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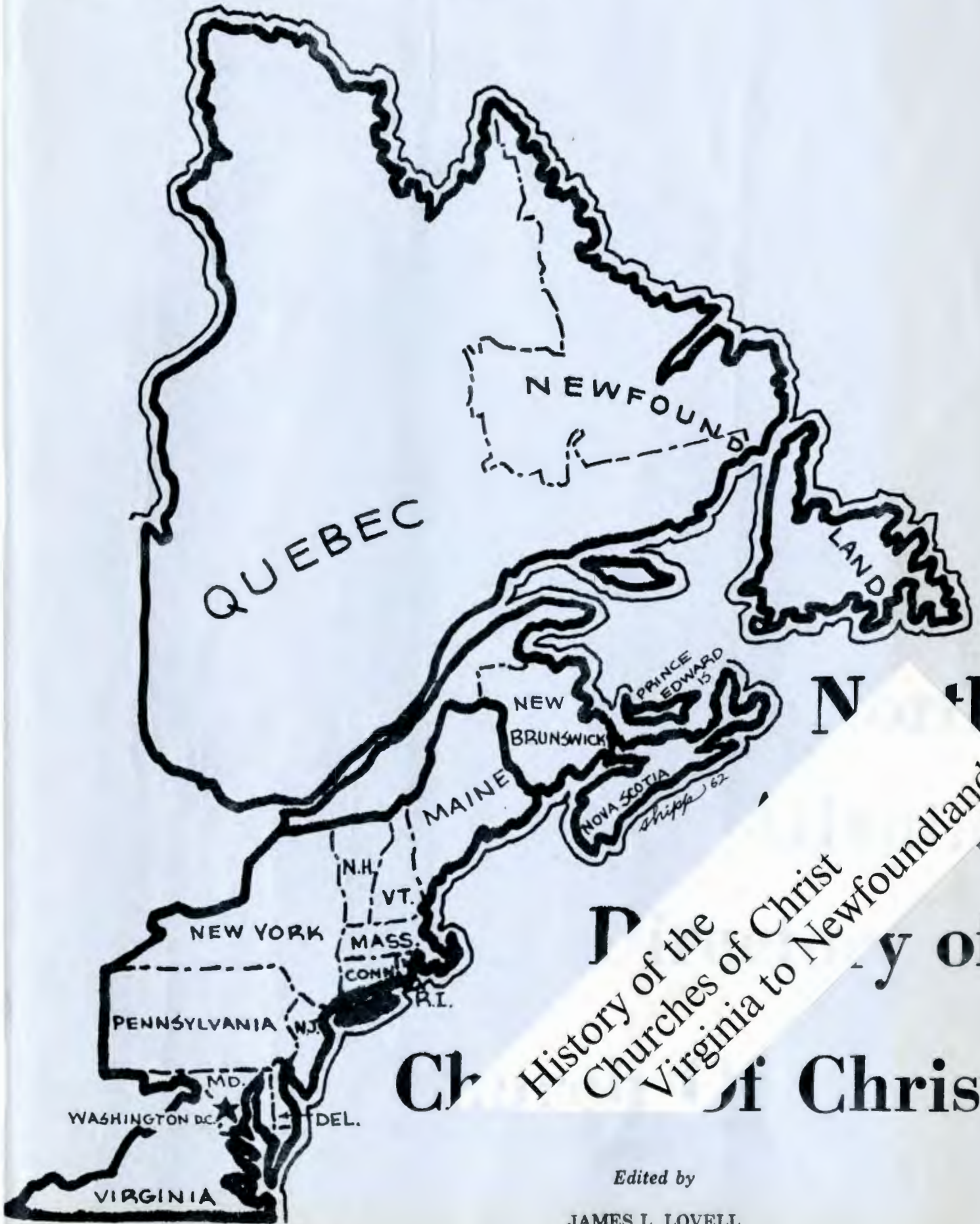
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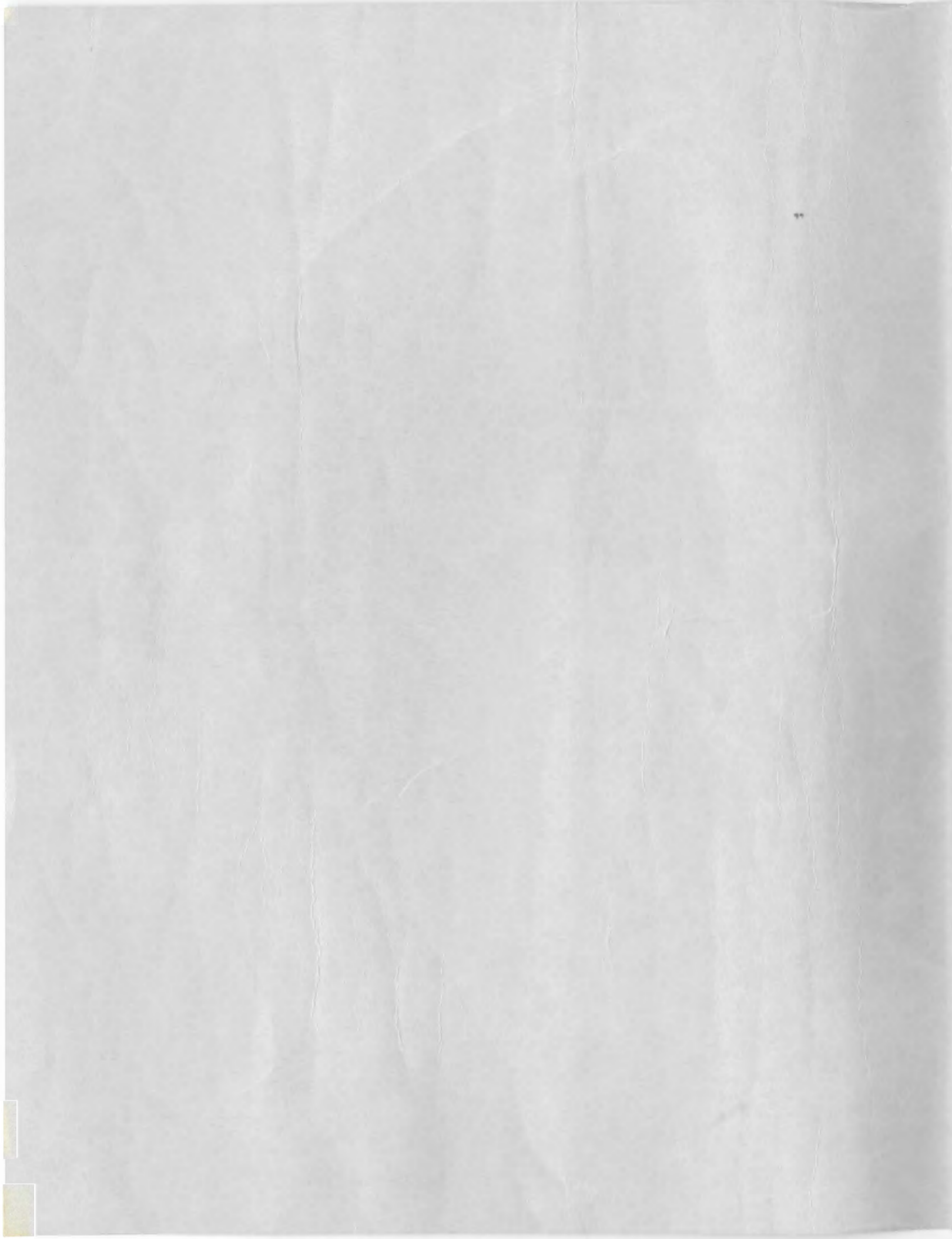
REST. VF. CHURCHES - Northeast



North
History of the Churches of Christ
Virginia to Newfoundland
of Christ

Edited by

JAMES L. LOVELL



AN INSERT

The material for this publication was gathered in 1960, 1961 and 1962 and, of course, there is much since that time which could be added.

I was out of the country when the "History" was printed by Bro. Eugene S. Smith, Jr., who did this work without charge as his contribution to the cause of Christ in the North Atlantic states. There are a number of errors (which are not his fault) but none so far as I know but what can be corrected. In no case in this work did I attempt to sit in judgment.

Not knowing the churches along the Atlantic so well myself, I asked Bro. Harold Thomas if he would make such corrections which he might find and this he has done. There are certainly others but we are passing these along with much historical information of the churches, hoping that it may serve as a basis for those who may wish to build upon it in years to come.

Aside from Brother Smith's most generous contribution, we have over \$400 invested in the work, and whatever the "History" may be worth to you we will be grateful. Twenty-five hundred copies were printed and if we can get 25c or 50c for each copy all of us will be benefitted.

(James L. Lovell, August, 1965)
Box 146, Palos Verdes Estates, Calif.

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CORRECTIONS . . . By J. Harold Thomas

This is not a directory of churches. Title of the book should be "History of the Churches of Christ—Virginia to Newfoundland."

MAINE

BANGOR

Madison Wright of Ohio conducted a series of meetings in Bangor many years before a permanent congregation appeared. This meeting was in the 20's or early 30's. Harris Lynam, Mississippi born, met Edna White during World War I and married her. After living in Mississippi for some time they moved to Maine where Brother Lynam was employed by the B&M R.R. The Lynams kept in touch with churches in Portland, Unity, Danforth and Lambert Lake though they were rarely able to meet with them. In 1944 Thomas Page, working out of Brookline, Mass., visited Bangor and initiated a correspondence between Brother Lynam and Brookline brethren, J. Harold Thomas and Paul McNeil visited Bangor in 1945 and met with Brother Lynam. Sister Angle and other members of her family in the depot in Old Town, Maine, the place of Brother Lynam's work. In the fall of 1945 Brother Thomas returned for a meeting in a hall above a restaurant on Central Street in Bangor. This was the beginning of regular meetings in the Y.M.C.A. building. Robert C. Jones came for a day with Brother Thomas and returned to Texas with interest in this work and in 1946 South Side Church sent John Fogarty and he remained until 1949. In the meantime LeMoine Lewis, Henry Forgy, Dewey Pruitt, Floyd Medley, Richard Walker, Paul McNeil and others went to lead in Lord's day services. The Marvin Martins, Russell Gleaves' and Perry Kemplins came and the work was revived in Milbridge. Brother Thomas followed in the Bangor work in 1949 and remained through 1955 with Marvin Martin, Kenneth Davidson and E. F. Davis, Jr., as associates. In 1955-56 Harold devoted much time to television and assisting in the work of Milbridge and

Rockland and in a Bible Class in Dexter. Brother Harp left in 1956 and South Side was again supporting the work done by Bro. Norman Gipson and those who followed.

BRUNSWICK

Report should read: By Russell Gleaves, Marjorie Libby, Herbert Morang and Rosamond Whitney.

DANFORTH

Instead of August R. Dalbeck, it should be Angus and the same correction should be made at Milbridge.

KITTERY

Richard and Jane Hardy have worked with his church from the beginning. They have been supported in recent years by the Granny White Pike Church in Nashville, Tennessee. The church in Kittery now has a good building and a good program.

MARYLAND

At Forest Heights, Glen Burnie, Hagerstown and other places throughout the book, certain things as "one picture of the building" etc., should not have appeared but any careful reader will know this.

MASSACHUSETTS

BROOKLINE

The Brookline Church (before it moved to Brookline) met in the Phillips Brooks House on the Harvard campus. (Some four years before this several members had moved out from the Phillips Brooks House to meet in the home of George Wallington in Medford — a church later to merge with the work at Melrose).

The church in Greater Boston area began in the early 20's as reported by Sister George Wallington (see "History"). A contingent of former Nova Scotians, the Burgesses, Richardsons, Myles and others; the Alec Sutties from Scotland, the Paul McNiels from Texas (via Georgia) were among the faithful added to the charter group. George A. Klingman, F. L. Rowe, A. W. Hastings, E. H. Ijams, San Davis Tatum, W. R. Smith were among those who held meetings and preached on occasions during the 20's and 30's. Arthur Graham was the first full-time preacher (1936-38), followed by O. H. Tallman (1939-41). Perhaps Brother Novious also preached for an extended period. The succession of preachers following the move to Brookline was J. Harold Thomas and LeMoine Lewis (1942-43) joined in 1943 by Tom Page. (In 1944 Brother Page moved into the Natick and Worcester works). Brother Lewis preached in Brookline from 1944 to 1949. He was followed by Wendell Needham whose work was for about a year and then the church was without a full-time man for two years during which time Leroy Garrett and Billy Green preached frequently. In 1952 Joe Sanders came and remained four years, assisted some of the time by Abe Malherbe. Harold Thomas returned in 1956 and remained for two years. Roy Ward and Don McGaughey were associated with him and upon his leaving in 1958 they accepted full responsibility for the ministry, sharing this through 1963. Don is now preaching for the church in Torrance, Calif., and teaching at Pepperdine. Denton Crews is preaching at Brookline, and the program of the church is abetted by the presence of a number of students in Harvard Divinity School—William Martin, Warren Lewis, Leonard Tester and Harold Straughn. One project of these brethren is the House of the Carpenter, a ministry to the inner city of teaching and service.

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FALLMOUTH

Tom Yoakum is presently preaching. There has been good progress here and this work, reinforced by a contingent of Air Force personnel who are members of the church.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

After the history of the church in Seabrook, MENDHAM - BERNARDSVILLE and MT. HOLLY are shown. These two places are in New Jersey.

NEW JERSEY

BERNARDSVILLE (See Mendham)

Shown in "History" under New Hampshire.

COLLINGSWOOD

Flusing, N. Y., should be changed to Flushing and the church at 56th and Warringin should be changed to 56th & Warrington.

MORRISTOWN

The information of this church should be combined with the church at Whippany. This is one of the growing number of churches in the Northeast where our Negro brethren demonstrate the power of the Holy Spirit working through them. This church was established through the efforts of the Church in the Wildwood in Bernardsville. Jackson Simmons, an employee of Clinton Davidson doing most of the preaching. The church was established in the late 40's or early 50's. Its nice house of meeting is at 265 Evergreen. It is not to be confused with the congregation now meeting in Whippany, which had its beginning in Morristown in 1956. Mail to Box 567.

NEW YORK

BAY SHORE

Remove Buffalo, Commack and Huntington Station which are all out of order.

BETHPAGE

Carmelo Casella, who has been in Australia for some years is preaching to about 55 members here. Address: 1 Flamingo Lane.

HUBBARDSVILLE

This is the oldest church of Christ in New York state—that is that has not merged with some other work. I (JHT) do not know its origin but I know that the father of Norman Dart, who is a leader there now, was associated with the church many years if not all of his life. Bro. George Klingman held meetings for this church many years ago. It has had few located preachers—but Brother Killom was there for some time during the 50's. It has a building and serves the personnel of Camp Hunt during their sessions in the summer.

ASTORIA and NIAGARA FALLS

Should show in bold type.

RIVERHEAD

Should be removed.

UTICA

Is out of order and may be found on another page.

WHITE PLAINS

For information contact Andy Randall, 18 Lake Shore Dr., Pleasantville, N.Y.

PENNSYLVANIA

ALTOONA

There is a church here—contact Harold McKeel, Box 184, Mill Creek, Pa.

BROCKHAVEN

Should be changed to BROOKHAVEN.

COATSVILLE

Should be changed to COATESVILLE.

DARBY

There is a church here and for information write to Howard Johnson 105 W. 13th St., New York, N.Y.

KELTON

1938 is shown in two places in this history and in both cases it should be 1838.

UNIONTOWN

The last part of this report is information on the church in CHERRY TREE and it should be placed in proper order.

VILLANOVA

In 1963 the church here started meeting on the campus of N.I.C.E.

WEST ISLIP

This is where the Exodus/Bay Shore group meets—600 Montauk Highway. A great work. Dwain Evans is preacher.

RHODE ISLAND

PROVIDENCE

In the report it should be noted that Harold Thomas came Sunday afternoons from Boston from 1942 to 1944 and held a meeting in October 1944.

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The above corrections by Brother Thomas are appreciated very much. There are also a few corrections which should be made with the pictures. Under NEW JERSEY the fine looking gentleman in cap and gown is Clinton Davidson, Sr. Under NEW YORK the picture shown as the building in COMMACK, Long Island is actually the building at 16th & Decatur in Washington, D.C. and I would suppose that under DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA the picture of the 16th & Decatur building is that of Commack. We all know by now that the picture of the Manhattan Church in NEW YORK CITY is not the one which is to be built. In CANADA we could not report a church in Quebec with Owen Aikin preaching and with Jerry Davidson and S. F. Timmerman, Jr., well on their way toward building in Montreal.

Before I end my work with this project let me suggest to each of you who read these lines to subscribe for ACTION — \$1. This is a monthly publication dedicated to mission work and I believe you will enjoy it. Alan Bryan is my associate. Use me while I live and God bless you all. Jimmie.

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North Atlantic Directory of Church Of Christ

Edited by

JAMES L. LOVELL

TALKING THIS OVER . . . with JIMMIE LOVELL

The history of my family — those who took the Bible and the Bible alone for the basis of their faith and practice; who believed Jesus to be the Christ; who repented of their sins and were baptized for the remission of them; who called themselves Christians and sought to live the Christian life, dates back to the Revolutionary War days. My great, great, great grandfather, Thomas Cowan of Rowan County, North Carolina, was a captain in the War and later an elder in the Presbyterian Church. He led the group, before 1810, to baptism by immersion, to wear the name Christian and Lord's Supper every week. Alexander Campbell, I am told, baptized his son, William Buntin, my great, great grandfather, and David Lipscomb baptized my grandmother, Mary Frances Buntin, who was a charter member of the church in Portland, Tenn., which was established almost 100 years ago. This was my home and my people have been members and leaders in this church to this day.

I became a Christian in 1909 and the record in the church of my work, especially in the west beginning in Denver in 1920 — Salt Lake City, Chicago and all of the western states since we came to Los Angeles in 1933, stands for the Lord to judge. I am happy over two facts: (1) My wife, Vivian, being, so far as we know, the first Utah born person to become a member of the church and (2) the fact I have never been engaged in any church division or ugliness. There is not a brother or sister in the family of God living or dead whose hand I have refused to shake.

While in Denver again for a few months in 1936 I started publishing the *Colorado Christian*. Upon our return to Los Angeles we began the *West Coast Christian* which was merged for awhile with the *Christian Leader* but published again by myself until August, 1948 when I gave it to the *Christian Chronicle*. Later I began publishing the *California Christian* and in time gave it to Jack Bates and brethren in Santa Ana, Calif., who have just now merged it with the *Christian Chronicle*. I started *ACTION* in January of this year.

There are few foreign mission points on earth or missionaries whom we have not in one way or another helped and many of them visited on two trips around the world. It has been my joy to have served as a trustee of the Children's Home in Ontario, Calif., and of Pepperdine College in Los Angeles — I still serve the College. For 36 years I covered all of North America and many other areas of the world for Dupont Company — am now retired. Vivian and I are building our home at this time at 3105 Palos Verdes Boulevard North, Palos Verdes Estates, Calif., on the shores of the beautiful Pacific. This is our last stand in life. We are happy to be with our only child and her family here in the fine Redondo Beach Church of Christ. I will personally spend my remaining days trying to get the gospel into all the world, stimulating you and all Christians through *ACTION* to have a greater part.

A STATEMENT

For the past two years I have written a number of letters to every church listed in the North Atlantic Directory of Churches of Christ asking for the history. It has cost considerable money and a great deal of time but the work will live on and become even more valuable in years to come. So many of you have helped and to all I express my grateful appreciation. In no manner have I sought to pass judgment or take part in local differences.

I have a deep feeling for the splendid work done in our summer camps throughout this whole area, for Northeastern Institute for Christian Education, North Atlantic Christian and the many ways it seeks to serve the brotherhood with books, literature and so on. But without Eugene S. Smith, Jr., and his mother, of Gospel Broadcast in Dallas, I would not be able at all to produce this History. These two fine Christians print and distribute Gospel Treasure Sunday School and Vacation Bible School literature and I hope that you will show your appreciation to them by ordering this material.

We felt that it would be nice if you knew where many of those mentioned in these histories were today in case they are still living. There are some on whom we have no information but what we have should prove valuable and interesting.

Hold fast my beloved brethren. God is your Father, Christ is your Brother and you belong to the greatest family on this earth. The church is marching on and will make more progress in the next 25 years than it has made since Pentecost. May the Good Lord bless you now and forever. Use me while I live.

James L. Lovell
3105 Palos Verdes Blvd. N.
Palos Verdes Estates, California
September 30, 1962

This publication is dedicated to every person living and dead who, in any manner, has had a part in proclaiming Christ to souls in this area.



INTRODUCTION

Thomas Olbricht, writing on "Restoration in the Northeast in the North Atlantic Christian, May, 1962, says:

"The proponents of restorationism in the Northeast have never been significant proportionally except in the initial stages, since after 1820 the strength of these peoples lay west of the Alleghenies. But two major streams of the restoration had their beginnings in the Northeast, and although they never merged with the larger mid-western body, they fed it continually with new settlers looking for lands and fortunes.

"The initial pulsation of these rising views was felt in Virginia not long after the Revolutionary War. In 1794, at Old Lebanon, Va., James O'Kelly, Rice Haggard and others adopted a resolution to take the Bible as their only creed and the name Christian as their only designation. Ten years later Rice Haggard influenced the new movement which arose in Kentucky — Barton W. Stone was later its leader.

"About 1800 a similar movement began in New England led by Abner Jones and Elias Smith. In 1801 Jones established the first church called 'Christian' in Lyndon, Vermont, and later (1804) joined the work of Smith in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Daniel Hix, with 400 other Baptists, of Dartmouth, Mass., came into this fellowship in 1807.

"The people of Virginia and those in New England discovered each other in 1809. In September, 1808, Elias Smith commenced publishing the Herald of Gospel Liberty alleged to be the first religious newspaper in the world.

"A third movement which influenced the Northeast after 1810 was that which Thomas and Alexander Campbell were the leaders; however, their influence was not great. In 1836 Alexander Campbell visited Christians in Vermont, New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

"In the Maritime Provinces of Canada, restorationism began from a somewhat different basis. Early in the 19th century Scotch Baptists, who had been influenced by the Scottish Independents and who in turn affected the Campbells, began to migrate to the Maritimes. In the early 1830's notices from these groups began to appear the Millennial Harbinger, a journal published by Alexander Campbell. These people were eventually absorbed by the Campbell movement and were generally more conservative.

"After 1860, the Campbell-Stone people began to divide on the questions of instrumental music in worship, missionary societies, and toward the end of the century over modernism. Most of the churches in the movement in the Northeast went with those who affirmed these issues except some in Pennsylvania and West Virginia. After 1930, the Disciples' (those who affirmed) churches gradually began to die in the upper Northeast, and especially in New England. Their churches that remained are mostly in Pennsylvania, New York City (Brooklyn), and Virginia.

"These people themselves began to split after the turn of the century over modernism, and the conservative churches withdrew their support from the missionary society due to liberal influences in it. These people, known as the Christian Church or Churches of Christ in some regions, rally around the Christian Standard, printed in Cincinnati.

"The churches which negated the innovations, known as the churches of Christ, were mainly in the South and Southwest. These people were few in number in the Northeast until the late 1930's. Several of their early members were from the churches in the Maritimes provinces who had migrated to New England. Churches of Christ may now be found in many cities in the Northeast."

Quotations from Ray F. Chester in the same issue:

"Virginia, the state which has contributed so much to the history of America, has the distinction of being the scene of the earliest efforts toward the Restoration of New Testament Christianity. This movement, led by James O'Kelly, originated in the 1790's, some 20 years before the Campbells came to the country.

"The cause of Restoration in Virginia was advanced when Alexander Campbell came to Richmond in 1829. While here he led the fight to democratize the government of Virginia and crossed swords with some of the most famous men in American history, such as James Madison, James Monroe and John Marshall. While in Richmond he preached every Sunday and many seeds were sown which were to germinate in the future. Though the Restoration Movement began in America in the state of Virginia, most of the work was lost. A great deal of progress has been made in the state in recent years but it remains still very much of a mission area for churches of Christ."

Remarks from Don H. McGaughey:

"Although the Restoration Movement in the Maritime Provinces of Canada began independently of Alexander Campbell, there is a definite relationship. Many were influenced by the thinking of Robert and James Haldane in Scotland. It was with the school of the Haldanes in Glasgow that Campbell became associated for a while after his abortive first attempt to sail for the New World.

"In 1809 a group of Scotch emigrants, who had been members of Scotch Baptist churches, assembled to organize a congregation for Christian worship in River John, Nova Scotia. This group continued to increase in number under the leadership of James Sillers. Today there are only three congregations in the Canadian Maritimes (plus the church in Montreal) that do not use the instrument. There is a group of about 20 members in Halifax. This is a new work begun in 1956 by J. C. Bailey, W. C. Murray and members of the Wallace family (these are descendants of a family originally connected with the early church in West Gore.) There is a group of about 20 members in Mill Village. Ten members are meeting in Fredericton."

Everett Ferguson gives some interesting facts:

"The nation's 'Keystone State' — Pennsylvania — was a keystone in the history of the Restoration Movement.

"The first immersions in the Campbell movement were performed by Thomas Campbell on July 4, 1811 in Buffalo Creek about two miles from Brush Run. At the same place on June 12, 1812 Thomas and Alexander Campbell, their wives and a sister were baptized.

"Pennsylvania was for a time the home state of the two editorial antagonists over the issues which eventually split the church — Isaac Errett of the Christian Standard and John F. Rowe, later editor of American Christian Review and the Christian Leader. Brother Rowe was born on a farm near Greensburg, Pa., in 1827. His parents moved to Ohio when he was 12."

A few words from James Jarrett:

"The history of the Campbell movement in the more modern era is of course our current Restoration movement. In the 1930's there were only two or three small churches of Christ in all of New England with a total membership of under 100. Presently there are more than 50 congregations with over 2000 members. However, related to our story is the conversion of Warren Howard by Harold Thomas in the 1940's. Brother Howard's parents were members of the old Manton, R. I., church. His grandfather, A. T. Remington, spanned the entire era of the Manton Church. Although this devoted Christian was born after the Manton Church ceased meeting, his religious heritage had much to do with his acceptance of the restoration plea."

CONNECTICUT

BRIDGEPORT

Sylvester Pike got William Lane of Cincinnati to come for a meeting in the summer of 1872.

Sylvester Pike, Andrew Fancher, Leland Rider and Wm. B. Cleveland were baptized. Brother Lane returned in 1873 and baptized Elizabeth Porter, Estella Bailey, Annie Rose, Eliza Cleveland, Mary Cleveland, Laura Bailey, Mrs. Pike, Lizzie Rose, William Wheeler, Sr., and Charlie Rowe—they met in the Pike home until May 9, 1874. Brother Belding of Troy, New York came and baptized others in 1874. Charles Abercrombie and Sylvester Pike served as first elders. First building was erected in January, 1897. Other preachers who have helped here are W. G. Campbell, Ira Mitchell, Daniel Sommer, Stephen Settle and Darrell Bolin. Present address: 814 Maplewood Avenue. (Note: I have worshipped here over the years. JLL) Report by Wilford Wright.

GROTON

Wilmer Hebbard did the preaching in the first meeting held in the Grange Hall March 27, 1955 when 20 were present, and assisted with the preaching until November 1, 1957 when Gary Freeman, from Tennessee came. Gary was succeeded by Harold Thomas, former president of Northeastern Institute of Christian Education who came in the summer of 1962. This church started with three members and has grown to about 65. A new record was set in April, 1962 with 197 present. Building is located on Route 12, just across from the Submarine Base. Property valued at \$70,000.

GUILFORD

Outgrowth of the Whitney Avenue Church in Hamden. Started in November, 1961 with 10 members meeting in the Grange Hall. Paul Watson, graduate of Abilene and student at Yale, did the preaching until the summer of 1962. A new record was set recently for this congregation with 34 present for worship. Report by Jack Scott. (Picture of Paul.)

HAMDEN (see NEW HAVEN)

HARTFORD

Northside was organized November 8, 1953 by Wilmer Hebbard who was then preaching for West Hartford. Owen Cathey served from 1953 to 1954 as first preacher. John A. Smiley came in September, 1955. Wilmer Hebbard, Palmer Matthews, John Davis and others helped with the preaching. Some faithful charter members still here: Ivan Redwoods, Teamie Gartrells, Donald Wilsons, Audley Watsons, sisters Rose Loman, Estelle Redding, Jessie Brown, Fannie Duncan. Sallie Mills now lives in White Plains, N. Y. Present membership over 50. Present Address: 3366 Main Street. Plans under way for new building. Report by John A. Smiley. A new record of 114 was set recently.

