

North Central Church, Flint, Mich. 5-7

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The church of the Lord is now in its most healthy condition in Flint, Mich. From three small unorganized groups twenty years ago have grown five strong churches, averaging from one hundred to over three hundred members, all of which have substantial elderships. In addition there is a recently organized colored congregation of somewhat smaller size. No finer cooperation can be found among Christians



than that which exists here. On the second Lord's day of each month a city-wide song service is held at one of the buildings and on the fourth Lord's day a program is conducted by the young men of the various churches.

Spiritual and material building has been the rule for several years in Flint. The Court Street Church plant, seating nearly four hundred, was completed four years ago. This church is beginning a new work in another part of the city. Zimmerman Street Church is soon to begin an addition to its building, increasing the capacity to over four hundred. This congregation has begun a new church at Owosso, twenty-five miles west. Bristol Road Church expects to open its new auditorium, seating five hundred fifty, in October. It is underwriting the colored work and has begun a new congregation in Fenton, fifteen miles south of the city. Grand Blanc Church, just south of town, has a very neat building seating two hundred, and is sponsoring the new congregation at Houghton Lake, Mich. North Central Church has just completed its new building (shown above) at 502 West Flint Park Boulevard. It has begun a new work in Mt. Morris, north of Flint.

Harding College

NEIL B. COPE

Enrollment for the fall semester at Harding College has reached six hundred fifty-four. This number includes thirty students in the graduate department of Bible and religion, but it does not include the two hundred seventeen enrolled in the training school.

Thirty-three states and nine foreign countries are represented in this year's student body. Enrollment exceeds last year's total in both the college and training school. Two hundred fifty-two freshmen enrolled this year.

Opening chapel services were held in the new college auditorium for the first time this year. Dr. George Rosenlof, dean of admissions at the University of Nebraska, was guest speaker.

Thirteen new faculty members were added this year. They are: James N. Davis, Jr., and James A. Hedrick, assistant professors of business and economics; Paul Isaac, assistant professor of history; Robert Meyers, assistant professor of English; Paul Rotenberry, assistant professor of Bible and Hebrew; Exum Watts, assistant professor of chemistry; Dr. Frank Holmes, director of the School of American Studies; and Dr. C. D. Kenney, assistant professor of political science. In the training school new

North Central church of Christ was begun nearly twelve years ago to meet a need in the northern part of Flint. From a membership of about twenty-five who came out of the older congregations, the church has grown to over one hundred fifty. The property is located in the most rapidly-growing section of the city, providing a good field for expansion. Attendance now averages about two hundred on Lord's day mornings.

The group met in rented buildings for six years. The basement of the new building served as an auditorium for five years, during which time the membership was doubled. The superstructure, completed in June of this year, along with the parking lot and grounds, is valued at over \$40,000, but was constructed at considerably lower cost because of the labor of members. Construction is of rust colored brickcrete blocks. The building is seventy-four by thirty-six and the auditorium seats two hundred eighty-six. There will be five or more classrooms in the basement.

The elders are Wayne McNeill, Robert Thomason, Joseph Clark, and the writer. Preaching responsibilities are shared by Dean Thoroman and the writer.

teachers are Mildred Bell, Mrs. John Laster, Mrs. Hubert Mason, Clovis Crawford, and Hugh Groover.

The fall semester closes January 31 and registration for the spring semester is February 3.

Greater Enrollment at Central Christian College for 1952

L. R. WILSON

Sixteen states and two foreign countries are represented by students enrolled at Central Christian College in Bartlesville, Okla., for the 1952-1953 school year. The total enrollment for the first semester is one hundred sixty-three, consisting of ninety-four boys and sixty-nine girls.

The states represented are Oklahoma, Texas, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, California, Kentucky, Nebraska, Colorado, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Connecticut, Iowa, North Dakota, and Utah. The foreign countries represented are Canada and Switzerland.

The enrollment for this semester as compared with last year's enrollment at this time shows an increase of thirty-seven per cent. Central Christian College is looking forward to a successful school year.

Over Three Million Dollars Given to Lipscomb in Eight Years

WILLARD COLLINS

\$3,060,367.69 was given to David Lipscomb College during the eight-year period of the Lipscomb Expansion Program, which closed August 31.

The official audit, completed the second week in October, shows that this sum came from eight thousand seven hundred fifty-four separate gifts. The Expansion Program was launched by the Lipscomb Board of Directors in October, 1944.

During the eight-year period, Lipscomb was changed from a junior to a standard senior college, ten new buildings were built and equipped, all old buildings renovated and improved, and new streets and walks laid out and paved.

Five hundred forty-eight students have graduated from the senior college in the last five years.

Intensive efforts are now underway to build Lipscomb's Permanent Endowment Fund.

AT REST

King.—Grady Delbert King, a gospel preacher, was born in Pangburn, Ark., on August 18, 1903, and departed this life August 29, 1952, following an illness of three months. On February 4, 1927, at Charleston, Mo., he was united in marriage to Lorena Thompson. He was a graduate of Freed-Hardeman College, Henderson, Tenn. Brother King served as local preacher in Tucson, Ariz., Santa Paula, Calif., St. Louis, Mo., and had been preaching for the past three years at Woodward, Okla. Survivors include his wife, and one son, Grady D. King, Jr., Woodward; one daughter, Mrs. A. J. Barnhart, of Sacramento, Calif.; his mother, Mrs. Sarah King, of Saikeston, Mo.; two sisters, Mrs. Wilma Stahle, of San Diego, Calif., and Mrs. Lottie Welch, of Saikeston, Mo., and two grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted in Woodward, September 2, 1952, by the writer, a former classmate.—GEORGE W. BAILEY.

Among the Colored Brethren

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The Wise Preacher

JOHN HARRIS

Solomon, the wise man of Israel, said in Eccles. 12: 9, 10, "The Preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; yea, he pondered, and sought out, and set in order many proverbs. The Preacher sought to find out acceptable words, and that which was written uprightly, even words of truth." The apostle Paul told young Timothy what could make him wise. He reminded him that from a child he had known the holy scriptures which were able to make him wise unto salvation. (2 Tim. 3: 15.)

The scriptures will also make the preacher wise today. But how do they make us wise unto salvation? By letting the Bible stay in the library and never study it? No. Use it only to keep important papers and recipes? No. Well just how does one get wise? Paul said, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." (2 Tim. 2: 15.)