

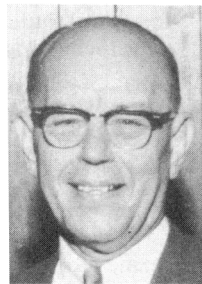
(Continued from page 5)

This picnic gave us the opportunity to fellowship with and say good-bye to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tkach and their family. As we gathered under the trees, breathing the perfumed, delicious scent of roasting hot dogs, Mr. McDowell drew the Tkach's, one by one, on to the "Podium" (a rickety picnic table) to present them with some of the loveliest gifts ever. Jenny received a gold locket, Tanny a clock on a necklace, and Joe an alarm clock. Also, each of the children received a pen and pencil set to give them a good start at Imperial. Mr. McDowell then asked Mr. Roenspies, who has perhaps known Mr. and Mrs. Tkach the longest, to come forward to make a brief speech. Following this, they were presented with a set of silverware, silver butter dish, silver gravy pitcher and platter, silver "lazy Susan," and a complete set of china. These gifts were just a token of the love and gratitude which all of us feel toward these people who have given us so much of themselves. Tears were shed as all remembered former picnics we have shared with Mr. and Mrs. Tkach and their children.

Picnics such as this help us to really get to know one another in a relaxed and fun-filled way and have proven to be an excellent way in which we can balance out our lives.

EPIC OF ENTHUSIASM

ZAP — WOW — ZOWIE — BAM!



Mr. J. Oakley business associates.

These words are overworked adverbs to describe action on a currently popular TV show but not so in describing the life of JULIAN OAKLEY. He is known as Casey among intimate friends and business associates.

As a boy of 15, Mr. Oakley had to go to work to help support the family because of the death of his father. Only finishing school through the sixth grade, his lack of education was made up by the tremendous energy, drive and enthusiasm with which he tackled every job.

Starting as a messenger for stock and investment brokers and bankers on La-Salle Street, he soon came to the attention of some important people. He took on jobs in the insurance and advertising fields. Some executives in the food business took personal interest in

him and advised him how to add dignity and poise to his inborn drive and enthusiasm. As a wholesale and retail food salesman, he sold things from Jello to hops and barley malt for brewing beer. Since 1951 he has held a sales position with the Skinner Food Brokerage Firm.

Mr. Oakley was among the early members of the Chicago Church. He first attended the old Kedzie Avenue Church in 1956 and was baptized in 1957 by Mr. Raymond McNair. As one of the original spokesman club members, he served as a light to the younger men and really "sparked-up" a meeting.

He also was one of the original 16 choir members organized by Miss Bresson in 1959. Though absent for a time because of a serious heart condition, he still is a faithful member of the choir and sings regularly when they perform.

Mrs. Oakley, through their 31 years of marriage, has been a faithful and devoted wife. Many of us know her personally and enjoy her company at the various church social activities. Mr. Oakley is retiring this year and plans

to make a new home in San Jose, California.

Whatever will unfold for the Oakleys in the immediate future we only wish them Godspeed. We know this, that through his years with us, the Chicago Church has been the beneficiary for his presence here. Keep on pushing and driving Casey. You'll be missed!

CHURCH OF GOD NEWS
Chicago District
17944 Sayre
Tinley Park, Illinois