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Bible

If you are looking for an active, friendly church that stands for the Word of God, a warm welcome is extended to you by the Bible Church to attend our services: Sunday School

Morning Worship 11 a.m. **Evening Service** 7 p.m. Wed. Family Night 7:30 p.m. A Christmas Potluck Dinner

will be enjoyed by all im-mediately following the morning worship service this Sunday, Food, fun and fellowship is planned for all who come.

Our annual Christmas Program will be presented this Sunday evening, December 23 at 7 p.m. The theme is "And There was Light". We welcome each of you to come and help us celebrate the birthday of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ at this Christmas season. There will be Christmas treats for all.

Our Sunday School bus is run throughout Vernonia every Sunday morning for those needing a ride to Sunday School and church. For the schedule of your neighborhood phone the pastor at 429-3363.

Primary church is held during the morning worship service for kindergarten through 4th grade and is geared to the understanding and needs of the boys and

girls. Great times are had!

An adult Bible Study on the book of St. John is held every Thursday evening at 7:30 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Zerfing. It is conducted by Virgil Snook. Everyone is welcome.

We at the Vernonia Bible Church wish all a Merry Christmas and a Christ centered New

Let the Vernonia Branch of the Am erican Cancer Society Help You!

For Further Information or Special Services Call

or Contact Carolyn Keasey ******

Fred Larson, Mrs. Herbert Rodgers and Mrs. Vick Berg. On Monday of last week, Mr and Mrs. Howard Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Malcom of Rio Dell, Calif. and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Johnson of Salem all visited at the Al Soderback home

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Tornblad were in Clatskanie last Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Beach were in Forest Grove last Friday where they did some visiting.

Best Wishes for the Holiday

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The Yuletide carols convey our sincere

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Church Plans

Anniversary

Fete Sunday

On December 23 the First

Christian Church will celebrate

its 50th anniversary. To com-

memorate the event Sunday, James Earl Ladd Jr.,—some of

one of the early Evangelists,

under whose ministry 102 people joined the church—will give the message. His father James E.

Ladd Sr. aided in the growth of the church during the 1930's. Ladd Jr. is president of Puget Sound Bible College in Seattle,

Before 1923, the church began with eight families meeting together in a home for commun-

ion. Pastor F.C. Stephens from Kelso, Washington sought help from the Portland Office of C.F.

Swander, then State Secretary, to organize and set up the new

Soon a young evangelist, God-liep Schmidt arrived to hold a

meeting in the Grange hall, with

Bible school held in Washington school. At the close of the

meeting, after prayer and a hymn, the church was set in

order and organized by Swander

and G. Schmidt. Church officers

were then elected in December,

The congregation then moved to the high school on "A" Street, where 225 were present on Easter Sunday at Bible school.

theatre, next to the bridge, but it

was too small. A local merchant

equipped the second floor over his store for the 48 young people

attending the high school Bere-an class. This class was the first

to use the new building, with only

one room partly finished and a

stove in operation.

The awaited day arrived in

Christmas of 1925, when the

congregation was at last in their

new church home which was

located on 430 North Street,

where the church stands today, and with Will Gressman as the first minister. He also served as

Shortly after meeting in their

new church home several suc-

cessful evangelistic meetings

were held including one led by

Through the fifty years since the day that the church first became a reality its history has been filled with the joys and sorrows that cover any past but

on Sunday, December 23 the

congregation of the First Christian Church can look back and be

proud of their half-century span.

Family Visit

In Manzanita

Thursday

Janisch of Diston, came over for

a visit with her brother and wife,

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Beach. On

Wednesday they all went to Manzanita to visit the Everett Beache's. They returned home

Recent callers at the Francis

Larson home were Mr. and Mrs.

Everett Johnston, Mr. and Mrs.

Ted Leavitt resulting in the

a city attorney.

addition of 119.

The next move was to the Rose

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At His Birth the Angels sang, "Peace on earth to men of good will." May this same peace, the gift of the Prince of Peace, be yours this Christmas and may it fill your life with joy!

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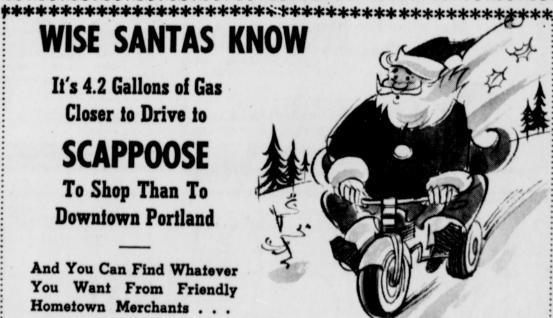
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