

## SCHOOL OF MUSIC TO PRESENT ORATORIO "MESSIAH" DECEMBER 13

### Soloists Announced for Annual Performance

Handel's famous oratorio, "The Messiah", will be presented by the Fort Wayne Bible College 150-voice "Messiah" chorus on Sunday afternoon, December 13, with Professor Oliver Steiner, director of the School of Music, conducting. The program is an annual event of the college during the Christmas season, and will be held in Founders Memorial Auditorium at 2:30 P.M.

Mr. Steiner, who will conduct the oratorio for his eighteenth time, has an extensive background in public school and concert music. He has earned degrees from Bluffton College and Ohio State University, and received the Master of Music degree from Northwestern University in Chicago. He is instructor in voice and choir at the college.



Steiner

Guest soloists for this year's presentation will be Vivian Buetner Welsh, soprano, of Battle Creek, Michigan; Dorothy Lugibihl Lehman, contralto of Royal Oak, Michigan; Ralph Nielsen,

tenor, of Chicago; and Henry Simminger, bass, of Fort Wayne. Mrs. Welsh and Mrs. Lehman were soloists for last year's performance. Mr. Nielsen has appeared previously, and Mr. Simminger will sing for the first time with the Bible College performance. All have had extensive voice training in concert and oratorio experience.

A 25-piece orchestra composed of college and guest artists will provide the instrumental accompaniment. Several musicians from the Fort Wayne Philharmonic Orchestra will play with the group. Mr. Ira Gerig, instructor in organ, will be organist.

The program will include the most well-known portions of "The Messiah." Each year the performance draws approximately one thousand music lovers from the Fort Wayne and tri-state area. There is no admission charge, and the public is invited to attend.

### Season's Greetings

The students, faculty, and staff of Fort Wayne Bible College send season's greetings to all of our friends. May God's richest blessings be yours during this Christmas season, and throughout the New Year.

*"Unto us a child is born,  
unto us a son is given . . .  
and His name shall be  
called Wonderful."*

### College to Have Annual Christmas Banquet; Vacation Dates Announced

The college family — students, faculty, and staff — will have its annual Christmas banquet in the college dining hall on Wednesday, December 16. The Activities Committee of the college is directing plans for the occasion.

Christmas vacation begins at noon on Friday, December 18, and classes will resume Tuesday morning, January 5.

### "Sunrise Chapel" First Religious Program Aired on KAIM

"Sunrise Chapel", morning music-devotional broadcast produced by the college, had the distinction of being a "first" recently.

When the new frequency modulation station KAIM in Honolulu, Hawaii, signed on the air on November 1, "Sunrise Chapel" was the first

### Accrediting Body Forms Honor Society for Seniors

Graduating seniors of Fort Wayne Bible College are now eligible for membership in a new honor society on a national level.

Known as Delta Epsilon Chi, the society has been organized by the Accrediting Association of Bible Institutes and Bible Colleges for senior students of member schools. To qualify, a senior must maintain a 2.5 scholastic average and exhibit the qualities of genuine Christian character and outstanding leadership ability. Nominations will be made by the faculty of any member school at the beginning of the student's final semester. The constitution provides that not more than seven per cent of any graduating class can be elected. Students receiving the honor will be awarded an insignia pin or key and a certificate of membership.

Alumni and faculty of local institutions may also be nominated to honorary membership by the vote of the Executive Committee of the local chapter of Delta Epsilon Chi.

### Students to Perform in Recital, December 4

The School of Music announces a general student music recital to be given in Founders Memorial Auditorium on Friday, December 4, at 8:00 P.M.

Students of all four music faculty members will perform. Selections in piano, organ, and voice will be given.

regularly scheduled religious program broadcast by the station. It is now being used each Sunday at 8:00 A.M.

KAIM is licensed as the Christian Broadcasting Association, and its programming is geared to Christian interests. It operates at 95.5 megacycles.

*with the president . . .*

**Dr. S. A. Witmer**



The world today has reached the complete antithesis of the angels' song, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." At one pole can be placed the Prince of Peace, the Cross of Christ that abolishes enmity (Eph. 2:15), the well-being founded on righteousness (Isa. 32:17), the hopes of all the years for an order of justice and good will.

