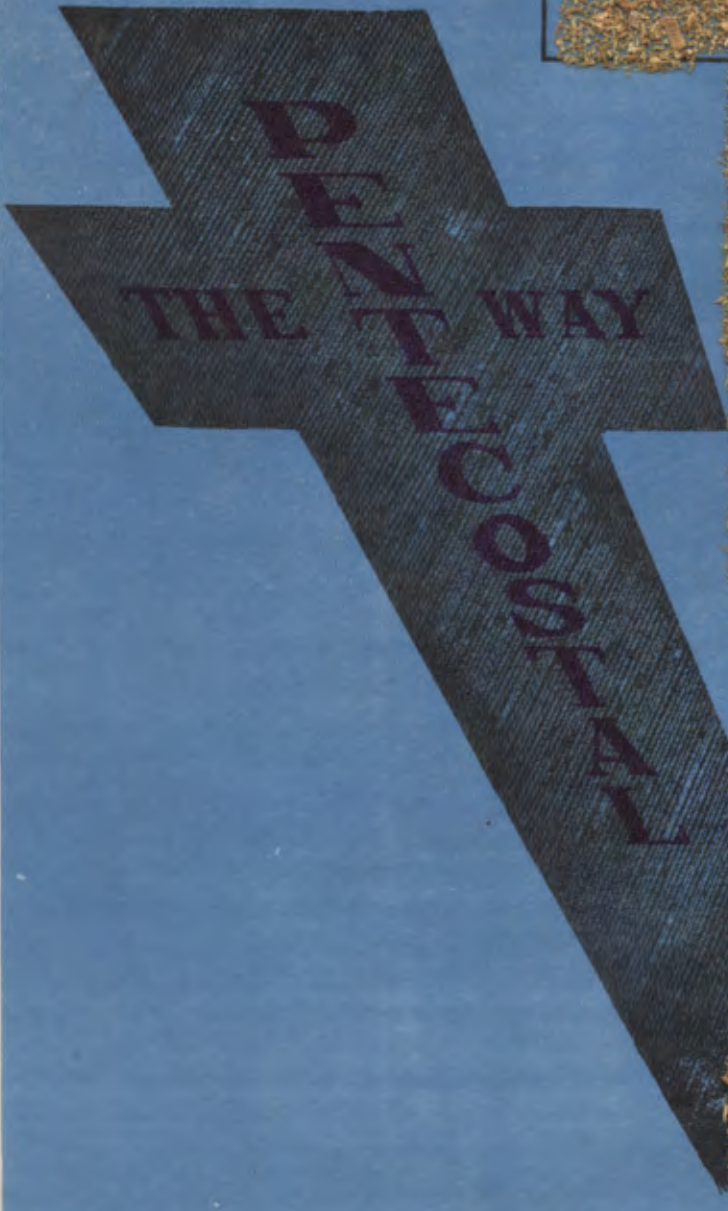
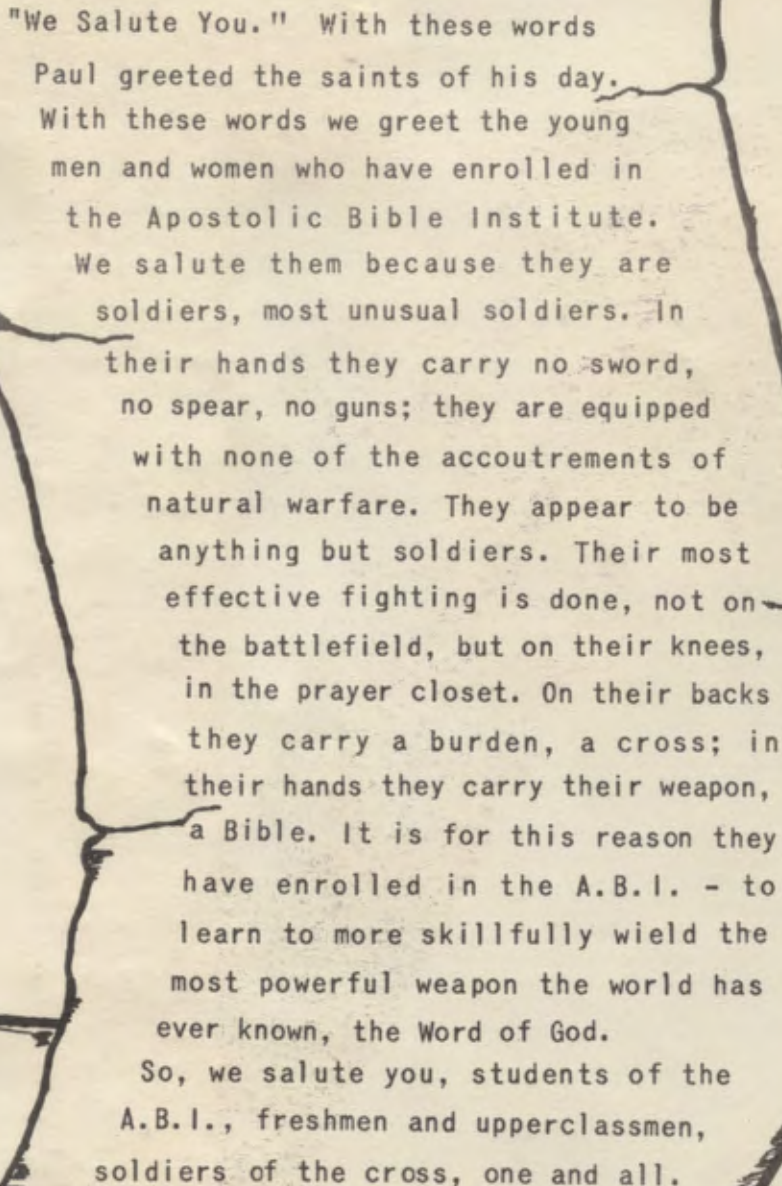


