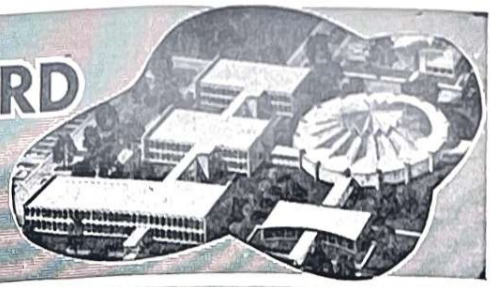


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GOD BLESSES FIRST MONTH OF INTERCESSION

PASTOR'S CORNER



FIRST MONTH'S INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY On June 23rd our Prayer Chapel opened and the Intercessory Prayer Ministry of MBBC began. A layman from another church in the city said, "This is the greatest thing that's ever happened in Irving..."

We have 181 Regular Intercessors and 22 Reserve Intercessors. As of July 25, we have over 700 requests from all over the world. There have been 45 definite answers during this first month of Intercession, ranging from salvation to healing.

100 MORE SEATS ADDED TO WORSHIP CENTER. And this is definitely the last time we can do this. We have reached and gone beyond our available space for the worship services.

It looks as though we're going to have to add one more request to our Prayer List—a new auditorium.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR YOUTH CHOIR ON TOUR The group will be returning August 3rd and we'll hear about what great things the Lord hath done.

LOOKING FORWARD TO SUNDAY Every week Jesus reveals Himself more and more and becomes to us more precious.

WHAT A BEAUTIFUL SOUND from our "Children of Light last Sunday. I mean beautiful! Praise the Lord! Thanks kids and Ward and Anne.

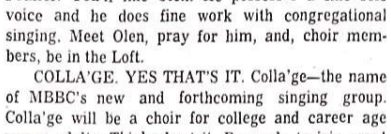
Our song leader for this Sunday's services will be Olen Massey, music evangelist from Grand Prairie.

COLLA'GE. YES THAT'S IT. Colla'ge—the name of MBBC's new and forthcoming singing group.

I want to thank Sherry Anderson for being our secretary. Presently she is Education Secretary but was for quite some time Music and Youth Secretary.

Jimell Badry

Artist at Work A young Rembrandt concentrates on his painting at a Dallas day care center.



Artist at Work

A young Rembrandt concentrates on his painting at a Dallas day care center. As school begins again, budding artists all over the country will be working hard at their creations. (RNS Photo)

Welcome New Members



141B. Sheryl Sanderson, 7th Grade 2400 Crestview Cir., 256-1024



201L. Jerry Fields, Yg. Ad., Jines 202L. Mrs. Melinda Fields, Yg. Ad., Anderson 1101 N. O'Connor No. 226, 253-6319



203L. Mr. John E. Lounsberry, Jr., Med. Ad. I, Tate 204L. Mrs. Joan Lounsberry, Med. Ad. I, Calvert 250L. Mikes Lounsberry, 3rd Grade 1722 Betsy Lane, 254-6546



206L. Miss Mary McKenzie, College, Vestal 3317 McCullum, 252-2558



207L. Dennis W. Reed, College, Dooley 1101 N. O'Connor No. 226, 256-6319

SEE DIRECTORY PROOFS THIS WEEK Those of you who had your pictures made this past week may see your proofs at the church Monday through Sunday on the day your pictures were taken. The schedule for seeing proofs will be: Monday-Friday 4-9 p. m., Saturday 11 a. m.-5:00 p. m., Sunday 1-5 p. m.

A WORD FROM WARD

Snare I to the Spiritual Man—Victory Vocabulary Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my redeemer." Psalm 19:14 One of the first additions to the Spiritual Man is a VICTORY VOCABULARY. This is essential. He has found a new life and a new LORD and he must share them. His old language will not contain or communicate the "rivers of living water."

BE ALERT! Satan has set a snare.

1. It is much easier to talk the Spirit-Life than to live it... and it is often more impressive. (Jesus said not everyone who said Lord, Lord would enter into the Kingdom, Matt. 7:21).

