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### Youngstown Winner in Pony League Meet

Washington, Pa. (INS)—Youngstown, O., and San Bernardino, Calif., won their games in the Pony League world series which

opened Thursday in Washington. Youngstown defeated New Brunswick, N. J., 3-2 in an extra inning game.

San Bernardino beat San Antonio, Tex., the 1952 champions, 4-1.

### NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF TAX LEVIES

In the matter of determining the tax rates for certain purposes by Preble Township, Adams County, Indiana, the proper legal officers of said municipality, at their regular meeting place, on the 30th day of August, 1955, will consider the following budget:

TOWNSHIP BUDGET CLASSIFICATION		TOWNSHIP BUDGET CLASSIFICATION	
Salary of Trustees	\$1,050	School Transfers	\$25,000
Office Rent	50	Total Tuition Fund	\$25,000
Clerk Hire	250	SPECIAL SCHOOL FUND	
Trustee's Traveling Expense	250	Repair of Buildings and care of Grounds	100
Office Supplies, Printing and Advertising	220	Repair of Equipment, except School Buses	600
Pay of Advisory Board	300	School Furniture and Equipment, except School Buses	100
Fire Protection	400	School Supplies, other than Janitor's Supplies	250
Care of Cemeteries	250	Fuel for Schools	300
Miscellaneous	250	Loan, Interest and Insurance	300
Total Township Fund	\$2,550		

### ESTIMATE OF FUNDS TO BE RAISED

Funds Required For Expenses	Township Fund	Special Sch. Fund	Tuition Fund	Poor Relief Fund
August 1, present year, to December 31, of ensuing year	\$2,550	\$1,545	\$25,000	
1. Total Budget Estimate for Incoming Year	1238	16181	13490	
2. Necessary Expenditures to be made from Appropriations Unexpended July 31, of present year	155			
3. Additional Appropriations to be made August 1, to December 31, of present year				
4. Outstanding Temporary Loans to be paid before December 31, of present year, not included in Lines 2 or 3				
5. Total Funds Required (Add Lines 1, 2, 3 and 4)	4243	29766	33400	
Funds on Hand and To Be Received From Sources Other Than The Proposed Rate of Tax Levy				
6. Actual Balance, July 31, present year	1705	12151	3005	
7. Taxes to be Collected, present year (December Settlement)	922	8298	11179	
8. Miscellaneous Revenue, other than from Tax Levy, to be received from August 1 of present year to December 31, of ensuing year. (See schedule in Trustee's Office)				
(a) Special Taxes (See Schedules)				
(b) All Other Revenue (See Schedules)				
9. Total Funds (Add Lines 6, 7, 8a and 8b)	2627	20449	14241	
10. Net Amount to be raised for expenses to December 31, of ensuing year	1616	9317	24159	
11. Operating Balance (Not in excess of Expense January 1, to June 30, Less Miscellaneous Revenue in same Period)	1100	4000	1000	
12. Amount to be raised by Tax Levy	2716	12317	25159	

### PROPOSED LEVIES

Funds	Levy on Property	Amount to Be Raised
Township	\$ .11	\$ 2716
Special School	.47	12317
Tuition	.53	25159
Total	\$1.11	\$40192

### COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF TAXES COLLECTED AND TO BE COLLECTED

Funds	Collected 1953	Collected 1954	Collected 1955	To Be Collected 1955
Township	\$ 1747	\$ 1825	\$ 2280	\$ 1940
Special School	5385	10054	12923	24180
Tuition	4853	2379	2947	2468
Transportation	2263	11962	12365	14583
Total	\$14,248	\$24,260	\$38,595	\$41,171

Taxpayers appearing shall have a right to be heard thereon. After the tax levies have been determined, and presented to the County Auditor not later than two days prior to the second Monday in September, and the levy fixed by the County Tax Adjustment Board, or on their failure so to do, by the County Auditor, ten or more taxpayers feeling themselves aggrieved by such levies, may appeal to the State Board of Tax Commissioners for further and final hearing thereon by filing a petition with the County Auditor on or before the fourth Monday of September or on or before the tenth day after publication by the County Auditor of Tax Rates charged, whichever date is later, and the state board will fix a date for hearing in this county.  
Dated August 5, 1955.  
AUGUST 12-19  
ED AUMANN, Preble Twp. Trustee

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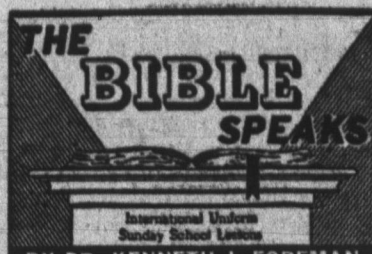
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EMIL STAUFFER, Trustee Hartford Township



Background Scriptures: Isaiah 55; Jeremiah 31: 30; Ezekiel 36.  
Devotional Reading: Jeremiah 31: 34-35.