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Don Deck

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## ADMONITION AND CRITICISM

By Rev. S. G. Norris, President

Admonition is the act of admonishing; counsel; warning or gentle reproof. Criticism is the act of passing judgment, especially severe judgment; censure; faultfinding; or a critical comment. In most cases, criticism kills, but admonition brings life and renewed hope. The misuse and misunderstanding of criticism and admonition have caused, and are still causing, difficulty in our churches. On the one hand we have a school of thought that believes that the members of a congregation should have very little or nothing to say about the conduct of the church in general. For a pastor to hold this view is almost a hopeless position because there are always a few in each assembly who wish to express their views when such occasion arises. If they feel that they are entirely suppressed, and it is almost a sin if their opinion is given, this leads as a rule to sharp criticism. Such a program brings spiritual division and gloom. There seems to be very little license in the Bible for criticism. Either admonition (gentle reproof) is used, or, if the matter has developed to the breaking point, then license is given to rebuke before all. Even in the case of a heretic, Titus suggests the use of admonition for the first and second times before final rejection. (Titus 3: 10).

There is a spirit about admonition that is both corrective and winning. Very few people will resent a gentle rebuke when they know it is given in the fear and love of God. On the other hand, it is a rare individual who can stand up under a stream of sharp criticism without bristling with retaliation. Successful pastors have had to learn this difference early in their ministry otherwise their assemblies would not have steadily grown. There are many in our ranks, however, who feel their importance because of experience, and believe they are justified in the use of criticism. Sometimes the sharp sting of words of correction do far more harm and leave a deeper scar than the wrong itself. You may be justified in all you say, but when given in a critical mood, your purpose is not accomplished; it only aggravates the matter. In most cases the pastor is fully capable of handling a situation, but, there is still room in the New Testament for one saint to admonish another. Romans 15:14: "And I myself also am persuaded of you, my brethren, that ye also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another." Paul did



not write that the saints were able to find fault, or able to take the preacher's place; able to criticize, but to "admonish one another." We doubt very much if God would ignore the pastor to such an extent that He would use one saint to rebuke another. Let's allow the pastor to do what rebuking is necessary, and pray that the saints will so walk with God that admonition will take the place of criticism.

