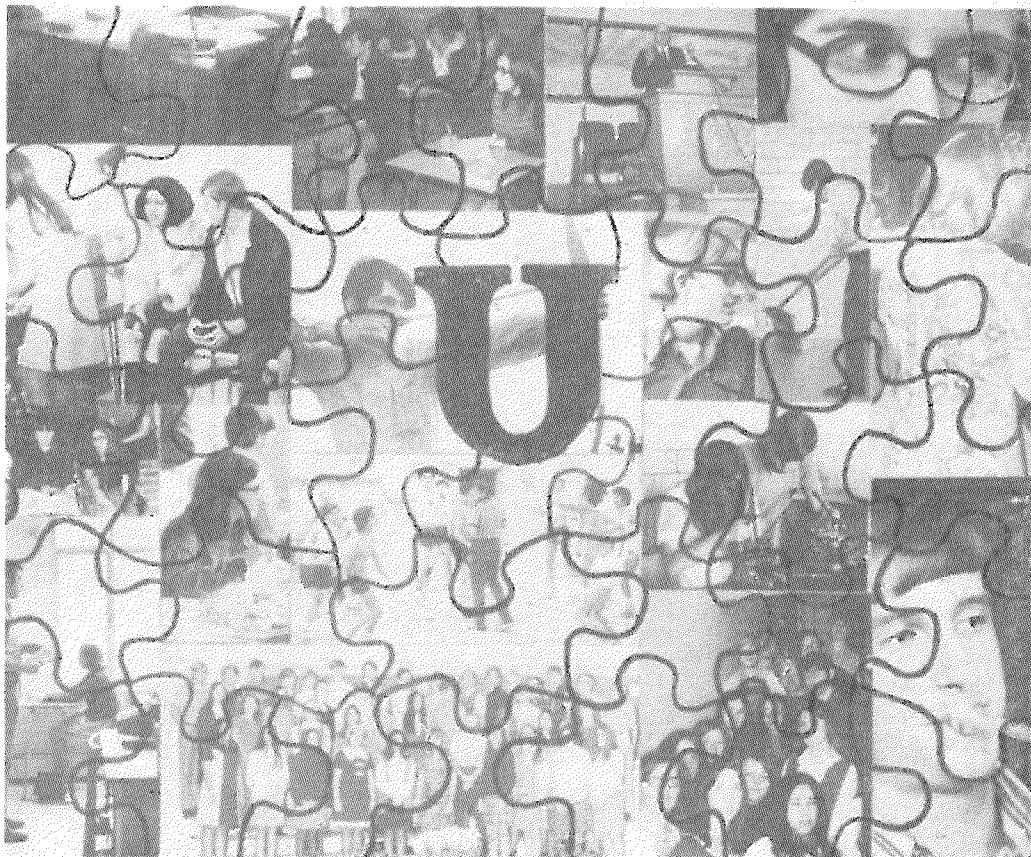


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—BLAIR

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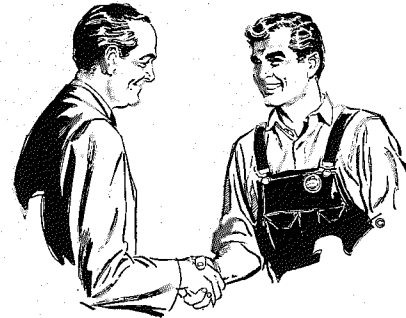
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Hired About the Eleventh Hour

By Mary Holbert



The laborers were disgruntled when they went for their wages at the end of the day. In fact the men were angry when finding out that each man received the same pay regardless of how many hours he worked.

"That isn't fair," shouted one man. "I have worked from dawn; borne the burden and the heat of a full day, and that man only worked one hour!"

"I don't like it!" stated a fellow worker. "That man over there came to work at the eleventh hour and yet he received the same wages I did. Nothing fair about it!"

Of course this could be the human reaction in the world of work. But our Lord used this parable¹ to point out that even at the eleventh hour He will accept our repentance and will welcome us into the fold.

But can one afford to wait

until the eleventh hour to repent and accept salvation? Maybe one will not have that hour. Death is no respecter of persons² so what if death comes at ten forty-five!? Then one has lost his chance of salvation!

Almost everyone has had a narrow escape from death at one time or another. In that moment would you have had time to call out any heartfelt repentance? The wages of sin is death but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.³ This gift of life eternal is too important to wait until the last hour to accept.

Now is the time to accept salvation.⁴ Now is the time to put our life in order. Youth should not put this off until old age, thinking that good times are for now; soberness in the church later. This thinking is illogical, for God has said there is joy

in serving Him. There are so many compensations to youth who live close to the Lord that no youth should miss them. God has many precious promises—peace of mind,⁵ refuge in trouble⁶... all these blessings that make up for any temptations you might feel for worldly things.

In your school work, God will refresh your memory and help you recall answers on tests; that is, if you have faith and keep the prayer line open to God.⁷ In personal relationships with Mother and Dad, God helps to iron out the generation gap until there will be none. It is human and approved by God that love and marriage be a part of our lives. In your youth don't live beneath your privilege by failing to ask God to help you in this area. God can see ahead; He knows how you will react to certain persons and how events in the future will be. Ask Him to guide you in the area of dating; of making sound judgments about marriage. Even if you don't find the right person for that important step; if you have trusted God, maybe God has spared you a lot of unhappiness.

No area of your life is unimportant to God.⁸ Live a close prayer life to Him. Talk to Him in prayer, knowing He is your Friend; talk to Him knowing He loves you; talk to Him knowing He is powerful, that He can change situations that seem impossible to change. The Bible does tell us that prayer can change things,⁹ that the effectual

fervent prayer of the righteous availeth much.¹⁰

Youth today do not have to be restless, upset, and worried over the conditions of the world (neither do adults).¹¹ God is the answer. He has promised to look after us, protect us, and give us peace of mind—not necessarily everything going just the way we want, but going the way best for us. Gold tried and purified is better than the rough ore,¹² so perhaps our trials and tribulations are purifications we need to be pure gold for God.¹³

This perfect relationship with God through prayer and faith is possible but we have to work at it. If we NEGLECT to pray, NEGLECT to meditate, then we can feel this sense of complete reliance on God slipping. Tensions mount and we fail to cope adequately in our daily living.

This is a dangerous condition since it is one most pleasing to Satan. He will try to drive the wedge of neglect of God into a wide chasm that is almost impossible to bridge. Sound advice, then, is: make the effort, work at the job of living for God, strive for that perfect relationship with God. Then our lives will merit those wonderful reassuring words of God, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."¹⁴

¹Matthew 20:1-16; ²Romans 5:12, Psalm 89:48; ³Romans 6:23; ⁴II Corinthians 6:2; ⁵Philippians 4:7; ⁶Psalm 46:1; ⁷I Thessalonians 5:17; ⁸Matthew 10:29-31; ⁹Luke 18:1-7; ¹⁰James 5:16; ¹¹Romans 8:28; ¹²Zechariah 13:9; ¹³Revelation 4:19; ¹⁴Matthew 25:21.

The Signs of Maturity

by Gerald Pedersen

All young people are faced with common problems of today, encountered in becoming mature responsible adults.

Acknowledge it, young people! Among many of your peer groups, you are made to think that you show yourself to be a man or woman by smoking, drinking, using drugs and vulgar language, bragging about sexual relations with the opposite sex, and such like. You are constantly confronted with many pressures, even among those who are supposedly your friends. And, of course, you are considered to be "chicken" and less than a man or woman if you fail to agree with and conform to your friends' misguided advice.