MANCHESTER

Eugene Brewer, present preacher, reports the beginning of the church on Sep. 10, 1961 with 19 members (8 families from 7 towns), mostly from the West Hartford Church, Present membership 35. Meeting in Orange Dodge Hall, 70 E. Center Street. West Side, Muskogee, Okla., supports Eugene. Building planned. Send mail to 100 Scott Drive.

NEW HAVEN

Just 18 years after the Mayflower landed at Plymouth Rock, New Haven was settled—1638. In Jan., 1954 brethren in West Hartford began holding Bible classes on Tuesday nights. The Ernest Moores came and later, from Baton Rouge, La., the Joe Mitchens and Mrs. John Shia. The first worship service was held in the Community House on 227 Elm St., West Haven on May 1, 1955. There were 22 present. John McRay, the first preacher, of Holdenville, Okla., came on July 1, 1956. John is a graduate of Lipscomb with his masters from Harding. On Feb. 17, 1957, 44 were present. Oct. 6, 1957 Jack Scott came as preacher. He will join the Pepperdine College faculty in September, 1962. Address: 2155 Whitney Ave., Hamden, Conn. Membership about 70. Since the start 65 have been baptized. Our property is valued at over

\$80,000. Thomas Brown has given much support to this work as have several churches in Texas. Paul Watson succeeds Jack Scott. Despite giving up members in 1961 to start two new churches our attendance of 119 was recently broken.

WALLINGFORD

This church was begun in December, 1961 in the Yalesville Elementary School. Dale Combs, graduate of Harding, is preaching to the 10 members. Dale moved to this area three years ago and his work in teaching, visitation and preaching has been most fruitful. Wallingford is a city of 45,000 and located midway between churches in Hamden and Hartford.

WEST HARTFORD

First service was held in Hotel Bond, Nov. 13, 1949 with six members and four visitors. Wilmer E. Hebbard family is responsible for starting this church. June 13, 1951 first service in new place of worship. Some of the members started a new work at Westover Air Base at Springfield on Jan. 1, 1953 and on November 8, 1953 Northside was started. W. E. Kirk came in Sept., 1954—the first fully supported preacher in the state. This gave Brother Hebbard opportunity to help in other places. W. E. Kirk just recently joined the faculty of Oklahoma Christian. He is a graduate of Abilene and for some time editor of North Atlantic Christian. Address of the church—31 W. Beacon. W. A. Harrison, Jr., and family returned to New England from Waco, Tex., taking full-time work here. Attendance record was broken in meeting with Morris Thurman.

DELAWARE

DOVER

This church began on Mar. 21, 1954 when two families of Air Force rented the Century Club and James L. Finney, preacher in Laurel, same up to help organize the work. H. B. Darnell and his wife, Janice Darnell, Lou, Tommy and Mary Weaver and James were the seven present at the first service. The church in Old Hickory, Tenn., sent Bill Scott in September, 1954 and Jerry Reynolds came in Oct., 1955. Jerry is now a missionary in Ghana. Attendance the first year averaged 16, in 1955—23, 1956—31 and 1957—45. A building was erected and is located at 1156 S. Governors Avenue. Jerry is a Lipscomb graduate.

LAUREL

This church really began in late 1940 when seven women, Sisters Ellen Banks, Batterton, Boswell, Dana Broyles, Disbrow, Hill and Lois Vantrease met for worship in their home in Seaford. S. H. Hall of Nashville, who passed away in 1961 in Los Angeles, held the first meeting in a rented hall in Seaford in 1942—three were baptized. James Smythe, then in Lipscomb, now in Pepperdine, was the first regular preacher but later the worship was discontinued from the lack of leadership. In about 1946 Sister Vantrease, with the help of Joe Sobel and others of Wilmington and Philadelphia, the work was resumed in Seaford. Bill Wood, O. Bedford, George Joyner, Farley, Tuckwood, Garrett and Miller and then Weldell Broom, led meetings in homes. The Charles Hudson family, Sister Ellis and the Russell Bailey family gave strength. The church in Laverne, Tenn., sent Leroy Garrett for a meeting in Seaford and Laurel in 1947 and several were converted. C. D. Plum was the preacher in the new building in South Laurel in 1949. James L. Finney labored here from 1950 through 1954. He did a good work in helping start the congregation in Dover while working here. So really, there were two congregations started from this one, Dover and Salisbury, Maryland. Self supporting in 1955 and another work started in Salisbury, Md. After Roger Mills left in 1960 Thomas Hahn came as preacher. Membership about 60. Report by H. M. Brassell. Address: 1009 Centural Avenue. Note: Thomas Hahn held a meeting in Rehoboth in August in view of starting a new work there..

NEWARK

This church meets at 95 Merrows Road, Brookside, and was started by the Mount Pleasant Church in Wilmington. The first service was held on Sept. 4, 1960. Cameron C. Sinclair preached the first year followed by Loren Thompson. Self-supporting after first year. Charter members: Mr. and Mrs. Jame Dike, Mr. and Mrs. William Wimmer, Mrs. Eula Arrington, Mrs. Lillian Hall, Miss Sonya Hall. Thirty eight at first service. Own home for preacher.

WILMINGTON

ELSEMER CHURCH

The John W. Allen family and an airman named Melvin Allen met for the first service in John's home at 28 Bedford Dr., Edgemoor Gardens, July 25, 1943. Two weeks later Mr. and Mrs. Stroman attended. C. E. McHaughey was sent up from Washington for a tent meeting in August and six were baptized. Washington and Philadelphia supplied preachers and services were held in the IOOF Hall at 10th and King. Old Hickory in Tennessee sent Clyde P. Findley in November and by January, 1944 there were 28 members. Sisters Clara Dalton and Elsie Kramer are still here. The property at 508 New Road in Elsemere was purchased in 1944 and the first service was held on Aug. 27, 1944 with Willard Collins of Old Hickory, now vice president of Lipscomb College, the speaker. Due to ill health, Brother Findley had to leave and Wendell Broom came in September, 1945. The work was started in 1946 in Seaford which now meets in Laurel and likewise in Annapolis, Maryland. Wendell resigned in 1951 and later went to Nigeria. Walter Larkins came and the church became self-supporting in 1954. Additions to the building were made in 1956 and 1957 and a home was purchased for the preacher at 113 Olga Road. In December, 1957 Walter went to Niagara Falls and Cameron Sinclair came and remained until sometime in 1960 when Wendell returned. (For 36 years I was with DuPont and when in Wilmington on Lord's Day I often worshipped at this good church. Wendell, Ernie Hyne and others are personal friends. JLL) This report was made in 1959 by Herb Pratt.

WILMINGTON

MOUNT PLEASANT CHURCH

The first service was held May 10, 1959 at the YMCA. Later, a meeting house, erected in 1838, at 1009 Philadelphia Pike, was purchased, with an 11 room building which is used for Bible school. Self-supporting from the beginning. Charter members: Mrs. Nora Dalton, Miss Clara Dalton, Mrs. Annis Jackson, Mrs. Elise Kramer, Mr. and Mrs. Loris Prather, Mr. and Mrs. James Dike, Mr. and Mrs. William Bredin, Mr. Kenneth Bredin, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Pratt. Cameron Sinclair, graduate of Abilene, has been the preacher.

MAINE

AUGUSTA

Olive Williams and Wanda Hudson had Roy Lanier, Sr., come to Augusta in 1948 and 1949 for meetings, but no visible results. S. L. Morgan began coming from Unity for classes. In the summer of 1950 Haldon Arnold and family and Janet Whitegurst came from Nashville, Tenn., and the first permanent worship service was held in the City Hall on Sept. 10, 1950 with fewer than 12 persons. November 14, Nellie Viles was baptized as the first convert. December 9, 1951 Richard and Jane Hardy came to work with the Arnolds. A meeting house was begun in July, 1952 and the first service in the building Jan. 10, 1954. Class rooms were furnished during the work of Dwain Evans. The Hardys left Nov. 22, 1953 to start a new work in Kittery. The Evans came in July, 1955 to replace the Arnolds. In June, 1958 J. P. Williams preached until June 14, 1959 when the Ross E. Henshaw family arrived. Skillman Avenue in Dallas, Texas has supported this work for the past ten years. Property is valued at \$40,000. Address: 105 Eastern Avenue.

BANGOR

Churches in Grand Prairie, McLean and Littlefield, Tex., sent Rex Tilly and Southside in Ft. Worth sent Norman Gipson here in 1957 — Southside helping from the beginning around 1949 and 1950. Others who have helped in this work are John Fogarty, Marvin Martin, E. R. Davis, Harold Thomas, Herbert Morang and Bob Harp. Church house valued at \$30,000 is located at 516 Union Street. Morris Thurman, Neal Durgin, Marvin Porterfield and Sam Owen were early preachers. Rex Smith, who is here now, arrived in August, 1960. Bradley Peters, Wilmer Libby and Leman Albee assist in preaching at other places.

BRUNSWICK

Roy C. Lacy of Arlington, Tex., came to Brunswick as a teacher in the University in 1947 and soon located three other members and started worship. Sister A. M. Burton of Nashville, Tenn., came to visit the Lacys and gave \$5,000 toward the purchase of a building. Southside in Ft. Worth helped and on July 25, 1948 the service was held in the building. Harold Thomas came for a meeting. Russell Gleaves began full-time work and remained for seven years followed by Herbert Morang. Property is located at Federal Street and Jordan Avenue and valued at \$65,000. Skillman Avenue in Dallas, Green Street and Trinity Lane Churches in Nashville have helped much. Report by Russell, Marjorie, Herb and Rosamond.

CARIBOU

First service was held July 12, 1953 in a one-room school building eight miles north of town. Present were Tommie, Jessie, "Little Tommy" Loveland, Maurice Teddlie, Jim Ranne, Eddie and Amy Amerling, Glennis Harris, Jack and June Nelson and E. R. Davis. September 6 service was held in the IOOF Hall and used until Sept. 2, 1956 when we moved into our present building on Limestone Road which is valued at \$40,000. Preachers who have held meetings: George Erwin, Harold Thomas, Arthur Davis, Paul Simon, Paul Epps, Alvis Bryan, W. A. Harrison, Jr., Norman Gipson, C. M. Rhodes, W. R. Tittle, Jerl Weeks and W. E. Kirk. F. B. Shepherd was with us for six months. E. R. Davis has been the local preacher from the beginning while Guy Brewer has served as treasurer.

DANFORTH

Soon after the turn of the century a Mr. C. M. Daggett, while in Pennsylvania, was converted. When he returned he taught a denominational preacher more perfectly — his name was Dalbeck. For years Brother August R. Dalbeck went by horseback all over Northeastern Maine preaching and baptizing souls into Christ, but there was no leadership in the towns to hold those who were converted. Few members remained in 1946 when Harold Thomas arrived in Danforth. Harold located and restored several members and soon afterwards Dalbeck died. Harold was followed by Delbert Matthews, E. R. Davis, George Erwin, Jerry Yarbrough and Wilmer M. Libby. Brother Libby does the preaching for both Danforth and Lambert Lake at the present time. Churches in Justin and Keller, Texas, Henderson, W. Va., L. W. Richardson in Ft. Worth and the J. C. Bakers in Crockett have helped the work here and Lambert Lake.

DEXTER

R. C. Smart, Sr., writes: "When I came to Dexter in August 1956 there were no members known to us. Bro. Shirley Morgan who was preaching in Unity had held some Bible classes previous to that. We started meeting in the VFW Hall and later moved to the Grange Hall. We now meet in our own building at 31 Mill Street. F. B. Shepherd held our first Gospel Meetings and helped much with the early work here. Others who have been with us for special meetings are, Richard Donley, William Parsons, John Gipson, Horace Little, Joe Baisden, Rex Tilly." Brother Smart is a native of Maine, converted in Odessa, Texas, moved back here to preach supported by the Parkview church in Odessa, Texas. Married and has three children. Ralph, Jr., Nola Lee and Dwayne Dean.

John Gipson of Odessa, Texas held a fine meeting in May with 59 persons present.

HOULTON

Bradley Peters says, "The work was started about 10 years ago by Marvin Martin and others from the south. Texas churches helped us get a building. Marvin taught school and preached until 1961 when he moved to California. Since that time, although I live and teach school 40 miles away, I drive over every Sunday. We need a full-time worker who lives in Houlton." First worship was held in the American Legion Hall on the second Sunday of July, 1950 and meetings were held there until the present building was purchased on Main St. in 1952. The church in Kermit, Texas was responsible for this work and helped until 1957 with some later help until 1960.

KITTERY

We were never able to get an answer from this place but from "Maine Points" we find that the church here began Oct. 25, 1953, but no names are given except that of Richard C. Hardy the preacher who came to Maine from Alabama in 1951, teaching and leading singing at Augusta. He is a graduate of Lipscomb in Nashville. The church meets at 48 Love Lane.

LAMBERT LAKE

This church may have begun in 1915 under the preaching of Brother Dalbeck. It is reported that there are about 35 faithful members here — the only religious group in town. Clyde Grass is a permanent contact. Meeting place is on Vanceboro Road. Wilbur Libby of Danforth does the preaching.

MILBRIDGE

Report by Roscoe Bagley. "I was born here but first learned of the church of Christ when I married into a family of Christians in Lambert Lake where the church there had been established in 1912 by August R. Dalbeck (note spelling in other places. JLL). After we were married Brother Dalbeck came here for meetings and converted my mother, grandmother, brothers and others in the area. In time, interest fell away but Jack Fogarty came from Texas to Bangor and worked with us here also and worship was restored. Perry Kemplin came and stayed five years and Charley Huffman for five. We have no preacher at this time. We meet in our building on Main Street."

PITTSFIELD

Report from R. C. Smart, Sr., Dexter, Maine. "I started a class on March 20, 1957 in the home of William Spencer. F. B. Shepherd came for a meeting and four were added, Lowell C. Bell of Austin, Texas is the preacher there now. The church meets at 10 Manson St. — address Box 303. About 25 members."

RICHMOND

Ross E. Hinshaw reports the first meeting here July 23, 1961 in the home of Douglas Adkins and he has been helping ever since. The church is entirely dependent upon the Adkins family who may move away. Several from the church in Augusta have helped.

ROCKLAND

This work was started in the GAR Hall in January 1956 by Harold Thomas and Dwain Evans. It is our understanding that there is no church here now.

SOUTH PORTLAND

Russell Gleaves and Haldon Arnold started the church in 1951 and for several years worship was held in rented halls under the leadership of Charles Chandler and Howard Mitchell. Howard became the full-time worker for the group in 1956 and Shirley L. Morgan came in October. Construction of a building was started in 1957 and completed in 1959 at a cost of \$42,000 backed to the extent of \$25,000 by the churches in Del City, Oklahoma and East Side in Snyder, Texas. Present membership 50. Address Highland and Evans. Brother Morgan and his wife Mary Belle are both graduates of Abilene. They are helped by the church in Oklahoma City

(25th & Geraldine) and Snyder, Tex., (Eastside.) Shirley is interested in all church related activities in the North Atlantic area. A new work is planned in Old Orchard Beach near Norway, Maine.

UNITY

R. H. Smith reports that in June 1871 a group of Christians started worship in Albion. A Brother Wing of Unity met with them and in time the building in Albion was moved to Unity. When S. L. Morgan came here in 1946 there were only eight or ten members left. Brother Morgan labored here for ten years and when he left there were 51 members not counting 21 others who had moved away. Robert H. Smith, graduate of ACC came in 1956. Worship is in their own building on School Street.

MARYLAND

ABERDEEN

Lt. Jerry Strader, with Sister C. H. Phaup, Jr., started this church Aug. 10, 1952 in building 3219 at the Proving Grounds. The Cooms family from Bel Ait and Lt. Joe Rose came and attendance soon reached 20. Lloyd Davis of Baltimore came to preach in June 1953 and remained 18 months followed by Hugh Daniels and John L. Smith also of Baltimore. Starting in November 1953 services were held in East Chapel. B. H. Atkinson came Dec. 12, 1954. March 1955 saw the church in the present building at 10 Rosevelt. Huey P. Thompson of Trion, Ga., came after the church had been without a preacher for some time and is still here. Gary Anderson, graduate of ACC is one of the teachers.

ANNAPOLIS

Church was started on Oct. 1, 1950 in the Community Service Building and is made up largely of young people — teachers and professional workers and midshipmen. Property is worth about \$20,000. Church in Baltimore has given much help. Franklin P. Dunlap, a teacher, does the preaching. Address — 200 Chesapeake. Meetings were held by Elvis Huffard and Charles E. Crouch.

BALTIMORE

Howard Horton, now head of the Bible Department at Pepperdine College in Los Angeles and who preached for the University Parkway Church from 1943 to 1949 makes this report in Oct. 1946:

"Although the present congregation is of recent origin, the seed of the restoration were sown in Baltimore as early as 1817 when a young man by the name of Farquarharson came from Scotland and with five members began meeting in his own home. In 1831 a building was erected and the next few years were marked with rapid growth. Great men as Alexander Campbell, W. K. Pendleton, Isaac Erret, Walter Scott, David S. Burnett and others held meetings or worked with the congregation. The leaven of digression began to work soon after the Civil War.

"A small group of Christians met in the city between 1920 and 1925 but we have no accurate information. In July 1936 a small group started meeting in the IOOF Hall. Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Keedy, Evelyn Brewer are early members who are still here and Martin Elm is at Essex. The church in Washington sent T. P. O'Shanahan here in 1940 and worship was held in the Guild Theater but as workers and others came in the early part of the last war a building was erected at 2000 N. Fulton."

The new building at 530 W. University Parkway was used for the first time on June 6, 1948. The total cost was about \$100,000. Elvis H. Huffard followed Brother Horton in September 1949 and remained two full years. In January 1952 Charles E. Crouch came and served for two years. Dean Clutter came in 1954 and remained six years, followed by the present preacher, James E. Priest.

Harold Bryant, Lester Keedy, Newell Lenham and John Smith serve as elders and John Brewer, Wilson Bryan, W. F. Hoffman, Lewis Morrison and Robert Trimble serve as deacons.

BALTIMORE ESSEX CHURCH

J. J. Reynolds of Neugent, Texas, in memory of his son, is largely responsible for the beginning of this work in a suburb of Baltimore in 1943. He helped raise support for Andrew Morris to come here, working under the College Church in Abilene, Texas. First meetings were in a residence. By the end of 1944 plans were underway for a building which they now have at 103 Riverside Drive. John B. Himelrick preached from 1953 to 1956, followed by Matthew Morrison who came in 1956 and left in 1960.

BALTIMORE

GILMORE STREET (now Bloomingdale Road)

Humphrey Foutz, the present preacher, advises that the church which formerly met on Gilmore Street now meets at 1602 Bloomingdale Road. Membership about 100.

Note: Howard Horton reported back in 1946 that Allen J. Blackwell and nine other Negro Christians were meeting for worship in his home.

COLORA

Five or six families had been driving to Aberdeen but on Dec. 7, 1958 the first service was held in Cecil County in the home of Samuel B. Hackney. Later meetings were held in the high school but as this was limited a building was purchased in Colora three miles from Rising Sun. Essex Church in Baltimore gave us chairs and money on the building came from all over the nation. St. Marys, W. Va., gave us pulpit furniture and Sister Bryon Varner a clock. James Morris of Baltimore preached once a month for a year but otherwise we have used own members. The church in Algood, Tenn., has given us much help. We need a preacher. Charter members; Mrs. Rachel Bonar, Mrs. Ethel Hackney, Samuel Hackney, Arza Elder, Erma Elder, D. W. Hogan, Pauline Hogan, J. B. Martin, Nora Martin, James Martin, Thomas Williams, Nancy Williams, Johnnie Jermain, Muriel Jermain. Report by Samuel B. Hackney, Box 232, Rising Sun, Md.

CUMBERLAND

Twelve members began meeting in the home of John R. Sanders, 404 Hill St., in July 1940. Charles L. McLean did the teaching. Both men are dead. A room was rented in the Queen City Hotel and preachers were sent from the church in Washington — Bonds Stocks and Bro. Truax. Meetings were held by Edward Craddock, Hadley Smith and L. Lewis. In Feb. 1942 meetings were held by Ed Craddock and John Smithson in a building at 400 Goetha St. and 14th Street sent Bro. Haldman to preach for us. We moved to the IOOF Hall in March 1946 with Paul Rotenberry preaching. We later found a building at 213 S. Lee St. Brother Spear came for a meeting. Chesley Wooten and Paul Hosse served as preachers. First service in new building in March, 1959 valued at \$45,000. Courtney Chaney, one of the first 12 is the song leader. Paul Catherman, Jr., serves as preacher. Elders are John Mullin, Herman Morris, Courtney Chaney and Garland Hulzel. Deacons: Paul Catherman, Sr., Theodore Buser, William Scott and Frank Foshee. Over 100 members. Preacher needed.

EAST RIVERDALE

A small Community Church was meeting in a little frame building on property donated by the Presley family when James H. McBroom, who was preaching at 14th St., in Washington, came for a meeting. Worship after the New Testament order was begun. The record may be that in time the group may have moved in an organ but when Hugh McCord, then in Washington came for a meeting the instrument was abandoned. Preachers and teachers came from all congregations in the District — Curtis Combs, Brodie Crouch, Joe Harrison, Brother Litton, Denton M. Neal, Harry Pickup, Jr., Carl Rogers and Olin Stout. Joe Harrison and later Curtis Combs did preaching in the early 50's. Chesley Wooten and presently Denton Neal is preaching. Additional property has been added due a great deal to the help of Bob Sikes, now

in Texas. Milton Stovall has given valuable help. Joe Harrison, Bruce McDonald, E. Mitchell, Richard Scobey and Winfred Sellers have helped much in preaching and teaching. Sisters Thelma Brown English, Nettie Rice and Doris Watts Spitzer are among the first members. The church is known as Wildercroft Church and is located at 6330 Auburn Avenue. Membership about 100.

FOREST HEIGHTS

Sixty three members, mostly from Southeast Church in Washington, D. C., met in the Flintstone Elementary School for worship on January 3, 1960. Ray A. Dillard, regular minister for the Southeast Church preached the first sermon. The church was known from the beginning as Oxon Hill. Since Otto Foster had previously guided a number in studies of church leadership, Harold R. Tyler directed the installation of D. W. McKenzie, Herbert L. Peterson and Robert R. Stone, Jr., as elders and Orville Bragg, William H. Brown, Charles E. Campbell, Arthur Kendall, Sr., John Reavis, James E. Scobey and James Shurbet as deacons. Men from various places did the preaching for the first year. In February 1961 P. O. Box 7001, Washington 20, D. C.

Robert C. Oz was obtained. Building is planned. Mail address:

GLEN BURNIE

Glen Burnie is located 12 miles south of Baltimore. I do not have the dates but would suppose in the 1950's 12 members living in the area decided to start worship and Walter Chuprun, who had stock in a community property, arranged for worship to be held in the community building. Curtis Combs, assistant to Don McGaughey at West Hyattsville, helped get the work started. There were 64 at the first service. Sixteenth Street sent preachers later. In 1957 a nice building was erected at 2 Eastern Avenue. Oscar Ellison McCoy is the preacher.

one picture of the building

HAGERSTOWN

Several members of the Martinsburg, W. Va., Church started meeting here in 1949 — Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Roach and their two daughters — now Mrs. Donald Hochstein and Mrs. J. H. Carpenter — Heber Swaim, Mrs. Edward Poe, Joe Sponaugle and J. H. Carpenter. Howard Horton held the first meeting in June 1949 and this marked the beginning. Building was purchased in 1954 and remodeled in 1956 — directed by B. J. Wilson, Thomas Bowers, Heber Swaim and J. H. Carpenter. Brother Carpenter did the preaching for the first eight years — he is a mechanical engineer — assisted at times by B. J. Wilson, Paul Hosse, James Capps and others. S. W. Larkins preached from Sept. '59 to Sept. '61 and Edwin Miller and J. H. Carpenter do the preaching now. Church is located at 2206 Virginia Avenue.

two pictures of the bldg

HYATTSVILLE

The Colesville Road Church was brought about by the merger of the Avalon Heights, West Hyattsville and Jefferson Street churches. Avalon Heights met for the first time in April 1926. West Hyattsville started in January 1946. The joint groups met first in July 1957 in the Avalon Heights building. When the building program started in 1948 there were 84 members. Three and one half acres were purchased near the U of Md. for \$38,000. The building was completed in July 1960 and the property valued at \$200,000. Sixteen additional classrooms are in the planning. Harry S. Dawson, Olin L. Stout and Earl Williams were appointed elders in March 1961. Billy H. Hood has preached since June 1957. Address: 6420 Colesville Road. Jerry J. Jennings assists with the preaching.

LEXINGTON PARK

All the information we have is the location — 10 Chinlee Drive.

RISING SUN (See Colora)

ROCKVILLE

Fifty four men and women and children from the Silver

Spring Church met here for the first time June 14, 1959 in the Richard Montgomery High School. Regular worship was started when W. E. Albright, government employee, moved to Washington from Huntsville, Ala. Preacher's home bought in 1960. Milton Copeland, Abilene boy and law student at George Washington, assisted in preaching beginning in Feb. 1961. Ed H. Enzor, Jr., came full-time in Aug. 1961. Building is being planned for 1963. Meeting in High School. Mail, address — 1622 Tweed St.

SALISBURY

Started July 1957. Windle Kee present preacher — P. O. Box 842. Building located on Ocean City Road. About 40 members.

SILVER SPRING

On Nov. 16, 1947 fifteen people met in the New County Building to worship. In Nov. 1953 worship started in the Montgomery Blaid High School and moved to present building at 100 E. Franklin in May 1959. This building is valued at \$75,000. Earl Hilbert was the first located preacher and served from Oct. 1950 to Aug. 1952 followed by G. W. Nicholas who soon had to leave due to illness. In March 1953 Clyde Sloan, now director of the Bible Chair at Lawton, Okla., came and remained until Aug. 1958. Doyle Cannon preached until T. Furman Cauthen, present preacher, came in July 1961. Churches in Rockville and Laurel, Md., were started by members from here. Elders: W. A. Anderson, O. H. Tomkinson, W. G. Strosnider. Deacons: F. R. Boyett, D. C. Jackson, W. H. Peacock, P. H. Snyder.

Picture of Furman

MASSACHUSETTS

BOSTON (see Brookline)

BROOKFIELD

In the summer of 1946 a few Christians met in the Ainsworth W. Adams' home for the first worship. Harry Dighton of Worcester served as the first preacher. About Oct. 1947 Brother Dighton left and Brother Adams was asked to preach — he is doing so to this day. Thomas Page and Harold Thomas had come often to preach. In 1956 worship was started in a building on Fishdale Road. During that year Cecil Allmon held a meeting and Pat Harrell, who was then preaching in Natick, held a meeting in 1957. Brother Maynard of Michigan held a Vacation Bible School and meeting in 1958.

BROOKLINE

Mrs. George Wallington writes: "Dear Brother Lovell: You probably don't remember us but you worshipped with us in the Phillip Brooks House in Harvard College yard back in the twenties. I remember very clearly. In September 1921 Paul and John Young of Texas, Bro. and Sister C. P. Poole and son and Sister Poole's brother Luke, Brother and Sister Harrison and son from Texas, A. S. Croom, Sister Margaret Ehersman and ourselves started the Boston Church. George, Mary and myself were the only resident members. During the next 18 years we had only two preachers — John R. Hovious and Arthur Graham. We are now with the church in Melrose." (Yes, Sister Wallington, how well I remember and I have kept up with all these over the years. JLL)

Other early leaders: Wendell Burgess, Alexander Suttie and Paul McNeil. Some who held meetings in the 20's and 30's: George Klingman, Fred Rowe, A. W. Hastings, E. H. Ijams, Sam Davis Tatum, Wendell Needham, O. H. Tallman, and in the 1940's — Lemoine Lewis. The only churches in the entire New England state in 1940 were Bridgeport, Conn., Portland, Unity and Danforth, Maine and here.

In 1942 the church moved from Boston (actually Cambridge) to our new building at 416 Washington Street in Brookline, Mass. J. Harold Thomas was our first preacher with Thomas Page, Lemoine and Jack Lewis and others going out from here to preach and teach. Worship was soon started in Natick, Malden (now Melrose and Roxbury) by these men and through the efforts of various members congregations were established in Worcester, Mass., Providence, R. L., and Manchester, N. H. Joe E. Sanders followed Brother Thomas

in 1952 and a new work was started in Bedford (now Lexington) in 1956. Brother Thomas returned here for two more years followed by Roy Bowen Ward and Don Huey McGaughey. All records were broken in Sept. 1962 during Lecture-ship featuring John Banister and Pat Harrell.