### SINGING ADMONITION

Not very many people are angry when they sing. To the contrary, singing is the result of peace with God. Paul wrote to the Colossians (3:16) (a church which he had never visited, and one that was going through quite a struggle according to Epaphras, who visited Paul at Rome), to "admonish one another in psalms, and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord." If God, through His Spirit, can use saints in this manner to correct one another, we surely have little license for bitter criticism. Singing draws us all closer to the Lord. Many messages are contained in verse and chorus of our Pentecostal songs. God speaks through song. You may or may not realize that your singing is really a message to some weary or straying saint of God, but according to the apostle Paul, it is true. I have been placed under conviction more than once in my experience by the songs of the saints. God has many corrective means. Never, of course, will singing take the place of the Word of God, but it has its place. Surely it is better than a sharp tongue that cuts into your heart until it seems like it will never heal.

Paul advised the Thessalonians, the

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Bro. Wendell Gleason, composer of "He Had Compassion On Me" is the A.B.I. Clee Club and choir director.

Last year, during one of the daily devotions, Bro. Larry Stewart preached a marvelous message on compassion, using the story of the good samaritan as his text. It was during that sermon that Bro. Gleason received the inspiration for this chorus. Since then it has remained a favorite of A.B.I. students and Midway Tabernacle saints.



## HE HAD COMPASSION ON ME

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Wendell C. Gleason

He had com-pas-sion on me. Touched my eyes now I see; Healed my feet now I

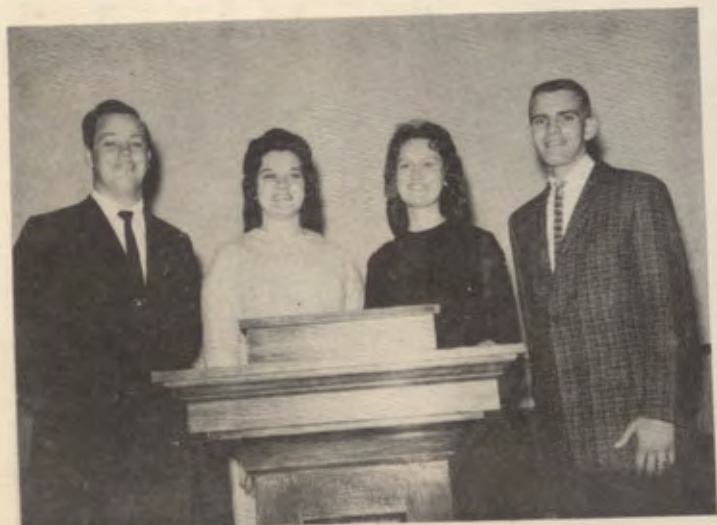
walk in His way (In His way.) He had com-pas-sion on me. Now from sin

am free. Oh praise the Lord! He had com-pas-sion on me (me on me.)



First year students enjoy the new experience of eating in the A.B.I. dining hall.

A quartet at an A.B.I. Singspiration. Left to right, Paul Browning, Sharon Reed, Sally Pickering, and Arlie Enis.





Sis. Theresa DeMerchant giving first year student, Pauline Ramseyer, an accordion lesson.



A. B. I. students enjoy refreshments after the first Youth Rally of the year.



The first year Religious Education class having a "Brainstorming" session on prayer. The moderator, Dick Davis, standing right.

Officers of the Missions class along with their teacher. Left to right, Else Lund, Secretary-Treasurer; Bennie DeMerchant, Vice-President; Donn Moehlenpah, President; and Sis. C. E. Lundquist, teacher.