Doesn't this accurately describe the type of situation many young people face? But consider, do persuasive attempts at enticing you such as, "Go ahead and try it, it will give you a real kick," actually come through as a sincere, mature statement coming from a responsible individual? Admittedly, if you take drugs it will give you a kick

all right—it will kick you so hard that you will feel the results for some time afterwards! It is evident, also, that the statement does indicate the voice of experience, but in no way does it prove that the enticer or the yielder is a MAN!

The fact that all are tempted, young and old alike, cannot be denied. Most will agree that it does not take intestinal fortitude to say YES to sin, but the real sign of manhood is observed in the individual who is able to say NO to sinful temptations. The young person who is able to tell his or her friends, "No thank you, I want no part of it" independently possesses real nerve and demonstrates definite ability to think logically for himself. In addition, it is the "overcomer" who will receive the precious reward of eternal life in the Kingdom of God.

An example of maturity is the capability to discern proper values. For instance, there is a young man who committed fornication with his girl friend. When the girl became pregnant, the boy attempted to justify

their action by concluding that it was God's will for them to have committed the act, or God would not have allowed her to conceive. What a demonstration of poor values! A perfect example of immaturity!

Young people often notice that at the same time adults instruct their children to refrain from harmful drugs, the adults indulge in the use of drugs themselves. This observation is an accurate one! Far too many people are using drugs unnecessarily as a crutch. But remember, young people, that does not give you license to experiment with dangerous drugs. Wise instruction which can be equally applied to drugs and other products that are harmful when taken in excess is, "And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit" (Eph. 5:18).

While drugs used wrongfully are detrimental to health, to minimize their value and importance when properly used as medicine would be useless and unwise. Medical drugs contain the correct amounts needed. They have controlled limitations! So maturity is manifested in good judgment.

But what is the greatest sign of maturity? King David reveals it best. David, knowing that he was in the age of life when death was at his door, offered some fatherly advice to his son Solomon. In his desire to see young Solomon develop toward the peak of maturity and respect, he requested: "I go the way of all the earth: be thou

strong therefore, and SHEW THYSELF A MAN" (I Kings 2:2).

Then David went on to tell Solomon how to possess manly qualities. Notice that he did not say that you SHEW YOURSELF A MAN by giving in to the dares of peers, or through committing fornication, or by taking drugs, or by any other sinful act of courage; but by keeping "... the charge of the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, to keep his statutes, and his judgments, and his testimonies..." (I Kings 2:3). If this sound fatherly advice is heeded to, the promise is "... that thou mayest prosper in all that thou doest, and whithersoever thou turnest thyself" (I Kings 2:3).

It is clear then! You show yourself to be a mature individual by obeying the commandments of God.

So, weighing in the balance we find sin versus obedience to God. Which choice you make will determine your maturity!

GOOD FOR THE BENCH

A wise old Scotsman was asked to settle a dispute between two brothers about the fair division of the estate left them by their father. He advised: "Let one brother divide the estate, and let the other brother have the first choice."

I have one tongue, two ears, two eyes; God created me that way. So, it must be, if I am wise, I'll hear and see more than I say!

—Luther Markin, Stroudsburg, Pa.

Teen Guidelines

The New Morality

by Gerald Moldenhauer

The concept of what the "new morality" is borders more on the philosophical than on reality. It's a catchy term that is used with every one's having his own opinion as to what it really means.

More often than not, it seems, the new morality is used with reference to sex. Some people would also include general permissiveness of today's young people which is, supposedly, caused by the general affluency of today's society. Then there are those who describe the new morality in philosophical tones by calling it "nothing more than the old morality." Perhaps, in actuality, there isn't a "new" morality but simply a "changed" morality. To illustrate: even as the older generation gasps at the evils of *this* generation, how will we react in thirty years to the evils of the generation after us?

The idea, then, is this: God has given us a moral code which defines sin. Sin has remained sin through *all* generations with nothing new being added. However, as society changes so does the emphasis on various evils. Some get more attention than others because of the change in society—thus each generation will have a "new" morality or, more accurately, a "changed" morality.

What is the basis of society's moral code today? It is the individual thinking for himself about himself. It's the "do your own thing" or "It's my life and I have the right to do with it as I want" attitude. As a result there is less concern about one's neighbor, morally speaking, except where he may infringe on one's rights.

It is important to note here that this attitude has been described in general terms to fit

the general thinking of youth today. The degree of influence this attitude has is, of course, determined by the individual.

How does an FYCer cope with the new morality? It is important to *always* keep in mind the unchanging fundamentals of Christianity: God, who is above all; Jesus, whose death and resurrection made sinners free; and, witnessing—doing all in our power to bring others to Christ. The FYCer can now take advantage of the new morality. The stress on individual freedom allows for the shameless use of sex, drugs, etc. It also allows for the shameless use of religion.

The negative side of freedom results in a lessening of moral values because human nature rules. The other side shows a greater opportunity for the Christian young person to witness because God rules. For example: It is said that an effective method of breaking a bad habit is to replace it with a good one. A lot of evil results from a greater latitude of individual freedom but this same freedom gives the Christian young person greater latitude for witnessing. He is "doing his own thing" and it isn't generally frowned upon. With young people caught up in the thrills of their new morality, they are still looking for something—something that frees their mind from the pressures of today's society. The FYCer can help them find the answer in Christ.

The tone of this article will now make an abrupt change be-

cause I would like to plead with you.

In being a Christian witness to the young people of today do not throw at them a modern "law of Moses" with a list of value judgments which say a Christian can't do this or can't do that. Too often we confuse our personal concept of right and wrong as being the criteria for all persons to follow in their quest for salvation. We must remember God has created us as individuals and treats us as such. We all have our peculiar strengths and weaknesses. This means that there are some activities and experiences we involve ourselves in which others may consider wrong—due to their particular locality, upbringing or weaknesses.

As proselyting Christians we must first present to others their *need* of salvation and how it can be obtained. Then we proceed to help them learn of the *truths* of the scripture and how it is necessary in making one a child of God. Finally, we need to help them *find and understand* their areas where temptation is the strongest and their weakness most apparent.

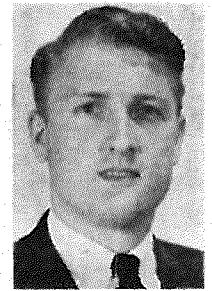
The last area spoken of here is one of great controversy since it involves the attempt to reconcile all conflicts and inconsistencies in differences of beliefs in the church. We can best take care of this by understanding that, except for the truths of the Bible, God does not expect rigid conformity on the part of all Christians.

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Tell Me, Please

Youth Questions Answered by

Dale G. Lawson



QUESTION

Upon receiving my 1972 January issue of AIM, I thought I was going cross-eyed. Tell me, please, Am I?"

ANSWER

Obviously you are making reference to the use of the little cross which are objectionable, FYC emblem.

No, I don't think you are "going cross-eyed" and incidentally; we (AIM STAFF) aren't either. When you check further uses of the 1972 emblem, I am sure you will find your vision to be OKAY.

Those on the AIM staff understand the implications of the cross which cause objections, but I am most certain that the designer of the emblem meant for it to depict Jesus Christ being the center of young people's lives in 1972; and I hope in your short time of cross-eyedness you didn't completely miss the message.

QUESTION

How close should a person get to a minister? I know my

minister will have to leave here sometime but I just seem to be getting closer and closer to him.
Young Man Concerned.

