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#### **GROWTH**

by Robert Hooley

Since the March dedication of our new and larger facilities here in Arvada, we've been blessed with many new families attending the various services and activities. This has made us keenly aware of our responsibility as a congregation to extend a right hand of fellowship to these new families.

The word *fellowship* denotes involvment, participation, partnership, communication, etc. We're all familiar with the phrase the right hand of fellowship. It has a biblical source, Galatians 2:9, and it implies a personal commitment and involvement.

In Acts 2:41 we read how 3,000 souls were added to the church in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost. Then Acts 2:42 states, "And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers." This pattern of believers fellowshipping together is just as important today as then. I Corinthians 1:9 says that, as believers, we are called unto the wonderful fellowship of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I trust that we all will make that necessary commitment to fellowship. I John 1:7 tells us, "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."

#### **FELLOWSHIP**

If I had known what sorrow touched you — Why do we never understand?

I would have lent a little friendship to you And put my hand within your lonely hand And made your stay more pleasant in the land If I had known.



Pastor Robert Hooley receives award from Richard Hilker, right, of Arvada Sentinel. Looking on are, from left, Max Hathorn, Roger Van Wagner, Dave Morrison and George Morrison.

### **Church Receives Award for Building**

Faith Bible Chapel received the 1979 Community Improvement Award from the Arvada Chamber of Commerce and the Arvada Sentinel newspaper for the most outstanding contribution to the community in the new large building category. On Tuesday, May 22, the award was presented at the Chamber of Commerce meeting in the banquet room of the Royal Inn.

The criteria for determining the winner were in three areas. First, the new building had to be a positive asset to the community. Secondly, the building had to be completed. Thirdly, only the exterior appearance of the building was considered.

Gar Annelar, chairman of the judging committee, was master of ceremonies for the events. The awards were presented by other members of the committee: Max Hathorn, president of the Arvada Chamber of Commerce, and Richard Hilker, vice-president of community affairs for the Arvada Sentinel newspaper. Mr. Annelar is president of United Bank

of Arvada, and Mr. Hathorn is president of Sigman's Meat Co.

After the awards were presented, a film was shown which reviewed in colorful fashion the history of Denver. Pete Smythe warmed the hearts of those in attendance with his comments about the greater Denver area. He issued a firm challenge to everyone to keep the Denver area going forward. Faith Bible Chapel is honored to receive the award, and desires to make a positive contribution to the progress of the Denver Metropolitan area.

We gratefully acknowledge the excellent design work performed by the architectural firm of Duff, Reck and Lehman as well as the splendid construction which was done by the building contractor, Van Wagner and Company. A special note of thanks is due also to the numerous men, women and young people of the congregation who unselfishly devoted so much of their time and effort toward the completion of this church facility. To God be the glory!

# Youth on the Move

On May 18-19, over two hundred young people from Faith Bible Chapel were gathered at the YMCA Camp in Estes Park for an advance. All of them came expecting God to change their lives and take them to a new height in Him. God was faithful and answered this prayer for every young person that was on the advance.

The first teaching was on the subject of drifting from the Lord, and it included an exhortation on returning to the face-to-face communion and fellowship each person had with Him when first saved. This spoke to the hearts of many, and God began to move in a wonderful way to draw many closer to Himself.

Saturday morning, the teaching was on how to abide in the Lord so you don't drift from Him and so you can be assured that God is hearing and answering your prayers. Abiding is more than just standing close — it is standing close to the Lord with EXPECTANCY. God made real the Scripture in John 15:7, "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."

The last teaching was on God the Father, and how He is waiting for us to return to Him.

The young people experienced one of the most tremendous moves of God that most of them had known in their walk with the Lord. We are thanking God for what He did in their hearts, but we are expecting to see this as only the beginning of a closer walk with the Lord for each one.

## **Sunday School Notes**

Nowadays people are becoming more aware of the need to be "physically fit." Many are devoting considerable time and effort to reach a good state of physical fitness in the hope that it will bring better health, greater endurance and longer life. However, even greater diligence should be given to be sure we become "spiritually fit."

The apostle Paul reminded Timothy that "bodily exercise profiteth little," meaning for a little time or duration (I Timothy 4:8), but the exercise of godliness has the promise of eternal value.

Sunday School is a wonderful time for everyone at Faith Bible Chapel to "work out" and aid your growth to spiritual fitness.

## **International Singers Tour East Coast**

In May the International Singers toured the East Coast for the fifth time, taking their important message of support for the Jewish people into many exciting places. Old friends were visited, new friends were made and new doors opened on this three-week tour that covered over six thousand miles.

Faith Bible Chapel of Janesville, Wisc., hosted the Singers first. In New Jersey, Rabbi Soltes arranged for two concerts, one in a Catholic church and one on his television program in New York City. Rabbi Spar, a great moral and advisory strength to the Singers, opened his Temple for three days. The Singers performed four times with him while being graciously hosted in the homes of his people. Also, the Singers performed for long-standing friends at the First Congregational Church in Union, New Jersey.

A new and dynamic door opened to the International Singers this time in television. They appeared on four television broadcasts, which will be rebroadcast on future dates as well. The potential viewing audience for the combined programs was well over three million people. Also, new doors of opportunity were opened up at universities, Catholic churches, synagogues and in the office building for members of the House of Representatives in Washington, D.C. Many new friends were won by the



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Christ never failed to distinguish between doubt and unbelief. Doubt is can't believe; unbelief is won't believe. Doubt is honesty; unbelief is obstinacy. Doubt is looking for light; unbelief is content with darkness.

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International Singers with their radiant performances. Responses of thanks, new hope and fresh understanding followed each concert. Pray that good results will come from these unique opportunities.

For the most part, the non-Jewish American public does not realize how great a contribution the Jewish people have made to the world. It is the aim of the International Singers to stir as much support for Israel and the Jewish people as possible. God promises to bless those who bless the Jewish people. (Genesis 12:3).

#### Schedule of Services

The presence of the Lord has been so real and precious in all the worship services at Faith Bible Chapel. Be sure you don't miss your portion of the blessing in this active and growing church. Come and join in with the worship and fellowship.

SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. — Sunday School 10:30 a.m. — Worship Service 7:00 p.m. — Evening Service

WEDNESDAY 6:00 a.m. — Men's Prayer Meeting

THURSDAY 7:30 p.m. — Midweek Service

In Luke 18:1, Jesus said that men ought always to pray, and not to faint.

In James 5:16, the Apostle James said that the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

Come early to the prayer room and fill God's house with prayer for a half-hour to an hour before each Worship Service on Sunday and Thursday — you'll feel the difference prayer makes, because PRAYER CHANGES THINGS.

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