Lester Lear was young people's leader in his home church in Neoga, Illinois. He feels the call of God to be a minister and realizes his need of a Christian education.

Mariet Lewis, of Marthaville, Louisiana, feels the call to the ministry. He was an assistant Sunday School teacher in his home church. In high school he was editor of the yearbook and senior class secretary.

Sharon Lewis, from Bedford, Indiana, plays the piano, accordian, and organ. She is here to learn more about God's Word.

Jack Liford, from Indianapolis, came to A.B.I. because he feels that only here can he be in God's will. Jack plays an electric guitar.

Ruth Love, from Smithville, Tennessee, likes music. She plays the piano and accordian.

Planning to be a foreign missionary, Betty McBride, from Decatur, Illinois, collects Christian literature as a hobby.

From Glenmora, Louisiana, Frankie Martin is attending A.B.I. to learn more about the work of God.

Gene Myers arrived with a smile from Pensacola, Florida. His brother, Ellis, who graduated from A.B.I. in 1955, encouraged him to attend.

Betty Parker was active in young people's work in her home church in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, where Bro. Calvin Rigdon, honor graduate of A.B.I., is pastor.

David Patrick, from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is studying here because he feels it is God's will.

A former Sunday School teacher and church worker from Benton, Arkansas, is Elsie Peeler, who is enjoying her studies in Bible School.

James Peeler, a married student from Phoenix, Arizona, is preparing for the ministry.

Another married student from Benton, Arkansas is John Peeler who is studying for the work of the Lord. His wife, Marlene, is a former student.

Freda Porter, from Detroit, Michigan, likes A.B.I. very much. She is here to learn more about God's Word.

Kenneth Rainey, from LeMay, Missouri, was assisting with the church choir and singing in a quartet when he came to A.B.I.

Pauline Ramseyer, from Hartford City, enjoys working with children. She helped with children's church in her home church and is teaching in Hobby Club at Midway Tabernacle.

The Sunday School vision brings Joan Rednour, from Cleveland, Ohio, to A.B.I. Joan wants to become a trained Sunday School teacher.

Sharon Reed, from Sullivan, Illinois, shows talent in singing and piano playing, and of course everyone appreciates her presence in the A.B.I. kitchen.

From Little Rock, Arkansas, A.B.I. has attracted Lloyd Shirley, who hopes to become a youth director. Lloyd was active in his high school student council, as well as a National Honor Society member.

Representing Winchester, Kentucky is a fine married couple, Harold and Helen Shoemaker. They have two girls, Wanda and Theresa.

Dale Sims, from Pana, Illinois, came here to prepare for the ministry. He enjoys music and singing.

George Smith, from West Lake, Louisiana, wants to further his knowledge of the Bible and become a soul winner for Christ. Rev. D. L. Guillory, former graduate, encouraged George to come to A.B.I.

The aim of Rose Marie Smith, from Slaton, Texas, is to further the work of the Lord. She enjoys reading and studying.

Samuel Smith, from Greensburg, Indiana, was president of his sophomore and junior classes in high school and also student council president.

Gordon Steinhauer, from Eau Claire, Wisconsin, is enjoying his studies at A.B.I. His father is an alumnus.

Martinsville, Indiana is the home of Ronald Stidd, who was secretary of his district youth organization. He attended Indiana Business College for one year.

Ronald Strouse, from Sunbury, Pennsylvania, has already been a blessing to A.B.I. with his piano playing.