ANSWER

Close enough to find spiritual guidance and spiritual food, but not so close that you can't be a complete, well-rounded Christian in the absence of that minister.

When you admire someone (your minister in this case) and receive help and strength from him, it is only natural for you to feel close; to find pleasant companionship. **THERE IS NOTHING WRONG WITH THAT** but remember that he is God's servant for the whole flock.

When he is gone from your area, if you cannot be a better person and Christian for having been "close to him," that closeness (perhaps only dependence) will have been unhealthy.

QUESTION

"What is the 'eye of a needle' Christ spoke of?"

ANSWER

The "eye of a needle" spoken of by Christ IS an object of speculation. Some feel that Jesus was talking of a gate to the city called the "needle's eye."

I don't follow that speculation! The "Jaffa Gate" is the one referred to and it appears that, in an effort to explain the text where Jesus used "eye of a needle," this idea was put forth by theologians and received popularity, becoming a traditional explanation.

Because the camel had to be unloaded to get through the Jaffa Gate, popular comparison has been made with a rich man who must not be encumbered with his riches if he is to enter the Kingdom of God.

However, the disciples could not comprehend a rich man's going into the Kingdom of God because they saw NO WAY for a camel to go through the eye of a needle. But Jesus said "with men it is IMPOSSIBLE but with God ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE."

Some disagree saying that it is ridiculous to think of a camel going through a needle's eye. I don't think so! Jesus also said we should take the beam (timber or log) out of our own eye before we try to take a speck of dust (maybe sawdust) out of another's eye.

Did you ever see anyone with a "timber" in his eye? We have to take both of these for their spiritual applications, and in this aspect neither is ridiculous.

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Known

by Calvin Burrell

Let me tell you about five young people. I'm changing their names, but if you think you recognize any of them, please don't criticize them. Just pray for them, and read Matthew 7:1-5.

Here are my friends:

MR. PART-TIME— This young fellow somehow reminded me of a neon light. I guess that's because he was going off and on all the time. When he was "on," he surely could be a big help to our F.Y.C. group; but you could never count on him for very long. He was soon "off" on some tangent, ready to give up on us and everything else.

It all depended on his latest mood. If he felt like it, he would serve God; but as soon as he lost that particular feeling, he wasn't much good for a while.

I always wanted to tell Mr. Part-time, and I guess I will when I get a chance, that he can't really expect to "bounce like a football" into God's Kingdom. If you see him first, remind him that "steadfastness" and "dependability" are necessary Christian traits. David said in the first Psalm that the righteous would be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, while the ungodly are like chaff and are blown about by every wind of doctrine or problem.

MR. DOLITTLE— His first name was Will, as I recall, and he reminded me of a man who bought a book on reducing exercises and then lay down to read it. This guy usually voted "yes" at the business meetings and talked about an active F.Y.C. group; but when the actual planning and work took place, he was hardly ever available.

His case reminded me of the cock and the mouse who certainly wanted a nice cake to eat, but was unwilling to do any work to prepare that cake. In fact, the only times Mr. Dolittle was really very active were at the socials and when refreshments were served.

I often thought about telling Mr. Dolittle that passed motions and refreshments do not make for much service to God. I'd like to get across to him that a Christian FYCer must really be involved—singing, witnessing, praying, studying, befriending, planning, working, giving, fellowshiping, etc. If you meet my friend, ask him where he was when the real service took place.

MISS B. LITTLE— A second cousin to Mr. Dolittle, she reminded me of a porcupine. I mean, she had some fine points, but you just didn't care to get too close to her.

Why not? I suppose it was because she could hardly say two sentences without grumbling about something! You name it, and she criticized it, condemned it, or complained about it. It was a "dud social," or a "dry sermon," or a "nosey preacher," or a "stuck-up girl," and so on until you could get the idea that the only perfect thing about the church had the initials of B. L. It was

really disgusting to listen to her, and she made others unhappy by spreading all her little complaints.

If I'd had a chance, I'd have told Miss B. Little that her behavior certainly proved her selfishness, immaturity, and pride. I'd have asked her to read James 4:11 which says, "Speak not evil one of another, brethren." And if you know Miss B. Little, will you please send her a copy of the poem, *It Isn't the Church; It's You?*

MR. ROBOT— Perhaps by his name, you can get an idea of what this FYC'er was like. I'd say he was, sort of, well, mechanical.

Oh, he was usually involved in the activities all right; in fact, he often sang, read poems, and even prayed aloud when called on. But it seemed like he was just going through the motions, just trying to make a good impression before people—as if he had a wooden heart, or something. I don't believe he ever really knew what devoted Christian service is all about.

I wanted to tell Mr. Robot that we need to serve God more than just in form, in ritual, in the letter. There must also be a proper spirit, an earnest heart, a humble soul which seeks for real spiritual blessings, and does all to the honor and glory of God! If you see Mr. Robot, please suggest to him the need of a heart transplant, so that he can really feel his religion and serve his Creator in spirit and in truth.

MR. BEN ReBORN— Here is my favorite FYC'er, and I'm glad to tell you about him today.

He reminds me a lot of a fine watch. Here's why: He's always wound up and ready to work. He's good as gold, doesn't make a lot of unnecessary noise, but always tells the truth. He has a smiling face and helpful hands. Under the surface, where it really counts, he's more precious than 17 jewels, because he knows the Lord; he's been cleaned and re-made by the Masterbuilder Himself.

No one despises this young man, because he is an example of the believers in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

When you meet Mr. ReBorn, you might ask him how he got that way. The Church of God needs a lot more youths like him, and he can probably help you and introduce you to the same Masterbuilder who re-did him.

It really does thrill me to think of what could be accomplished if every FYC'er would join the ranks of Mr. Ben ReBorn.

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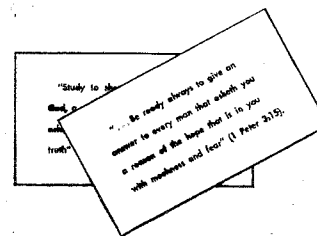
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M I N U T E M A N



by Marcia Woods

Faith. The key to success in the Lord's army. "Without faith it is impossible to please Him..." (Hebrews 11:6). Through faith we can move mountains. Through faith the blind can see, the lame walk, the deaf hear. Through faith the dead can be brought to life. If we truly have faith, there is nothing that we cannot do.

As soldiers in God's army, this perhaps is the strongest piece of armor that we possess. No foe is too strong, no obstacle too great if we have faith.

However, it is a SHIELD of faith that has been given to us and a shield is of little value when left lying around. We must not only pick up our shield but we must watch our enemy's every move and be on guard, ready to defend ourselves at his slightest

move. We cannot sit idly by thinking, "I've got faith, nothing will harm me." (Satan would love that.) We must develop our faith through prayer and study of God's Word. It must be an active faith.

"... Faith without works is dead" (James 2:26). Through a close study of God's Word, particularly James 2, we can find that even though we are not victorious because of our works alone, our faith must be accompanied by works. Works are, or at least should be, our faith in action. No soldier can survive by merely sitting around and shining his armor. He must not only know how to use it but he must actually put it to practical use.

Let's make sure that our shield of faith is well-worn when our Commander comes back for inspection.