At the opposite pole can be clustered the wrangling, the bitterness, the chicanery, the stalemates, the broken promises that provide the international backdrop for Christmas in 1953.

It should be evident by this time that it was a mistake for the United States to recognize Russia twenty years ago. Mutual recognition should be based on honor and integrity. If there is no morality, no decency, no regard for truth, no sense of moral obligation, there is absolutely no basis for treaties and international cooperation. Promises made are only the deceptive surface of a trap to beguile the naive and unwary. The least that can be said about the war and post-war administrations in Washington is that they were as unbelievably guillible. They thought communists within and without the government could be trusted.

The past months have produced an exhibition of manners that is likely without parallel in history. It took years of interminable wrangling to produce a truce. Now the bitter wrangling continues and the best that can be expected is a prolonged truce with continued tension and military readiness on both sides. But this exhibition of communist manners only demonstrates the antithesis between the faith of Christmas and the ideology of communism.

Christmas was conceived in love while communism was spawned in social bitterness. The Christmas characters are persons of purity and peace—Jesus, Mary, Joseph, the Shepherds. The characters in the international conspiracy of communism are the mobsters and terrorists of the Kremlin. Christmas stands for the redemptive value of all men, for "God so loved the world." The Soviet Union stands for exploitation and enslavement of all peoples. Christianity stands for the privacy of truth, while communism upholds deceit and falsehood. Communism has developed the devilish technique of brainwashing to make its converts. Christmas brought a Saviour to save people from sin by cleansing of the heart.

In the current number of the "*Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*," one University of Illinois professor says: "It is evident to the writer that the goal of the Soviet leaders is to establish hegemony over the entire planet . . . from their viewpoint the most desirable of the practically conceivable goals, for the plausible future, would be simple annihilation (of the United States)."

At this 1953 Christmas season we scan the skies, not for annihilating bombers, but for "the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ."

We wish every friend of the Bible College a renewal of faith, hope, and love in Him who is our Hope.

## Students Enjoy Fall Hike to McMillen Park

The students of the college enjoyed a fall hike to McMillen Park on Friday, November 20, for an evening of social activity with a Thanksgiving theme. Organized by the student council, the evening included outdoor fellowship, a brief program at the park, and refreshments.

Donna Neuenschwander, a junior, was general chairman of the event and the program was entitled "Thanks Be To God."

## Placement Service

### Positions Open

*Church Office Secretary*, with Bible training, for work in Fort Wayne church.

*Married couple* for work in Salvation Army in large city, both in platform work and street meetings.

*Recreation Director* in children's institution under Christian management. Must be married and have degree in recreational training. Good salary.

*Housemothers* for the same children's institution mentioned above.

*Young couple* for Christian work in church in New York State.

*Office Secretary* for official of National Association of Evangelicals in Washington, D. C.

*Young lady* for work with young people in Michigan church. Should have musical ability to work with children's and young people's choirs.

*Houseparents* for work in Christian children's institution. Husband may work either within institution or in community.

*Young Couple or Single Lady* for parish work in rapidly-growing southern Ohio community under E. U. B. denomination.

### Positions Wanted

*Teacher* desires position in Bible Institute, Bible College or Christian College. Has A.B. degree with majors in Bible and Greek, minor in history. Expects to receive M.A. next summer with major in philosophy and minor in biology. At present is pastor and teacher of history, Spanish and chemistry in high school.

(NOTE: Attention graduates and former students! We want our Placement Department to be of service to you; but it cannot be unless you advise us as to whether you are open for positions.)

Address all inquiries to C. H. Eicher, Director of Placement, Fort Wayne Bible College, Fort Wayne 6, Indiana.

## Yearbook Appoints Editorial Staff

Editorial staff members for the 1954 Light Tower, Fort Wayne Bible College yearbook, have been appointed. The editor-in-chief, Ray Turnbaugh, and the business manager, Leon Gerig, were elected last year by the present senior class.