CHICOPEE FALLS (see Springfield)

EASTON

Joseph A. Bolster reports that they met from Wednesday evening classes in Brockton for some years and drove 23 miles to Brookline on Sundays. Harold Thomas, Roy Ward, Harold Forshey, Everett Ferguson and others guided in the worship which was held in the YMCA and homes. Later Wendell Needham, who was then at Brookline, directed evening worship. July 10, 1960 Morris D. Thurman of Oklahoma came to fully establish this work — supported by Hillcrest Church in Oklahoma City. During the past two years more than 20 have been baptized and a new building has been erected at Central & Depot Streets. Mail to Box 291, South Easton, Mass. Membership 41.

FALMOUTH

The only information we have is what we find in the North Atlantic Directory of 1960 "Falmouth Church of Christ, IOOF Hall, Permanent contact Robert H. Hall, Lot 18, Otis Trailer Village, Otis AFB."

LEOMINISTER

First meeting in Grange Hall Sept. 28, 1958 with 10 members from Littleton and Worcester. The key person was Mrs. John Morrison. Jeff Martin, a serviceman, preached until he was discharged from service. Ellis Coats and A. R. Hill, Jr., of Alabama came for meetings as did John Franklin of Oklahoma, Charles Chandler of New Hampshire and Thomas Cook of Ohio. Bill Martin, student at Harvard, is helping with the preaching. The Lexington Church is helping us. Place of worship — Union and Adams Streets. Mr. and Mrs. Young, citizens, have given property for church building.

LEXINGTON

Abe Malherbe preached for the first service, held in the Hanscom Field chapel in Bedford in January 1956 and has been the preacher ever since. Charter members include Paul McNeil, Harry Kreide, Russ Hulbert, Denis Brown, Steve Filan and Clyde Jones. In cooperation with the church at Natick, a new church was started in Littleton the end of 1956. In January we moved from Hanscom Field to a Masonic Hall near Lexington. A preacher's home was purchased. Our building was erected in 1960 at 319 Lowell St. A. H. Bryan, Jr. and Paul H. McNeil serve as elders while R. L. Fishback, Jr., R. D. Hulbert, J. C. James and K. C. Kreide serve as deacons. Congregation helps support two preachers in mission areas. Membership about 50. Picture of A. J. Malherbe. Mailing address Box 144.

LITTLETON

Established the last Sunday in October 1956. A Bible class had been taught in the area by Jeff D. Martin of El Paso, Texas — serviceman at Ft. Devens. Of the first 21 who attended the first service only Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fenno and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Carver remain — report made by Jay. After Jeff left May 1957 Jay has preached since. Services were held in the home of Sgt. Earl W. Burton until March 1958 when a hall was rented. In May 1958 two acres of land were given by Malcolm and Miss Judith Dunn of Action, Mass., and another half acre since. Building was erected and first service on Jan. 25, 1959. Address 220 Harwood Avenue. Fewer than 50 members.

MELROSE

First service was held in Malden in the fall of 1944 in the home of Emma Watts and her daughter with Harold Thomas doing the preaching — he was then at Brookline. Lemoine Lewis, then in Harvard, assisted. In November, 1945, Richard Walker preached until December 1948 when he left for mission work in Berlin, Germany where he is

today. In September 1949 W. A. Harrison, Jr., moved to Malden but had to support himself for two years. In 1951 Edgefield in Dallas, three churches in Abilene, University Avenue in Austin and West End in Nashville made it possible for Brother Harrison to preach full-time. In May 1953 land was purchased in fast growing section of Melrose and in May 1956 a building was started and the first service in it held Nov. 11th. Cost \$52,000. Help came from all over the nation. Location 409 Upham St. Norman Gipson present preacher. Picture of building.

NATICK

John Hamilton, 22 Hammond Rd., is one of the leaders of the church at this place and he makes an interesting report. His sister Mrs. Gladys Randall lived in Brookline. The church there left a pamphlet in her mail box inviting her to worship. This was our first contact with the church of the Lord. June A. Smith, Louise B. Hamilton and John Hamilton were the three original members who met for the first service here in 1945. A building was started in 1952 but not fully completed until 1961 — total cost over \$60,000. Harold Thomas and Tom Page came from Brookline for many months to help in the preaching. John Franklin, now in Tulsa, Okla., was the first full-time preacher. Pat Harrell was here for seven years and about 1959 Tom Olbricht came and continued until Sept. '62. Harold Vanderpool, ACC graduate of Abilene, attending Harvard is assisting. Location of church — North Main at Pine.

NEW BEDFORD

In 1952 Hector Loader, from Long Island, came to New Bedford to visit his relatives. While he was there he told them of his new found for the Lord. Brother Loader's son, Richard, was to be married at the church in Flushing, New York and the relatives from New Bedford attended. They met E. J. Sumerlin who gave them a lesson on the church and the next day they were baptized. When they returned they went to worship at Newport, R. I. First worship in New Bedford was in the Edgar Foisey home, then a store building, YMCA and now our own building at 186 Cedar Grove Street. For some years preachers from other places came to help us. John L. Newton, Jr., made many trips with Hector Loader helping the church to grow and finally moved from New York here where he worked nights to help his support. He is now in Dover, N. J. Jerl W. Weeks followed and while here 4½ years baptized 26 persons. He is now at Davenport, Iowa. Thomas Fender came in July 1961 and doing a fine work.

PITTSFIELD

This church was started in 1958 when brethren from Chicopee Falls met for afternoon worship in the YMCA. The Wade Chandlers, Ken Bastins, Vernon Russells and Dalton Dietz came from Chicopee Falls and the George Kieffers and Harold Gardners came from Bennington, Vermont. Paul and Mary Lou Jones, Mrs. Pauls Gosselin, Mrs. Frank Baskaw, Mrs. Mona Brown and daughters, Mrs. Donald Miller, Kenneth and Corianne Merritt, Mrs. Joe Mohrmann, Tom Hilliard and Ann Holloway were the first local members. Wade Chandler did the early preaching with Paul Jones directing singing. In January 1960 Claud R. Danley from Bentonville, Ark., arrived and in September moved his family here. They met first in his home at 35 Pine Grove and later in the Coltsville Community House and at present in Girl's Club Building. A fine work is being done. Mail — P. O. Box 932.

ROXBURY

Mr. and Mrs. John Davis, Georgia Mitchell and John Stringer started meeting in the Davis home in November 1944 — Henry Forgy was the first preacher. Others who have worked with this church are Lemoine Lewis, W. B. Barton, Howard Johnson, Everett Ferguson, Abe Malherbe, Samuel Trotter, John Davis, John Davis, Jr., and Harold Forshey. In 1950 while Brother Trotter was here, they moved

to a rented store at 363 Warren Street. In October 1958 a residence was purchased at 81 Walnut Street. Harold Forshey, while attending school and partially supporting himself, worked with the church in 1958 and 1959. David Wilson has been an inspiration to this church. Present membership about 50. Building is planned. Report by Harold Forshey.

SPRINGFIELD (Chicopee Falls)

In the fall of 1953 Troy Williams and W. E. Hebbard obtained permission to conduct services in a chapel at Westover Air Base. Later a hall at 43 Dwight St. in Springfield was used. Until mid 1955 one service a week was held with usually just three persons present — Brother Williams, Sister Haynes and her daughter. Latter part of 1955 attendance increased and two services were held and by March 1956 24 were present and Wednesday evening study started. Jay Carver came to preach twice a month. Wallace E. Mynatt of Waxahachie, Tex., came for a meeting in July 1956 and it was a great success. With some support from Texas, Brother Mynatt came in September to work with us. In 1956 six were baptized and six restored. In October we purchased lots in Chicopee Falls, a suburb of Springfield, for \$14,000. We look forward to a building. Meeting place now is at 284 Montgomery St., P. O. Box 134, Chicopee Falls, Mass. M. E. Blake followed Brother Mynatt in preaching. Lon Elkins succeeded Mickey Blake in March 1962.

WORCESTER

Sunday, Nov. 21, 1943, Thomas N. Page, who was assisting J. Harold Thomas at Brookline, preached at the first service held in a room at the Bancroft Hotel. Paul McNeil had set up the arrangements a week before. Tom continued until 1951. Fourteen were present at the first service. Arthur Pike, a student at Worcester Poly, was the only known member then in the city. Charles and Sister Masters soon came from Edcouch, Tex., and took membership. Mrs. Charles Briggs was baptized and Lt. Charles R. Page. Harry Dighton became a part of the fellowship as well as others. In 1947 lots were purchased and in 1949 an additional lot and dwelling which was used for worship. New building is planned. Preachers who have helped — Elza Hufford, Paul Edwards, Ellis McGaughey, F. B. Shepherd, J. W. Gallagher, M. Norvel Young, James Baird, Andy Ritchie, Jr., Cecil I. Allmon came in September 1951 and is still here. Robert W. Lawrence is assisting. Marjorie Rogers who went to Germany as a missionary nurse became Mrs. Fred Casmir. Fred is a member of the faculty at Pepperdine College and a loyal gospel preacher. Joanne Johnson went to Harding and became Mrs. James Jarrett. James preaches for the church in Warwick, R. I. Janet Sterner went to Lipscomb and married Tony Forrest who preaches for church in Taylorville, N. C. The evangelistic zeal of Mrs. Ernest Perreault led to Bible classes in her home and the church in Keene, N. H. Marjorie Morrison and her three children were the prime movers of the church in Leominster. Floyd Miller went to Lipscomb and is now preaching in Cooperstown, N. Y. Many persons and places have helped here but special thanks to Skillman Avenue in Dallas. Address of church — 217 May St.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

CONCORD

Started Jan. 18, 1959. R. W. Fowler, 44 Fisherville Rd., reports that his family were driving over from Brattleboro, Vermont, but later moved here. Anne Leavitt, a student nurse, was the only known member living in Concord. Meetings were held in Railroad. YMCA. There were five baptisms in 1959. Services were moved to the Fowler home, which was later purchased for a place of worship by the 4th Avenue church in Franklin, Tenn., which was helping him. Several others have been baptized since. Charter members: Russell, Lea, Thomas and Judith Fowler, Anne Leavitt and

Delma Hill. Today there are 20 members. Plans are for a better place of worship.

KEENE

Charles Chandler was born in McKinney, Tex., graduated from ACC and has been preaching for the church here since the beginning in April 1956. The church started with 9 members and grew out of cottage meetings held by E. H. Masters of Brattleboro, Vermont, who baptized eight. After first meeting in a school building they met in the Chandler home which was built for a place of worship. The church in Marlow, Okla., backed this purchase. In 1958 a brick building was erected by Paden Construction Co., who have built so many of the buildings everywhere. The church in Seagoville, Tex., made a loan of \$35,000. Mrs. Shirley Amidon, Mrs. Dora Cheney, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Eisner, Sr., Paul Hebert, Mrs. Agnes Hendricks, Mrs. Gladys Murdock, Mrs. Hattie Richardson, Stanley Winnil and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chandler are charter members. H. Decker Clark, Jr., assisted Charles for a year before he went to Leominster, Mass., and John Bailey, formerly of Abilene Christian College, began work here in June 1962. Building is located at Arch & Blossom and mail to Box 261.

MANCHESTER

It seems that Ivan Peace of Georgia moved to Manchester over 20 years ago and held a meeting on Granite Square. At the time the only known church in the whole area was the one meeting in the Phillips Brooks House on Harvard campus (see Montrose, Mass.). Brother Peace married and his wife became a Christian and services were held in their home. Richard Walker helped much in the preaching and several were baptized. The Peace family moved to the Suncook community 13 miles north. W. E. Hebbard preached and in the late 1940's W. A. Harrison came and helped both here in where the Peace family lived. Later Harry Dighton preached for some time but had to leave and a difficult period came for the church. Alvis Bryan held a meeting here in the 1940's and baptized Bill Jensen who has remained faithful. His wife, Lois, had been baptized in Florida earlier. Bill has done much to save the church from total extinction. In November 1954 L. G. Devey, supported by Edgefield in Dallas, came for a year. Bill Jensen and Tom Allison guided the work after that for a long period of time but when servicemen from the Air Base were moved out active membership was reduced to the Jensens, E. Mekras, Sister Ruth Osgood and Sister Freda Henesse. Again Alvis Bryan came to the rescue and helped get nearby churches to cooperate. Most of the members who had been meeting with the Peace family had moved away. This was the situation when Raymondville, Texas church sent the George True Baker family here in 1957. George is a graduate of Abilene. The six members of the Peace family add strength. Church meets at 66 Mamouth Road.

SEABROOK

Three families of Christians have lived here for some years but have driven to Kittery, Maine to worship. In time these three families purchased a building and the church formally had its beginning March 5, 1961 with Lawson Mayo, Jr., of Laredo, Tex., as preacher. Lawson graduated from Abilene. He is still with this work — postal address: Box 62. Remodeling of building in May '62.

MENDHAM-BERNARDSVILLE

(Since Clinton and Flora Davidson are two of the dearest friends I have on earth I want to write what I know of this work and them personally. JLL)

Clint was an orphan in the Potter Home in Bowling Green, Ky., when I was an orphan within a few miles of him. He became one of the great men of the church and I have had close association with him for many years. Clint was the person who directed George Benson in becoming such a power in building Harding College. Clint is the man who put together the "Pat Boone and U. S. A." radio program for Pepperdine College and who worked out the printing and

sale of Pat's book, "Twixt 12 and 20" for Northeastern Institute for Christian Education. I know of good works all over the world done by this fine family. Clint and I do not agree on all things but I love him as I do few men in the great family of God.

In 1936 the Davidsons bought a beautiful estate midway between Mendham and Bernardsville on which there was a beautiful little chapel which they named "The Little Church in the Wildwood." Their two grandchildren requested the grandmother to teach them their Sunday School lesson in their own church building. They invited friends. Before long they had a large Sunday School with the grandfather teaching high school boys. Every Sunday became a full day with Bible, play and food for all. I have visited and talked here often as have Eddie Couch, E. H. Ijams, Leon Harding, A. W. Hastings, George Benson, Hugh M. Tiner, Reuel Lemmons and many others. Clinton Davidson, Jr., with his father, did much of the preaching. Harry Robert Fox, Jr., preached his first sermon here. Jackson Simmons, a Negro, was converted in Georgia, was hired by the Davidsons and with Nathan Carter, another employee, have established churches for their own race in Trenton and Morristown.

In 1945 Clinton Rutherford came to assist "Jack" Davidson and after Jack's death has remained with the work until this day. In 1951 the Davidsons raised something over \$100,000 to purchase a 60-room estate next door (an adjoining farm.) This was turned into Camp Shiloh where some 400 or more boys and girls are enrolled each summer for Christian education and training. More than 200 of them have been baptized. The church meets in this place and might be considered one of the finest "plants" in the brotherhood. Support is being given workers in Mexico, Japan, Africa and other nations and if further information is ever wanted on the good works of the Davidsons and this congregation, I have a file on it.

Pictures of rs. Davidson, Mr. Pepperdine, Jack, Clinton
MT. HOLLY

Although we do not have the names, one of the preachers and an elder of the church in Springdale, Arkansas made a survey here and decided to start the church. This was sometime in the summer of 1962.

NEW JERSEY

BURLINGTON-LEVITTOWN

The church here began in the home of Ed Carruth in Moorestown in 1958. On Jan. 1, 1959 William Reeves began work and in January 1960 moved into their new building on Sunset Road. Auditorium will seat 140 and property is valued at \$56,000. William Spindler began full-time work in July 1961, supported by the Polytechnic Church in Fort Worth, Texas. There are about 40 members and the indebtedness is now about \$25,000. Mail — Box 675, Levittown, N. J.

BERNARDSVILLE (See Mendham)

COLLINGSWOOD

A letter from Cline Paden, one of our missionaries in Italy, in 1950, asking someone to visit a former Catholic who was baptized in Italy now visiting near Camden, N. J. The person visited was a former Catholic priest and Franciscan monk who had fled to America seeking freedom — his name was Aniceto Sparagna. Ralph Graham, then with the church in Trenton found Aniceto, arranged for him to become an American citizen and converted him to Christ. Working under the church in Flusing, N. Y., and later 56th & Warringin in Philadelphia, Ralph and Aniceto traveled 35,000 miles, visited over 200 churches in 20 states and money for the building in Collingswood valued today at near \$100,000. First meeting was March 2, 1952. Charter members still here — Ralph and Irene Graham, Mrs. Jimmie Messick, Mrs. Arthur Milnamow, Mrs. Pearl Sutcliffe, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Taylor. A young architect, Malcolm B. Wells, was asked to design the building. He and his wife were later

baptized. Much credit to this venture is given to Brother Sparagna and thanks are given to so many across the nation who helped. Elders: Robert T. Bearden and Samuel D. Townsend. Address: 300 White Horse Pike. Ralph lives at 408 Cornwall Rd., Haddonfield, N. J.

DOVER

First service Sept. 16, 1956. William Morgan preached and he and Glenn Kramar continued for some time. Members from Whippany gave much support. Andy T. Ritchie came for a meeting in the summer of 1957 and seven were baptized. In September eight graduates from Lipscomb moved here to take teaching positions and the church was greatly strengthened. Helen Miller, Barbara DeVries, Charlotte Baxtrom, Helen Alban, Arch and Ethel Johnson, Robert and Elizabeth Reider and Helen McKnight were the natives who made up the nucleus of the church. Charles Moore and the work in Japan received support. Peter Mastrobattista assisted Brother Morgan and others in the preaching until John Lee Newton came in 1958. Building and land purchased in 1958 and today the church is in a new building at 118 Quaker Church Rd., Dover Mt. 2, New Jersey. John is preaching with Bob Spain, Neal Stotts, Forest Suddeath and Lowell Hayman leading songs.

EAST ORANGE

In the Spring of 1953, Emmanuel Luxardo, preacher of a Presbyterian Church in Newark, heard a gospel sermon over the radio. He contacted Bill Reeves in Fair Lawn and was baptized into Christ. Bill and his family, Emmanuel and the Eddie Carruth family began meeting in the Continental Hall in downtown Newark in the later summer of '53 and a few weeks later met at 6 West Park Street. The church grew and in November 1954 worship was held in the newly purchased property at 169 Main Street, East Orange. Much help was received from Castleberry Church in Ft. Worth, Texas. Gene Lyles followed Bill in 1956 and remained until 1959 when Bill Echols came and a fine work is continued. Meetings have been held by Harry Pickup, Jr., Thomas Warren, Ross Dye, Roger Mills, Glenn Kramar, Roger Hawley, Ferrell Jenkins, Edward McCaskill, James Finney, Richard Donley and Roy Cogdill.

EATONTOWN

In the summer of 1941 Mrs. H. W. Henson, wife of an army officer not then a Christian, made plans with Lt. C. W. Wallace for worship in the Elks Club in Red Bank. They later used a chapel at Ft. Monmouth from December 1941 to February 1946. After meeting in a Community Church building for a few months they used the Advent Christian Church building for morning worship in Eatontown. This building was purchased in 1951; a lot next door to the building with over 10,000 square feet has recently been purchased. Eddie Couch, James O. Baird, Ralph V. Graham, Leroy Garrett, Juan Rivera, Arthur Moody, Roger Mills and others helped with the preaching until May 1953 when Jim Oldham came as the first full time man and remained two years followed by Jim Elliott and Bob Knight. Beginning in March 1959 SFC Lyle E. Ensminger preached until April 1960 when William N. Scott came. Bill is a graduate of Abilene and got his graduate work at Harding. Served as associate minister at 16th Street in Washington, preached in Dover and is doing a fine work here. The church in Red Bank was started by this group. Place of worship Highway No. 35 at South Street — P. O. Box 142.

FAIR LAWN

On Sept. 7, 1907 three young Englishmen named Johnson, with their mother, arrived back in England for the purpose of bringing their fiances to America. They arrived back in New York and were united in a triple wedding on Sept. 21, 1907. For the next several years the elder Johnsons and the three couples, all members of the church of Christ, met in the Johnson home for worship. The closest group they knew was in Tabernacle, N. J., 75 miles away. When

worship was started in New York City they met there for sometime but with new children in the family they started worship again in New Jersey. A. W. Hastings was preaching when they decided to move to Jersey City. George Bailey, now at the great College Church in Abilene, was preaching in Jersey City and followed by Wendell Needham in 1945. In 1948 the group decided to move to Fair Lawn. William Reeves came in 1950 and helped in getting a building which was the first for our people in the entire Metropolitan area. The three Johnson brothers did not live to see the building completed but their widows did. Sister Annie has since died and Sister Lillian is still faithful and with us. Sister Amy lives with children in Hollywood, California. (If I got no other happiness out of this project than trying to locate this great Christian lady and her children in California, it would be worth it all. I have just learned that Sister Amy died. JLL.) Clarence King, now in Lubbock, Tex., preached in 1954 and 1955. Fay H. Starr came in Jan. 1956. James L. Finney and Edward Baker serve the church as ministers today. Location, Plaza Road at Marlot Avenue.

HAMMONTON

On Jan. 29, 1956, 8 brethren met for worship at 209 Bellevue Avenue. Aniceto Sparagna (see history of Collingswood) has been the preacher from the beginning. He helps support himself as a berry farmer, the vocation of his father-in-law, Brother Charles Cutts. His wife, Viola, teaches school in Mount Holly. After four years property was purchased. May 15, 1960 worship was held in the new \$40,000 building at Liberty Street near Broadway — J. Harold Thomas and Ralph Graham preached.

Charter members who are still here: Mrs. William LaManna, Mrs. Helen De Lucca, Mr. and Mrs. Sparagna, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Lawson, Mrs. Lillian Sein, Mrs. Stella Tomasello, Mr. and Mrs. John Thee. Mail: P. O. Box 147.

LAKEHURST

Charles Brown, who formerly preached in Red Bank, moved to Toms River (1021 Bell Street) to start the church. At present worship is being held in Lakehurst and some 60 or 70 are attending. No address of the meeting place in Lakehurst was given.

MENDHAM

MORRISTOWN

Sewell Hall was the speaker for the first service held here in Feb. 1956. The church in Huntsville, Ala., sent Glenn Kramar, a California boy, educated at Abilene, in March. Four acres of land and a 15-room dwelling at 265 Evergreen is the place of worship. In 1963 the Kramars went to Peru as new first missionaries there.

MOUNT HOLLY

Due to a heavy snow, Ralph Graham could not be present for the first service in the home of Norman and Nevada Greenwald in Feb. 1958. Ralph did preach for sometime aided by John Cutts of Tabernacle. Charter members — the Greenwalds, their two sons and their wives, their two daughters, Miss Geraldine Johnson. Miss Gail Gilliss. Mr. and Mrs. Codrick. After meeting in the YMCA a building was purchased in 1961 at King & Grant Streets. Pat E. Harrell has been the preacher since Jan. 1960. Andrew Connelly in Africa is helped. There are about 40 members.

NEWARK

894 S. 14th Street.

The church started in this city Nov. 14, 1937 at 145 W. Market St. with six members with A. W. Hastings preaching. July 1, 1939 we moved to 27 Hartford St., with 12 members. In Dec. 1942 to a storefront on 15th Ave., at Bedford with 15 members. In 1945 a small building was purchased which was later sold and in 1958 the present \$100,000 property was purchased and we moved in May 1, 1960. Others who have served as preachers are Levi Kennedy, H. U. Johnson, S. T. W. Gibbs, Sr., O. Cathey, S. Turrentine and at this time A. O'Bryant.

80 South Orange Avenue.

Beginning Sept. 18, 1955 with Charles Murray preaching. Charter members: Jacob and Moses Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Ford, Sister Davis. Brother Johnson often assists with the preaching. There are about 30 members. Report by Kathy D. Poole.

(North Atlantic Directory lists a church at 125 Somerset but we received no information on it).

NEW BRUNSWICK

(No information received. North Atlantic Directory lists: Contact H. Davis, Rt. 2, Box 100).

NEW EGYPT

After Bible study in Mrs. M. D. Dove home the first worship service was held here in April 1959 with 19 persons present. In May 1959 meetings were held in the Boy Scout building. Preaching and teaching was done by local men and visitors for other churches and later by Ed Carruth and Bill Reeves. Joe C. Lemmons came in Nov. 1960 and receives partial support from 36th & Prospect Church in Oklahoma City. A. J. Rollings of Athens, Ala., held the first meeting in Aug. 1960. In July 1961 Andy Ritchie and 17 young people from Harding College conducted a personal work meeting. The group at present is made up of service men and families at McGuire, Ft. Dix and Lakehurst. Construction should now be underway of a building east of town on highway 528. Eleven baptisms since Joe Lemmons arrived. Report by John T. Walker, 23 Cedar St., New Egypt. C. E. McGaughey held a meeting in summer of '62.

PITMAN

Three families living in this area and assisted by the church in Tabernacle, worship was started in the VFW Hall in November 1959 — Mr. and Mrs. Gene Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rizzuto, Mrs. William Frambes and her two sons. By February attendance had grown to 30. In July 1960 with about 30 members Marlin and Nancy Connelly and their son, Philip, moved here from Calhoun, Ga. In September two acres of land were purchased. In April 1961 Acklen Avenue in Nashville began sending \$300 per month which helps Marlin and his family to live and a building fund to be started on a building which was moved into in 1962. Location on East Holley. There are about 50 members. Mail to Box 205, Pitman, N. J.

PRINCETON

In Sept., 1946, thirteen charter members began meeting in the YWCA Building. Of these only Mrs. S. S. Wilks and Mrs. H. G. Goeke remain, all others having left the area. Since 1949 various men from Princeton Theological Seminary and Northeastern Institute for Christian Education have worked with the congregation on a part-time basis. The congregation, consisting of 14 members, and having an average attendance of about 25, now meets in the Princeton Shrine Club Building on River Road. Various men from the congregation and from other nearby congregations share the preaching and teaching. Contact with the congregation can be made by writing either Princeton Church of Christ, P. O. Box 385, Princeton, or Glenn H. Bruestle, Bear Brook Road, Princeton Junction.

RAHWAY

The church here meets in the VFW Hall and was started Nov. 28, 1960 with most members from Westfield. They first met in Woodbridge in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Galbreath. Charter members — Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Rogers, Marvin and Mrs. Roberts, Mel Setner and the Galbreath family. Jerry Rogers preached. Our number has grown to about 50. Meeting place 1419 Campbell St., Rahway, N. J. Contact Dorsey Galbreath, 10 Hillside Ave., Woodbridge, N. J.

RED BANK

North Atlantic Directory lists this place at 10 Riverside Ave., and contact as James Elliott, 10 Jumping Brook Dr., Neptune, N. J. Caleb J. Kirkpatrick, 89 Laurel Dr., Little Silver, N. J., is the preacher. There are 75 members and the

church is self supporting. This is a faithful and zealous group.

TABERNACLE

The church here began in 1914 with three members. They met for a few months in the Methodist Church, Lodge Hall and then the home of Charles Cutts until meeting house was built in 1916. A larger place was erected in 1957 — membership about 60. Ernest Joynes, Leroy Garrett, Wayland James, Donald Sime and Ronald Bever served as preachers. Ralph Price is here now. Permanent contact: Mrs. Ross Cutts, Rt. 3, Vincetown, N. J.

TOMS RIVER (see Lakehurst)

TRENTON

2329 Liberty Street

The beginning was in the home of William White in Newton, Pa., with Mr. and Mrs. Weidenhaver, Mr. and Mrs. Estep (the Esteps were not then members.) In 1940 worship was held in a hall at 47 Clinton Ave., in Trenton and consisted of the Whites, Weidenhavers, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Saunders, Sister Hamilton, Sister Gena Wilkes, Sister Elsie Cheatham, Sister Florence Blood, Sister Florence Ashley, Sister Florence Blood, Sister Campbell and Sister Ruth Campbell, James O. Baird was the preacher and Brother White led the singing. Four years later a basement building was purchased at our present location. Besides Brother Baird, who is now president of Oklahoma Christian College in Oklahoma City, Edward Couch, Robert Broadus, Leroy Garrett, Ralph Graham, Roger Mills, Baylor Anglen and Gerald Skaggs have served as preachers. Wayne I. Newland is here at this time. Elmer Merrifield, Glen Bruestles, Arthur Smith and Merrick Francis lead singing.

TRENTON

84 Norman Avenue.

No information was received but I know that two fine Christian Negros — Jackson Simmons and Nathan Carter, both of whom work for Clinton Davidson at (Box 35) Bernardsville, N. J., helped start this church as well as the one in Morristown. They have their own building without asking for a penny outside the state on it or for any other purpose which is quite a record in itself.

WESTFIELD

After meeting in homes for a few months in 1951 an old Presbyterian building at 600 Springfield Ave., was purchased. Help was given by Central Church in Houston, Tex., and Sewell Hall came in time as the first full-time preacher. B. E. Bawcom and his family, upon their return from mission work in Nigeria, came in Sept. 1956 when the membership was 60. Membership grew to more than 100 and when the Bawcoms left to take work in Oklahoma City in 1961 there were about 125 members with 25 baptized the past year. Building program underway for a \$150,000 building. Few churches in the nation have such a large percentage of professional men — about 10 with doctor's degrees. Appointment of elders and deacons are in the making. Splendid work done at Annandale Penal Farm and many boys baptized. W. D. Fogle and Dell Hein assisted Brother Bawcom in this work. Burney and Louanna have four children. B. E. Lemmons is the present preacher.