Ephesians 6:16

I John 5:4

II Timothy 4:7, 8

Matthew 21:21

Hebrews 6:12

Matthew 17:20

Hebrews 11:6

James 2:26

Lighthouse Award Winner

Marion, Iowa Faithful Youth Changers

Praise God! This has been a familiar phrase among our young group this past year. Never a day goes by that our church members can't fully praise God for the many blessings of the past twelve months. The time seems to pass too quickly and we're always looking forward to another Young People's program, an outdoor social, or, on occasion, a banquet. Throughout the year our church was able to thank God for the many students from Spring Vale and Midwest who helped brighten our church pro-



Advisors: Left to right: Wayne Endecott, Barbara Taylor, and Pastor W. J. Kuryluk.

gram. I'm not giving the complete thoughts of everyone, so let's take a peek and see what they're able to praise God for.

"We are very thankful for the many blessings we have received this past year. We have enjoyed working with the F.Y.C. group and pray we've been a blessing to others. We also want to thank other members of the Marion church and friends for backing us in our projects. We pray we can accomplish more in the year to come."—Martha Gillian

"Praise God! It hardly seems possible that such an unorganized young people's group of two or three years ago could suddenly come alive and win the Lighthouse Award two years in a row. The Lord has truly blessed us. We give Him the glory!"—Sue Asher

"I just want to say I feel good because I was able to help to win the award. I hope that others will work as hard as we did to win the award. I think our group has really grown a lot in the last two years."—Debbie Taylor

"I have received a great blessing the past year working with and being a part of our local FYC group. It seemed impossible for our group to win the Lighthouse award in the beginning, but we discovered our points built up fast as we faithfully participated in the Mark of Merit program. We had a lot of fun working together and were also spiritually blessed. I encourage every FYC group to become an active member of the Mark of Merit. We never thought we could win before we became an active member. It was a challenge for us but working together strengthened the whole group. I believe any group can win. It doesn't matter how small your group may be. Never give up! We've got a lot to do in '72."—Marlene Smith

"I am thankful that the Lord has seen fit to take care of my family and myself over the year past. He has been with our FYC group this year, and has helped us achieve the Lighthouse award again. I pray for the continued strength and guidance on throughout life. We should each remember that without the Lord for our protection we are at the mercy of the evil in this world."—Henry Asher

"I am really thankful for our youth group. They have had a lot of very worthwhile projects that have helped our local church—and they are an inspiration to those of us who are older. It has been a great pleasure to have the opportunity to work with them in the past year and I thank God



The Marion, Iowa FYC group who won the Lighthouse Award in 1972 for the second consecutive year.

for each of them. They have proved your group doesn't have to be big to our group."—Timmy Endecott.

"To God be the glory great things he hath done. These words only start to say the way I feel about the way God has blessed the Marion FYC. About three years ago our group was totally unorganized and without a goal of any kind—and then we joined the Mark of Merit and became organized for God and His Son Jesus Christ. Now we have won "Lighthouse" twice, and the blessings just keep rolling in. Praise God! Personally I feel much closer to God and greatly blessed just to have been a part of this group. We truly know that with God all things are possible. May the Lord bless your group as you strive to serve Him."—Bonnie Asher

"I thank God for the young people of this day when most are not interested in the spiritual things of God. It's most satisfying to see those who do care, and are determined to stay faithful to God."—Mrs. Mel Endecott

"After winning the Lighthouse award one year the next year it almost seemed impossible. Our young but active group felt determined to make it. I'm very thankful to be an active part of our youth group. I know that with God you can see what we can do. Without Him we are nothing. All I can say is God has blessed us through the past years and I know He will continue to bless our group."—Timmy Endecott

"In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion.' Truly I have found in the past year—when I put God first He fulfills my

every need. As a group striving for Him in ways that we've been able to, my heart contains much satisfaction. I also want to say I'm thankful for what not only the young people's group but also the church has done for my pathway I tread. Partaking in different activities I've found something every person strives for at some time in their lifetime—Christ Jesus and the everlasting Father of all the heavens. Praise God that I now have a Christian home with warm hearts and open arms that cared enough to bring me in."—Christine Bailey

Well, I guess this sort of sums up part of our experiences throughout the past year. Among His people we shall continue to strive for better things that we can do to strengthen and bring spiritual blessings to our small church. Has YOUR group communicated God's Son in '71? If you haven't—strive, pray and have faith. There's a lot to do in '72.

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It's time to plan, to pray, and to practice. Time to work, to witness, and to worship.

It's springtime again, and time for NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK—1972.

May 2 thru 6 are the dates we suggest for NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK. However, you may change them to best fit the schedule of your local church. Any time from mid-April until the end of May will be fine.

"Christ In All We Do—1972" is the theme for NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK. Each evening's activity will be planned to inspire devoted Christian living in a different area of life (at school, at work, at home, etc.)

On the following pages is a suggested plan for Tuesday through Sabbath of NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK. Stick by the plan as much as possible, but change it to fit your local needs when necessary.

It's time to serve, to share, to sing, to speak. Time to laugh, love, listen, and learn. It's time to dream, to decide, to determine, and to discover new levels in Christian living.

"It will be worth it all, when we see Jesus."

Go With God,
Calvin A. Burrell

NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK — May 2 - 6

TUESDAY NIGHT—CHRIST AMONG FRIENDS, FUN AND FELLOWSHIP



For this evening, we suggest a banquet. It may be held in your church's fellowship hall, or you may obtain the use of a banquet room at a local restaurant. This should be a "dress-up" affair, but do not let the formality of the occasion hinder the spirit of love, fellowship, and unity among all the youth.

Considerable planning ahead for this evening is necessary, in such matters as menu, decorations, and program. Pre-prayer is also important.

The program can be varied, but should include at least two items: (1) Some good, lively special music, and (2) a talk concerning making Christ the center of our relationship with others.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT—CHRIST AT SCHOOL

Let's return to the church building this evening for a well-planned service which will help every young person to *live* his beliefs—at school.

Include some enthusiastic group singing and a few special numbers in the preliminaries, and then have a talk (sermon) about the "why's and how's" of standing up *for Christ* and *with Christ* in every school situation.

Following the sermon and prayer, it will be worthwhile to let the meeting become more informal. Allow the young people to ask questions of the speaker, to give testimonies of their own experiences, and to discuss methods and problems of letting their light (Christ) shine at school.

THURSDAY NIGHT—CHRIST AT WORK

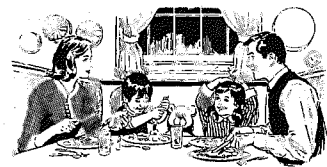
Let all the FYCers meet in someone's home or in the church fellowship hall for group work on some project. We suggest the National FYC project for 1972—that of mailing literature to ministers of other denominations.

During this evening's "work-bee," be certain to include a time of prayer for God's blessings upon your efforts. Also, a few minutes of advice or reading from the Scriptures about Christian responsibilities at work will be helpful.

As your work progresses, it can be interesting and beneficial to informally discuss experiences and methods of living for Christ at your places of work among non-Christians. The discussions should take place as you busy yourself with the project of the evening.

FRIDAY NIGHT—CHRIST IN THE FAMILY AT HOME

Invite the entire congregation to this worship and preaching service. It should be planned so as to cause every person to soberly consider his or her responsibility to the Christian home.



and objectives of this service. The idea of 100% Christian living in our

homes and with our families is really most important! This service can be greatly helpful to each home, if all youth and adults will listen hungrily, pray earnestly, and return home determined to practice that which ought to be done in a Christian home.