### Promises of God

Lesson for August 21, 1955

MANY Christians today become confused when they read the prophecies of the Old Testament. They do not seem to be either plain or profitable, because they are written in a strange style and the reader has no way of knowing.

without help, just where and why and when and to whom these words were first spoken or written. This column is much to short a space for straightening out the tangles in even one chapter. The thing to bear in mind is that there is enough in Scripture that is plain to any man, enough to give him all he needs to know about God and his will for us. This column this week will consider one general thought: the promises of God, as they are found in the pages of the prophets particularly.

The promises of God are never made directly, as by a loudspeaker in the sky. The same promise may be made to many persons; but not all at once. The message first takes shape under the skull of one man, a holy, sensitive man, with spiritual insight, generally with great courage and persistence; in short, a prophet. We do not know for certain just what the process is by which a divine truth gets into the human mind of the prophet; but when first the divine truth enters the human sphere, it comes as an idea, a thought, in some prophet's mind. Sometimes more than one prophet may say the same thing, as when Isaiah, Jeremiah and Ezekiel were all predicting the return of the Jews to Jerusalem. Sometimes the prophet stands entirely alone. But the prophet is like the lookout in the crow's nest of a ship, sighting the dim landfall before any one on deck can see it.

Sometimes the signal the prophet's keen spirit caught from on high spelled disaster; sometimes it was like "news behind news," a commentary on the why of events in past or present. But often, indeed more often than anything else, the message of the prophet is a promise. You can sum up all the promises there are into one sentence: God is good; he desires the good of all his children; and he will bring good to pass. One writer in the New Testament suggests that the prophets did not always understand their own messages; they were like radio receivers crossed by static. Be that as it may, we know from reading the Gospels that the people who read the prophets, even the professional interpreters, did not always understand what they read. The promises were set in obscure language, often in poetry. One feature however is clear. The focus and center of the prophet's hope and dream was the Messiah. It is true, their descriptions were so misread that when Jesus Christ came, most of his fellow-countrymen, measuring him by the literal words of these promises, did not recognize him. But there were those who did. The Christian discovers that all the best good that God desires for his children is summed up in Christ and what he does for men.

The Present  
What can a Christian today do with the promises passed on by the prophets? Some of them refer no doubt to events long since past, as when Ezekiel and Jeremiah predict the destruction of Babylon. The Christian can take such promises to support his faith that God does rule in the history of men; that his decrees are certain, his foreknowledge sure. Some of the promises are still unfulfilled, as when a prophet predicts the utter destruction of evil from this earth and the coming of a time of universal peace. A Christian can live by such hope even when (just as in the prophet's own days) the hope seems out of reach entirely. Where the prophet speaks of God's Servant the Coming One, we can use such promises to deepen our understanding of what Christ is to mean to the world. But every once in a while, in reading the prophets, one discovers that spans past, present and future. It was a promise made good long ago; it will come true in centuries to come; it is true this present hour. Such a promise is to be found for instance, in Isaiah 55:6-7.

An error graciously acknowledged is a victory won.

A good example is the best sermon.

### Rural Churches

ST. LUKE  
Evangelical and Reformed  
Honduras

Louis C. Minsterman, minister  
9 a.m., church service.  
10 a.m., Sunday school.  
7:30 p.m., evening service of Preble-Kirkland township Sunday school convention.

CALVARY E. U. B.  
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.  
Kay Miller, supt.  
Worship services, 10:30 a.m.  
Conducted by Rev. Elmer Smith of Berne.

### ANTIOCH

United Missionary  
Charles Collier, pastor  
Ellis Skiles, S. S. Supt.  
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. We are studying the life of David. This Sunday's lesson centers around that awful year in David's life when he was in outbroken sin.

"Thou art the man," said Nathan the prophet. Come study this lesson with us.  
Morning worship and Communion with our district supt., Rev. Kenneth Geiger presiding, 10:30. Evening V. P., 7 o'clock.  
Evening evangelistic, 7:30 o'clock.

If you are not attending regularly elsewhere, we extend a special invitation. Come over and worship with us. "The door of repentance opens into the hall of joy."