Picture of new and old building.

WHIPPANY

First service at YMCA in Morristown afternoon of Feb. 26, 1956. Sewell Hall, then preaching at Westfield, was speaker. Others present were Fred and Dorothy Goodheer, Herman and Laura Buffmyer. Later Bill and Jennie Netterville and Sister Ollie Davis became part of the starting nucleus. Glenn and Janice Kramar began full-time work April 1, 1956 and within a few weeks Sister Alban, the Meadows, Mastrobattistas, Morrisons, Odgens and Bill Morgan joined in. Bob Morrison was the first person baptized. Beginning of the church was recently held in his (and Ilene's) home in Lima, Peru. Bill Morgan assisted Glenn for sometime and then moved to Dover to help start that work. Harold and Dorothy Stinehelfer came in Oct. 1956 and he has helped so

much in leading of songs and personal work. Sept. 23, 1957 we moved to the present location at 270 Whipparry Road. A new building has been erected that will seat 300. Much help has been given by brethren near Huntsville, Ala. We are about self supporting now.

WOODBIDGE (see Rahway)

NEW YORK

ALBANY

We have no information since Bob Scott (see Syracuse) has just moved to Albany to start the work. With Christians now meeting here the last capital city in America has a church of Christ.

BAY SHORE

BETHPAGE

The church grew out of a meeting in the home of Dr. Walter Rogers in Lubbock, Texas. Headed up by Dwain Evans with Walter Rogers, Alfred Holeman and Robert Qualls, with the Richmond Hills Church taking the oversight, about 15 families, mostly from Texas, decided to move here. As we go to press more than 60 families are committed to the "Exodus — Bay Shore" project.

BINGHAMTON

In 1955 six Christians began worship in the YMCA. Today there are about 40 members mostly due to personal work and correspondence course. The work is greatly handicapped due to having to meet in a store building. An acre of land has been purchased and plans are underway for a building — possibly already completed but we do not have the address. Mail to P. O. Box 1104. Charles A. Buchanan, Jr. and William E. Fields are two of the leaders. Larry Roberts, a graduate of Harding, has been the preacher since the summer of 1957.

BROOKLYN

Flatland Church, 2475 Ralph Ave.

Bill Fryer, a former Air Force Captain, decided to return after the war and work here for the Lord. He began with a small group in November 1948 and for the next three years met in a hotel room. In 1952 Roger Hawley moved to New York to help the Fryers. They rented a house where both could live and hold worship. In 1955 both men went on the road to raise \$45,000 for a building program. First unit was completed in 1959 and the last in 1960. This was the first building of the church in New York City. Bill went to Abilene College in 1956 and Roger remained until 1959 when C. E. Wooten came and remained until Robert Fisk and his family came from Abilene, Tex., in August of '61. Membership is close to 100. Property valued at \$90,000.

184 Tompkins Avenue.

Negro brethren worship here but I have no additional information.

BUFFALO

COMMACK

LEWISTON

This church began March 5, 1959 with the following members: Joyce Banziger, Lloyd and Loraine Draper, Bonnie Draper, Don and Maureen Duke, Mitchell and Lillie Embry, David and Maxine Mitchell, George and Althea Montgomery, Erma Mueller, Donald, Lena Gary, Norma and Vi Pierce, Ovilre, Marjorie and Marlene Burdett. Oliver Burdett and Mitchell Embry helped with the preaching. The name is quite historical. This church has been self-supporting from the beginning. Contact Mitchell Embry, Rt. 2, Lewiston, N. Y., or Oliver Burdett, 3601 Abbott Rd., Blasdell, N. Y.

BUFFALO

223 Madison Street.

Norman B. Lyons reports that in August 1943 there were four colored Christians known in Buffalo — Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Smith and Mrs. Elizabeth Credell and her

daughter Lucille Copeland. In the same month Brother Smith baptized John Roach who now preaches in Memphis, Tenn., and Norman B. Lyons. When Brother Lyons returned after the war, although just a babe in Christ, Sister Credell and her daughter Lucille, Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Young, Sister Drew and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bush asked him to preach. From six members meeting in the Credell home in 1946 we met in store building, basements and a third-floor over a tavern until we purchased our own place. We now have over 50 members. We need a full-time preacher although Brother Norman continues to do his best.

BUFFALO

NORTH BUFFALO CHURCH

The North Buffalo Church met for the first time in 1938 with seven persons present. Worship was held in the YMCA and later in a rented store building. The first church house was located on Hertel Avenue and the present location is 350 Kenmore Avenue with property valued at \$125,000. Membership is 115. Harrison O. Slaughter, Jr., a Florida boy who attended Alabama Christian, served this church for some time. Dave M. Hearn, Jr., a native of Anniston, Ala., and married to Mary Evelyn Driskell, is the present preacher. Dave is a graduate of David Lipscomb, Abilene and George Peabody.

ELMIRA

Emil W. Thomas, 207 Wygant Rd., Horseheads, N. Y., reports: "New church building address is 615 Westinghouse Road, Horseheads. Phone RE 9-2621. No preacher at present."

FLUSHING

HAMPTON BAYS

Information is that no church here.

HUBBARDSVILLE

North Atlantic Directory shows "F. E. Killom, preacher, Box 712."

HUNTINGTON STATION

UTICA

Max T. Neal was born and reared in Texas and held meetings across the nation and served many churches in local work. W. R. Yowell baptized him and he married Stella Archer. The two of them with their younger daughter Carol, moved here in Aug. 1959 and began with six members in the basement of their home. The other members were Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Spangler, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Piper, Mrs. Laura Graves and Mrs. Lester Schlosser. "We have lost six families since but now have 30 members with 20 baptisms since we came," says Brother Max. In August 1961 a pretty brick building that will seat 360 has been completed — located at 1330 Herkimer Road. F. M. Perry is song director and assistant minister. Max says they owe much to Crestview Church in Waco, Tex.

ITHACA

Jim and Doris Smith came here from Woodward, Okla., and started the church in 1953 while taking graduate work at Cornell. Doris is the daughter of Elmer Shackeford who is preaching in Hawaii and the sister of Don who has just returned from 4 years in Italy. In 1955 James E. Johnson, Jr., and his family who had just returned from mission work in Nigeria, came here. The membership is now near 40. They have a beautiful building with property valued at \$85,000 — location, 1210 N. Cayuga Street. The church is still small yet over 200 Christians have been here at times. Several churches in Nashville, Tenn., Texas and Oklahoma assist this work. Virgil Trout, Bob Scott, Eugene Peden, Bob Marshall, Jack Wilhelm and Fred Allen have assisted in meetings and study.

FLUSHING (Long Island)

In April 1945 some 20 members met in a rented building at 42-08 Murray St. for worship. The charter members still worship there — Granville Beasley and Sister Joy Fox. The building and ground were bought three years later.

Virgil Bentley preached here in 1946, Dale Larsen 47-48, John P. Fogerty 49-51, Odell Meyers 51-55, Harold Holland 56, Al Hartwigson 57, Curtis Sampley 58-59, Edward Rockey 59 to Sept. 61 when Bob Hafner came. This church has helped establish churches in Brooklyn, Malverne, Bethpage, Commack. Property valued at \$75,000. E. J. Sumerlin and family moved here from Texas in 1952 and remained with this church until the crew work at East Meadows was started in July 1953.

BETHPAGE (Long Island)

This church began in East Meadow, L. I., on July 12, 1953 in a residence. The families of Chris Bather, John DiBlasi, Arthur Heaton, and E. J. Sumerlin, evangelist, were the charter members. After meeting in a Polish Catholic Church and a store building, the congregation erected a new building at 65 Stewart Avenue, Bethpage, L. I. Brother Sumerlin was the minister from 1953 to 1956. In 1955 he helped convert Ed Rockey, who served as minister from 1955 to 1959 and from 1961 to the present. Lacy Williams and W. G. Mulligan each served as minister for one year in the period 1959-61. Membership is now 75, and the attendance is over 100. Gus Winter has done much to help build this work. Members of the Bethpage church formed the nucleus for the Commack church, and a few members will join the "Exodus" group from Lubbock, Texas, who plan to begin a new church in Bay Shore, L. I., in 1963.

COMMACK (Long Island)

Brother Sumerlin says that when he came to Suffolk Co. in 1959 with five other workers there was no congregation meeting. We began meeting in a home April 18 with 17 members. Some of the charter members: Hugh L. Palmer family, Ruth Breithaupt, H. L. Farris, Paul Norris, Dorothy Stager, Chambers family, E. J. Sumerlin. In September 1959 began meeting in a basement of a home where the Sumerlins now live—No. 2 Adelaide St., Huntington Station. This home was built for them by the Trail Lake Church in Ft. Worth, Sept. 18, 1960. The church occupied the new building on Old Indian Head Road six miles east of Huntington Station in the little city of Commack. The building cost \$80,000. There are nearly 100 members. Rusty Bolton, Dale Harper, Glenn Paden, E. J. Sumerlin and T. E. Bonner are full-time workers. The work on Long Island—five growing congregations—is pretty much the result of house to house work led by Brother Sumerlin.

RIVERHEAD (Long Island)

The church started here began Nov. 1, 1959, when Ernie Gill, a member at Huntington Station, then in the Air Force, met with Mr. and Mrs. Walter King, Wanda Alderich and Mabel Clark. Roy Cosgrove from Oklahoma came for the first four Sundays and preached. Meetings were held for the first five months in the Base chapel, for awhile the third floor over a bank and then in a rented hall on Route 25. Some of the early members as the Wayne Boswell family, Sister Dorothy Pryor, Sister Barbara Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Shumaker have gone. The first 15 months after we started meeting in Riverhead we baptized 15 persons. I left the service to give full-time to this work supported by Trail Lake in Ft. Worth, Texas. We hated to lose Wendell Sullivan, says Ernie. Mail: Box 284.

HUNTINGTON STATON (Long Island)

When the church was started in Commack the work here was not discontinued. About 35 remained here with H. L. Farris working full-time with them. The church in Commack has been helping them in getting a house and meetings are now held in the basement—address: Broadway & Park. They now have about 70 members.

WEST HAMPTON BEACH

(Long Island) (See Riverhead)

MALVERNE (Long Island)

S. O. Vandersloot held services in his home in Queens Village from 1932 to 1935 after which a hall was rented on Jamaica Ave. in Hollis. (All of these addresses are in New York City.) In 1941 Brother Vandersloot moved to Philadelphia to live out his years. Other members went to Manhattan Church. This information was given Mac Lynn by Jay, a son of S. O. Vandersloot.

The Malverne Church began in 1945 with Dale Larsen and Bill Fryar preaching. The first five years they met in rented halls. Ralph Price came from Muncie, Ind., in 1958. He is a graduate of Freed-Hardeman. Mac Lynn, a Tennessean who went to Florida Christian, Lipscomb and took his graduate work at Harding, is the preacher here now. He is married to Marty Karnes. Address of the church, Stuart Avenue and Oxford Street.

MASSENA

Construction workers in the St. Lawrence Seaway started worship here in 1956. Among those was John W. Buster of Arkansas. Some 90 members met in a rented hall. With construction finished by fall of 1959 only a few members remained. Jamie Hemphill heard of the need of a preacher through Robert Scott, preacher in Syracuse, who was attending ACC Lectureship. Contact was made with Howard M. Kempton, one of the leaders in Massena, and the move was made in Sept. 1959. Property was bought and a building at 16 Stephenville St. has been completed. Brother Kempton and Clifford B. Oglesby serve as trustees. Billy L. Jackson succeeds Jamie Hemphill as evangelist. Nash T. Stanton leads the singing. Membership, 21. Mail: Box 265.

NEWARK

Three families met for worship here in Feb. 1959—Mr. and Mrs. James George, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Guyer, Mr. and Mrs. Max Larwin. Meeting was in the Grange Hall for the first five months and in July 1959 we met in our own building—219 West Avenue—in town. In November 1959 Wendell Williams came from San Angelo, Tex., supported by Skillman Avenue in Dallas, Texas. Frank Shepherd held a meeting for us in 1960 and Andy Ritchie with 15 Harding students a "campaign" in 1961. Fifteen have been baptized. Our building has been enlarged and the work moves on. This report was made by Charles G. Guyer. No preacher at present.

NEW YORK

MANHATTAN CHURCH

Before I record the history of the church in New York City I must say that back during the first world war I had a cousin, Miss Edna Lovell, who had come here from Portland, Tenn., as a hat designer for two or three of the largest department stores in the city. She later had two shops of her own—one at 127th and Broadway and another over on 3rd. She lived in an apartment at 125th & Broadway and during the war, when I was in and out on transport duty to Europe, we met in her apartment for worship when I was with her on Sundays. I believe that Earl and Aubrey Shaub of Nashville may have met with us at times. We knew of no other Christians in the city. She moved to Bridgeport—is now dead—before Manhattan Church was started in July 1921.

Two families, the George McKees of Georgia and the Johnson family (see Fair Lawn, N. J.) composed the first members. E. E. Joynes of Philadelphia was largely responsible for getting the work started. G. C. Brewer held a month's meeting in the city in 1924. When Homer Putnam Reeves began working with the church in November 1939 they were meeting in a rented hall on the edge of "Hell's Kitchen" on west side. There were nearly 150 members. The colored brethren had a desire to establish a congregation and Manhattan helped them do so in 1940. Aug. 3, 1941 the congregation moved to 48 East 80th Street. This was made possible by the Hillsboro Church

in Nashville and Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Burton of that church. It was Homer who located the property and encouraged our people to buy it. In 1942 B. C. Goodpasture held a meeting. Membership then was 125. During the war when E. G. Couch was here membership reached as high as 300. During this time the work in Queens was started and help given to the starting of churches in Jersey City, Newark, Bernardsville and East Orange, N. J., and Harlem and Hempstead, N. Y. In 1952 Eastside was started.

In 1954 a division took place with a number of members starting a new work, leaving about 60 here. Burton Coffman was invited and in December, he and Sister Coffman arrived to face the greatest challenge of their lives. In 1955 Ralph E. Damp, Stanley H. Soule and Dr. C. B. F. Young were appointed elders. (Cy Young is today living in Douglasville, Ga.) Wesley M. Johnson was appointed a little later and A. C. Thornton in 1961.

As the building on 80th was only 23 feet wide and could only seat 150 a long range plan became necessary. In 1955 an appeal for launched and soon over \$500,000 had been contributed. Property adjoining was purchased and the beautiful building as pictured will soon become a reality. Membership is again over 300. Brethren Johnson, Soule and Thornton are the elders. The deacons are — T. U. Fauntleroy, Wilbur H. Davies, Joe C. Nix (Joe made most of this report) and Olin C. Tice. Ministers who have served full time are Morgan Carter, E. E. Shoulders, John Allen Hudson (who just died in Los Angeles); T. W. Phillips (who now lives in Santa Barbara, Calif.), Walter Adams (now Dean of Abilene Christian College), Walter Sikes, Arthur K. Gardner, Homer P. Reeves, E. G. Couch, Jr. (now in Jacksonville, Fla.) Dale R. Larsen (now president of New York College in Nebraska), O. H. Tallman, Burton Coffman, Geo. M. Hill (now at Pepperdine) and James R. Petty. As this is being typed (June 1962) Burton and James are still here.

NEW YORK CITY Washington Heights Church

Paul D. English of Tennessee came to New York in 1940 to help start the work among his race in Harlem. The first service was held at 227 Lenox Avenue Feb. 25, 1940 with Ward K. Halbert of the Manhattan Church assisting Paul. (In later years Ward, through the influence and help of Clinton Davidson, went to Harding College to assist George S. Benson in setting up his powerful machine for good. It was there that Ward died). C. B. F. Young backed this new work financially and otherwise. Lloyd Watkins led the singing. Charter members were Elizabeth Carter, Clyde Cabbie, Anna Cowsen, Clara I. Gibson, Grace McBride, Louise Bolden, John and Leona Livingston, Blissie Jones, Matilda Johnson, Hattie and Samuel Trotter, Lucille, Lloyd and Ethel Watkins. The church was known as Harlem Mission.

In July 1940 Paul English met a sudden death and Ward Halbert carried on — Paul was a Negro — Ward was white — and the church moved to a hall on 132 Street. Levi Kennedy came and a move was made to 23 W. 124th Street. Charles Murray came in 1941 as well as Marion Kelly. A. C. Holt later came to work with Samuel Trotter. M. F. Holt came in 1945 and remained until 1948. It was while J. F. McClellan was here that the building at 536 W. 175th St. was purchased and the church became Washington Heights Church of Christ. Howard U. Johnson came and another building was purchased at 105 W. 13th St., the present location.

NEW YORK CITY Central Church

This church was started in October 1954 by former members of the Manhattan Church — Lavenia Ball, Marvin and Veta Boatright, William Claypool, Gail Daggett, Marie Grell, Hughes and Betty Higginbotham, William and Janet Hope,

Eleanor Hunter, Grace Jackson, Hilda Logan, Maxine Mooney, Bobb and Nancy Nichols, Johnnie Norris, Angelina Ottomano, Harry and Muriel Parker, Bertha, Helmut and Waltraut Petrich, Augusta and Ramonda Plath, Don and Gail Price, Margaret Ravantti, Philip and Anita Ricca, Juan and Jimmie Rivera, Edna Rothchild, Emily Sapir, Helen Schiffer, Charles and Carrie Shaw, Frances Smith, Elaine and Waverly Steinbeck, Ralph and Maxine Strane (now with the Christian Church in Pomona, Calif.), Phyllis, O. H. and Helen Tallman, Ruth Wattenberg, Michael and Yvonne Wilton, Dorothy Woelfel, Herbert and Marianne Wright, Joyce Young. O. H. Tallman has served since the beginning with E. Bruce Cooley and Eldon Degge assisting during the years. Meeting place 152 West 66th St. Brother Tallman lives at 566 Taylor Ave., Oradell, N. J.

NEW YORK CITY Eastside Church

(When I first met this Irish boy, Eddie Grindley, he was a bell-hop at a hotel in Los Angeles — this was some 25 or 30 years ago. Eddie was a faithful worker for the Lord then and has been ever since. He will never be satisfied until he personally takes to the gospel to Ireland. I have asked Eddie to tell of this work in New York City as no one knows it as he does. JLL).

"I heard Eddie Couch in Searcy, Ark., in 1945 speak on the opportunities in New York City and the Northeast and decided then to go. In 1947 I took my family and started doing personal work for the Manhattan Church. In 1948 we took over 100 children to Camp Hunt. Most of them were Catholic and a number were baptized. Since most of these were from the Eastside, we rented a building at 311 E. 83rd and soon purchased the building at 313 for \$40,000. Antonio Ochoa, a former Catholic priest, who was baptized by E. J. Sumerlin, and who was working with me, started the Spanish Church. During this time Bob Harp, Fern Adams and Bob Davidson were helping us at Eastside. Later Brother Sumerlin moved out on Long Island, Bob Harp went to Maine and Bob Davidson later to College Station, Texas. Ed Ransom and family came from Mississippi and worked with us for four years. Joe Cueller, who graduated at Harding College came to work with the Spanish speaking Christians. He and Velma are doing a splendid work. At present John Neistadt is working with the English congregation. John is a native of New York City and was one of the first Roman Catholics baptized at Camp Hunt. He met his wife at Camp Shiloh. They are both graduates of Harding and John had two years at Freed-Hardeman.

"At present — 1962 — I am working with Camp Shiloh full-time and this was one of our greatest years teaching Christ to hundreds of your boys and girls who had never before known him. May God bless all who are helping to make these great works possible."

ASTORIA (Long Island)

A few Spanish speaking members meet here at 27th Avenue and 12th Street. Joe Cueller preaches for them as well as Eastside (Spanish) in New York City.

NIAGARA FALLS

This church had its beginning in a rented store in November 1938. In 1940 they moved to a place on Buffalo Avenue and in March 1947 the first meeting was held in the present location — 1121 N. Military Road. This building was made possible by the Skillman Avenue Church in Dallas, Texas. In March 1959 about 20 members and their families started the work in Lewiston but we have grown again to some 125 members with a fine progressive program. Those who have preached here are O. H. Tallman, T. Pierce Brown, Eugene Perry, Warren Whitelaw, Charles Rice, Roy Akers and Walter Larkins. Alfred F. Hartwigsen and his family moved here in September 1959 and have been here since.

PLATTSBURGH

The Air Base here was activated in the latter part of 1955. Major Foy Shoemate, a faithful Christian, contacted Christians at the Base and worship was first held Jan. 29, 1956. The number present was five. During the first two years \$200 a month was sent to help a home for the aged and work in Japan. Besides Brother Shoemate, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Kuntz, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burgess and Mrs. Nona Stanley were the first members. Bill did much of the early preaching. In 1957 others came and the membership increased to 21. In September of that year Stephan Bilak (now at Michigan Christian and doing so much to get the gospel into Russia via radio) was working in Montreal, Canada, and offered to split his time with us. West Side in Cleburne, Texas, was supporting him. He came in November and stayed through 1958 and we grew to 35. In December Bro. Burgess was discharged and received support to continue with us while finishing his college education. When he left in 1960 we had grown to 45 and Levi Babcock and James McBride, local members carried on the work — Kenneth Wilson assisted until his transfer. In 1961 we purchased property on Tremby Avenue and a building was erected. Meetings have been held by E. S. Boring, James Hemphill, Millard Loftis, M. E. Blake, Bill Hearne and Bill Echols. Report submitted by James C. McBride. Mail — P. O. Box 557.

POUGHKEEPSIE

Began March 2, 1947 with six members. In 1957 a building was purchased at 112 Montgomery St. Preachers who have served: Bill Fain, Tom Byers, and now Gene Lyles. Bill Byers served from 1952 to 1959. We now have 40 members. In Oct. 1960 18 of our group who lived in the Newburgh area started the work there and this reduced our membership but made us happy. The church in this area has a good future.

Note: Brother Lyles asked that the history not be included unless we mention his opposition to many brethren whose names are written in this History of Churches. This is a History not a scandal sheet and we maintain the right in anything we publish to include or not include such as I, James L. Lovell, see fit. I will say, in all fairness to the church in Poughkeepsie that if there are those who oppose Christian Colleges, programs as the Herald of Truth, and the like, they will find comfort at this place — as of now. JLL).

RIVERHEAD ROCHESTER

37 Reynolds Street.

In 1949 Edgar D. Brown and his family moved here from Florida. He located others and the worship was started, meeting in his home. A tent meeting was held and a storeroom rented where the church met for the next five years and then a building was purchased. In April 1959 Franklin D. R. Florence, Sr., was engaged to preach full-time and membership has grown to over 100. A splendid work in various areas is being carried on. John W. Winston, Cass Wade, Jr., and Josh M. Lofton are three of the present leaders.

25 Lawson Road.

This work dates from 1937 when worship was started in the home of Thomas Page. They later met in a room at the Baptist Temple, in the Little Theater on East Avenue, and for a time on Plymouth Avenue. Encouragement was given by brethren in Niagara Falls. In 1942, a residence was obtained from the Taylor family at 47 Wellington. Hugo McCord (now at Oklahoma Christian), John O'Dowd (now in Houston) and H. A. Dixon (now president of Freed-Hardman) held meetings. Leslie Grant and Frank B. Guyer preached for a time before Glendol C. Grimes came in 1952. In 1953 the Wellington property was sold and in 1955 to the new building at this address. Eugene Peden, upon his return from Nigéria, came in 1955 and when he returned to Nigeria in 1957 Joe Lemmons came for three years. John A. Cupp, from Chattanooga, Tenn., came in December 1960 and is still here. In 1947 Edgar Brown and

a few others were sent to help establish the church among the Negro brethren which church is now located at 37 Reynolds Street.

ROME

First service held in the Francis E. Phillips home, 1033 W. Liberty, Sept. 1955. Charter members: Francis, Sally and Fred Phillips, John and Betty Gunvordahl, L. D. and Sylvia Richardson, Betty Gilliam, Sam and Clara Spangler, Juanita Reedy. After meeting in the IOOF hall from May 1956 worship was held in own building at 415 N. George St. — the location today. Frank E. Killoff preached in the afternoons for first three years, driving from Hubbardsville. F. B. Shepherd preached for sometime in 1958, followed by L. D. Richardson, Nelson Hallmark and John Duncan have been our song leaders. Garth W. Black who is still here. Property has been purchased and a new \$65,000 building is under construction. Southside in Ft. Worth and Mayfair in Oklahoma City have done much to help here.

SCHENECTADY

Vaughn F. Abercrombie was the organizer and preached the first sermon in the YMCA in Dec. 1943. Five people were present. They soon moved to 13 Union Street and met there until May 1955 when they moved to the present building at 2042 Balltown Road. Those who have preached are Ralph Starling, Carroll Lancaster, L. G. Devey, W. Russell Gleaves who is the present preacher. Charles R. Brewer, Andy Ritchie, Wendell Needham, Haldon Arnold, Burton Coffman, Alvis Bryan, F. B. Shepherd, and Harold Thomas have held meetings. Property valued at over \$100,000. In March 1962 elders appointed. The work of Brother Abercrombie will live long in the hearts of all here.

STATEN ISLAND

With the encouragement of the church in Brooklyn and with the help of churches in Tennessee and Texas, Alfred H. Palmer and his family moved here to start the church in 1958. There were 11 members and the meeting was in the preacher's home until March 1961. Meetings were then held in the Masonic Temple but lots were purchased in 1959 and the building should be ready by the time this is written. Letterhead shows the address as 218 King Street. Sal Fischetti of Brooklyn recently moved here and is a great help in the leadership. Brother Palmer is still with the work.

SYRACUSE

Records show three or four congregations in this area in 1850 but they all went digressive — which proves that it can be done. George Gurganus came here in 1940 as an employee of American Airlines and met with a few people who used the instrument of music in worship. They gave up the practice in 1941 and made use of their own place of worship. Later they purchased land in Nedrow and constructed a small building. They met here until March 1960 when they purchased land at 216 Lexington Avenue in Syracuse. Leslie Burke, George Gurganus, C. W. Bradley, Lewis Case, Marvil Allison and Bob Scott have served here as preachers — Bob has just terminated six years of work in order to move to Albany to plant the cause of Christ in the last remaining capital in the nation where there is no New Testament church. Bob and Sister Scott are Abilene graduates. Southside in Fort Worth, Tex., continues to help this work.

UTICA

WATERTOWN

Directory shows: "Permanent contact: Raymond J. Paul, Brownville, N. Y."

WHITE PLAINS

I was unable to get information. Directory shows: "YMCA with Richard' E. Donley, 10 Thomas Place, Valhall, N. Y. as preacher."

PENNSYLVANIA

ALLENTOWN

I do not know when the church was started but it seems that in 1955 the church in Lovington, N. Mex., sent Ervy Boothe here as full-time preacher. In less than two years there were about 42 members. Ervy is an Abilene graduate, married and has two children or did when the report was made some years back. William Spindler, a graduate of Lipscomb is also helping this work. The church now has 70 members and meets at 1300 Overlook Road at 15th Street Exit.

ALTOONA

There is no church here, however, Sister B. E. Yearich writes that they did meet for worship in the POS of A Hall from 1935 to 1940. Her three children became Christians during that time. Later services were held in her home and the home of J. W. McClowskey. She says that Brother Yearick does evangelistic work most of the time and they are away a great deal but when at home they still worship in either their home—2012 Hudson Ave. or at Brother McClowskey's—Route 3.

BOLIVAR

No information. Directory shows Charles Cummings.

BRADFORD

Ten members met in a home for the first service in the fall of 1934. In four years there were 30 members. Property was bought at 24 Derrick Road and building erected. John Fairs Nichols held a meeting in 1936 and baptized two. Others who have held meetings—A. E. Harper, C. C. Abbott, Chester Gray, Tice Elkins (now in Alamogordo, N. M.) J. Bernard Mason, Ira Y. Rice, Jr. (now in Malaya doing mission work), John O'Dowd, Thomas Page, Charles Hendershot, Robert Hare, A. A. Gallagher, L. S. Maynard, Zellie Daniels. Ralph Hanlin was the first located preacher (1943). Others who have served—I. D. Janney, O. H. Tallman, Carmelo Cassella, Gene Patterson, and at the time of the report—William D. Nichols. Chas. W. Moore and Corbly S. Ammons serve as elders. Harold Toothman and Howard Brown as song leaders. In Aug. 1961 moved into new brick building at 121 Derrick Road. This church helps Carmelo in Australia. Membership about 100.