SABBATH MORNING—CHRIST IN CHURCH

This ought to be "youth Sabbath" in each of the local congregations. Wherever possible, the FYCers may serve in the positions of Sabbath School Superintendent, song leader, pianist, and teachers of the classes. This will give the youth valuable experience, in addition to giving the regular officers a rest.

The worship should feature a sermon on any phase of the church and its work; it should be presented as a challenge to young people in their service to Christ—through the church.

SABBATH AFTERNOON—CHRIST AND THE FUTURE

Plan and present the rally—"He's Coming Back."

HE'S COMING BACK

Theme: The Second Coming of Christ

I. Setting—A scene of a desert sunset, a sunset over the ocean, or a cloudy sky. Across the sky put the words "...this same Jesus... shall come" (Acts 1:11).

The setting can be done with colored chalk on white paper.

II. Objective: To impress the congregation with the fact that Christ's coming will be unexpected.

III. Beginning:

Open with prayer

Begin with chorus: He's Coming Back

Announcer says:

The "key" text for today's program is found in Acts 1:11: "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven."

The Bible says that in an hour when we don't expect Him, He will return.

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God... (I Thess. 4:16).

Trumpet in background from offstage or from the back of the church (very unexpectedly): "When the Roll is Called up Yonder."*

*If this had been the last trump of God, would you have been ready to meet the Lord in the air? If we are not ready or are not sure we are ready, let us prepare for Christ's return before this program ends.

Read Daniel 12:14. Many are running to and fro rapidly today as a result of increased knowledge.

(Use sound effects, such as a \$2.00 Radio Shack record)

Sound effects: jet taking off
passenger diesel train
car skid

(A radio station may help you with sound effects; for the most successful use, tape all sound effects on one recording tape beforehand.) When we see prophecy being fulfilled then we know we are living in the end time.

Reading of: No Time (PART I)

Sound effects: air hammer
typewriter
factory
traffic street
restaurant
cash register
surf

Reading of: No Time (PART II)

Sound effects: baseball game applause
bowling
baby crying
pin ball machine
swimming pool

Today with man rushing here and there, no one has a lease on life. It is important that we be prepared to meet our Maker. No one knows whether in his next conscious moment he may be standing before the judge, Who today wants to be the King of YOUR life. With accidents, cancer, heart disease so common today, how about your heart? Is it right with God?

PART III

"No Time" (Sound effect of a heartbeat—As sound effects fade out, begin:) Trombone or trumpet solo, "Some Golden Daybreak."

PART IV

Solo: (or trio) "In a Little While"

Song: "What a Day That Will Be"

Reading: "He is Coming Again"

Solo: "I Know Where I'm Going"

OFFERING: Announce where proceeds will go.

Solo: "When I've Gone the Last Mile of the Way"

Reading: "Are You Ready?"

Trio: "Land of Dreams Come True"

Trio: "Does It Make Any Difference To You?"

PART V: Conclusion

Closing remarks

Solo: "The Saviour Is Waiting"

Prayer Service

Closing choruses: He's Coming Back

It Will Be Worth It All

Specials are not announced during this program. Everyone should be informed ahead of time so they will know when they will appear on the program.

NO TIME

Part I

I knelt to pray, but not for long,
I had too much to do,
Must hurry off and get to work
For bills would soon be due.

And so I said a hurried prayer,
Jumped up from off my knees;
My Christian duty now was done,
My soul was now at ease.

Part II

All through the day I had no time
To speak a word that cheered,
No time to speak of Christ to friends
They'd laugh at me, I feared.

No time, no time, too much to do—
That was my constant cry;

Part III

No time to give to those in need—
At last 'twas time to die.

And when before the Lord I came,
I stood with downcast eyes,
Within His hands He held a book,
It was the "Book of Life."

God looked into His Book and said,
"Your name I cannot find,
I once was going to write it down,
But never found the time."—Selected

SATURDAY NIGHT—CHRIST IN OUR HEARTS

On this last evening of youth week, you should plan for an activity which will bring all the FYCers together for an enjoyable and inspiring time. If the weather permits, an outdoor activity (hayride, hike, wiener roast, etc.) followed by a campfire service should be great.

Let the campfire leader emphasize the importance of the past week's lessons, and that these can only be accomplished when Christ dwells in our hearts through faith. Close the evening with prayers of dedication to this challenge of living the Christ-like life in all we do.

SUGGESTIONS AND HINTS for a successful National Youth Week:

1. Pray and Plan. Plan and Pray. These two are essential ingredients if you are to realize the full potential of blessings that this week holds.
2. A guest speaker for one or more of these special services will usually add many spiritual benefits. Choose a minister or youth worker who enjoys this work, and notify him *at least* one week ahead of time.
3. You may wish to construct a large replica of the 1972 F.Y.C. emblem for display at each service. It might be worthwhile to label each spoke or knob from night to night (friends, school, work, home, church, heart, etc.), adding a label each evening.
4. You may be able to invite a special singing group from a nearby church to present all the music at one or more services.
5. We have not suggested activities for Sunday, but you may schedule them to fit your local opportunities, if you wish.

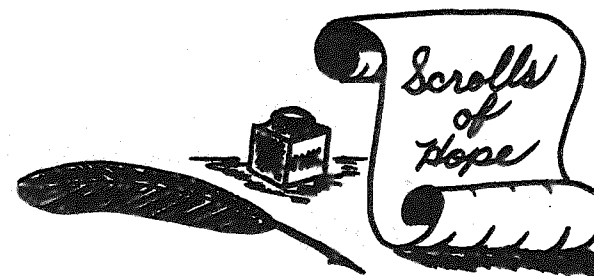
CAN YOU TURN BACK TIME?

Can you put the spider's web back in place, that once was swept away? Can you put the apple again on the bough that fell at your feet today? Can you put the lily back on the stem, and cause it to live and grow? Can you mend the butterfly's broken wing that you crushed with a hasty blow?

Can you put the bloom again on the grape, and the grape again on the vine? Can you put the dew drops back on the flowers, and make them sparkle and shine? Can you put the petal back on the rose—if you could, would it smell as sweet?

Can you put the meal again into the husk, and show me the ripened wheat? Can you put the kernel again into the nut, or the broken egg into the shell? Can you put the honey back into the comb, and cover with wax each cell? Can you put the perfume back into the vase, when once it has sped away? Can you put the cornsilk back on the corn, or down on the catkins, say?

You think my questions are trifling, friend; let me ask you another one: Can a hasty word be unsaid, or a deed unkind, undone?—Gospel Call.



Though countless times we may be reminded that we must "...glory in tribulations also knowing that tribulation worketh patience," we cannot grasp the fullness of its meaning until again we are brought face to face with a trial...

Perhaps a trial of our own...

Perhaps the burden of another... but a burden shared is a victory shared when the answer comes.

What a joyous fulfillment in the Christian walk when we again are brought to full reality of our total dependence on Him. We have nowhere to turn but to God. A friend or loved one is so...so in need...and our only answer is to pray.

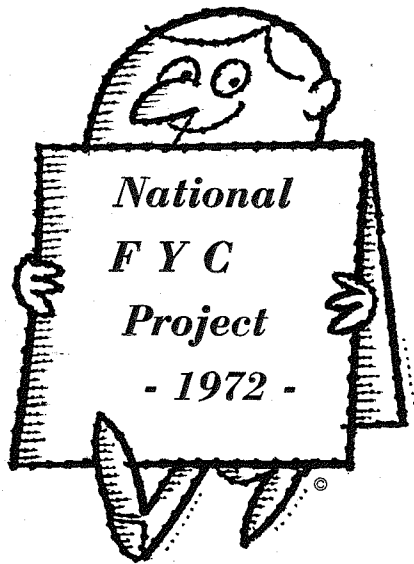
When prayer alone seems not to avail... a burden is shared even more intensely by others... there is fasting... there is self-searching... there are new commitments... there is a reaching out in faith... ("Help thou mine unbelief.")

