

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

1983

"Of the many influences that have shaped the United States of America into a distinctive nation and people, none may be said to be more fundamental and enduring than the Bible," said President Reagan.

As we look back into the year of 1983, we are so grateful for the blessings of the Lord. President Reagan designated 1983 as the Year of the Bible. Praise the Lord for presidents that rely on God's Word for strength and guidance.

BGMC Crusade On January 30th our Sunday School Department presented a program that focused on Eurasia. The theme for BGMC was Up with Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade. We encouraged our congregation to see the Great Commission and support the work of BGMC.

American Bible Soc. Throughout the year we received special books and pamphlets from the American Bible Society to be distributed in our Sunday School classes.

Focus on the Family For thirteen weeks we benefited from Dr. Dobson's films and Family Life Discussions. Each consecutive week we showed a film. These films focused on the family members and we discussed peer pressures, wives/husbands, Christian fathering, and the enrichment of the Christian family.

May 14th we had two vans traveling to Great Adventure for the Christian Adventure Day.

Classes In the adult area, classes ranged from Subject Matter to Biblical Quarterly Studies.

Classes are offered for ages ranging from Nursery thru two; Beginners (ages 3-5); Primaries and Middlers (Ages 6-9); Juniors (Ages 10-13); Junior High (Ages 14 up); and the Adult Classes.

Staff The Sunday School Department cannot function without our dedicated workers and teachers - Mrs. Florence Bogdan, Steve J. Bogdan, John Sakash, Vito Spuler, Ann Lauf, Joseph Picazio, Jerry Nendel, Grace and Anita Ragodo, Willard Cook, Tom and Shirley Doak, Les Lauf, Bob McClure, Tom Mannering, Ruth C. Muir and Ann Lee Sabin.

Children's Dept. It is an encouragement to see our children and that they are interested in studying the Bible. On June 12th we honored our children and they presented a program for Children's Day.

Enrichment Training Conferences Throughout the year the Sunday School Dept. held training conferences that would benefit the teachers and staff. PASSA Convention always has numerous ideas, equipment and up-to-date material to help us, plus news of what is going on in the Sunday School world.

SUMMER Picnic - Each year we always enjoy the fellowship, food and fun at the 4th of July Sunday School Picnic held at Carson-Simpson Farm in Willow Grove.

VVBS We appreciate all the labor and dedicated hours that went into our Vesper Vacation Bible School under the direction of Mrs. Stephen Bogdan and her unified staff - we had a successful VVBS.

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Christmas Under the direction of Stephen J. Bogdan, we were blessed by a
Program beautiful cantata and program given by the children, entitled
 "The Stranger in the Straw."

Special thanks to Sister Mae Wallen as each Sunday she is so faithful in conducting Children's Church. We also would like to give special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Leon Grzybowski who keep our Sunday School classrooms spotless.

Without musical talent our programs would not be a success and our appreciation goes to Shirley Doak and Betty Roberson for playi~~ng~~ng the piano and organ.

As we enter 1984, may God bless each teacher, staff member and student in each class. I pray that new doors of opportunity will open and exciting things will happen in the upcoming year of the Sunday School Department.

Respectfully submitted,

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Superintendent