BROCKHAVEN

This church was possibly started in about 1959. Don Garrett from West Chester is helping with preaching until a man can be found. Joseph Blackburn is an elder. Meeting place at Church and Virginia. This is a suburb of Chester, Pa.

BROOKVILLE

With a beautiful new building this work was started in 1962. No direct information. Contact: Wade M. VanSteenberg, Sigel, Pa.

BUTLER

No information. Directory shows F. Roberson, Rt. 7.

CAMP HILL (see Harrisburg)

CARLISLE

Started in March 1952. Membership about 100 and place of worship 252 "A" St. Home for preacher has been built. Hubert Showalter, his wife and three children came in 1956. Last report shows Rex Smith as preacher but he recently moved to Bangor, Maine. Contact: Hollis A. Decker, Rt. 3.

CHARLEROI

The church here meets on State Route 481, Mail Route 2. Have about 30 members. Have never had a preacher who lived here. We are as some ten other Western Pennsylvania churches who need preachers. Thomas Butterfield says, "My wife and I and my wife's parents have worshipped here for 20 years. When we came there were but 10 or 12 meeting. We meet in the basement of our building. Attendance about 40." Brother Butterfield can be reached Box 321, Brownsville, Pa.

COATESVILLE

Clarence A. Smith, Sr., elder, reports, "Wm. Hall, Snow Shoe and B. E. Yearick of Altoona do most of our preaching. These of us here take turn about. We have 120 members

but not all active." Listing of the church is 3 miles south of Coatesville on Route 82. Address of Brother Smith is Rt. 4, Box 160.

CONNELLSVILLE

Dan L. Smith, who preaches for the church here which meets at 306 S. Pittsburg St., makes this report: "Worship has been held here at times for the past 20 years. About 10 years members who lived here decided to worship at Somerset and McKeesport. The recent work began in 1954 meetings in homes and then in the present Masonic Hall. In 1958 Charles Gatt began preaching regularly. I came in July 1960. Eight congregations in the area helped in my support. There were 23 members. When the church in Uniontown started two of our members who lived near went there. In September 1961 the church started in Ligonier and this took another seven and we still have 33. We have lots and plan to build." Address of Brother Smith—214 W. Cedar Ave.

CORAOPOLIS

Charles J. Aebi, who preaches for the church which meets at State and George, makes this report: "I came here in Feb. 1956. My first years were spent in getting a building which we moved into May 30, 1959. Auditorium will seat 200 and all told cost \$42,000. We have over 70 members—30 in 1956. There have been 28 baptisms since we entered the building. Many churches helped us pay for it." Brother Aebi moved to Sisterville, W. Va., in Feb. 1962.

This church began in Oct. 1941 with 20 members in the area who had been attending Oakland (now 5th & Beechwood) and Estella Street in Pittsburgh. C. W. Holley preached the first year.

DuBOIS

Report by Larry W. Van Steenberg. Larry and his wife Elaine are Lipscomb graduates. He is a speech therapist in the public schools and preaches for the church. "Had its beginning in 1944 with Mrs. Edward DeLong, Mr. and Mrs. Harry DeLong and family and Mr. and Mrs. Charles DeLong and family—meeting in the Charles DeLong's home. Contact was made with the church in Summerville and help was given. Henry Ditter was the first preacher and remained here for five years (see Portsmouth, Va.) Wayne Barnes of Bradford helped much. We moved into our new building in July 1961. We have about 50 members." Larry's address—Rt. 1, Brookville, Pa. Harry DeLong, Rt. 2, DuBois.

EAST RIDGE

No information. Directory shows contact as Philip Pierce, Westover, Pa.

EGYPT

Paul Mackey of Howard, Pa., preached here in 1925 and a few obeyed the gospel, two Graham families, Luzier family and Shomo family. Joseph Hall of Missouri helped start the work. Between 1925 and 1938 the church met in homes. In 1938 a building was erected—opening service Oct. 29, 1938. Remodeled in 1959. Charter members who are living now at Guys Mills, Pa. The place of worship is six miles north of Woodland, Pa. Present leaders are Preston Kephart, Ellis Kephart, George and Maynard Graham—all RFD, Woodland.

ERCILDOWN

This church was established in 1878 by Samuel Ruth, an ex-slave. Born in South Carolina in 1850, came to Pennsylvania after the war and went to school. Became a student of the Bible since he had prayed as a boy for his freedom. While working in Chatham, a church of Christ preacher by the name of Daniel Sommer came to hold a meeting and Samuel and his wife Louisa attended and were converted. These two set their course in life—toward Christ. They heard of a little Quaker village—Ercildown, where people were friendly. They walked there and began to preach—9 miles four times a week. Many came to hear this ex-slave and many were converted. A building was erected and this became the first church of Christ in Eastern Penn. Twelve children were born to this couple and five are still living

and active members of the church which their father and mother loved so much and for which Christ died. Samuel Ruth baptized over 2000 persons before his death in 1937. Worship is still held in the building erected in 1892. This report sent by Isabelle Stokes and Clarence A. Smith, Sr., says, "The church in Washington, D. C., Philadelphia, Newark, N. J., Clayton, N. J., Darby, Pa. and Avondale — now Kelton, Pa., were started by this church."

ERIE

This church began September 1945, first meeting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Feiss at Northeast and later in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Driver here in Erie. Doyle Chapin came in July 1946 and was supported by the church in Hereford, Texas. Worship then was at 614 E. 26th St. In 1946 the move was made to the Veteran's Hall at 719 State St. Adventists Church was rented in 1947. Andy Ritchie and some Harding students came that year for a tent meeting. April 4, 1948 services were started in the City Hall annex. Feb. 12, 1950 first service in new building at Maple Leaf and Pebble Drive. L. C. Chapin came as our preacher. Building was finished in 1955. Leslie Grant came in 1956 and Robert Hendren in 1959 on part time basis. B. H. Atkinson came full-time in December of '59. Help was given by the church in Niagara Falls. Membership about 85 — 11 baptisms in last year Report by Donald L. Litz.

FLEMINGTON

No information. Directory states, "Contact: R. R. Cramer, 419 James St."

GARRISON, R. D.

No information. Directory states, "Sand Hill Church, membership 30. Building valued at \$15,000. Elders: Harold Rizer, Deep Valley, Pa."

GEORGETOWN (See Tomlinson)

GLEN ROCK

Carl E. Sneeringer reports: James H. Bailey who preached at Camp Hill, Pa., and in the Ohio Valley, came to us in January 1961. Thomas E. Turner is still here. We are self-supporting with a small building and a preacher's home. Property valued at about \$30,000. Membership 75." Contact Brother Sneeringer at Rt. 3.

GREENVILLE

No information. Directory states, Shenango Church 1½ miles South of Main Street. Contact: E. E. Little, Rt. 18.)

GUY MILLS

Mrs. Mae Graham reports: "About 1953, my sister and her husband, my husband and I met here for worship in a Nursing Home for the aged which we were establishing. Paul Mackey and Boyd Yearick came for a few days at a time to teach and preach and baptized our children and the church began to grow. My husband was called home in 1957 but we worked on and now have about 30 attending. Twelve have been baptized in the past two years. Trustees are Ed LonKoskey, Ivan Barton and Mrs. Ernest Hanson. Norman Childs and Arthur Lenhart are the leaders."

HARRISBURG

Began Dec. 11, 1949, when the church in Walnut Bottom rented the Municipal Building in Paxtang and began holding services. Kenneth Franklin preached the first sermon. James Finney, supported by the church in Dickson, Tenn., came to work with Kenneth Franklin in getting the work established. Men from Walnut Bottom preached until Hubert Showalter came to work full time. Kenneth Franklin began working full time with the church in 1954 and, at this time, lots were purchased in Camp Hill and a building erected at a cost of \$30,000, in which we now meet. Opening services were held Nov. 11, 1956. Others who have preached are Paul W. Hall, James Bailey, and Haldon Arnold who is here now, having come in March of 1961. Elders and deacons have recently been appointed. The elders are Haldon Arnold, William Burnett, Paul Ebersole, Earl Steever, and Millard Hinton. The deacons are Robert Bays, Everett Harwood, William Hayes, Blair Isenberg, Orlin Prosser, and Thomas Rob-

erts. Besides Walnut Bottom, Old Hickory, Tenn. has probably helped the most in getting the church firmly established. The church became self-supporting in 1959, and is now supporting a number of workers in Pennsylvania and Africa. Location: U. S. Highways 11 & 15 in Camp Hill. Mailing address: 3042 Cumberland Boulevard, Camp Hill, Penna.

HATBORO

As we were reading proof, a letter came from Roy R. McCown, Box 179, Willow Grove, Pa., saying that the Hillcrest Church in Arlington, Tex., is supporting him and his wife Billie as they start a new work in the Greater Philadelphia area. They expect to remain until the church is self-supporting. First service will be held in the Community Room of the Hatboro Federal Savings & Loan on March 3, 1963. Hill was our first missionary in Turkey but had to return home when the government would not allow the church to be established there.

HOLMES

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Chavis, Sr., and Mr. Robert Hollis led in establishing the church here in 1928. Elders of the 51st & Brown (now 56th & Warrington) Church in Philadelphia were contacted and helped in getting a meeting house in Aldan, Pa. Some of charter members: Mr. and Mrs. U. L. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Cawthon, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Leighton, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Chavis, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. John L. Boner, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Blunkall, Mrs. Cruws and daughters. Joseph Farley, Harold Avey, Samuel Vandersloot and Isaac Shaver from 51st & Brown helped with the preaching. Regular preachers were Logan Fox, James Finney, Kenneth Baggett, Loyd Spivey, John Scott and at this time, Brown Kinnard, Jr. U. L. Clark filled the pulpit on occasions before his death in 1959. The following have held meetings: Edward Craddock, A. E. Wickham, Eddie Couch, J. C. Roady, Willard Collins, J. Harold Thomas, William Kirk, Furman Cauthen. Location: Grand & South Avenue. The building is in Ridley Township and erected in 1954. Helps in the work in Ghana. Report by Brown Kinnard, Jr.

HOWARD

The church here was established by a Brother Mitchell in 1832 and erected a house in 1856. Over 140 were baptized. This is the only church Brother Mitchell started that did not go with the musical instrument brethren some 55 years ago. This church is working closely with the State College church. Report by C. W. Moore, Box 193. (Note: Brother Moore will be 81 July 26, 1962. He has been an elder for 45 years and a gospel preacher for 51 years. The church in Howard needs help to repair the building. JLL).

HUNTINGDON

Church started with Bible study in the home of Arthur Black Nov. 27, 1957 and regular worship Jan. 26, 1958. Moved to the present location — 6th & Moore Sts. — a rented building, Feb. 9, 1958. The Jerry Snyder family, Arthur Black family and Charles Guttermuth, Jr., family were charter members. Brother Guttermuth preached. He and Harold McKeel gave freely of their time and effort. The E. Ray Coates family came in June 1959. Kent East is the song leader and the church is growing. Gynnath Ford held a good meeting in 1961, Herbert Mass held a spring meeting this year and James Bailey will be with us this fall. Several Pennsylvania churches are helping with support. Contact: E. Ray Coates, Rt. 1, Hesston, Pa., Arthur Black, 1324 Moore St., Huntingdon.

INDIANA

Established in the spring of 1945 with nine members. Earl Buterbaugh of the church in Cherry Tree, purchased a dwelling on Main Street and rented it to the group at a very low figure to help them get started. They met here for 11 years. Malcolm Harrison, Barton Davis, Alfred Palmer, Lewis J. Karkosky and Ray Coates helped with the preaching. The church was almost self-supporting from the beginning. With 41 members in 1955 some 200 had been converted to

that date. In 1956 \$33,000 was spent for a building at 225 East Pike. This church has a fine future.

JOHNSTOWN

Six members met in the home of J. B. Brillhart on Jan. 31, 1943 for the first service — Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brillhart, John K. Brillhart, Donald Scott, Mrs. Joseph Cramer, Mrs. Estella Binnie. They later met in Sister Bennie's home for a year. South Side in Fort Worth sent R. C. Jones for a meeting in 1944 and a store building at 400 Messenger was rented. In January 1945 this fine church sent O. J. Swinney to preach full-time. June 24th of that year they bought a building. Curtis Combs came in 1946 and remained until 1949. Other preachers in order: Lewis Mikells, Jacob Boyer, Phillip D. Boyer, William Walton. They had no preacher from 1954 to 1956. Lewis Karkosky came in November 1957. In May 1959 Joe L. Connell of Nashville, Tenn., came and is here at this time. The church on Walnut Street was sold in 1956 and a new building erected in Richland Township, a fast growing area four miles from downtown. There are now about 75 members. Some who have held meetings are: R. C. Jones, Warren S. Jones, Harold Thomas, Cecil Hill, T. H. Tarbet, Chas. R. Brewer, Shirley Morgan, Ted Norton, Charles Prince, Gerald Skaggs, Gynnath Ford, Bryon Thrasher and others. Address: 2783 Bedford St.

KELTON

(West Grove, Pa.)

This is the oldest church of Christ in Pennsylvania and possibly in all of the Northeast. In December 1938 a man, his wife and mother moved to New London, Chester County, from Baltimore and began worship in their home. Preachers came from Baltimore and Philadelphia to help them and soon 11 others were added. The church was set in order Dec. 30, 1938 (this was an old way of saying that elders were appointed) (JLL) by George Austin, a preacher from Baltimore. Worship was then held in a school house known as Chester Grove on route 796. In 1854 ground was purchased across the road and a stone house was built. From 1838 to '74 over 200 persons were baptized. In 1875 Daniel Sommer, a young man, came to Chestnut Grove, as the church was then called. The little stone building proved to be too small. Our present building was erected in 1879 and Brother Sommer hewed most of the timber. Preaching was done by members until 1948 when Paul Rotenberry, studying at U. of Pa. came. Bro. and Sister Ernest Holt are our oldest members. Alen Bixler helped and in 1956 Leroy Garner, who worked for the government, is now helping us. We have about 50 members.

LANCASTER

Started in 1952 with 20 members. Have own building which seats 200 and valued at \$40,000, located at 1800 Lincolnway Highway East. Paul Tustin, his wife and two boys are working with the church. Paul is a Freed-Hardeman graduate. Clayton A. Sauder, 525 E. Orange St., is a leader.

LANGELOTH

First members were of the Christian Church in Burgettstown and in 1936 Tom Butterfield came for a meeting and 46 of us left to start this work. Progress was slow. We now have a building. Brother Wright from Weirton, W. Va., has been preaching for past three years. Brother Beggs of Washington, Pa., held us a meeting. Report by S. G. McDonald.

LEVITTOWN-FAIRLESS HILLS

Started in July 1953 with 14 persons present. Building, located at 3810 Levittown Parkway, was completed in 1956 and property valued at \$50,000. C. F. Myer, Jr., went to Abilene, got his B.A. from Harding and his M.S. from Harding Graduate School and doing his graduate work at University of Pa. He is preaching for this church. Contact — Melvin Norris, 207 S. Olds, Fairless Hills, Pa.

This work was planned by the 56th & Warrington Church in Philadelphia. Wendell Kee was the first preacher. Mail: 3810 Levittown Parkway, Levittown, Pa.

LIGONIER

In November of 1960, Joe L. Connell, who preaches for the church in Johnstown, Pa., conducted several cottage meetings here in Ligonier. This resulted in the conversion of three women (two baptisms and one restoration). In January of 1961 through the encouragement of the church in Johnstown, these women started assembling for worship each Sunday afternoon. Brother Connell and several of the members from Johnstown would gather with them.

Three other families who were driving over thirty miles each Lord's Day to worship in Somerset and Connellsville were anxious to start meeting here too when they learned of this small group meeting in their own town.

Guy Kuhn, supported mostly by congregations in the south, moved here to preach and work with them in September 1961. A meeting in October 1961 with Melvin Barker of McKeesport, Pa. doing the preaching, gave much encouragement, as did the second meeting in the spring of 1962 with Brother Bill Heinselmann of Canton, Ohio doing the preaching. Place of meeting, 101 N. Market St.

LINDEN

The Askey family started this work. They had moved here from Clearfield County — Lemuel Askey, his daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hannan and later a nephew William R. Askey and his wife Mary. Members donated their time and money to build a place to start the worship in 1957. In Feb. 1958 L. V. Bays of Woodsfield, Ohio came for a meeting and Russell Askey, son of Lemuel, was restored. The church is known as Quenshukency Church of Christ and located a mile north of Linden. More than 20 have been baptized. There is a fine spirit here. Report by William R. Askey, Rt. 1, Linden. Note: Since property has been purchased in South Williamsport at Central Ave. and Fleming St. this will soon be the new address. Understand Bob Rogers preaches here.

LOCK HAVEN

Not only does Darrell W. Bolin give me a good report on the work here but sends valuable information on many places. The church here was formally organized on April 12, 1959. A number of efforts had been made with brethren meeting in Mt. Eagle and in the home of John Kramer in Rote. Differences in opinion made it rather hard to consolidate the group but 22 did come together at Highland and Linden Street for worship. On Oct. 1, 1961 worship was held for the first time in a new building valued at \$35,000 at Second Avenue and Walnut Street. Membership is about 35.

LOVEJOY

No information. North Atlantic Directory for 1960 reports: "Contact: Thomas Snow, Commadore, Pa."

MCKEESPORT

The church here was formed from the Oakland Church (now 5th & Beechwood) in Pittsburgh. They sponsored us and sent Warren A. Henry for about a year. Our first meeting with 11 persons met on Dec. 3, 1939 in the Bryn Mawr Fire Hall. We soon grew to 30. Lot was purchased at 947 Franklin in August 1940 and now we are known as Franklin Street Church of Christ. We occupied the building first in May 1941 while William H. Hull was conducting a meeting. Besides brothers Henry and Hull other preachers have been Clifton Inman, Barton Davis, Malcolm Harrison, Earl N. Stephens, Walter B. Smith, John C. Graham, L. C. Chapin and Melvin C. Barker, our present minister. We have about 60 members and a nice home for the preaching. This report by Everett P. Sexton, 724 3rd St., East McKeesport. He states, "The congregation of colored brethren which formerly met at 149 Third Ave., here has been disbanded."

MONROEVILLE

H. A. Boring of the church now meeting at 205 Stroschein Rd., says, "As I remember, we met in our living room the first Sunday in January 1955. I brought the lesson and later our two sons, Timothy, age 17, and Barrie, 16, made talks —

Timothy led the singing. Only two families at the time — Sister Ellen Hanover, Mary Hanover and sons Alexander and Douglas. We now have our building in pretty good order and there are about 45 in attendance. Membership about 20. We need a full-time preacher.

MT. EAGLE

Raymond Neidigh, Howard, Pa., sent this information: "In 1889 Peter Haines gave a land grant to the church for a meeting place and a building erected that year. Names of some who preached — Nathan Mitchell, Bergen, Delmont, Burcher, Giffon, Thompson, Moore, Bauchnan, Paul Howard. The church grew fast and had a membership of 130 with elders. In time it grew weak and fewer than 10 members were left. Dave Welch of Howard, Brother Casselberry of State College, Cecil Garrison and myself from Jacksonville, then a small church nearby with Vernon Hurst as evangelist. In 1952 Jacksonville joined with Mt. Eagle with Darrell Bolin of Lock Haven as evangelist. Within a year we had 65 members. Walter McCloskey and myself were appointed elders. Milford Lucas, Phil Lucas and Miles Ethers deacons. Out of this work has grown the Lock Haven Church and we still have 45 members."

NEW BRIGHTON

First service here on Jan. 21, 1945, meeting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel R. Sams at 833 12th Street. Six members were present and Aurice Mick preached. In April they started meeting in Kramer Hall on 3rd Avenue. Evening services started May 10th. C. D. Plum held the first meeting in Junior High School June-July 1945 — Charles Plum led the singing. A special business was held in the home of Dane Foutty as to getting a building. It was approved and we met it first on March 7, 1948 — 14th Street & Pennsylvania. Harry Thomas, Jr., was the first full-time preacher — 1953-1955. Present membership about 85. Contact: C. V. Willison, 202 Foch St., Ellwood City, Pa. Lewis E. Smith, preacher. Address: 1403 Penn. Ave.

NEW CASTLE

No information. Directory shows, "1713 West State Street. Contact: Ed Phillips."

NEW FREEPORT

No information. Directory shows, "Route 18. Membership 60. Building valued at \$10,000. Elders. Contact: Charles C. Bissett, New Freeport, Pa."

NEW KENSINGTON

No information. North Atlantic Directory reports, "Allegheny Valley Church of Christ, Stewart School, Leechburg Road. Membership 32. Contact: Fred Matthews, 634 Linden Ave., New Kensington. Preacher — Gynnath Ford, Rt. 1."

NEWPORT

The following report was sent to me in July 1962 by Stanley F. Saul, Box 201, Route 2, Newport, Pa.

"My great Uncle, David L. Gingrich, of Monte Vista, Colo. sponsored a tent meeting in this vicinity for six weeks during the summer of 1939. L. L. Ford, evangelist, his son Warren and song leader Virgel Florea drove a truck and brought the tent with them from Canyon City, Colo. My Mother, Mrs. Roy C. Saul, was the only charter member. Those who obeyed the Gospel during this meeting were Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Ickes of Port Royal, Pa., (Mrs. Ickes is the niece of David L. Gingrich) Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Lenker and daughter Charlotte, Paul E. Britcher, Charles H. Neely of R. D. 2, Newport, Mr. John Heisey, and Mr. & Mrs. B. A. Hower of Newport, Pa., and Warren Ford. Bro. Florea stayed east for one year, worked as a meat cutter and met with us on Lord's Day.

In 1940 L. L. Ford, wife and 7 children drove from Canon City, Colo., and held meetings in Baily and Airy View School Houses for 6 weeks. Mrs. Blair Henry, daughter of Mrs. Ickes, obeyed the Gospel during these meetings. Bro. Florea went back to Colorado with the Fords.

Brothers L. L. Ford, Edwin Ratts of St. Johns, Kansas and A. C. Warren of Farmington, N. M. came east in 1942 and held meetings in the Donnley Mills Chapel. A little later Bro. Ford brought Bro. A. N. Gingrich of Monte Vista, Colo. (son of D. L. Gingrich) east and held meetings in the homes as we did after the tent meeting. In 1946 Bro. Ford and Bro. Paul Kinne came and held meetings in the homes.

Bro. Heisey, Bro. & Sr. Ickes passed away. Bro. & Sr. Lenker moved to near Shippensburg. There were no services from 1947 to 1958.

In 1947 I moved back home with my wife, Edna and two children, Nancy, age 3 years, and Elden, age 5 months. We heard the Herald of Truth over Carlisle station and then later Bro. Hubert Showalter over the same station. Mother wrote to them and told them of hearing the program, and then in June of 1957 Bro. Nelson Paxton brought Bro. Showalter to our home to visit. The following month we started attending services in Carlisle, Pa.

Bro. Showalter started holding weekly Bible Study in our home January of 1958. Those attending were Bro. and Sr. Hower and son Earl, who were going to Camp Hill for worship, Bro. Paul Britcher, his wife Ruth and four children. My wife was baptized into Christ in August of 1950 and in May of 1958 Bro. Showalter baptized me before he left for Richmond, Indiana.

We have been able to rent a school house from the Community Grange on the Ridge Road about 3½ miles from town and only one-half mile from our home in June 1958. Bro. Rex Smith replaced Bro. Showalter as evangelist in Carlisle and came over the mountain each week for our Bible Study, and held our first Lord's Day worship service on the 7th of September 1958. Brothers Nelson Paxton, W. Heiser, W. Boldosser, H. Decker from Carlisle and L. Harris from Camp Hill took turns preaching for us on the Lord's Day, and leading our Bible Study each Lord's Day morning. Among others that have preached for us are R. Seiders and R. Brewer. Brothers L. Baty and D. Kline are now helping Brothers Paxton and Hseier at the present time.

We have held two meetings, one in the fall of 1958, Bro. Smith was the evangelist and the other was in June of 1960 when Bro. James Baily from Camp Hill, Pa. was the evangelist. John Baker, Richard and Pauline Campbell obeyed the Gospel while students at Penn State University while Bro. Higgenbottom was the evangelist. They now worship with us. John is still at school but comes when he is home.

Our daughter Nancy obeyed the Gospel in August of 1960.

Several of the men are conducting the services one Sunday a month and they are doing very well.

At present we are trying to find a congregation or individual who will help support a full time minister to live in the area and work with us."

NITTANY

Harry O. Yarnell, Rt. 2, Howard, Pa., send the following: The church in Nittany was started in the winter of 1897. Charter members were: S. R. McCaleb, his wife, their son Joe and his wife, Jessie and Lily McCaleb — all dead. Some who have preached here: Asa Winter, Frank Burgan, George Headly, W. A. Burcher, A. J. Bachman, W. R. Giffin, Paul Mackey, D. A. Sommer, Vernon Hurst, Delmont, Hancock, Thomson, I. C. Moore, Cassell, Juday, William Ketcherside, Balenger, Swisher, Ruth, Ruth, Jones, Ervin Waters, Otis Castleberry, Correll, E. R. Hayes, A. E. Wickham, James Gallaher, L. V. Bays, Newland, J. Hall, Gifford, Stigers. This church functions by local talent, not with located preachers. Mail: Rt. 2, Howard, Pa.

PAISLEY

This church started in 1912, meeting in a school. Ellsworth Green and Benjamin Provance were elders — Samuel Miller a deacon. First meeting was with A. A. Bunner of West Virginia. Present building was erected in 1914. We

now have 45 members. Bernard Peterson preaches. A. E. Wickham held our last meeting. Mrs. Clyde Clark, daughter of Ellsworth Green, is our oldest member. This report was made by Mrs. Arthur Smith, Box 572, Carmichaels, Pa.

PHILADELPHIA (Columbia Avenue)

This church started August 31, 1942 with seven members — John and Ida Culbreath, Howard Lee, Willie Weston, Harriet Jones, Celeste Blunt and Dorothy Boyd. The church is in good order and active. Building is planned.

PHILADELPHIA (56th St. & Warrington Ave.)

This church was started around 1896 by brethren who had come here from England years before. One or two of the original members are still taking an active part. A. H. Drinkwater, who died about 3 years ago at 85, was an elder most highly respected. The church met in several places in the city over the years. In 1950 the present building was erected. J. P. Miller, Eddie Couch, Elza Huffard, Wendel Broom, Mack Langford and John Renshaw have served as preachers. J. D. Parker is here now. Membership about 100. Most outstanding work over the years has been in assisting other churches get started in the area. In the past six years members have gone to three new churches. Other churches in the area and elsewhere have been helped. Its eldership has given invaluable advice and counsel to almost every congregation in the area.

PHILADELPHIA (4035 Grand Avenue)

Samuel Ruth started this church in 1902. They had no building until 1923 when one was purchased at 719 N. 46th St. and occupied until 1953. In Oct. 1954 the present building was purchased at 4035 Girard Avenue. James H. Stewart has preached here for some years and membership has grown steadily. There are elders. Contact: David Williams, Bldg. 30 Park Ave., Woodbury, N. J.

PHILADELPHIA (North Philadelphia)

About 18 members of the 56th Street Church living in this area met in the home of George Nankivell in the spring of 1951 for the first service. Paul Rotenberry, now at Abilene, was the first preacher. He was followed by Jim Sellers, Jesse Lewis, Larry Goldman, Jim Zink, Jim Oldham and Harvey Floyd. Robert B. Howard came in July 1959 and is still here. Sherrod Avenue in Florence, Ala., helps with his support. He is editor of UNIFIER which is sent to denominational leaders in all the Northeast. Land has been purchased at 3200 Primrose Rd. Malcolm Wells of the church in Collingswood, N. J., Church is working on the plans. Building will be ready in 1962 and we move out of Gallagher's Hall at 5324 Rising Sun Ave. The future looks bright for this church. Mail: Box 6653, Philadelphia 49, Pa.

PITTSBURGH (5th & Beechwood)

The following report was made by J. Edward Meixner Feb. 1, 1962:

"This congregation, in the backyard of the Restoration Movement now unfamiliar history to the secular public, formerly known as OAKLAND CHURCH OF CHRIST, began with 3 or 4 families in 1928 in a private home. It met in 6 rented places until occupancy of its own building in April, 1952. Its building, heavily mortgaged, seating 320, valued at approximately \$125,000, is easily found and is centrally located for its widespread membership.

"With about 10 members in 1928 to 182 members and a weekly budget of \$466 on Jan. 1, 1962, its affairs are administered by 5 elders and 6 deacons. Successively its full-time preachers have been John F. Nichols, Warren Henry, John C. Graham, Oram J. Swinney, C. J. Kirkpatrick, Robert J. Roe, Don Gardner, Byron J. Thrasher, and Robert J. Roe is scheduled to return for a second ministry as of June 1, 1962.