### SALEM

Evangelical and Reformed  
H. E. Settlege, minister  
9 a.m., Sunday school. Classes for every age group.

10 a.m., worship service. Sermon "Are You Sure?"  
2 p.m. afternoon session of the Preble-Kirkland townships Sunday school convention. Rev. L. C. Minsterman, speaker.

7:30 p.m., evening session of the convention in St. Lukes church, Honduras. Mr. Earl Chase, speaker.

Monday, 8 p.m., men's chorus rehearsal.  
Wednesday, 8 p.m., ladies chorus rehearsal.  
Saturday, 9 a.m., children's choir rehearsal.

### PLEASANT MILLS METHODIST

H. A. Davis, pastor  
9:30 a.m., Sunday school. Mrs. Harlen Jones, supt.  
7:30 p.m., evening worship.  
8 p.m., Thursday prayer meeting.

### SALEM METHODIST

H. A. Davis, pastor  
9:30 a.m., Sunday school. Maurice Miller, supt.  
10:30 a.m., morning worship. Basket Dinner. Homecoming in the afternoon.  
8 p.m., Wednesday, prayer meeting.

### MONROE METHODIST

Ralph R. Johnson, minister  
Worship, 9:30 a.m. Sermon by the minister, music by the male quartet.  
Sunday school, 10:20-11 a.m. John Ohristener, supt.  
No evening services.  
Prayer service, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

### ST. PAUL MISSIONARY

Louis Klotzbach, pastor  
9:15 a.m., Sunday morning worship.  
10:15 a.m., Sunday school. Lyle Franz, supt.  
7 p.m., M. Y. F.  
7:30 p.m., evening service.  
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., mid-week prayer service.

### PLEASANT MILLS BAPTIST

James Reffett, pastor  
9:30 a.m., Sunday school. Lowell Noll, S. S. Supt.  
Let us all remember the Salamonie Assn. is just around the corner. What will our letter contain?

### UNION CHAPEL

Evangelical United Brethren  
Lawrence T. Norris, pastor  
9:30 a.m., Sunday school. Wendell Miller, supt. Robert Plumley, assistant.  
10:20 a.m., worship service. Gerald Deming of the First Baptist church, Bluffton, will speak on the interest of the Gideons.  
7:30 p.m., worship service.  
8 p.m., Wednesday, prayer meeting. Omer Merriman, leader.

### PLEASANT DALE

Church of the Brethren  
John D. Mishler, pastor  
Sunday school at 9:30 a.m., with Robert Nussbaum as superintendent and Mrs. Naomi Mishler as children's director. Bible study for all ages.  
Morning worship at 10:30 a.m. Township S. S. convention at the Magley B. & R. Church with Rev. Minsterman as the speaker. Magley and St. Luke's Evangelical and Reformed churches and the Pleasant Dale Church of the Brethren are cooperating in this meeting at 2 p.m.

Township S. S. convention meeting at the St. Luke's E. & R. church at 7:30 p.m., with Earl Chase as the speaker.  
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10:30 a.m., church service.

### WOOD CHAPEL E. U. B.

A. N. Straley, pastor  
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Paul Henrey, supt. Lesson: "Hope for the Despairing."  
Prayer service, 10:30 a.m. Clarence Abbott, class leader.  
Evening worship, 8 p.m. Sermon: "The purpose of a real life."  
Thursday, 8:30 p.m., prayer meeting. 8:30 p.m., youth fellowship.

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### The Church Triumphant

Rev. J. R. Meadows

May I urge you one and all to take your part strenuously and seriously in the projects that lie before us, so that your church may do better work for the Master than they have ever done before?

In this world of ours there are many organizations intent upon the one mission, the betterment of mankind. Among all of them there is none that strives so hard to get men to live better lives than the church of the living God. The church maintains and establishes the highest standards of righteousness and purity. She builds surely and securely because she builds on the firm and lasting foundation, Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

This community is where you live, here it is your children are being reared, and where their ideals and standards of living are being moulded and formed. You have a great task and responsibility before you. Yours is the task of caring for your souls, your children's souls and those of your neighbors who know Him not, that precious souls might be won for Christ. Therefore, be firm in the right, maintain your convictions, hold fast to the Crucified One. Help build the church triumphant, and grow not weary in well doing. Seek even the glory and honor of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Let us then in the strength of God, serve Christ more unselfishly in our daily living and doing. Let us live for more than ourselves, give the church our willing support, praying for it, attending its services and God will repay us. He has promised, and His promises never fail.

### THIS WEEK'S BIBLE VERSE

"Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."  
—Galatians 6:2.

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