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## CORRIDOR COMMENTS

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Brother Norris presented the first year Doctrine class with a chart on the divisions of the New Testament. A study of this chart will prove a great blessing to any person who desires to know the truth of the Word of God. JOHN PEELER

"I'll tear you to pieces." This opening statement on David and Goliath was read by Ruth Love in Religious Education class. The tone of her voice, plus the fact that she is so small that she couldn't tear anyone to pieces brought a roar of laughter from the class. MARIET LEWIS

A weiner roast at Highland Park in St. Paul welcomed new students and began another year for the "Daughters of the King," the girls group of the Ladies' Auxiliary. This meeting gave the A.B.I. girls an opportunity to get acquainted with the girls from Midway Tabernacle. The group decided to redecorate the living room of the girls' dormitory and help sponsor the Harvestime Broadcast. Sis. Charlotte Church is the group leader. BETTY PARKER

One of the first lessons learned by the freshmen class from the book of Revelation was about the seven spirits of God. This topic, taught by Brother Norris, proved to be very interesting. SHAROL BJORKLUND

Sister Experience, the teacher of the A.B.I. Kneology course, has many faithful and devoted students again this year. Her students have chosen the prayer room as their meeting place, and never seem to mind an extra homework assignment. BILL MCGAVOCK

Under the supervision of Brother Gerald Grant, the married couples dorm at 464 Pierce Street has received gallons of paint and hours of work to redecorate the interior. Every floor has been sanded and varnished. The old wallpaper has been steamed off, and fresh, bright paint applied. New floor tile and ceiling tile has been added to the basement. The outside of the building received a fresh coat of paint last fall and new storm windows installed, so it seems as if the "folks" on Pierce Street are all set for winter. CHARLES HARRIS

The second year Story Telling class has a new enthusiasm to write stories. This class, taught by Sis. Uldean Brown, took an observation trip recently, witnessing Mrs. Indian Summer's excellent taste in clothes-the new shades of green, streaked with tan and gold. VELVA PLANT

Rev. Vert Enis, from Joliet, Illinois, was guest speaker for the first year Religious Education class September 10th. He spoke on the importance of a well-administered Sunday School. His talk was highlighted by some of his experiences in pioneering a new work. RUTH HUFFORD

Green! Green! Green! Everything seemed to become apple green in Dorothy Dungan's and Charlene Stone's room in the dorm as they gave it a fresh coat of paint. Even Dorothy was still a little green Sunday morning. SHARON REED

The A.B.I. Glee Club began its 1961-62 season by singing "I've Been With Jesus" during the morning worship service at Midway Tabernacle September 9th. Sharon Reed, first year student, sang the solo part. RUTH HUFFORD

The first Youth Rally since school started was held September 30th at Midway Tabernacle. Rev. Robert Sabin, from Cochrane, Wisconsin, brought a stirring message on "Wanting To Believe God," reading from Judges 6:11-18. After service refreshments were served by the third year girls. DAVID FULLER

"Hitch hike," cries Bill Gee, before he proceeds to give his opinion. This was a familiar phrase in Religious Education class during a "Brainstorming Session" on *The Importance of a Definite Prayer Time*. MARIET LEWIS

Solos! Duets! Trios! Quartets! Choirs! Those who attended the Singspiration last month enjoyed musical talent from across the United States. Everyone is looking forward to the next songfest. DICK DAVIS

The A.B.I. students visited Como Park their first Sunday afternoon in St. Paul. Enjoying the flowers in the conservatory and watching the animals perform proved to be a thrilling experience. HELEN SHOENAKEF

The first year class had its first test in Old Testament class a few days ago on the creative days. This class, taught by Brother Norris, is a blessing to every student. SHARON REED

Brother Norris uses many examples in teaching his classes. The first year Old Testament students learned how the earth rotates around the sun by watching Frankie Martin, George Smith and Jack Sword turn in circles around each other in front of the class. RUTH HUFFORD



# ALUMNI NEWS

The delicious aroma of sizzling sausages and scrambled eggs and coffee filled the halls of A.B.I. as the Alumni Breakfast was being served June 3rd. After that delightful meal, the annual alumni business meeting was held in the A.B.I. devotion room, at which time new officers were elected.