Editorial appointments are assistant editor, Bob Wagler; art editor, John Warren; assistant art editor, Orville Orr; literary editor, Tom Branks; assistant literary editor, Angela Proffitt; secretaries, Donna Harvey and Beulah Mae Schmidt; advertising editor, Gilbert Anderson; assistant advertising editor, Earl Schlachach; circulation manager, Lois Stucky; assistant circulation manager, Harriet Himes; photographers, Ron Davis, Bill Koehnline, Edith Fenby, and Gordon Klopfenstein.

## Student Council Leader Sends Yule Greetings . . .



Christmas greetings from the student body of Fort Wayne Bible College. "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing." The Lord's blessing has truly been upon the student body this year as we have witnessed progress, unity, and spiritual growth. To Him we give the glory. It is through the greatest of all Christmas gifts . . . God's Son and His plan of salvation . . . that we enjoy fellowship with you and with each other. Pray with us that God's perfect will for the life of each student will be realized now and in the days ahead, and that our training here will result in the salvation of many souls. May God's blessings be yours during this Christmas season and the New Year.

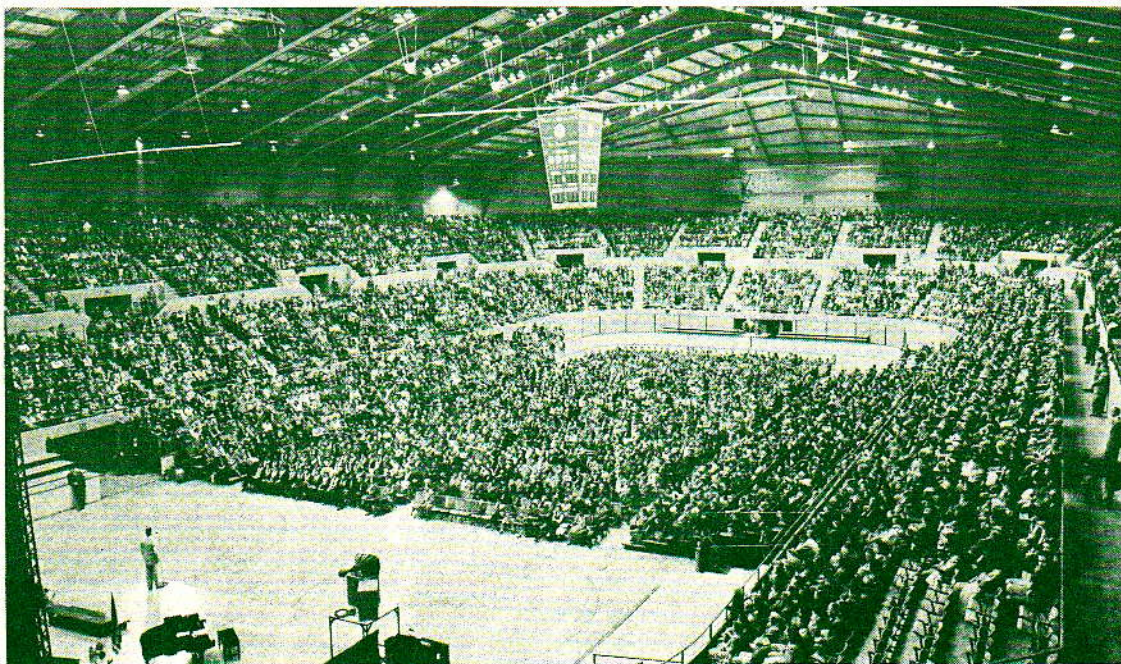
STAN LEONARD  
*Student Council President*

## College-sponsored showing of "This Gathering Storm" Attracts 7585

In one of the largest and most significant religious events ever to be held in the greater Fort Wayne area, 7585 people jammed the Allen County Memorial Coliseum on Monday evening, November 16, to see "This Gathering Storm", missionary film documentary featuring Dr. Bob Pierce and presented in this area by the student body of the college. The attendance was a capacity crowd for the showing, inasmuch as the giant wide screen completely blocked off viewing from one end of the arena. A part of the audience is shown below.