"The impetus provided in an outstanding sermon series by Foy E. Wallace, Jr. in a month-long meeting in 1934, with city-wide meetings in 1942 and 1944 in Carnegie Hall held by C. Ellis McGaughey did much to firmly establish this slow

growing congregation. Some other evangelists who conducted effective protracted meetings were Cled E. Wallace, C. D. Plum, Ted Waller, Leslie G. Thomas, James B. Scott, Jimmie Wood; and others. C. J. Kirkpatrick labored advantageously for the congregation during the period its present meeting house was erected.

"In addition to able pulpit teaching the elders feel that substantial gains cumulatively have been realized over the years through its Bible Correspondence Course, its Newspaper Sermonads, its Cottage Meeting Film Strips, and a generous Tract Distribution Program coupled with subscriptions to members and prospects of the 20th Century Christian. During the first brief ministry of Robert J. Roe a Bible Correspondence Course began to be offered free to the public in March, 1956 in which to date 7,328 persons have been enrolled. "OPERATION PITTSBURGH," a 10-Year Plan with a goal of one new congregation each year in Greater Pittsburgh was the brain-child of Don Gardner, begun Jan. 1, 1959 and producing to date two new congregations plus other gains realized and in the making for the Lord's church in nearby places. A Sermonad Program began about same time in daily newspapers and carrying over into Byron J. Thrasher's ministry promoted considerable interest in New Testament Christianity in Greater Pittsburgh but had to be discontinued due to high space charges in Pittsburgh newspapers. Robert J. Roe is scheduled to return about June 1, 1962 to resume a short but very profitable ministry at 5th & Beechwood he left five years earlier to finish some graduate work elsewhere."

Note: Brother Roe is here and it should be reported that South Hills Church has now merged with 5th & Beechwood. This was done on Feb. 4, 1962.

Picture of bldg.

PITTSBURGH (Hill District)

A few Christians started meeting in homes in 1947 under the leadership of Charles Pennington. They then moved to a rented building at Fullerton & Center where they met until September 1952. Robert Castleberry, Jessie Williams and James D. Stephens served as preachers, meeting in a Lodge Hall at 2503 Center Avenue. Samuel Trotter came in Jan. 1953 and baptized 32 and many were restored. He writes in November, 1961, "We are about ready to close on a building at Millbridge & Climax in the South Hills section of the city and am sure we will be in the building before you go to press. This will give the Negroes a fine place of worship in this city."

PITTSTON

HARDING (see Pittston)

A small group began meeting in the YMCA in Wilkes-Barre in 1942. Later they met in a school building until they erected their own place in 1957. Jack Coleman came and preached from 1958 to August 1959. There were 14 baptisms in 1960 and 1961, and attendance doubled. Ken Vanderpool has been preaching since 1959 and is being supported by 21st & Eisenhower Church in Odessa, Texas, 36th & Prospect in Oklahoma City, Brookside in Tulsa, church in Springdale, Ark., and Hubberton Church near Springdale. Address, Rt. 1, Pittston, Pa.

POTTSTOWN

The present work was started on July 10, 1955, meeting in an apartment of Sister Oza Johnson and shortly afterwards, a back room on the second floor on Main Street. From here we moved to our present location — YMCA. We have eleven members. In 1959 we purchased land for a building. Everitt F. Wood is helping us with the preaching at this time. The future looks bright as our few members have a mind to work. C. E. Smith, Jr., is one of the leaders. Mail: Box 364.

READING

Leo Rogol, evangelist of this church which meets at 715 N. 10th St., reports, "We have 19 members (Oct. 1961) and the church owns its own building. The church has been meeting at the present since 1955." Clyde Craley, 110 Chestnut, Shillington, Pa., is listed as a leader.

ROTE

Darrell W. Bolin of Lock Haven writes, "A few members, formerly meeting with the church in Flemington, Pa. (from which church no information was received) (JLL) began meeting in the home of John Kramer on Aug. 27, 1950. Lloyd and William Kramer are the leaders. I am trying to help them).

SCRANTON

The church here was started the first Sunday of April 1957 when Charles F. Scott, formerly the preacher at Old Hickory, Tenn., moved here to start the church. The Melvin B. Gambrell family were the only known members. We later found two others. About 30 have been baptized and we now have 40 members. In the beginning Preston Road in Dallas supported the Scotts and the past two years North "A" in Midland Tex., has backed this work. Others have given much assistance. Place of worship is 137 South Main Street. Brother Scott is trying to find help for a preacher at Wilkes-Barre.

SHARON (Shenango Valley)

Over 70 years ago there was a strong church meeting in Bethel and later a few remaining members met in Neshanock in the home of Elizabeth Collins, a faithful member of many years. In 1909 Sister Collins got a few members together in Farrell. The church here was "set in order" in 1912. Later the few remaining members met again in Bethel. In March 1929 Wilbur Griffin and Frank Settle began meeting in Sharon in the home of Robert Smith. Sept. 10, 1936 a contract was signed to erect a building at 809 Spruce Street in Sharon. W. R. Griffin preached the first sermon in the building on March 28, 1937. In 1943 members of this church started worship in Greenville, Newcastle, Struthers, and Warren, leaving but 20 members. In June 1954 property was purchased on Sunset Boulevard and Edward White preached the first sermon in the new building on Feb. 17, 1957. Amos Orrison held the first meeting. The greatest need today is a full-time preacher.

SHILLINGTON

No information. Directory shows, "Montrose Church of Christ, Montrose and Fritztown Road. Membership 25. Building valued at \$12,000. Contact: John S. Park (Montrose) Shillington, Pa."

SHIPPENSBURG

Address: 412 East King Street (U. S. Route 11). The town, 6,000 population, is located midway between Harrisburg, Pa., and Hagerstown, Md., in the Cumberland Valley. Church founded in 1925. Membership 45. Own own building. Contacts: L. O. Beidel, 122 E. Garfield, and Irvin Hutchinson, Rt. 2.

SNOW SHOE

Brothers Delmont and Mitchell converted John Shaw in Arnot, Pa., and he moved to this community in 1881 with his wife Margaret and daughter Mary. In time he held meetings in his home and obtained Ira C. Moore for the first preaching. No doubt Brother Moore came here from Howard, Pa., where the church had been established some 50 years before by Nathan J. Mitchell, one of the known of the "pioneer" preachers. Other early members were E. R. Krone and his wife, Irvin Watson and wife and Fred Banks. When meetings were not held in the Shaw home on Number Ten Hill they were held in a school building on Fountain Road. Brother Shaw died in 1903 but E. R. Krone carried on in a building first used in July 1905 and still being used today. There are now about 60 members. The list of evangelists who have preached here is most interesting and enlightening: Ira C. Moore, C. D. Moore, Asa Winters, W. P. Reedy, Willie Jones, W. A. Burcher, W. R. Giffin, A. E. Harper, Daniel Sommer, D. A. Sommer, H. G. Cassell, Brother Binney, Johnny Rhodes, J. W. Stigers, Joseph Hall, Paul Mackey, William O. Jones, Samuel Ruth, Chester Ruth, J. H. D. Thompson, E. E. Juday, James Corson, Harold Shasteen, Kenneth Morgan, L. C. Roberts, B. E. Yearick, A. E. Wick-

ham, Roy Harris, W. Carl Ketcherside, L. V. Bays and Darrell W. Bolin. The report says, "Paul Mackey and Harold Shasteen deserve special credit if any is to be given — most planted, each watered and God is still giving the increase." Contact: William H. Hall to whom I am indebted for so much in getting the data on churches together in this state. JLL.

SOMERSET

No information. Directory shows, "place of worship 310 S. Kimberly, membership 55, building valued at \$40,000. Preacher: I. F. Woodrow, Somerset, Pa."

SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT (See Linden)

STATE COLLEGE

The church started here in a room provided by the university when the P. X. Rices came in 1936. Helene Rice obtained some help from her father John T. Hines, editor of the Gospel Advocate and James D. Willeford came and preached for a year. Other families included the Strunks, Zieglers, and Jenkins who were restored. Eddie G. Couch came in 1939. Sister Rice died in 1940. Ottis T. Castleberry came in 1943, left in 1945 and came back in 1950. Raymond Lowry came in 1951, assigned for duty in the navy. He was able to get Albert Gonce to come in 1952 and some 20 souls were converted before Albert left in '54. In 1956 F. Presnell Higginbotham came and remained until January this year when he and his family went to Lilomgwe, Nyasaland, Central Africa. While Presnell was here a beautiful building was erected which cost \$57,000. Some 50 or more were added to the church while he was here and the church faces a fine future. Location 405 Hillcrest Avenue. D. C. Jenkins, Box 312 is a leader.

Picture of Presnell

SUMMERVILLE

No information. Directory states, "Route 28. Membership 100. Building valued at \$25,000. Contact: H. J. Holly, Box 52."

SUNBURY (4th and Arch Streets)

Larry W. VanSteenberg, who came here to preach in 1962 is a graduate of David Lipscomb College and married to Elaine Speer of Nashville, Tenn. They have a little girl, Teah Lynn. There are 65 members in Sunbury and they own their own building which was built nearly 100 years ago. There are no elders or deacons. Church is self-supporting. The beautiful preacher's home was willed last year by Sister E. K. Drumbeller.

THREE SPRINGS

No information. Mail returned from Church of Christ, Route 376. Directory shows W. J. Brungard, Mapleton Depot, Pa., as contact.

TOMLINSON

R. B. Riffle, Rt. 1, Box 6, Chester, W. Va., makes this report: "Began June 4, 1945 in a school house at Pughtown, W. Va. Charter members: H. Z. Nuzum and wife, Winnie, H. Z. Nuzum, Jr., Lloyd Nuzum and wife, Lillian, Georgia Davis, Hazel Reed, Roy Moore and Billy Hayes. C. D. Beagle preached from the first to August 1946. The church in Weirton, W. Va., sent Fred E. Dennis for a meeting that year and two were baptized. Others who have helped in the preaching: Wm. McMahan, Glenn Logston, John Cunningham, George Kimball, Paul King, Amos Orrison and G. R. Hanlin. The present place of worship in Tomlinson Run, Pa., was occupied in July 1953 and G. R. Hanlin preached until 1958 when R. B. Riffle began to serve. The present membership is 80 and a good work is being done. Others who have held meetings: Carl Finley, Horace E. Taylor, C. D. Plum, Homer A. Daniels, Tom W. Butterfield and Lewis Mikell." Mail: R. D. 1, Georgetown, Pa.

UNIONTOWN

Charles Gatts, a postman, was born in Uniontown of Italian parents and naturally became a Catholic. Desiring to search the scriptures he tried hard to find the church. One time he heard a radio broadcast from Steubenville, Ohio. He wrote

a letter and two brethren from Morgantown, W. Va., came to see him and he was baptized. The nearest church was Connellsville. He soon felt it his duty to start the church in Uniontown (not to be confused with Uniontown in Cherry Tree, Pa.) Mary Jaroz was the only other member. Brother and Sister Condon lived 15 miles away as did Brother and Sister Russ Oliver—these with Nell DeCarlo began meeting on November 13, 1960 in the YMCA. Mrs. Emmitt Miller soon joined the group. This church will grow but needs help.

This report is from William Buterbaugh, Cherry Tree, Pa.: Oct. 2, 1911 a group of Christians met in Uniontown to worship—W. M. and Anne Buterbaugh, Ellen Langham, Cora Stein—all deceased. Sept. 7, 1921 Earl Buterbaugh was appointed a deacon and Harvey Buterbaugh an elder. There are today (October 1961) 45 members and Charles Cigrang preaches. The congregation is self-supporting and working with complete harmony. Members from here have started worship in Johnstown and Indiana and we work closely with both places. With other churches we started the work in Altoona and own property there but no worship at this time. Our building in Uniontown was remodeled in 1959. We are blessed with many young people and the church is growing.”

VALLEY FORGE

Sunday afternoon, Oct. 6, 1958, a new church was born in the auditorium of Northeastern Institute for Christian Education. Eighty-four attended the first service. Mack Langford of 56th Street in Philadelphia, from which church many of these members came, and Dr. Rex Johnston, president of NICE, were the preachers and teachers. Thirty-six persons took membership and within a year there were near 125. Self-supporting from the beginning. Two acres of land were purchased in King of Prussia, Montgomery County and a building to seat 400 is planned.

VILLANOVA

I am not sure but have an idea that this is the same as Valley Forge, meeting at the time on Montgomery Avenue. K. L. Edgar, Rt. 1, Schweuesville as contact and Mack Longford, 391 Crossfield Rd., King of Prussia, Pa., as preacher. Membership 80 and with elders. This is the home of Northeastern Institute for Christian Education.

WALNUT BOTTOM

One of the most complete and interesting histories of all churches listed in this book was sent in by Robert J. Smith, whose grandparents and father were early members. The history goes back to 1820 and picks up from the diary of John LeFevre the exact record until his death in 1864. John was baptized by Alexander Campbell and spent his life preaching the gospel in this area. Much is said about the “breaking of bread” at Mt. Rock and the preaching in many places in Cumberland County. Mention is made of the great Campbell-Purcell debate. David LeFevre, forefather of Brother Smith, Levi Kissinger, Jacob Tritt and others is named during the period following the Civil War. John A. Smith was born in 1890 and David LaFevre died in 1904. John did most of the teaching from 1914 to 1917 and in the 1920's. Landis LeFevre, William and Ray Eyster and George Shearer were elders. A new work was started by members in Shippensburg under C. J. Beidle in 1926. In the 1930's only about 10 members were left but during World War II J. A. Baty came from Oklahoma and the church began to grow again. In 1952 members here started another work in Carlisle with Kenneth Franklin preaching. Today there are 22 faithful members. My grateful appreciation to Robert Smith, Dickinson, Pa.

WARREN

The church here started with six members in August 1955. In Sept. 1957 Ernest Walker and his family moved here and remained until Sept. 1962. Worship is held in a rented place at 305 Hickory Street. Mail to Box 762.

WASHINGTON

Actually the church began worship here at the turn of the

century but no records are available which is a reflection upon any leadership but is quite common, I find, with churches. The present property was purchased in 1954—600 Allison Avenue.

The property is valued at \$65,000. Membership near 200 and there are elders. Contact: Andrew Kotora, Rt. 2. Ray D. Beggs, a Freed-Hardeman graduate moved here with his family in August 1956.

Picture of Ray and bldg

WAYNESBURG

This work was started in 1943. Place of worship, valued at \$20,000 located at Sherman Avenue & Seventh St. There are about 85 members. Contact: Harold Wilkison, Rt. 4.

Dan L. Smith, 671 Race St., has been preachnig here for more than five years.

WEST CHESTER

The church here first began when six members of the church in Kelton who lived here decided to start worship in West Chester—this was during World War II. First meetings were in homes and then the IOOF Hall. Churches in Philadelphia and Wilmington furnished most of the preaching. By 1947 there were 14 members. In 1947 the church in Dickson, Tenn., sent James L. Finney as full-time preacher. Services were held in New Country Club Building and membership grew. Everitt Wood came in 1953 on part-time basis. Lots were purchased at 1326 Park Avenue in 1954 and construction began the same year with worship held in fire-house next door until building was finished. Formal opening July 1956. In Feb. 1957 Dewayne Davenport, graduate from Harding, and his wife Jane (Jane Russell of Decatur, Ala.) moved here. Dewayne left to start the work in Ghana in September 1961. There are about 60 members here and property valued at \$65,000. Contact: Donald Garrett, 29 Reese Ave., Newton Square, Pa. William T. Ladd, a Tennessean graduate of Lipscomb, married to Betty Ann Head, came Aug. 1, 1961.

Picture of Dewayne

WEST GROVE — (See Kelton)

WILKES BARRE

WOODLAND

Started here in 1924. Charter members: Mr. and Mrs. John F. Steiner, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. George Shomo, Sister Arthur Peters. Paul Mackey and Joseph Hall helped start the work. Some of the present leaders are Glenn Cunningham, Calvin Kephart and John Steiner. This information was sent by Sister Ruth Baird. Mail to: Rt. 1, Box 226.

YORK

Wm. Kay Moser, graduate of Harding, who came here in 1957 and is still here. It seems that in 1942 John and Bessie Bowman who had moved here from West Virginia, began worship in a rented store building on South Albermarle Street. The church in Washington, D. C. sent Halley Smith in 1957 and Presnell Higginbotham came in 1952 and remained five years until Brother Moser came. Preacher's home located at 545 Bergman Street. Russell Woodrow and Gerald Dean lead singing with help from Herbert Jacoby. Charles Haynes and wives of these men help with the teaching. This church has supplied members for starting of churches in Harrisburg, Lancaster and Glen Rock. Besides the church in Washington, Camden, Lepanto, Fayetteville and Huntsville, Ark. have done much to help this work. Location of church: 1290 Lancaster Ave.

ZELIENOPLE

Aurice L. Mick, Rt. 1, Box 25, sent this report Jan. 29, 1962. “With my son Gene, Okey Mick and his son Charles and Noel B. Roberts, this church was begun April 18, 1954 with 11 members and their families with Brother Roberts preaching. He is now with the church in Benton Harbor, Mich. We met in the IOOF Hall from 1954 to 1958 then purchased land one mile from the city. After two years when Brother Roberts moved away, Manford Lamp of Weirton, W. Va., helped

us about a year. Loyd Ash of Abernathy, Tex., came for a few months during 1959. In July 1960 John W. Rockhold started work full time. Membership about 70. Those who have held meetings: Noel B. Roberts, J. Novis Taylor, Ben H. Atkinson, Loyd Ash, Harry Thomas, Jr., Lewis Smith, Charles J. Aebi and John W. Rockhold." Brother Mick has filled in over the years when no preacher was available. This ends the history of the church of our Lord in Pennsylvania as we have the information. May God bless the great souls who have lived and died in His cause. JLL.

RHODE ISLAND

NEWPORT

No information. Directory reports: Location: Aquidneck Grange, Middleton. Mail: Box 177. Membership 30. Contact: Charles K. Brown, 6 Keeher Ave., Newport. Preacher, Lewis Hager, Box 83, Saunderstown, R. I."

James Jarrett, in North Atlantic Christian, says, "Members in Providence who came from Newport had started meeting by 1950. Newport grew steadily with most of its growth from Navy personnel. The Astor estate was purchased with a Christian College in mind but when Northeastern Institute was started in the Philadelphia, Pa., area, this property was sold. The Newport congregation has doubled in attendance since Lewis Hager came and several have been baptized. Suitable property is being obtained for a building."

PROVIDENCE

In the North Atlantic Christian of November 1960, James Jarrett had an article on the church in Rhode Island in which he stated, "According to our knowledge the church in this state met first in 1942. A few people — mostly service personnel from Newport, Quonset Point and the Cape of Massachusetts, gathered for worship in a Providence hotel. Jack P. Lewis was the first regular preacher. The group called on Harold Thomas to come Sunday afternoons from Boston — he also held a meeting. Jack came soon after the church was started and remained until 1951. By 1950 enough money had been raised to buy a building at 103 Beacon Avenue. By this time members at both Newport and Quonset Point had started their own worship."

C. M. Tuttleton writes on August 1, 1961, "I came to Providence in 1953, to work with the church on Beacon. In July we sold the building and I moved to Warwick. Late in 1955 I resigned and went back south but seeing more churches in one county in Alabama than in all of the New England states we decided to return and help re-establish the church in Providence — this was Sept. 15, 1956. Oct. 7th we began meeting in the YMCA with seven present. Since that time 22 have been baptized. In 1958 I travelled through the brotherhood raising money and rather than lose the \$30,000 investment which we had made on property at 22 Wampanoag Trail, East Providence, Druid Hills Church in Atlanta mortgaged that church for \$33,500 and loaned it to us. We have also helped on the building in Warwick." Mail Box 504, Providence.

WAKEFIELD

"After the Charles Grinnells of Peacedale were converted they located a place in Wakefield to hold worship. Jon Chapelle, a contact made soon after the Grinnell's conversion, became the third member of the Wakefield Church. He was baptized last summer (1959) while attending Gander Brook Christian Camp." Report by James Jarrett.

WARWICK

As noted from the history of the church in Providence, after the building there was sold in 1955, a residence at 95 Toll Gate Road in Warwick was purchased and C. M. Tuttleton moved here and preached from 1954 to 1956 when Howard Sawyer came. In 1958 three acres were purchased and the Toll Gate property was sold. Jack P. Lewis, Anne

F. Lake, James P. Black, Basil James Boles and Warren R. Howard signed the papers for the first building of the church of Christ in Rhode Island located at 934 Greenwich Avenue. Total value of property, \$40,000. It is known as the Apponaug Church. Mail — Box 95. The church is almost self-supporting with about 60 members. James D. Jarrett, who was born in Texas, graduated from Harding and married Joanne Johnson, came here in October 1957.

VERMONT

BENNINGTON

Began November 1958 with six members. Own a lot with extra footage for meeting house later. Have built a preacher's home at 524 South Street where we now meet for worship. Two meetings have been held — correspondence courses and cottage meetings. G. W. Kieffer is the present preacher. There are about 10 members.

BRATTLEBORO

The church here meets at 75 Western Avenue in a building valued at \$35,000. Ralph H. Wheeler is a permanent contact — 237 South Main Street. E. H. Masters did much to help get the church started here — 1954-1960. He now preaches in Colorado City, Texas. The South Side Church in Ft. Worth has done and is doing much to help this place. There are about 27 members. A. L. Oswald preached 1960-1961. Jim Bob Jarrell, 19 Highlawn Rd., came in February 1962.

BURLINGTON

This church started in 1952, meeting being conducted in the YMCA until 1959. Many Air Force men and their families have worshipped here until the closing down of the base in 1960. Monroe and Martha McCandless drove from South Barre, Vt. (60 miles) for five years to conduct meetings. In July of 1959 the church in Tulia, Texas, sent Alvin Jennings and family here to serve as first full-time minister. 25 & Geraldine in Oklahoma City and Southwest in Ada, Oklahoma have contributed liberally to the building fund. A Building valued at about \$50,000 was completed on the main street in South Burlington in July 1961. VBS's have been conducted two years with over 100 attending each year, mostly Catholic children. Regular newspaper, radio, and occasional TV programs have helped to publicize the Truth and build up the congregation in the most holy faith. There are about 25 members of the church in this largest city of Vermont. Address: 330 Dorset St., So. Burlington.

MONTPELIER

Ten members began worship here in January 1958 and Alvis A. Bryan came as the preacher. Alvis was born in Oklahoma and graduated from Abilene. He married Glenda Qualls. Formal opening of new building, valued at \$60,000, July 23, 1961 with some 200 present. Address: 115 Northfield St. Mail: Box 685. There are about 40 members now and the work is most encouraging.

SPRINGFIELD

The church here began in the home of Urbane Richardson at 36 Rita Street in October 1941. They had moved here from Boston, Mass., and shortly afterwards, other members of their family began meeting with them. They learned of Sister Richard Erskine in Bartonville whose husband is now an elder in this congregation, and they assembled here to worship. Le Moine Lewis, then a student at Harvard, spent the summer here in 1942 and preached. He came often until Spring of 1946. Chaplains in the Army preached during the War — Jack Fogarty, Frank Trayler, Frank Cope, Gerald Fruzia, Edwin Hampton, Harlan Woodruff, Douglas Jones, Richard Walker, C. E. McGaughey of Washington, D. C., and Robert Jones of Ft. Worth, Texas. Harold Thomas and Tom Page held the first Protracted Meeting in May of 1945, and Richard Erskine was one of the three baptized. In August 1945 the property at 295 Park Street was purchased, and Sis. A. M.

Burton of Nashville, Tenn., helped with the down payment. The first meeting conducted in the building, June 15, '47. E. H. Masters and family came in June 1946. He was the first full-time preacher in the state. After seven years, Charles E. McDonald came in December 1953, and returned to Alabama within a year due to ill health of Sis. McDonald, but returned to Springfield in September, 1957. Membership is presently 79. Received support from Church of Christ in Bartlesville, Okla., Sis. Eva Bolleau. Presently, the 25th & Geraldine congregation in Oklahoma City is helping support the work. The latter has supported the work over a long period of time. The congregation is now Scripturally organized, having Elders: George Webb, Richard Erskine, Chandler Clark; and Deacons: Wendell Davis, Harry Olney, Richard Hill. Evangelist M. L. Harless moved from Ontario, Canada, to work full-time with the congregation in November, 1961. A new Meeting House is one of the congregation's greatest needs!

SOUTH BARRE

When the Alvis A. Bryan family and the Monroe McCandless family moved here in Feb. 1950 the six Christians from Waits River drove 20 miles and helped us establish this church. We met in a lodge hall the first 18 months. We held a meeting and during the first year eight were baptized and about 30 others the next two years. Lot purchased in 1951 and a garage building was converted to a church house. There are about 70 members. Lee Peters is the preacher. He and his family came from Kermit, Texas. Mail: Box 21. Note: Brother Peters moved to Duncan, Okla., in July '62.

VIRGINIA

ABINGDON

This work began in 1951 when Oswald Wilson held a meeting in a tent and moved here with his family afterwards. They met first in the Town Hall and moved into a building on Main Street until the present building was finished — location Colonial and Campbell Sts. Jim Girdley served from 1954 to 1955 followed by Karl Peltier for a year. Clayton Winters preached from 1956 to 1960 and now Maynard Lee Booher is preaching. Maynard is from Tennessee. Went to Florida Christian and married Joyce Byrd. Help has been given by Trinity Lane in Nashville, the church in Dickson, Tenn., and the Comer Fund. There are about 50 members and property valued at \$30,000. Mail: Box 604.

ALEXANDRIA

About 30 members began meeting here in March 1945. Building valued at \$60,000, was constructed in 1950 — location 111 East Braddock Road. In 1956 30 persons were baptized. Membership today is about 200. Jack Exum was here before Jack Meyer, Jr., came. Fred P. Hall is one of the leaders.

ALLISONIA

North Atlantic Directory shows the church here "Clark Mills Church of Christ" but "Churches in Virginia — 1961" does not show this place. No information.

ARLINGTON

Established in 1940 and within a year the first unit of a building seating 275 was started. In 1949 the church was free of debt and helped Alexandria get a building. About 50 of our members started the work in Falls Church. In 1953 plans for a building seating 700 was underway and the property now located at 20 North Irving Street is valued at \$350,000. Charles M. Barnes, Elza F. Bloomingburg, Edwin H. Enzor, Sr., C. Everett Nickell, W. Wade Smith and J. Anders serve as elders. Guy Bloomingburg, Wayne Bloomingburg, P. G. Buck, Joe D. Herman, James Hulfish, Hailey Litton and M. L. Kibler serve as deacons. C. J. Kirkpatrick, who recently did the preaching, has moved to Red Bank, N. J. This church has taken an active part in building many churches in the area, summer camps, and other good works and is possibly the

nearest congregation to downtown Washington, D. C.

AUSTINVILLE

The Virginia Directory shows: "Known as Round Knob Church on Highway 747 in Carroll County seven miles from Hillsville. Elders — Carl Parnell and Paul Shupe. E. L. Jennings, C. E. Mannon, A. L. Altizer, R. C. Walker, W. B. Freeman, part-time. Self-supporting.

BIG STONE GAP

No information. Virginia Directory shows Ervin Hall as contact. We also have the name of Wendell Wiser.

BLACKSBURG

With the help of the church in Christiansburg, this work was started Sept. 1, 1962. Bruce R. Curd from Detroit, Mich., is the preacher. They started meeting in our building on September 2, '62, and have 42 members.

BRISTOL

First services in Feb. 1937 with four members and two others found the next week. Worship in homes until an upstairs room was rented in town in 1942. That year a building was purchased. Thomas H. Burton came from Portland, Tenn., in 1944. A lot at 18th on State was purchased in 1945 and the first service in the new building was held March 12, 1947. W. S. Long and Brother Burton raised the money needed. Thetus Pritchard followed Brother Long and then Edward Anderson. Jere Via came in April 1956. In 1956 several of the members began worship in Abington but the membership here soon grew to 150 or more. Paul Carman and Wesley Brumbelow are elders. Raymond Hudgens evangelist.

CHARLOTTESVILLE

With help from the church in Arlington, Paul T. Menefee and his wife Evelyn started the church here on Jan. 29, 1950. Charter members: Mr. and Mrs. Menefee, Miss Iona Cope, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Kilpatrick, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Atkins. Harvey and Paul did the preaching. Nelson Smith is the evangelist today. From 1958 to 1960 Charles J. Michael did most of the preaching. Brother Michael and Brother Menefee are elders. Church address: Old Stoney Point Road, c/o Nelson Smith, Rt. 4, Box 231, Charlottesville. (Brother Menefee is now living in Nashville where children are in Lipscomb.)