What a blessed privilege that trial has brought when the answer to our prayers comes. What a mountain-top experience... when we might have remained all the time on the plain.

Do you ask again the question, "Why does God want us to ask Him for our needs when He knows so well what they are?" He wants us to ask because it strengthens our faith when the answer comes. He wants us to ask because only then can we realize our true dependence upon Him. He wants us to ask because only when we ask... and yearn for the answer... and look within ourselves to see whether our inner man has yielded to and identified with our Father enough to even *expect* an answer, do we really see our true self. When an answer seems so terribly important, we realize so much more clearly how important it is that our vessels be clean in His eyes.

Don't pray to God only in generalities—He answers specifics, too, if we will "humble ourselves, and pray, and seek his face..."

"... My strength is made perfect in weakness" (2 Corinthians 12:9).



As one of its special projects for 1972, the National F.Y.C. has adopted the plan of mailing literature to ministers of other churches and denominations. The literature and letters will be on this topic: the need for Christians under grace to observe all of God's Ten Commandments.

We are dividing this project into two phases—

PHASE I—To Be Carried Out in the Spring of 1972

Each local group will be responsible for mailing a personal letter and two leaflets to all radio and television preachers who regularly broadcast in your area. Here is a suggested outline for planning:

- A. Have your group compile a mailing list (names and addresses) of all preachers who have a daily or weekly broadcast on any radio or television station in your area. The stations might supply you with such a list, or you may want to assign your youth to listen to a particular station for one week (especially weekends) and accumulate the list yourselves.
- B. Drop a note to the national office, indicating that your local group wants to participate in this project. In turn, we'll see that you receive a supply of the two leaflets—*The Ten Commandments* and *The End of the Law*. When you receive these leaflets, you're set to bring your FYCers together for the project to do the mailing.
- C. Divide the names of radio and T.V. preachers among your FYCers. Write a personal letter to each preacher, and enclose in it the two leaflets previously mentioned.

- D. Your personal letters can be in longhand, or typed. They should be friendly, not harsh or critical. They need not be long, perhaps two or three paragraphs is enough. Sign the letter personally, but somewhere on the letter or leaflets should be the name and address of your F.Y.C. group or local church.
- E. Mail these letters using 8¢ stamps. The only expense to your local group will be the letter-writing materials (F.Y.C. stationery is fine), and the postage to mail the letters. Please try to complete this phase of the project by May 31.

Barbara Ogren has just become the first person to complete the revised *EVANGELETTE* Program. Here is her testimony:



Barbara Ogren

“...It is hard to say in just a few words all ‘Evangelle’ has done for me. I hope more young people will become involved in the program. I know amazing things will happen to them. They did to me...”

How many times have we signed our names to a list saying in the next year, with the guidance given me in the steps set forth by *EVANGELETTE*, I will become a better Christian? We heartily pledge to be a reading, praying, helping, growing Christian and then fall hopelessly in between those who never start and those who *never finish (the road does get bumpy at times)*. You know the line, “Next month I’ll start.” Funny, just as tomorrow never comes, neither does next month.

I’m glad God gave me the strength to start and then to stay with it because it has been a tremendous year—a good beginning.

As long as I seek a blessing God doesn’t let me down. He talks, really talks through His Word. It seems I can almost hear His voice at times. It’s like going to bed with the words of a song on my mind and opening the Bible to the very scripture it was taken from the next morning.

EVANGELETTE gave me goals to meet and the incentive not to put off the things I normally did. There was no more doing it tomorrow. Today was when it was important.

After a year, because of the wonderful blessing I received, I’m as excited as in the beginning. His love keeps getting sweeter and the blessings keep pouring through until I have to say as a line from a song, “If it keeps getting better and better, oh Lord, I don’t know what I’m going to do.”

—Barbara Ogren

... Into Every Nation

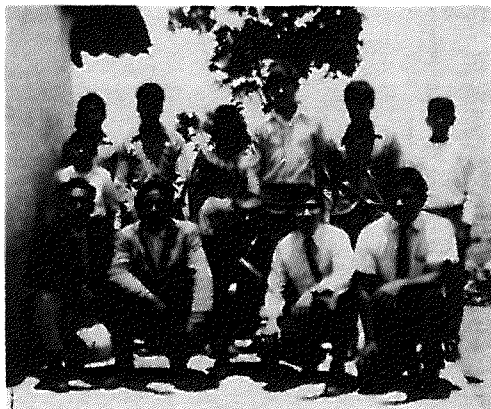
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MEXICO

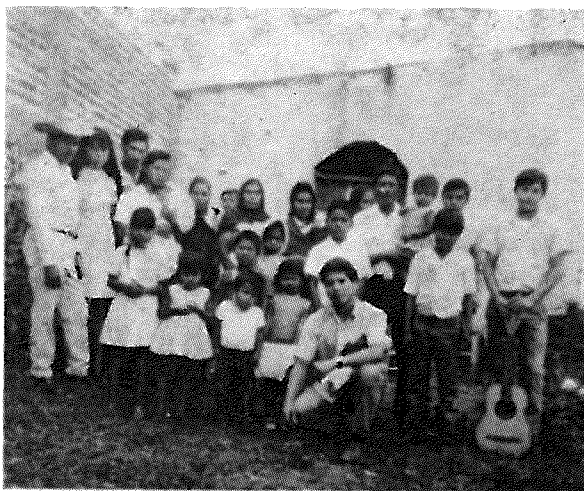
The Church of God (7th Day) in Mexico is geographically divided into six districts and the sector of Baja, California. The *Fraternidad Juvenil Cristiana* (FJC) is also organized under the same system.

The National Directors of the FJC toured Mexico under the leadership of Abraham Fentanes. The purpose of the tour was to evaluate the progress of the FJC nationwide.

District Number 3, states of



FJCers of Santa Ana De Benito Juarez: 1st row; National FJC Directors; 2nd row: Local FJCers.



FJC of Valle De Santiago, Guanarjuato, Mexico

Guanajuato and Michoacan, were very glad to have been visited by the National FJC Directors. This district has 112 FJCers (members) besides non-members. Brother Melchor Ramirez Muniz is the director of the district.

The state of Guanajuato is northeast of Mexico City; it is almost in the very center of Mexico. Michoacan borders southwest of Guanajuato and has a coast on the Pacific Ocean. In these two states are six youth groups but only five of them are organized into FJC's.

The FJCers of District Number 3 have resolved to have Bible studies and competition in Bible quizzes. The ministers

have been asked to give lessons of speech and Bible studies to the young men who go out to do missionary work. A commission called "VISITADORA" formed by young men and young women visit the sick, backsliders and possible prospects.

Besides regular Bible studies, field trips and socials are also incorporated into the District 3 FJC activities.