Dr. Pierce appeared in person with the film and spoke briefly concerning the urgency of hastening the gospel to the Orient, and presented the need for Korean relief. Chaplain Harold Voelkel, former chaplain to Korean prisoners of war, was also on hand to tell the need for the gospel in war-stricken Korea.

Dr. Witmer presided, and Ray Turnbaugh, president of the student missionary organization which coordinated the event, gave words of welcome. Music was provided by the A Cappella Choir and several smaller groups.



Here and There . . .

## Alumni Notes

### Good News for The Alumni Association . . .

We fell down. That isn't the "good news," but I want to give just a word of explanation before telling you of it. In last spring's drive for funds for our gift to the School (in which we cooperated with the senior class) we fell far short of our share for the folding doors between the new Student Lounge and the dining hall. Now listen! The senior class closed the year with a surplus. This they generously applied on the doors. The school's Committee on Administration then stepped in, assumed the balance and freed us. Our treasurer, Arnold Schmidt, can now get out the black ink. Isn't that good news!?

Alumni Association President  
J. HARLAN WRIGHT, '50

### Personnel . . .

Clarence ('40) and Edna Rutschman, now on furlough, have been working with the West African Gospel Publishing Society. They have appreciated the prayers and financial help of friends.

Mr. O. L. Stockman reports the following about his children: Laura ('29) is doing home missionary work in Colorado Springs, Colorado; Otto and Olive ('26), nee Olive Wright, are living in Chillicothe, Ohio; and Elmer ('34) is doing home missionary work in Waverly, Ohio.

Class of 1951—BILL DODWAY is pastoring a Baptist Church in Glennie, Michigan.

Class of 1952—WELBURN SMITH is pastor of a church in Roanoke, Indiana. VIRGINIA MILLER is doing children's work in the Glennie, Michigan, area. ROY TOBIN is working on the staff of radio station WFUR, Grand Rapids, Michigan. He serves as announcer, farm editor, sports commentator, and conducts hymn programs. He is also music director of the Calvary Undenominational Church. BETH MAINHOOD is a bank teller in Detroit and helps in the Eastlawn Missionary Church.

Class of 1953—JOYCE ROUELLE is teaching at the Salem Children's Home, Flanagan, Illinois.

### In the Cradle . . .

A boy, Richard Timothy, to Dick ('53) and Ruth ('53) Leever (nee Ruth Baker) on November 11, 1953.

Twins, Michelle Jo and Marsha Jane, to Ben ('47-48) and Lucille Lehman on November 5, 1953.

### Wedding Bells . . .

Forest Plumb ('49-'52) and Darlene Belle Shively were married in the C. & M. A. Toledo Gospel Chapel on November 14, 1953.

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Welsh



Lehman



Nielsen



Siminger

## Youth Conference Attracts 1,000

The Youth Conference which was conducted on the college campus November 6-8 attracted perhaps the largest attendance of any Conference in previous years. Approximately 1,000 people attended the main sessions, with over 350 young people registered as weekend guests. States represented were Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, and Iowa. Reinhold Barth, Youth for Christ representative to Germany, was featured speaker, and his wife, Helen McAlerney Barth, was guest soloist.

## Plans for Varsity Basketball Tilts Are Underway

The student council has appointed a committee to set up a four-game varsity basketball schedule for the current school year. It is anticipated that several games will be played with other Christian schools included in a distance from Fort Wayne equal to Chicago.

At least six of last year's ten players are expected to be back in the line-up. Coached by Elmer Neuen-schwander, dean of students, last year's Ambassadors defeated Moody Bible Institute in a pair of exchange games. It was the first year for Fort Wayne Bible College to engage in varsity athletic competition.

## Student Lounge Gets Added Facilities

The Student Lounge, which was newly equipped just last spring, has recently received added facilities for students' casual moments. The largest recent addition is a combination radio-phonograph installed by the Student Council. Several magazines, both of Christian and general nature, will be received for the Lounge on regular subscription, and several Bibles and fine devotional books have been placed in the Lounge. Table games and plants serve to add further touches to the informal and social atmosphere of the Lounge.

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