CHESTER

No information. Virginia Directory shows, "Rivermont Church, Route 2, 52 members, property valued at \$25,000. Norman Midnight, Rt. 2, Box 347-M." Mount Pleasant, Tenn., helps with this work.

CHRISTIANBURG

First worship here April 2, 1950. A building was erected before worship began — 201 Radford Street and membership over 200 and self-supporting. Started the church in Radford. G. W. Phillips, S. E. Teel and Trigg Thompson are elders. A. Lowell Altizer, a native who graduated from Freed-Hardeman, is the preacher. He married Faye Mitchell. Helped establish this church and has preached here ever since. This church, with some members, is helping to start the work in Blacksburg.

CLINTWOOD

No information. Directories show: "Mail Box 746. Dickson County. Contact: Kermit Puckett. He and Shirley Mullins do the preaching. Self-supporting. Own building. About 40 members." For further information see Osborn's Gap.

COEBURN

There is a church here made up of colored people but I have no other information than this.

COLONIAL HEIGHTS

The church here was started before World War II in the home of Sister Lucas with Harris Dark coming from Richmond to do the preaching. Starting of the church in Hopewell took a number of members who had been coming here. In August Mark N. Hicks came. Brethren Holt, Morgan and Paden moved into the area and gave strength. In 1953 a building was erected at 602 Cameron Avenue. Lowell Paden preached for about 2½ years while Mark Petersburg Hicks

was in New Mexico. A congregation for colored people was started in 1960 and we continue to help them. Elders are to be appointed soon. Raymond Wells, Ed Moores and Darrell Adkins have led the songs. Mark N. Hicks present preacher.

COVINGTON

"Started July 6, 1952 with Howard Parker holding a meeting with 4 members — Mrs. H. L. Seay, Mrs. Charles Persinger, Frank McBee and Mrs. M. T. Wynne, Jr. The church now has 17 members, several having moved. We meet in a rented store building. The church in Roanoke helped us." This report made by Sister Wynne, 402 W. Ridgeway, Clifton Forge, Va. Contact: Carl Hafer, 419 E. Gray, John L. Uarich, 1626 W. Jackson. Mail Box 152. Kenneth Martin is the preacher.

CULPEPER

James H. Kilpatrick, Box 765, says "My wife, mother-in-law and I started worship here in 1954. We rent a place at 307 N. Main Street. We have a nice building fund and about 20 members. I do most of the preaching while making my living in insurance. Earl Edge of Memphis, Tenn., recently closed a good meeting for us."

DAMASCUS

No information. Virginia Directory reports, "Located in Main Street. Mail: Box 324. Bert Owens one of the leaders, H. Ernest Shoaf, preacher. Shady Valley, Tenn., bought the property and Chapel Avenue in Nashville helps support the preacher."

DANVILLE

No information. Virginia Directory shows, "Contact: Basil Powell, Rt. 2, Box 43. Meeting at 422 Locust Drive; about 20 members."

DRAPER

No information. Virginia Directory shows, "Clark's Mill Church, located about five miles from Draper in Pulaski County. Contact is Walter Crigger, Dublin, Va. He and Clayton Gregory serve as elders. Wendell Teel preaches. Own building, self-supporting; about 60 members."

ELK GARDEN

No information. Virginia Directory shows, "Corn Valley Church, 15 members. contact: Mack Riffle, Richlands, Va."

FALLS CHURCH

First meeting Sept. 4, 1949 in IOOF Hall of about 50 members from Arlington. In July 1957 there were about 235 members. Property was purchased on East Broad and Church Place in March 1950 and opening services Sept. 16, 1951. Home for the preacher was purchased. Visiting preachers served from Sept. 1949 to 1951 when Billy Hood from Tampa, Fla., came, being helped by the church in Arlington. Thomas N. Page came in April 1951 and stayed until July 1954. Robert C. Oz came Sept. 19, 1954 and has been here until 1960. Robert was born in Michigan and graduated from Lipscomb. Homer Utley baptized him. He is married to Annetta Neblett. Bob L. Hoover held a fine meeting here in 1957. On Feb. 22, 1953 William Geddes, Charles E. Grandey and Richard R. Lyle were appointed elders. John A. Johnson, Gene H. May, Philip McCrea and Allen B. Truax were appointed deacons soon afterwards. William Ayres, John Floyd, Marvin Kincaid and Charles Saxton lead the singing. In 1956 land was purchased at 300 Leesburg Pike and after the old property was sold we entered our new \$250,000 building in Oct. 1958. There are over 200 members. Jack Myer, Sr., is the present preacher. Jack was born in Buffalo, N. Y., went to Lipscomb and Abilene, married Mary Elizabeth Pittman. Well known for his writings.

FREDERICKSBURG

First worship services were held in 1952 composed of military personnel meeting in rented halls. Lots were purchased in 1959. There were ten members and a full-time preacher. A basement building was constructed and now the property is valued at \$80,000. Membership is about 70. Robert A. Goff is the preacher. Much credit is due the Granny White Pike Church in Nashville, Tenn. Mail: P. O. Box 651. Location:

336 Riverside Drive.

FRONT ROYAL

Churches in Falls Church and Arlington helped Nelson M. Smith in the starting of this work in 1947 and membership now is near 60. Building is located at 140 West 15th Street. Mail: P. O. Box 1173. Edwin Floyd is the preacher. Contacts: Mrs. M. M. Norris, 723 Stayman St., or A. P. Taff, Sr. (Strasburg, Va.)

GALAX

No information. Shown in North Atlantic Directory only. "Route 2, Mt. Pisgah."

GRUNDY

No information. Virginia Directory shows, "Royal City Church of Christ one mile from Grundy on highway 460. Cecil Cox and Andrew Horn elders. Contact: Cecil Cox, Vanslant, Va. Own building. 20 members."

HARRISONBURG

Central Church of Christ, 14 Graham St. Mail: c/o Paul Sampson, 232 Cantrell Ave. Oscar E. McCoy, evangelist. Help from many churches. Name of Harry L. Postlewait was shown as former preacher. This work was started on Dec. 23, 1956, by the Paul Simpson and Lawrence Rhodes families. Lawrence, an Abilene graduate, was the first preacher. Harry Postlewait then came until November 1960 and Brother McCoy came in May 1961.

Jesse Clayton held a meeting. We lost some members when the church was started in Waynesboro.

HOPEWELL

The Davisville Church was started in a tent in 1957 when John R. Vaughner of Florida held a meeting and baptized over 100 souls. Raymond J. Dunwood was the first preacher and after two years Jesse Brown came and served until John A. Smiley succeeded him and remained five years. Junius Stevens came in 1956 and has been here since that time. Francel Miles, John W. Judkins, Walter Shands, Sr., and Fletcher Robinson are leaders. Benjamin Sessoms and Linwood Roberts lead singing. Location 215 Terminal St. Own building and have about 100 members.

HOPEWELL (4th & Dawson)

Mail: Box 584. Elders: Bryan Stokes, Clyde Balderson and Ellis Frazier. Secretary: Melvin Manning. Preacher, William Harper. Own building — 120 members.

LAUREL HILL

Six miles from Radford, Va., on Dry Valley Road. Elders: Troy Boyd, Grover Shelbourne, Buford Shelbourne, and the preacher is Wendell Teel who lives in Riner, Va. Church is self-supporting. They own their building and have over 60 members.

LEBANON

Report by Mrs. Everett Penick. "We moved here because the church in these mountain regions is weak. My husband took a job with Clinchfield Coal Co., as an electrical engineer and we started the church in our home in November 1959. There were five members — Everett Lamar Penick, Doris Penick, James, Rose and Betty Hilton. Six weeks later George and Geraldine Abshire returned to the church. Lamar does all the preaching. We have just completed our new building which seats 250 and we now have 20 faithful members. We need a full-time preacher." Mail: Route 2.

LYNCHBURG

Fort Avenue Church, 1132 Sandusky Drive. In 1938 William Echols and his family moved here and began worship in their home. Harvey Kilpatrick held a meeting and four were baptized including Mary Trent who is still with us. Meetings were held in a store building at 5th & Clay for two years and then to Sister Trant's home for four years. Garvin Toms and Chester Grimes came for meetings. In time only Sister Trent and Sister S. M. Langford and her two children remained. In time Sister Langford moved away and there was no one left to worship with Sister Trent for seven years. In 1949 the church in Arlington sent A. M. Dowell to help start

worship again in Sister Trent's home. Robert Haver and his wife moved here and remained with the church four years. In 1952 with outside help a residence at 410 Vernon Street was purchased and used until July 1961. William O'Neal came for a year and Elmer Bowers helped off and on for two years. In cases the church went on when no men were present at all. In 1950 Howard D. Parker and family went to Roanoke and soon became interested in the work here. In June 1960 they moved here and in July 1961 into the new building. The property is valued at \$65,000. Our members live at least 55 miles apart. We believe a great future faces us. Membership about 40. Several recent baptisms.

Howard was born in Alabama, baptized by E. E. Byars, married Mamie Rose and went to Freed-Hardeman and Lipscomb Colleges.

LYNDALE

No information. Virginia Directory lists as, "Lyndale Church of Christ, secretary — Roscoe Counts. 20 members."

MANASSAS

Began in May 1957 as a result of work of Ed Valentine. Charter members, Mr. and Mrs. Valentine, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Knight, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Luttrell, Sister Dorothy Trusler, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Potter, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Marshall, Sister Ola Bickle. Stanley Brewer was the first preacher. Don Northcutt is the present preacher. Ronald Knight leads singing. Over 100 members. Building seats 350. Ronald Knight, Charles Wildman and Frank Potter are leaders. Location: Weems and Weir Streets. Mail Box 270.

MARTINSVILLE

No information. Directories show: "823 Starling Avenue. J. E. Hill, 1024 Jefferson Circle as one of the leaders." W. B. Freeman did preach here.

McLEAN

This church started Oct. 15, 1962 and became the 15th congregation in the greater Washington, D. C., area. With 26 Charter members worship was started in the Community Room of the Vienna Trust Co., under the oversight of 16th & Decatur Church in Washington. Four elders were selected — Otto Foster, formerly of Joshua and Cleburne, Texas, James McFarland, Jr., who had served at 16th & Decatur as a deacon. Brother McFarland is a doctor and while in the services helped start the church in Kodiak, Alaska. William R. Franklin was an elder at 16th & Decatur for 10 years, and W. E. Albright. Wayne Poucher, who is so well known for his work on the Life Line radio program, and Brother Albright, former elder in Evanston, Ill., Central and Memorial Parkway churches in Huntsville, Ala., does most of the preaching. Mail: W. E. Albright, 4301 Columbia Pike, Arlington, Va.

NEWPORT NEWS

The first meeting ever held here in Hampton was in a tent in 1923 in the Wythe school yard with W. S. Long preaching. Joseph and Dora Smith were baptized. They came here from England. Brother Smith was a brick layer and he helped construct a small building at 306 Catalpa. George and Helen Bunch, Mrs. George Wynn, Mrs. B. W. Mangrum, John Tucker, and the Smith children became members. Some of the early and known preachers: Thomas B. Wallace, S. H. Rutledge, G. L. Hardin, Harvey Kilpatrick, J. F. Jones, Bro. Tarbet, J. C. Hollis, Ben H. Atkinson, Lloyd Gaw. Meetings held by Jody Copeland, B. C. Carr, A. C. Dreaden, A. E. Emmons, Van Ingram, Nelson Smith. In 1948 membership was about 20, in 1950 about 35. In 1953 work was started among the colored people. Today white and colored worship together. Building started in 1958. Auditorium seating 400. Address: 5956 Jefferson. Location — 72nd & Jefferson. Bruce Jackson from Alabama came in 1957 and is preaching now. George E. Hodge and Eli B. Brashear are elders. Charles R. Tucker, Carl E. Hughes and Jim Clark, deacons. This report by Eli Brashear, 104 Tyler Ave., Newport News. He later

reports that they are helping get the church in Williamsburg started.

NORFOLK

(Note: When I went through naval training in this area in 1917 I could find no place of worship except a Christian Church. JLL.)

Although there are three churches listed in Norfolk we received information only from North Highlands, 4747 Providence Road. Another church is located at 5801 Granby Street where Benjamin Lowe preaches. They have a nice building and some 275 members. Started the church in Lynchburg and back the work in Korea. The other church listed is located at 4700 Little John Drive with Doyle Cannon as preacher. They own their building, have over 144 members and are self-supporting.

Norfolk Highland started in Jan. 1958 when 26 members met in the Civic Center area. James E. Seigenthaler preached and Smyrna, Tenn., helped in his support. Lots were purchased at our present location in Dec. 1958 and the first service in new building in Oct. 1960. We have elders and deacons. We work in full fellowship with the other two churches here. Earl G. Headrick, U. S. Navy, has been helping us with the preaching. Jerry Humphries came in Nov. '61. Elder: James C. Steele, 3308 Martin Ave.

Jerry was born in Ala., baptized by O. S. Lanham, graduated from Alabama Christian, married Margaret Wilson. A good report of growth by Harris Winston.

OCEANA

Location: 521 Virginia Beach. Mail: Box 531. Met for the first time July 15, 1956. L. D. Berry was the first preacher, followed by Earl Headrick, Walter Milton and James W. Medlin who is here now. We have a nice building. Most of our members are service personnel in the Navy. Address: 521 Virginia Beach Blvd., Oceana, Virginia. Mail: P. O. Box 531.

OSBORN'S GAP (see Clintwood)

Mrs. Nora Vanover, Jr., writes: "The church here was established in 1940 by my brother Carson Swindall with only two members. I had been living in Kentucky and had obeyed the gospel and wanted my people who lived here to know the Truth. I got Sherd Riffe of Shelbyanna, Ky., to come and preach and my brother Carson was baptized. Later Brother Riffe had the church in Norfolk sent Joseph Jones here for a meeting in 1944 and 12 persons were baptized. The next year Joe came back and brought his brother Warren for another fine meeting. (Here is one of the great thrills of this sort of work and the church of our Lord: Joe went to Pepperdine College here in Los Angeles where I am a trustee. Warren is now on the faculty and in the administration. He also preaches for the church in Redondo Beach, Calif., where we worship. I work with him almost daily. JLL) Most of my family passed away and we lived in Clintwood for a time and we now have a nice little church in town. After I moved back here last year from Michigan I came out to the old farm near Osborn's Gap where there is a little church house. We started classes for the children as there are no men to help us. There are just four of us — Draxie France, Mary Stell Smith, my 13 year old son Clarence and myself. Clarence does all the work of a man of the church."

Picture of Clarence

PEARISBURG

No information. Virginia Directory shows, "Meets in Masonic Hall. Mail: c/o John Shoun. Donald Reece helps with the preaching."

PETERSBURG

No information. The church in Colonial Heights reports that this work among the colored (249 Halifax)—was started with L. V. Paden and Bob Higgenbotham helping with the preaching. There are 10 members.

POUND

Own building. Elders preach and teach. About 40 members. Contact: Lawrence Hodges.

PORTSMOUTH

No information from 706 Broad Street where James C. Crowe, Shriver W. Everly and G. A. Sullivan serve as elders. Bill W. Bates is the preacher. They have their own building and plan a new one. About 100 members and self-supporting.

I have much information from another church which gives 3923 Deep Creek Boulevard as the address and Henry J. Ditter as the preacher. Since this church appears to want no part of me and my work and offers nothing but criticism of the other church here and the elders as well as others in Virginia, I will just have to leave it up to others who may be more familiar to draw their own conclusions. In any case, so far as I am personally concerned, if there are Christians here, erring just as I, they are my brethren. JLL.

PULASKI

Clark's Hill Church. Contact: W. F. Gregory, Rt. 1.

RADFORD

No information. Directories show, "Laurel Hill Church, six miles from Radford. Mail: c/o Troy Boyd, Rt. 1. Troy Boyd and Grover Shelburne, elders. C. E. Mannon, Rt. 3, Christianburg, preacher. Own building; 60 members, self-supporting.

RADFORD (8th & Robertson)

R. C. Walker, Sr., is the evangelist. They own their building and have about 100 members. Mail: Box 113, Station A.

RICHMOND

No information from either of the four churches here which is very hard to understand but I shall list the church as they are in the Directory of Virginia — 1961:

Highland Park, 2301 3rd Ave. Contact: D. Young. William Bryson, preacher. About 100 members, own building, self-supporting.

West End — 319 Maple Ave. Contact: John Nosker. preacher: Frank J. Jamerson. About 50 members.

600 Chimborazo. Homer Smiley preacher. About 40 members.

Central, 104 N. Belvedere.

RIDGEWAY

No information and neither directory had anything additional.

ROANOKE

No information. Virginia Directory shows, "2006 Brandon Ave., SW. Elders: E. E. Altizer, C. W. McAllister and C. W. Tidwell. Minister: Paul E. Shoulders. Own Building, about 135 members, self-supporting. East Gate Church at 1610 17th St. NE. Mail: % E. L. Gill, 1608 18th St., NE."

Brother Bryson sent the following: "There are four congregations here. (Brother Bryson makes some comments on the peculiar differences which have characterized churches in so many places over all the years which, if left to be worked out locally, will in time be done. JLL.) We at Highland believed strongly in cooperation of every good work and are helping the colored brethren in their work here."

ROSE HILL

Orlan Sawey reports a small, faithful group here. No other information.

SALTSVILLE

No information. Virginia Directory shows, "Anderson Chapel, Washington County. Four miles from Saltsville on Poore Valley Road. Mail: % W. M. Sword, Rt. 2. H. E. Shoaf preaches part time. About 20 members."

SHORT CREEK

No information. North Atlantic Directory lists, "Round Knob Church of Christ."

SNOWVILLE

M. Betty Carey, Rt. 1, Box 10, Snowville, writes April 26, 1961: "Last Sunday S. S. Cole of the New Salem Church gave me a letter from you and Warren Jones asking for information on the church here. The first building was put on a lot that was deeded to the Christian Church by my great grandfather David Showalter soon after the close of the Civil War. The

church had been meeting in a building that was on the Hawthorne farm before and during the war. There was a Christian Church in Snowville that was started by Chester Bullard about the time of Alexander Campbell. He never heard of Campbell until a few years later. He preached "back to the Bible" throughout this state. My grandfather's brother, J. T. Showalter attended the Snowville Church after New Salem was built until the organ was bought in 1896. Then he and his family moved their membership to New Salem. He was a preacher before he died in 1915. He reared 12 children and now only two of them are living — E. T. Showalter and Dr. A. M. Showalter. Three of his sons were preachers — G. H. P. Showalter (for years editor of the Firm Foundation in Austin, Tex, JLL.), E. T. and Milton V. There are only four families that go to New Salem now. I am the oldest member of this congregation. My mother, Lula Showalter Carey, who died in 1953, told me the history of this church. Over all the years we never had any part with societies, the instrument of music or any other such problem. One of our young preachers did, at one time, try to get the deed changed from "Christian Church" to "Church of Christ," but deeds are not changed. We have always been Christians." (In early days in middle Tennessee we were known as the Christian Church before there was any "Christian" Church. JLL.)

SOUTH HILL

No information. Virginia Directory reports, "East Main Street. Mail: Box 281. Contact: W. E. Bell, Jr. Minister: John Witt."

SPRINGFIELD

First met March 30, 1958 in elementary school. Jack Exum preached the first sermon. Robert Hann led the singing. Charter members: Geraldine Albaugh, Bill and Lorraine Barnes, George and Agnes Bennett, Floyd, Ora and Raleigh Clifton, Leroy and Mary Elrod, Virginia Harmon, Ernest and Louise Lincoln, Newton and Robbie Burnhart, Barbara Mueller, Carl and Carla Murdock, Carl and Mildred Pullen, L. E. and Elizabeth Reed, Helen Rhett, Vernon and Marjorie Snyder, Artis Snow, Margaret White, Truman and Margaret Cook, Talmadge and Lillian Jones, Roy and Margaret Sloan, Justine Duke, Hillard Thorpe, Donna, Doris and Mrs. Roberts, Grace Veil, Sally Belote and La Vonn Cameron. In 1961 a \$90,000 building was dedicated. There are about 125 members. Mike Anglin was the first full-time preacher. He is finishing his work at Lipscomb. Roger Mills, a native of District of Columbia, came in Sept. 1960. Philip Himes, Everett Danley and Carl Pullen are elders. Jim Button and Bill Barnes serve as deacons. Phil Himes, Everett Danley and James Maxwell lead singing. Address of the church: 7350 Bryon Ave. Mail: Box 84. (Another interesting point: I have known Philip Himes and his father, mother and family for many years here in the Los Angeles area. He has one brother an elder of the Torrance, Calif., Church and another who is a member of the 16th Street Church in Washington, D. C. JLL.)

Picture of Roger

SUFFOLK

Started in Jan. 1958. Charter members: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jasper, M. C. Tooley, S. D. Wilson; Mrs. F. J. McClenny. Meetings were held in a local hotel and Phythian Castle until present building on Holland Road in Maple Hills Addition, was erected. Mail: Box 675. No preacher at this time. Report by J. W. Jasper. About 20 members.

WARDELL

Mack Rife, Box 184, Richlands, Va., reports: "To advise of a new church at Wardell in Tazewell County. Two other brethren and I built our building and started meeting in it April 29, 1961. We had four to be baptized and now have nine members. A meeting is planned. Jessie Matney, Rt. 1, Cedar Bluff, Va., and Irvin Matney, Clifffield, Va., were the other two who helped me. This is the only church of our Lord in this county."

WAYNESBORO

No information. Listed in Virginia Directory "Augusta County, 1034 Main Street. Mail: % Ralph Denny."

WILLIAMSBURG

Dr. S. D. Southworth and his wife Winifred moved here in 1927 to teach in the College of William and Mary. In 1933, through the influence of his Christian wife, Dr. Southworth obeyed the gospel. So often after that only the two had worship together. There were times when Sister Fannie M. West, Winifred's mother, would be visiting from Kinsley, Kans., and worship with them at 701 Powell Street. From 1942 to 1945, after this family had moved to Arlington, the church did not assemble. Bruce Jackson, preacher, and Charles Tucker, song leader for the church in Newport News were sent here to hold service in the home of Arthur Kessler the first Sunday in April 1959. Two months later they began meeting in a public place — 452½ Boundary St. Tom Hancock came in the fall of '59. Churches in Alabama sent Richard Taylor Sept. 1, 1960 and services started at 1336 Richmond Rd. Steady growth has been made ever since. Land has been purchased east of town on highway 168 and a new building has been erected at 202 Highway 168. Membership about 30. This is a working church.

WISE

Christians have been meeting here from house to house for several generations. About ten years ago a group began meeting in a Union Hall here and soon built a place of their own on Hurricane Road. Hargis Simmons and Walter Reed, Coeburn, Va., and O. V. Arnold, Wise, Va., are the elders. These men were among those who erected the building. Orlan Sawey does a great deal of the preaching here. Brother Sawey is head of the English department at Clinch Valley College (University of Virginia) but is leaving. Brother Sawey says, "The church listed for Rose Hill may very well be a Christian Church that calls itself "Church of Christ" as many of them do in this area (as well as in California JLL.) Wendell Wisner, I believe preaches for them. He is the preacher at Big Stone Gap."

WYTHEVILLE

Church here meets in own building across the road from the High School. We have 27 members. William Blaine Freeman, Freed-Hardeman graduate, moved here in 1960 and the future looks bright. Bill was born in Georgia, baptized by T. C. King, married Christine Howell. The church in Bristol is helping here.

You will find below some general information on many of the preachers, teachers and others whose names are mentioned in the church histories — men who have worked with the churches, held meetings, and so on. In most cases, these are men who have come and gone but some are in the area now and many presently with churches have not been duplicated. We felt that you would like to know something about these persons although we are not sure the information is correct. There are certain to be mistakes in spelling, etc., and we ask your forgiveness. Those on whom we did not receive new information are not listed.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WASHINGTON (Southeast)

This church, then known as Anacostia Church of Christ, had its first meeting in the home of Robert I. Dix, 1330 Ridge Place, SE, Oct. 19, 1941. Hugo McCord was the speaker. Nov. 2, the church started meeting in the Masonic Hall at 14th & U and then on May 22, 1943 in the Jr. OUAM Temple, 2407 Minnesota. The present building at 2600 Minnesota Avenue S. E., was entered June 1953. Earl B. Bailey drew the plans and specifications. Total value \$110,000.00. Others who helped with the preaching in the early days — John T. Smithson, Jr., J. Novis Taylor, C. E. McGaughey and Curtis Combs. April 1, 1943 Bonds Stocks was called to take full-

time work. In late 1946 Denton M. Neal came and remained until 1951 when Billy Hood came and remained about 10 years. Ray A. Dillard is the present preacher. He was born in Alabama, graduated from Lipscomb and Pepperdine. Baptized by J. Roy Vaughan and married Jeanie Blume. Membership about 250.

Picture of Ray and the bldg

(13th & Irving) N. W.

This church had its beginning with the coming of Sister Arbula Young from Ercildon, Pa. She and her daughter first worshipped at 14th Street but due to some feelings on the part of few having to do with mixed races, Sister Young, in 1934 influenced William O. Jones and Paul Macky to come for a meeting. P. E. Butler was the first full-time preacher. Harriet Taylor, Texanna Thomas, Janie Daniels and Lina Mack placed membership and later the Earl Johnsons. Jerome Cator, Joel Hankins, William Robinson, David Shows have served as preachers and S. Douglas Greer, who is here now, came in October 1947. First place of worship was on R Street NW and later a funeral parlor. In 1943 14th Street and Arlington churches helped obtain a building at 463 K St. SW., and in September 1948 the present property was purchased. Membership over 300.

CHURCH OF CHRIST, SIXTEENTH AND DECATUR

The church that meets at 4801 Sixteenth St., N.W., Washington, D. C. is in its fiftieth year. On the first Sunday in 1913 a group of five Christians assembled in a private home to worship according to the New Testament pattern. This group for the next few years rented a meeting place and in 1919 bought a building located at 3460 14th Street, N.W. They met in this building until February 1951 when they moved into their newly constructed meeting house. The present building is a beautiful structure seating approximately 900 people, located on a large beautiful lot on a major thoroughfare. From the beginning of the church in Washington in 1913, it has grown to seventeen congregations in the metropolitan area with a membership of between 2,500 and 3,000.

The Sixteenth Street Church has been active in mission work both at home and abroad. The A. R. Holtons and Melba Carlon went from this congregation to Korea in February 1957. Plans are being made to send the O. P. Baird family of Columbia, South Carolina, to Korea to replace the Holtons who will return due to illness of Bro. Holton. The Holtons are expected to take up residence in Washington once again. We support William N. Scott, former associate minister, in Eatontown, N. J. Within the last year our elders have helped to launch two new congregations in the Washington area.

This congregation has taken a lead in a cooperative newspaper advertising program by which large ads are run in the metropolitan dailies.

The congregation, because of its location, serves as a liaison between the brotherhood and the Chief of Chaplains of the Army, Air Force and Navy. Those who wish to serve as Chaplains should contact us. We also help to get approval for service men to conduct worship on military installations.

Ray F. Chester has served as minister since April 1957. L. Denton Crews, Jr. serves as associate minister and Lowell Simpson as Song Director. The following have also served as ministers: A. R. Holton, Burton Coffman, C. E. McGaughey, Hugo McCord, Cecil Douthitt, George Klingman, James H. McBroom, John Allen Hudson, T. B. Larrimore, W. S. Long and R. R. Duckworth.

CANADA

MONTREAL, QUEBEC, CANADA

Present address of the church: 760 44th Avenue, Lachine, Quebec. Telephone: ME 7-3931. Jerry L. Davidson, evangelist.

Alvin Jennings came to Montreal and with the Branch and Hicks families 16 persons met in the YMCA on Sept. 23, 1956 for the first service. Charles (who is a neuro-surgeon) and his wife Sylvia have been faithful workers from the

beginning. Alvin moved to Vermont after about two and a half years of work. The Stephen Bilaks arrive in March 1957 and in May Paul Hall held the first meeting. Aubrey Pattersons came in June. Jimmy Jividen held a meeting in July and Roy Merritt a debate with some Mormons in August. Meetings in 1958 with Floyd Davis, H. M. Phillips, F. B. Shepherd and Farrell Till. Jerry Davidsons arrive in January 1959. Later meetings by Gene Overton, Paul Watson, Harold McColum, Maurice Hall and B. F. Haynie. Ira North, Burton Coffman and Jimmie Lovell visit in June 1960 enroute to Europe. Lachine property purchased in Sept., 1960. Many churches in the United have had a part in this work. This is a ripe field for the gospel.

Note: Military personnel from the United States have held services in Argentina, Newfoundland and Goose Bay, Labrador, and no doubt continue to do so as is the case wherever they go.

HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA

The work in Halifax began when C. W. Murray determined to break with the Christian Church and to completely restore N. T. Christianity in Nova Scotia. It was in 1956 that he and several others who had left the Christian Church began to meet to worship. Then brother J. C. Bailey, assisted by O. L. Castleberry, F. P. Higginbotham, and G. W. Thomas, came to Nova Scotia for meetings in the summers of 1956 and 1957 and the work was fully launched. Brethren from Ontario came for short periods during the winter of 1956 and 1957, and then brother David Lidbury moved to Mill Village (42 miles away) and for a year drove in to Halifax to help conduct services. In the fall of 1958 brother Bruce Tetreau came to work full-time with the two Nova Scotia churches for six months. Brother Walter Hart replaced Brother Tetreau in March of 1959 and has been living in Halifax and working with this church and the one at Mill Village since that time.

From a beginning of four or five members the Halifax church has grown to number 16 at the present time. An active program of work is carried on by this church, including Bible correspondence courses and home Bible studies. Among our activities for 1961 are: Teachers training classes, three gospel meetings, and our first vacation Bible school.

During the first years of its existence the church met in a basement room of the YWCA, but this year has begun to meet in the Masonic Hall in the Halifax suburb of Fairview. Lots are owned in this suburb and plans are underway for construction of a meeting house in the spring.

Halifax is the largest city of Canada's four eastern provinces, Canada's major Atlantic seaport, and the capital of Nova Scotia. With this status, a population of over 174,000 (metro.), and a steady growth, opportunities are unlimited.

Mailing address: Church of Christ, Box 1261, N. Postal Sta., Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Meeting place: Masonic Hall, Ashdale Avenue, Fairview (Halifax).

Contacts: Walter N. Hart, 58 Dutch Village Road, Halifax, C. W. Murray, 435 Windsor St., Halifax.

MILLS VILLAGE, HANTS COUNTY, NOVA SCOTIA

It is believed that the Mill Village Church of Christ began around 1855, and that the building was erected in 1889. In this period there were a number of churches in Hants county, and it has been estimated that at one time there were more members of the church per capita in Hants county than in any other county in Canada. But then there came digression among the churches, accompanied by the moving away of faithful members, and as a result the Mill Village building sat idle for a number of years.

Then C. W. Murray, a government worker in Halifax, left the Christian Church, and was able to go to Mill Village and get a few to begin meeting again in the only building still owned by faithful brethren. He asked for help in this move to restore N. T. Christianity, and in answer to this plea brother J. C. Bailey of Carman, Manitoba, held several meetings in

the province during the summers of 1956 and 1957. He was assisted that first summer by three brethren from State College, Penn.: O. L. Castleberry, F. P. Higginbotham, and G. W. Thomas. During that summer ten were baptized. That fall and the following winter several brethren from Ontario came down to help out for short periods. Brother Bailey, accompanied by brother David Ludbury, came again in the summer of 1957 and several were baptized. Brother Ludbury agreed to stay and work with the Mill Village and Halifax churches for a year. Brother Bruce Tetreau then came from Saskatchewan for six months, and in March of 1959 brother Walter Hart moved to Halifax and since then has been working with this church as well as the one in Halifax.

There are now about 18 members meeting at Mill Village, which is a rural community located about two miles west of Shubenacadie and about 42 miles from Halifax. The 72 year old building is in good repair, and since the reactivation in 1956 a basement with classrooms has been added. Each year a vacation Bible school is conducted, which usually brings close to 40 neighborhood children, most of whom are from non-Christian homes. Other efforts this year include teachers training classes, and two gospel meetings.

Contacts: Gordon Wallace, Shubenacadie RR#1, Hants Co., N. S. Roland Bennett, Shubenacadie RR#1, Hants Co., N. S.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, CANADA

In 1951, the church of Christ was established at St. John's, Newfoundland, by some members of the church, then stationed at Pepperrall Air Force Base there. The church of Christ at Winfield, Kansas began then to actively support this work with the assistance of other congregations and assisted in the purchase of a site, and the erection of a meeting house. The men of the Air Force and their families made up the congregation.

In October 1955, the church of Winfield, Kansas sent Bro. Cecil G. Robison, Jr., and his family, of Wichita, Kansas to Newfoundland. Bro. Charles G. McPhee of St. Catharines, Ontario, and Bro. J. Harold Thomas of Philadelphia, Penn., have assisted in gospel meetings.

All of those converted with the exception of one elderly native, a Brother George Thomas, were American service personnel who have since moved back to the States.

February 15, 1960, was a tragic day. Brother Robison, Jr. had to leave St. John's due to lack of support. Since then the Winfield congregation, who held the deed for the property in St. John's, sold it to the United Church of Canada and at the present time hold a fund in the bank of \$2,034.56 which is to be turned over to any congregation who is willing to re-establish the work in that city.

Only one member of the body of Christ is left alone, the before mentioned Bro. Thomas. At this writing he is about 87 and is confined to his bed. In a letter from him he stated ". . . I am alone, like Elijah. I have to go to the Bible and to Jesus Christ to ask, and wait patiently for the answer . . ." He is praying for some interested congregation to return and preach the gospel to his people.

According to my latest information, which was some time ago, the Gospel Pioneers, a mission-minded organization at Northeastern Institute for Christian Education, has taken up this challenge. According to their brochure sent to me last January, there are three preachers and twelve students who are willing to go for a five-week period of intensive personal work. BUT HOW CAN THEY GO EXCEPT THEY ARE SENT? The goal that has been established for this trip is \$8,000. Brother Gary Norman, Box 158, N. I. C. E., Villanova, Penn., is their correspondent.

In addition to the need in St. John's, congregations of service men are now meeting at the U. S. Naval Station at Argentina just 80 miles away. These brethren, at last report, are sending \$100.00 a month to help the work in Halifax, N. S. I received a letter this week from the head of the Baptist Church in Newfoundland, in which he stated that the opening

of a new building of Argentinia the first Sunday in May. Why are we not there?

On the western side of the island is another opportunity for us to gain a foothold for Christ. American service men and their families meets at Stephenville. I understand from Brother Cain, who recently returned from there, that there are some 25 adults and 25 children meeting regularly. They are interested in building and working among the Newfoundlanders. They have about \$1,000 set aside for this purpose. The Baptists also have a building there, just since this past year. Brother Earl Whitt, c/o church of Christ, Box 748, Stephenville, Newfoundland, is their correspondent.

There has been for several years, and to the best of my knowledge there still is, a congregation which meets at the Air Force Base in Goose Bay, Labrador, which is part of the Province of Newfoundland.

FREDERICTON, NEW BRUNSWICK

This congregation here in Fredericton, New Brunswick met for the first time on August 3, 1958 with six charter members, Brother and Sister Fred Betts, Sister Burton Dunlay, Sister Pauline Betts, and Brother and Sister Louis Pauls. Louis Pauls being the first full time gospel preacher to enter this province representing the non-instrument group in a period of about forty years.

Fred Betts and family are native to this province, prior to 1958 they worshipped with the congregation in Houlton, Maine about 75 miles from Fredericton. Louis Pauls and family, Nellie Margaret as wife and Dale Edward as son, left their work in Port Colborne, Ontario to move into this province which was then one of two remaining provinces in Canada in which the church was not established. Brethren in Canada and the United States help support this work, this work is still handicapped by lack of support, class teachers and especially a building for worship. The congregation meets in the basement of the Pauls' home. The present mailing address is Church of Christ, 276 Edinburgh Street, Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada.

A

Abbott, Cornelius, C. (Central Church, Ardmore, Okla. Brother-in-law of Parker Henderson, missionary in Thailand.)
Abercrombie, V. F.
Adams, Dr. Walter H. (Dean at Abilene Christian College, hereafter ACC.)
Aebi, Chas. J. (Sisterville, W. Va.)
Akers, Roy (ACC)
Albee, Leman (Bangor, Me.)
Albright, Wilbur E. (McLean, Va.)
Allison, Tom
Allison, Marvin
Allmon, Cecil I. (Worcester, Mass.)
Altizer, A. Lowell (Christiansburg, Va.)
Anderson, Edward (Georgia)
Anderson, Gary
Anglen, Baylor (ACC)
Anglin, Mike (Tiptonville, Tenn.)
Arnold, Haldon (Camp Hill, Va.)
Arnold, O. V.
Ash, Loyd (ACC)
Askey, Wm. R. (Linden, Pa.)
Atkinson, B. H. (Dead)
Austin, George (ACC)

B

Babcock, Levi
Bachman, A. J. (Dead)
Baggett, Kenneth
Baird, Dr. James O. (President, Oklahoma Christian College)

Bailey, George W. (College Church, Abilene, Tex. Herald of Truth.)
Bailey, James G. (Glen Rock, Pa.)
Bailey, John
Baker, Edward
Baker, George True (Manchester, N. H.)
Barker, Melvyn C.
Barnes, Wayne
Bates, Bill W. (Portsmouth, Va.)
Bawcom, B. E. (Oklahoma City, Okla.)
Bays, L. V. (Woodsfield, O.)
Bell, Lowell C. (Pittsfield, Me.)
Bentley, Virgil (Oklahoma City)
Berry, L. D. (New Hampshire)
Bilak, Stephan (Michigan Christian. Russian radio work.)
Bixler, Alan (Wilmington, Del.)
Black, Garth W. Rome, N. Y.
Blake, M. E. (Sulphur Springs, Okla.)
Bolin, Darrell W. (Lock Haven, Pa.)
Bolton, Rusty (Commack, N. Y.)
Bonner, T. E. (Long Island)
Boothe, Ervy (New Mexico)
Bowers, Elmer (Waco, Tex.)
Boyer, Jacob (Johnstown, Pa.)
Boyer, Phillip D. (Johnstown, Pa.)
Bradley, C. W. (Winston-Salem, N. C.)
Brashear, Eli (Newport News, Va.)
Brewer, Chas. R. (Nashville, Tenn.)
Brewer, Eugene (Manchester, Conn.)
Brewer, G. C. (Dead)
Broaddus, Robert
Broom, Wendell W. (Wilmington, Del.)
Brown, Charles (Toms River, N. J.)
Brown, T. Pierce (Manchester, Tenn.)
Bryan, Alvis A. (Monpelier, Va.)
Bryson, Wm. (Richmond, Va.)
Burcher, W. A. (Dead)
Burgan, Frank (Dead)
Burgess, Bill (Lewiston, N. Y.)
Burdett, Oliver
Burton, Thomas H. (Dead)
Butterfield, Thos. (Ohio)
Byers, Tom (Poughkeepsie, N. Y.)

C

Cannon, Doyle (Norfolk, Va.)
Capps, James
Carruth, Ed (Levittown, N. J.)
Carver, Jay (Chaplain)
Casmir, Fred L. (Pepperdine College)
Cassell, H. G. (Long Beach, Calif.)
Casella, Carmelo (Brisbane, Australia)
Castleberry, Otis (California)
Cauthen, T. Furman (Silver Springs, Md.)
Chandler, Chas. (Gastonia, N. C.)
Chapin, Doyle (Gallup, N. M.)
Chapin, L. C. (Bloomfield, N. M.)
Clark, H. Decker, Jr. (Leominster, Mass.)
Clark, U. L. (Leominster, Mass.)
Clayton, Jesse (Illinois)
Coates, E. Ray (Shillington, Pa.)
Coffman, Burton (New York City)
Coleman, Jack (Ore. or Wash.)
Collins, G. Willard (VP David Lipscomb College)
Combs, Curtis
Combs, Dale
Connelly, Marlin (Pittman, N. J.)
Cope, H. Frank (Uptown, Long Beach, Calif.)
Copeland, Milton (Washington, D. C.)
Cosgrove, Roy (Long Island)
Couch, Eddie G. Jr. (Jacksonville, Fla.)
Craddock, Ed J. (Nashville, Tenn.)

Crouch, Brodie
Cuellar, Joe (New York City)
Cupp, John A. Jr.
Cutts, Chas. (Shipley, Fla.)
Cutts, John (Tabernacle, N. J.)

D

Danley, Claude R. (Pittsfield, Mass.)
Dark, Harris (Nashville, Tenn.)
Davenport, Dewayne (Ghana)
Davis, E. R. (Garibou, Me.)
Davidson, Clinton, Sr. (Bernardsville, N. J.)
Davidson, Clinton, Jr. (Dead)
Davidson, Jerry L. (Montreal, Canada)
Davidson, Robert E. (Bangkok, Thailand)
Dennis, Fred E. (Marietta, O.)
Devey, L. G.
Dillard, Ray A. (Detroit, Mich.)
Dixon, H. A. (Pres. Freed-Hardeman College)
Drinkwater, A. H. (Dead)
Durgin, Neal (Auburn, Me.)

E

Echols, Bill (New Jersey)
Edwards, Paul (Dead)
Elkins, Tice (Alamogordo, N. M.)
English, Paul D. (Dead)
Enzor, Ed, Jr. (Arlington, Va.)
Erwin, George (Princeton, W. Va.)
Evans, Dwain (Ft. Worth, Tex.)
Exum, Jack, Jr. (Dallas, Tex.)
Eyester, Ray (Carlisle, Pa.)

F

Ferguson, Everett (N. I. C. E.)
Findlay, Clyde P.
Finney, James L. (Fairlawn, N. J.)
Fisk, Robert
Floyd, Ed (Front Royal, Va.)
Fogarty, John P. (Tent evangelistic work)
Ford, Gynnath (New Kensington, Pa.)
Forshey, Harold (Roxbury, Mass.)
Forrest, Tony (Taylorsville, N. J.)
Fox, Logan J. (Pepperdine College)
Franklin, John (Tulsa, Okla.)
Franklin, Kenneth (Mobile, Ala.)
Freeman, Gary (Groton, Conn.)
Freeman, W. B.
Fruzia, Gerald O.

G

Gallagher, J. W. (Ohio)
Gardner, Don (Pres. Ohio Valley College)
Gurganus, Geo. P. (Harding College)
Garrett, Leroy (Bethany College)
Garrison, Cecil (Lock Haven, Pa.)
Gaw, Lloyd
Gipson, Norman (Grand Prairie, Tex.)
Gleaves, W. Russell (Schenectady, N. Y.)
Goff, Robert
Goldman, Larry (Bayside, Tex.)
Gonce, Albert A. Jr. (Tenn.)
Goodpasture, B. C. (Editor Gospel Advocate)
Graham, Ralph V. (Collinswood, N. J.)
Giffin, W. R. (Pleasantville, Pa.)
Grimes, Chester
Grindley, Eddie F. (Camp Shlioh. Plans to go to Ireland.)
Greer, S. Douglas (Washington, D. C.)

H

Hackney, Samuel B. (Rising Star, Md.)
Hagar, Lewis (Lexington, Mass.)
Hahn, Thomas (Laurel, Md.)
Haines, Peter (Dead)
Halbert, Ward K. (Dead)
Hall, Joseph (Dead)

Hall, Maurice (Michigan Christian)
Hall, Paul W. (Parkersburg, W. Va.)
Hall, Samuel H. (Dead)
Hall, Sewell (Nigeria, Africa)
Hancock, Tom
Hardy, Richard C. (Kittery, Me.)
Harp, Bob (Los Angeles, Calif.)
Harper, A. E. (Dead)
Hare, Robert L.
Hemphill, James (Mason, Tex.)
Harrell, Pat E. (Houston, Tex.)
Harrison, Malcolm (Blairsville, Pa.)
Harrison, W. A. Jr. (West Hartford, Conn.)
Harris, Roy (Iowa)
Hastings, A. W.
Hartwigsen, Alfred (Niagara Falls, N. Y.)
Haver, Robert
Hayes, E. R. (W. Va.)
Headrick, Earl G. (Bainsbridge, Md.)
Hearn, David (Buffalo, N. Y.)
Hearne, Bill (San Antonio, Tex.)
Hebbard, Wilmer E. (West Hartford, Conn.)
Hein, Dell
Higginbotham, Presnell (Nyasaland, Africa)
Hinshaw, Ross E. (Augusta, Me.)
Hicks, Mark N.
Hill, A. R. Jr. (Louisville, Miss.)
Hill, Cecil E. (San Antonio, Tex.)
Hill, George (Pepperdine College)
Hines, John T. (Dead)
Holland, Harold E. (Los Angeles, Calif.)
Holton, A. R. (Just returned from Korea)
Hood, Billy H. (Washington, D. C.)
Hoover, Robert L. (Lubbock, Tex.)
Horton, Howard P. (Pepperdine College)
Howard, Paul (Dead)
Hudgens, Raymond
Hudson, John Allen (Dead)
Hufford, Elza N. (President N. I. C. E.)
Humphries, Jerry (Norfolk, Va.)
Hurst, Vernon (Colorado)
Hawley, Roger (York Christian College)

I

Inman, Clifton

J

Jackson, Bruce (Cave City, Ky.)
Jamerson, Frank J.
James, Wyland
Janney, I. D. (Dead)
Jarrett, James D. (Warrick, R. I.)
Jennings, Alvin (Burlington, Ve.)
Jennings, Jerry J.
Jividen, Jimmy D. (Van Nuys, Calif.)
Johnson, Jas. E. Jr. (Ithica, N. Y.)
Johnston, Dr. Rex (Pepperdine College)
Jones, Joseph F. (Oklahoma Christian College)
Jones, Dr. Warren S. (Pepperdine College and our preacher at Redondo Beach, Calif.)
Jones, W. O. (Dead)
Joyner, George (Philadelphia, Pa.)
Joynes, Ernest E. (Dead)
Juday, E. E. (Dead)

K

Kemplin, Perry (N. I. C. E.)
Kennedy, Levi
Ketcherside, W. Carl (Editor Missionary Messenger)
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Kilpatrick, Harvey
Kinnard, Brown, Jr. (Holmes, Pa.)
Kirkpatrick, C. J. (Red Bank, N. J.)
Kirk, Willis E. (Oklahoma Christian College)

Kramar, Glenn G. (Lima, Peru)

L

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Langford, Mack (Philadelphia, Pa.)
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Larsen, Dale R. (President York College, York, Nebr.)
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Lewis, Jack P. (Harding College)
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Lewis, La Moine (A. C. C.)
Long, W. S. (Dead)
Lyles, Gene (Poughkeepsie, N. Y.)
Lidberry, David (West Canada Christian College)

M

Mackey, Paul (Dead)
Malherbe, Abe (A. C. C.)
Mannon, C. E.
Martin, Bill
Martin, Marvin (San Diego, Calif.)
Masters, E. H. Colorado City, Tex.)
Matthews, Palmer
Maynard, L. S. (Dead)
Mayo, Lawson, Jr.
Medlin, James (Oceana, Va.)
Meixner, J. Edward (Pittsburgh, Pa.)
Mick, Aurice L.
Merritt, Roy (Ottawa, Ont., Canada)
Menefee, Paul T. (Nashville, Tenn.)
Meyer, C. F. (Levittown, Pa.)
Michael, Chas. J. (Dead)
Miller, J. P. (Tampa, Fla.)
Mills, Roger (Springfield, Va.)
Moore, C. D. (Dead)
Moore, C. W. (Howard, Pa.)
Moore, Ira C. (Dead)
Morang, Herbert (Brunswick, Me.)
Morgan, Kenneth (Ore. or Wash.)
Morgan, Shirley L. (South Portland, Me.)
Moser, Wm. Kay (York, Pa.)
Mulligan, W. G.
Meyer, Jack, Sr. (Falls Church, Va.)
Meyer, Jack, Jr. (Alexandria, Va.)
Mynatt, Wallace E.

Mc

McBride, James C. (Plattsburg, N. Y.)
McCandless, Monroe (So. Barre, Ve.)
McColum, Harold (Dimmitt, Tex.)
McCord, Hugo (Oklahoma Christian College)
McCoy, Oscar E.
McDonald, Chas. E. (Greenfield, Ala.)
McGaughey, C. E. (Oklahoma City, Okla.)
McGaughey, Don (Brookline, Mass.)
McNiel, Paul (Lexington, Mass.)
McPhee, Chas. G. (St. Catherine, Ont.)

N

Neal, Bill (Burlington, Ve.)
Neal, Denton, M.
Needham, Wendell
Neel, Max T. (Utica, N. Y.)
Newton, John L. Jr. (Dover, N. J.)
Newland, Wayne I. (Trenton, N. J.)
Nichols, Wm. D.
Northcutt, Dan
Norton, Ted O.

O

Obenhaus, Bob
Ochoa, Antonio (Left our fellowship)
O'Dowd, John (Houston, Tex.)

Olbricht, Tom
Oldham, James
Oswald, Al
Overton, Gene (Scottsville, Ky.)
Oz, Robert C. (Easton, Mass.)

P

Paden, Glenn V. (Commack, N. Y.)
Paden, Lowell
Page, Thomas N. (Dead)
Palmer, Alfred H.
Parker, Howard D. (Lynchburg, Va.)
Peden, Eugene (Italy)
Peltier, Karl (Colorado)
Perry, Eugene (Beansville, Canada)
Peters, Lee (Duncan, Okla.)
Petty, James R.
Phillips, H. M. (Dead)
Phillips, T. W., Jr. (Santa Barbara, Calif.)
Pickup, Harry, Jr.
Plum, C. D. (West Virginia)
Postelwait, Harry L.
Priest, J. E. (Baltimore, Md.)
Prichard, Thetus

R

Ramson, Ed
Reedy, Wm. P. (E. & R. Church, Los Angeles)
Reeves, Homer P. (Franklin, Tenn.)
Renshaw, John (Hendersonville, Tenn.)
Reynolds, Jerry L. (Ghana, Africa)
Rice, Charles (Wheeling, W. Va.)
Rice, Ira Y. Jr. (Kuala Lumpur, Malaya)
Rice, P. X. (State College, Pa.)
Riffle, R. B. (Chester, W. Va.)
Ritchie, Andy T., Jr. (Harding College)
Roady, J. C. (Dead)
Rockey, Edward H. (Bethpage, N. Y.)
Roe, Robert J.
Ruth, Chester (Gap, Pa.)
Ruth, Samuel (Dead)
Rotenberry, Paul (A. C. C.)

S

Scott, Chas. F. (Scranton, Pa.)
Scott, Jack (Pepperdine College)
Scott, John A. (Memphis, Tenn.)
Scott, Wm. N. (McLean, Va.)
Sellers, James (Florida)
Settle, Stephen (Dead)
Shaver, Isaac (Dead)
Shepherd, Frank B. (Hawaii)
Shoaf, H. E. (Damascus, Va.)
Southworth, Dr. S. D.
Shoulders, Paul E. (Roanoke, Va.)
Showalter, Hubert (Richmond, Ind.)
Showalter, Dr. A. M.
Showalter Milton (Dead)
Sime, Donald (Harding College)
Simmons, Jackson (Morristown, N. J.)
Skaggs, Gerald
Sinclair, Cameron C. (Wilmington, Del.)
Slaughter, Harrison Jr. (Norfolk, Va.)
Sloan, Clyde
Smart, R. C. Sr. (Dexter, Me.)
Smiley, John A. (Hartford, Conn.)
Smith, Nelson (Lawton, Okla.)
Smith, Rex (Bangor, Me.)
Smythe, Dr. James (Pepperdine College)
Sommer, Daniel A. (Dead)
Sparagna, Aniceto
Stephens, Junius R. (Washington, D. C.)
Stewart, James H. (Philadelphia, Pa.)
Stigers, J. W. (Dead)

Stocks, Bonds (Columbia, Tenn.)
Stout, Olin (College Park, Md.)
Stovall, Milton
Sumerlin, E. J. (Commack, N. Y.)

T

Tallman, O. H. (New York, N. Y.)
Taylor, J. Novis (Dead)
Taylor, Richard
Taylor, Tetreau (Swift Currènt, Sask., Canada)
Thomas, Leslie G. (Ashville, N. C.)
Thomas, J. Harold (Groton, Conn.)
Thompson, J. H. D. (Dead)
Thompson, Loren (Kelton, Pa.)
Thrasher, Byron J. (Pittsburgh, Pa.)
Thurman, Morris (Easton, Mass.)
Till, Farrell
Tilly, Rex (Goldwaite, Tex.)
Trayler, Frank (Caracus, Venezuela)
Tustin, Paul (Lancaster, Pa.)
Tuttleton, C. M. (Providence, R. I.)

U-V

Vanderpool, Harold (Lexington, Mass.)
Vanderpool, Ken (Harding, Pa.)
Van Steenberg, Larry W.
Via, Jere

W

Walker, R. C. (Radford, Va.)
Walker, Richard (Berlin, Germany)
Wallace, Cled E. (Dead)
Wallace, Foy E. Jr. (Oklahoma City, Okla.)
Ward, Roy B.
Waters, Ervin (San Angelo, Tex.)
Watson, Paul (Roseville, Mich.)
Weeks, Jerl W. (New Bedford, Mass.)
Welch, Dave (Dead)
Whitelaw, Warren (Florida)
Wickham, A. E. (Coshocton, Ohio)
Willeford, James D. (Ft. Worth, Tex.)
Winter, Gus
Winters, Asa (Dead)
Wood, Everitt F. (Pottstown, Pa.)
Wood, Jimmy (Albuquerque, N. M.)
Woodrow, I. F. (Somerset, Pa.)
Wooten, C. E. (Brooklyn, N. Y.)
Wyatt, Albert L.

X-Y-Z

Yarnell, Harro O. (Nittany, Pa.)
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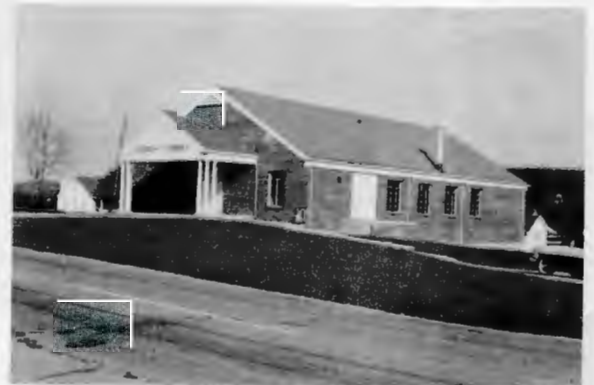


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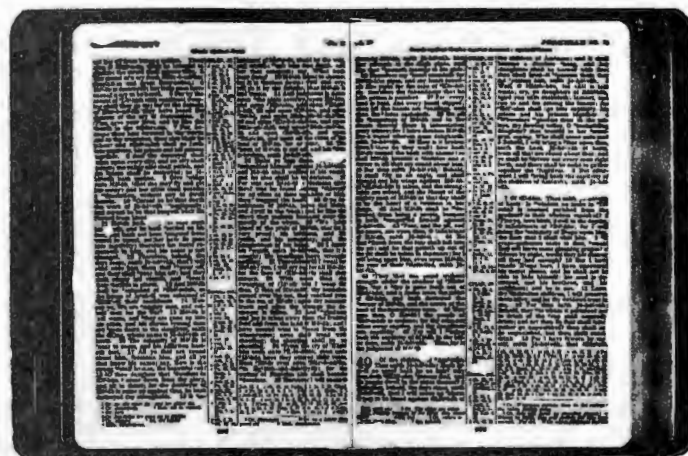
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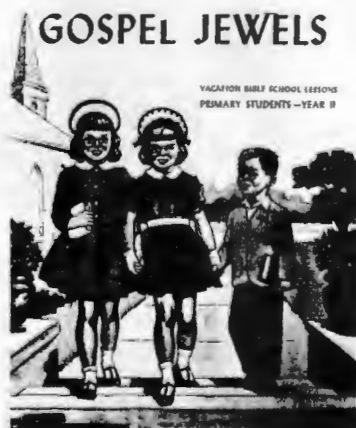
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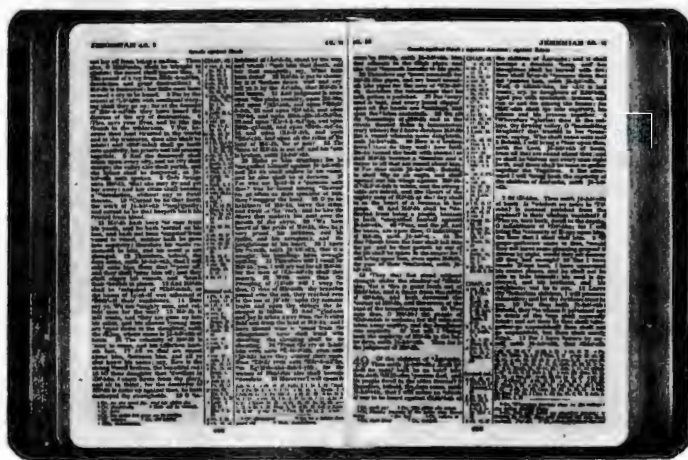
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