GUATEMALA

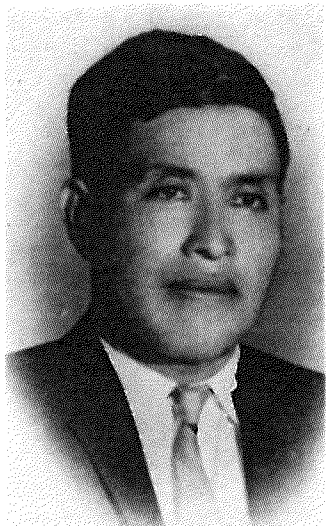
Brother Gregorio Vincente Perez, Deacon of Guatemala is a faithful leader. (Deacons in Central America correspond to the heirarchy of licensed minis-



Field Trip by a riverside



FJC of Morelia, Michoacan, Mexico



Gregorio Vincente Perez

Church of God and was baptized on June 6, 1956. He was then working in a finca (farm) and was told that he had to work on the Sabbath or lose his job. Trusting in God, Brother Perez quit his job and suffered much, but he finally found another job.

He goes to the people that he understands—those who work in the fincas. In a finca in San Francisco Mirama many accepted the truth. They asked for the Sabbath off work, but instead their employer dismissed them. These brethren now own their own land and work on their own. So they are better off now than they were before.

ters in the United States.) He peddles a bicycle every day across the Chapinas country preaching and teaching the true gospel.

On September 15, 1955 he heard of the doctrine of the



Brethren from Catepeque, Guatemala. They are members of the congregation Brother Gregorio pastored from 1965-70. (Brother Gregorio Vincente Perez is the very first one on the left in the first row.)

In other fincas some have accepted the truth and have been granted the Sabbath as a day of rest. Other brethren have suffered unemployment because they refuse to work on the Sabbath, while some others, though spiritually weak, continue to ask for the seventh day off.

Farm laborers in the fincas of Guatemala earn 50 centavos a day. Guatemalan money is equivalent to American money, 50 centavos equals 50 cents.

SOUTH AMERICA

The FIRST South American council of the Church of God was held in October, 1971. Elder Andres Leiva, former missionary to Honduras, directed the sessions of the council in Ecuador.

Elder Leiva commented that the work in Ecuador is slow and without rest. It is not the same as in Central America where we have large congregations. Elder Leiva said, "It is very difficult here. The people do not care for the gospel and if there are large congregations it is because they are full of compromises, hardly any difference between them and Catholics." He encouraged himself by saying we trust that God will help us evangelize Ecuador.

In Guayaquil, Ecuador there are 20 young people. Elder Leiva requested FYC literature and instructions to organize their youth in Ecuador.

Elder Leiva has interest in the youth work and inquires about Elder Melvin Sweet who

he knows as the Chairman of the youth. We have written to him and brought him up to date about the FYC organization and leadership.

THE NEW MORALITY

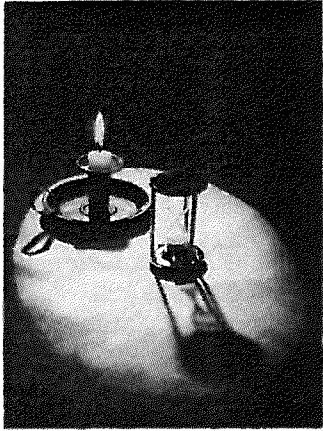
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As individuals we have different spiritual and mental compositions and God uses these to fill different offices within the body of the church. Also, as individuals, we are differently affected by various experiences and, therefore, should not try to supplant our personal set of rules, which seem to work for us, upon others.

How does this relate to the new morality? First, if we apply Christian principles to the "do-your-own-thing" basis of the new morality we can actually be better Christians; however, without Christian principles the new morality is just another change-of-pace in mankind's losing effort to form a utopia. Second, within the Church we realize that God legislates morality and His moral code is very evident in the Bible; therefore, we have no right to determine morality for others beyond the scope of the scriptures—but we do need to determine it for ourselves.

Money was made not to command our will, but all our lawful pleasures o fulfill; shame and woe to us, if we our wealth obey—the horse doth with the horseman run away.

—COWLEY



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Take Time for God

by Marilyn Current

THE HOLY SPIRIT (Part I)

"the Lord shall have . . . purged the blood of Jerusalem . . . by the Spirit of Burning" (Isaiah 4:4).

PRAYER: "Father, purge me with the fire of your Holy Spirit, that my life will be free from all impurities."

NAMES GIVEN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT:

May 1. Acts 8. Name: The Holy Ghost (vs. 17 & 18).

May 2. Psalm 51. Name: The Holy Spirit (vs. 11 & 12).

May 3. Zech. 4. Name: My (God's) Spirit (vs. 6).

May 4. Gen. 1. Name: Spirit of God (vs. 2).

May 5. 1 Peter 1. Name: Spirit of Christ (vs. 11).

May 6. Isaiah 11. Names: Spirit of the Lord, Spirit of Wisdom, Spirit of Understanding, Spirit of Counsel, Spirit of Might, Spirit of Knowledge, Spirit of the Fear of the Lord (vs. 2).

May 7. Romans 8. Name: Spirit of Adoption (verse 15).

May 8. 1 Peter 4. Name: Spirit of Glory (verse 14).

May 9. Nehemiah 9. Name: Good Spirit (verse 20).

May 10. Hebrews 10. Name: Spirit of Grace (verse 29).

May 11. Romans 1. Name: Spirit of Holiness (verse 4).

May 12. Ephesians 1. Name: Spirit of Promise (verse 18).

May 13. 1 John 4. Name: Spirit of Truth (verse 6).

May 14. 2 Timothy 1. Names: Spirit of Power, Spirit of Love (verse 7).

May 15. John 14. Name: Comforter (verse 16).

EMBLEMS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

May 16. John 1. Emblem: dove (verse 32).

May 17. John 4. Emblem: living water (verse 11-14).

May 18. John 7. Emblem: rivers of living water (verses 38 & 39).

May 19. John 5. Emblem: water (verses 3 & 4).

May 20. Isaiah 44. Emblem: floods of water (verse 3).

May 21. Revelation 22. Emblem: river of water of life (verses 1 & 17).

May 22. Isaiah 61. Emblem: oil of joy (verses 1-3).

May 23. 1 John 2. Emblem: anointing oil (verse 27).

May 24. Isaiah 4. Emblem: purging burning fire (verse 4).

May 25. Acts 2. Emblem: cloven tongues of fire (verse 3).

May 26. John 20. Emblem: breath (verse 22).

May 27. Ezekiel 37. Emblem: breath or wind (verses 5, 9, 10).

May 28. 2 Cor. 1. Emblem: seal and pledge (earnest) (verse 22).

May 29. Ephesians 4. Emblem: seal (verse 30).

May 30. Psalm 68. Emblem: rain (verse 9).

May 31. Mal. 3. Emblem: showers of blessings (verse 10).

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This month I've received no completed folders. If you need more folders, write to the publishing house or to me: Mrs. Marilyn Current, Rt. 3, Box 563, Edwardsburg, Michigan 49112.

DISTRICT NUMBER 4 YOUTH CAMP

At a beautiful camp overlooking Lake Texhoma, near Durant, Oklahoma

Planned for everyone within 999 miles of Lake Texhoma

June 25 - July 1

For ages: 9 through 25

Cost: \$15 per camper (Our prices are still frozen, but the weather will be nice!)

For information: Calvin A. Burrell, 1004 Fayetteville Rd., Van Buren, Arkansas 72956

DISTRICT NUMBER 6 YOUTH CAMP

CAMP ST. MARY'S — ST. MARY'S, OHIO

August 6 - 12, 1972

For Ages 12-25 years

We are combining Youth Camp with the District Camp Meeting for economic reasons. Parents will not have to finance two camps and two trips. The cost for dorm and eats for all six days is \$31.50.