2. It is much easier to keep sounding spiritual than admit you are empty... and it is always less fruitful. (Peter had no quick answers when he saw the face of Jesus, only tears. Luke 22:62)

3. It is much easier to evaluate a man's spiritual level by his vocabulary than his relationship with Christ... and it takes far less discernment. (It wasn't a new vocabulary that caused Jesus' listeners to say, "He speaks as one who has great authority." Matt. 7:29).

4. It is much easier to drive a man away from Christ if you witness with a strange language rather than using words he understands... and it takes less creativity. (Jesus used wind, water, doors, sheep, bread and coins to talk about the same experience).

Spiritual Man: Watch that your vocabulary honestly expresses your inner life and personal experience. Don't say "Praise the Lord" unless you are. Watch lest men reject your Victory Vocabulary before they have an opportunity to accept your Savior.

Ward

VITAL STATISTICS

Sunday School Attendance—731 Training Union Attendance—308 Budget Offering—\$5,108.54 TOTAL OFFERING—\$5,158.54

World Religious News Roundup

MORMON MEMBERSHIP GAINS

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Membership of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormons) has more than doubled in the last 10 years in New York State—birthplace of the Church. Mormon membership in the U.S. rose by 50 per cent in the last 12 years.

In The Fields



We plow the fields and scatter the good seed on the land— And pray there'll be a heavy crop to justify our toil. And suddenly we sense that there's new richness in the soil, For we can feel, but fleetingly, the pressure of His hand!

—War Cry.

What Others Say

SPIRITUAL growth soars when we have prayed up, made up, and paid up. — William A. Ward.

AN UNGRATEFUL man is like a hog under a tree eating acorns, but never looking up to see where they came from. — Timothy Dexter.

ABOUT the most originality that any writer can hope to achieve honestly is to steal with good judgment. — Josh Billings.

MAKING an issue of little things is one of the surest ways to spoil happiness. — Moody Monthly.

NO MAN can speak on religious liberty and walk the earth realistically without understanding that religious liberty eventually includes all of the liberties. — Reuben E. Nelson.

TO the Apostle Paul love expressed more than a relationship. It was an energy productive of abundant labors. — J. H. Jowett.

IF THE multitude of non-church goers are ever going to be brought to the churches it is only through the labors of laymen who will first go to them with the Gospel. — D. L. Moody.

GOD works through you and me to renew life. — Ann Pope.

LESSER burdens are lifted and heavy ones become bearable when we give them to Christ. — Sammy K. Amoah.

A Little Bit of Wit

The only person less popular than a smart aleck is a smart aleck who is right.—Quote.

Breaking Out of Ourselves

What a complex being man is! He really thinks he knows himself. Everything in his life is ordered. Each person, each event and situation is categorized, catalogued and filed away.

After all, life is better that way. When we know where others are we know where we are.

But then it all changes so quickly: a moment of misjudgment; an unguarded smile; an insight into another way of life; a tap on the shoulder; a call to service — and what happens to the flawless structure that once masqueraded as a person, the structure that had been protection against the world?

Life isn't static. Nor is man. Then why can't we learn that life is full of surprises? Why can't we learn to appreciate the beauty in freshness, the spice in surprise, and the vitality of a life that is uncertain and ever-changing?

We seem to be so insecure that we need to feel a total commitment between ourselves and anything that touches our lives. Knowing we can't have that, we reject even partial relationships, although our whole being cries out and reaches for the intruder in our programmed and planned-out-for-years-in-advance lives, even though someone else desperately needs to be a part of our lives.

"Why me, Lord? Why turn my life upside down just because someone knocks on the door of my heart, wanting to come in?"

Why not me? Does the Christian have the right to refuse admittance to his life to anyone? Jesus said: "You are the salt of the earth" (Matthew 5:13). That salt will be most effective when we break out of the rigidity of self-centeredness and become open to the world around us. — The Christian.

Church for Handicapped Thriving

Crusaders Chapel in Fort Worth, Texas, has a sign which reads: "A Church Where the Handicapped Can Grow and Serve." A story on how the chapel was started and how it is progressing can be found on the inside of your church newspaper, along with other articles of interest.