President.....Bill Connell  
 Vice President.....Robert Sabin  
 Secy. Treasurer....Uldean Brown  
 Publicity Director.....Robert Ramsey  
 Assistant Publicity Director  
 .....Herschel Foster

Plan now to attend the A.B.I. Banquet at the National Conference in Kansas City. This year a large gathering is being planned for the Alumni and a delicious meal will be served Saturday, October 21. Come and enjoy yourself.

A special Alumni meeting was held September 16th in Bloomington, Illinois to organize the Illinois Chapter of the Alumni Association. The national president, Bill Connell, was present, and a time of spiritual and social fellowship was enjoyed. Bro. Vert Enis was elected chairman of the Illinois group, Bro. Don Sjostrand, co-chairman, and Bro. Charles Kiefling was elected secretary-treasurer.

The National Alumni Association can be no stronger than the local groups. Are you behind your local chapter? Get details on organizing your local chapters at the National Conference.

Welcome night service for the first year students was highlighted by the guest speaker, Rev. Vert Enis, from Joliet, Illinois. A 1951 graduate of A.B.I., Bro. Enis urged each student to take advantage of every opportunity presented in Bible School.

Did you know that this year (1961-62) our school celebrates its silver anniversary? We hope every alumni can make it to the 25th graduation exercises in June, 1962.

Each alumni is a link in a chain. Help connect your part. YOU are needed.

## WEDDINGS

Boyd Reichenbach  
 Joyce Wallingsford June 17  
 Barrett Church  
 Charlotte Bowe July 8  
 Bennie DeMerchant  
 Theresa Shomberg July 22

## NEW ARRIVALS

Robert and Hilda Trapani have a fine son, Nathan Paul, born June 23rd.  
 Andy and Shirley Wasmundt, a daughter, born July 5th.  
 Ted and Jane Simpkins, a son, Ted Glen, born October 1st.

The Alumni of St. Paul met at the home of Bro. and Sis. Roland Grant July 19th and organized what is now known as the St. Paul Chapter of the A.B.I. Alumni. Bro. Robert Ramsey was elected chairman of the local chapter, Bro. Herschel Foster, co-chairman, and Sis. Myrtle Grant was elected secretary-treasurer.

This group met again August 12th at the home of Bro. and Sis. Foster and a happy time of fellowship was enjoyed. Ideas were presented to make the local alumni association an active group.

## WHERE DID THEY GO FROM A.B.I.?

The 1961 graduates are laboring in the following fields.

JERRY VAN PELT....Is actively assisting in the church in Houston, Texas. He is assistant pastor as well as Director of Religious Education.

LARRY STEWART....Has been evangelizing this summer.

RON SCHOOLCRAFT....Assisting in the local church in Stollings, West Virginia.

ARLO MOEHLERPAH....Is now teaching at the Wisconsin State College. He plans to start a new work in Stevens Point.

CATHERINE TUCKER....Has held meetings in Minnesota and Ohio this summer.

VIOLET BRIDGES....Actively working in the church in Manchester, Ohio.

ROY WELL....Is assisting Rev. Eugene Roberts in his church in Pontiac, Michigan.

## Admonition and Criticism

"baby" church where he had only opportunity to minister for about a month, to esteem the brethren very highly which labored among them and had wisdom enough to admonish them. Paul always tried the great power of admonition first; only as a last resort would he rebuke. Evidently the brethren at Thessalonica heeded Paul's wish, as he was able to write to saints also in his second epistle to them (3:14,15) to have absolutely no company with a disobedient brother, but, if the opportunity arose, to admonish the unruly as a brother. The first rule was quite severe: "...have no company with him;" the last rule: "...admonish him as a brother." A gentle reproof gave a little leeway for a welcome if he repented. What marvelous good the saints could do for one another in an assembly if these fundamental rules of the apostle were practiced today. No pastor ever resented a saint admonishing another, but he most certainly would believe a member had stepped over his line of authority if he criticized either his

actions or the actions of a brother.