CENTRAL STATES YOUTH CAMP

QUAKER HEIGHTS CAMP — ELDORA, IOWA

July 9-16, 1972

Fee: \$20.00 per camper

Camp directors: Elders Gerald Pedersen and Ron Sanders. Additional information may be obtained from: Elder Gerald Pedersen, 2504 Evergreen Drive, St. Joseph, Missouri 64503.



by Nathan Lawson

MARK OF MERIT—AWARD WINNERS—for 1971

F.Y.C. OF THE YEAR—1971

LIGHTHOUSE AWARD WINNER

Marion, Iowa—congratulations for your second year to win this great honor. The Marion, Iowa FYC is featured in this issue of AIM as 1971 FYC of the Year. They earned a Gold Mark of Merit Award plus 1757 Bonus Points to earn this honor.

Second Place

Harrisburg, Oregon—Gold Award plus 1662 Bonus Points. A tremendous year of emphasis on active youth work.

Third Place

Stockton, California—Gold Award plus 848 Bonus Points.

GOLD AWARD WINNERS—500 points.

Bonus Points

Fort Smith, Arkansas	355
Toledo, Ohio	797
Tahlequah, Oklahoma	62
Lodi, California	90
Stockton, California	848
Sacramento, California	392
Bloomington, California	680
Ontario, California	558
Harrisburg, Oregon	1662
Marion, Iowa	1757
Alfred, North Dakota	355
Tacoma, Washington	825
New Auburn, Wisconsin	465
St. Paul, Minnesota	720

SILVER AWARD WINNERS—350-499 points

San Antonio, Texas (Spanish)	Claremore, Oklahoma
White Fox, Sask., Can.	Conroe, Texas

Eureka, South Dakota
Marion, Oregon
Elmira, Oregon

Denver, Colorado
Manhattan, New York

It has been a good year. 1972 can be even greater. May I encourage every FYC Group to have his name on one of these lists at the end of this coming year.

For information about Mark of Merit, write to your new Director, Nolan Rincker, P. O. Box 2370, Denver, Colorado 80201.

IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE

Nathan L. Lawson

For the past five years I have really enjoyed working with the youth of God's church through the Mark of Merit Program. Indeed, it has been a pleasure. We have appreciated tremendously the cooperation of local FYC groups in working with the program to promote God's Work and the Spiritual Welfare of our youth.

You now have a new Mark of Merit Program Director. All future correspondence to the Program should be addressed to your new Director: Nolan Rincker, P. O. Box 2370, Denver, Colo. 80201.

Keep up the good work for God under your new Director. 1972 should be a good year for the youth of the Church of God (Seventh Day).

I have appreciated notes of thanks that I have received for my work in directing the Mark of Merit Program. I would like to print two of them here.

From the San Antonio, Texas (Spanish) FYC:

Dear Elder Lawson,

The San Antonio Spanish FYC would like to thank you for your great help in keeping us active for the Lord.

It was a pleasure working with you and Dale Lawson in the Mark of Merit Program. We feel that the program really unites us in working together for the same cause and gives us something to look forward to all the time.

I know that your prayers will be with us as we work under our new leaders so that we strive to be even more active in '72.

Thanks again for helping to make the program such an inspiration in our lives.

From the Sacramento, Calif. FYC:

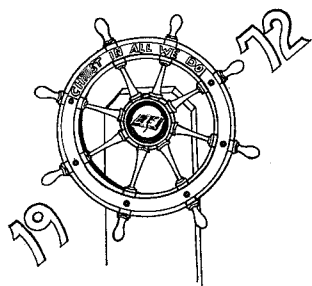
Our group would like to thank you for your good job as Mark of Merit Director. We know it must have taken hours and great patience, and we do appreciate it very much. We also thank you for your Christian concern for all our young people.

Have You Been Counted?

The response to our 1972 registration has been excellent! The total number of youth on our lists has risen from around 600 to more than 900, for which we praise God!—However, there are a few local groups that have not yet sent in the names and addresses of all youth between the ages of 12 and 25. Please mail yours to the National Office today.

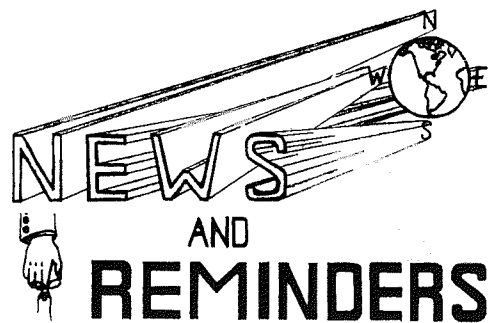
Stationery

The FYC stationery has been restocked, and is now available for sale. This stationery has the FYC shield on it, and is excellent for most types of letter-writing done by young people. You may use this as a money-raising project for your local group. The cost to you is 75¢ per packet, and you sell it for \$1.25. Order a quantity of these from the National Office.



Emblem Change

As you may have noticed above, the National F.Y.C. emblem for 1972 has been adjusted slightly. A Bible has been placed in the center of the wheel, replacing the cross. This



was done in an effort to more closely harmonize with the Church of God views on Christian symbols.

National F.Y.C. Project—1972

Each local F.Y.C. group is needed to help in this mailing of literature to other ministers. Read the details on page 24 of this AIM, and make sure your youth group is helping.

Take Me to Your Leader!

If there are local leaders who have not yet sent in your photo to AIM, please do so immediately. We want to devote two pages in the next issue to pictures of the 1972 leaders. Will we see you there?

Mark of Merit

Attention—Mark of Merit reporters: Please send your report forms for the first quarter to Nolan Rincker, P. O. Box 2370, Denver, Colo. 80201.

Remember Our New Address

As you know, AIM is now being mailed to you from our new offices in Denver, Colorado. Any mail addressed to us should be addressed: AIM, Bible Advocate Press, Box 2370, Denver, Colorado 80201.

Free Decal, Anyone?

Only two FYCers have claimed their free decal by being the first to write from their state in response to the last letter to all FYCers from the National Office. They are Sharon

Hinds of Arizona and Timmy Endcott of Iowa. If you are from any other state, you are eligible for a free decal by writing the National F.Y.C. with your ideas on any phase of the youth work.

ATTEND CAMP MEETING IN '72

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT CAMP MEETING CHURCH OF GOD CAMP GROUNDS—DOVER, OKLAHOMA

July 23-29, 1972

Additional information may be obtained by writing Elder O. T. Whitten, 301 East Creek St., McAlester, Oklahoma 74501.

NORTH CENTRAL AND HIGH PLAINS DISTRICTS JOINT CAMP MEETING

June 26-July 1, 1972

MARANATHA BIBLE CAMP

On Interstate 80, 16 miles east of North Platte, Nebraska

Motel type accommodations, plus dormitories and places to park trailers, tents and campers. For those who wish, food and lodging may be obtained for \$36.

WEST COAST DISTRICT CAMP MEETING NORTHWEST NAZARENE COLLEGE—NAMPA, IDAHO

July 10-15, 1972

Additional information may be obtained by writing West Coast District Office, P. O. Box 15402, Sacramento, California 95813. Food and lodging at reasonable costs.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT CAMP MEETING

August 6-12, 1972

ST. MARYS, OHIO

Meals and lodging will be provided for those who desire at rates from \$32.50 to \$41.50 depending on choice of facilities. Cabins, dormitories and motel rooms available.

See page 31 for information about '72 youth camps.