## THE LORD PRACTICED ADMONITION

Even God Almighty used this wonderful influence of admonition to Moses, when he patiently explained in detail the pattern of the Tabernacle. His patience must have been tried with the slowness with which Moses grasped this great plan, but still the great God of heaven admonished this leader of Israel. My friends, if the Lord admonished, if the great apostle practiced admonition and taught the ministers and saints to do likewise, don't you believe it is worth our consideration in these days, when nerves are on edge, when body and brain are weary, when the world, and the cares of life are hammering away at the faith of all of us? Surely we need a little more consideration one for another. It will pay dividends of lasting reward. Let's thank God that He admonished us, and by gentle reproof drew us in the way, so shall we, in turn, by His grace, practice admonition with others.

## FRESHMAN CLASS

Jack Sword, from Columbus, Ohio, is studying to show himself approved that he might be a workman not ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Clayton Warren, from Gladewater, Texas, has come to A.B.I. to study the Word of the Lord and prepare for Christian service. Bud Warren, Clayton's pastor and brother, graduated from A.B.I. in 1954.

Bob West, a married student from Abbingdon, Illinois, was secretary-treasurer of the Pentecostal Conquerors of his district.

Robert Willard, from New Haven, Connecticut, feels a burden for home missions where there are few Pentecostal churches.

Heeding the call to evangelism, James Wolfe came to A.B.I. from Parkersburg, West Virginia to prepare himself for the work of the Lord.

Donald Wynn, from Rushville, Indiana, was youth leader in his home church.

CHRISTIAN SOLDIER, HAVE YOU BEEN TO YOUR COMMANDER FOR YOUR ORDERS TODAY?

It was a pleasant surprise to have Rev. Benjamin Urshan, missionary to Iran, with us recently. Brother Urshan spoke on several occasions, and each sermon was timely as well as spiritual. He showed slides of the cities and churches in Iran, where the people are predominantly Moslems. Each student was greatly blessed by these slides, along with the ones he showed of Palestine which he took there on a visit. We shall all remember his visit to A.B.I.



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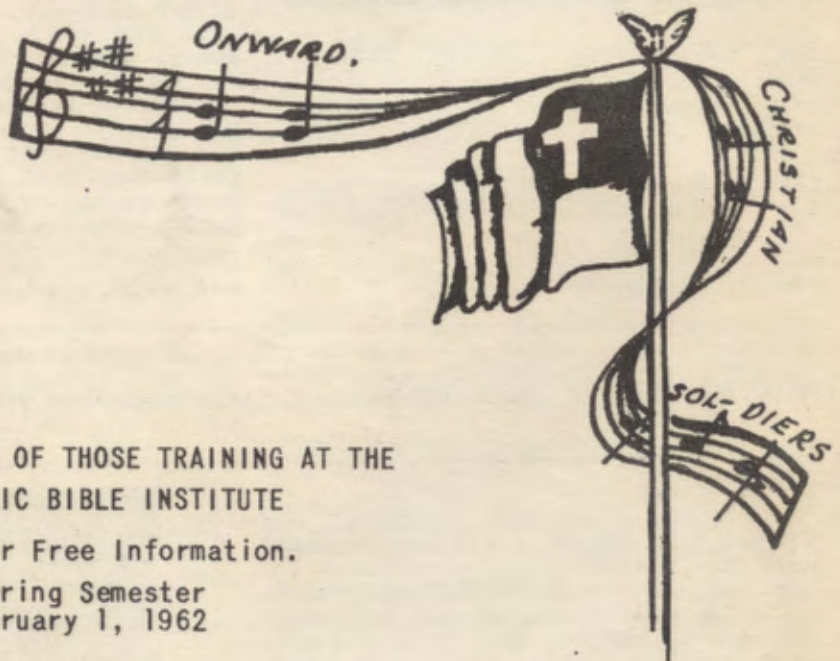
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