WHEN SHOULD CHILDREN JOIN THE CHURCH?

This question has never been settled by the Church universal. Sectarian Churches make their own rulings, therefore, the various Denominations are far apart on the subject. Their divisions contribute to the detriment of the children, so, when should children join the Church?

I have been told very emphatically that the child should join the Church when he reaches the age of accountability, say fourteen or sixteen years of age. Again, I am told that when a child completes his catechism, that would be his schooling of questions and answers relative to the Bible and Christianity. I am told once more that Jesus was baptized at the beginning of his ministry, approximately thirty years of age, therefore, it follows one should be of mature mind and fully developed, able to decide and reason for one's self before taking the solemn step into the Church.

I might further add that the stand taken by some is that children gathered into the Church before they know the heights and depths of salvation bring reproach on the Cause if in after years they stray from the Fold and are swallowed up in worldliness. So, now, when should children join the Church?

I will tell you when. It is when a child has his first little tug at that center of affection called the heart, when he has the first little urge to know Jesus, to sing or read or learn about the Kingdom of Heaven. That's the time.

And they brought little children unto Him, that He should touch them; and the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of God. Verily, I say unto you, whosoever shall not receive the Kingdom of God as a little child, he shall in no wise enter therein. And He took them up in his arms, put his hands on them, and blessed them. Mark 10: 13-1.

If the children are not in the Kingdom of God, why or how should we enter it by becoming like them? In what way could likeness to the children admit adults to the Kingdom if the little folks are excluded?

My friend, your little ones need the safe-guard and protecting influence of the Church. Wait not till the boy or girl has wandered into life and eaten of the tree of good and evil.

Samuel's mother started with her babe before he was born. Children cannot be dedicated to the Lord too early. Surround the tender plant with choice soil, keep the environment holy and beautiful. Open the arms of the Church for all children before evil snares their little feet and stains their little souls.

There is no worthy argument in keeping the child from Church membership until he attains a
standard of knowledge about spiritual things. Who can boast of his or her knowledge of the mighty doctrine of immortality? Before this mighty pyramid of the ages we all must gaze in awe and wonder, for great is the mystery of godliness.

So suffer the children to come, and he that is athirst come, and whosoever will let him come, and there shall be one fold and one shepherd.

THE MINISTER.

ANOTHER LETTER
To the Editor:
I, too, am a reader and subscriber of Community Church News and was much interested in the article on Christian Science. I am not connected with their organization and am neither authorized to speak for them nor well enough informed to do so, as far as, the writings of Mrs. Eddy are concerned. Some of my best friends are members of the Church however and from my acquaintanceship with them, I have some idea of their religion.

There are those of us, who demand more of a Church than form, words and sociability. Just telling us, we should love the Good Old Book; just telling us, we should have the habit of going to church, is really not telling us much. Nobody bothers to explain the Bible in the average church so it is not much but a lot of words. Honest, I heard a teacher tell a class not long ago that each time she read the "begats" they meant more and more

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Prayer Meet, Wed. 7:30 P. M.
Orchestra Practice, Wed.
Evening ............. 7:30 P. M.
Church Business Meeting, First
Friday Evening of Month

to her. Well, maybe it is true but if they mean much to the average person, I am an oddity for they are just historical names to me.

My Science friends give to the Bible a spiritual interpretation in every instance and it raises them above the sordid, wholly material views and the fears other churches would have us accept. In explaining one of the Beatitudes “Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God,” they use the word “good” for God and it is so reasonable. It must not be understood that way in most churches for I hear more talk of the ev’l things they see than of the good things. The “good ground” in the parable of the sower is a clean mind, free of prejudice, hatred and personal “isms”. These are things just common people can grasp.

If they live in a dream it is a happy dream for, I never knew more serene, kind-hearted people than Christian Scientists and the children of the ones I know are polite and respectful even in Sun-
day School.

They are not sociable as a church for to them, the church is a place for spiritual enlightenment only and clubs are the place for social events.

The accusation of proselyting was the most unjust. I wish Rev. Hulme could have heard the conversation that I heard concerning a certain church, which had failed miserably in its duty to a member in trouble. The Scientists gladly took over the duty but they said nothing against the church and beyond an invitation to attend services sometime, no attempt was made at proselyting.

I am immeasurably grateful to these Christian people, who have the ability to see “good” and do good to anyone—saint or sinner. There was a time when I needed just such people and when I turned to them for help they did not fail me. They do not need my defense but, when I hear unjust criticism of them, I feel better if I speak up.

You will find a few of your missing members in Science churches, soothing their souls with the excellent music and spiritual atmosphere they find there. But you will find seventy-five percent of them at picture shows, golf courses and places of amusement.

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Personally, I love to go to church. I like church music, I like the conversation one often has with church people, I like the discussion one often hears in Sunday School when the teacher is informed and inspired. But if I have to assume a sickly woe-begone mask and try always to say what I think church people want to hear, I will just stay away. With the small group in Science church and with the other seventy-five percent I can be just me, no pretending. I have confidence in the real me.

Our real nature is our spiritual nature, says Emerson. That is not quoted exactly for I cannot find it just now. According to that, a person, who is natural and real on a golf course is more spiritual than a pretender in a church. Emerson says so many true things. When we read his essays on Compensation, Spiritual Laws, the Oversoul, Worship, Culture, Immortality we see the truth of things so clearly, we cannot listen to the "misinformation" that is handed out to us by most churches. Emerson was a preacher and is accredited with being our wisest American by readers on both sides of the ocean.

It is not proselyting that makes the rows of empty seats in churches. It is "misinformation" on the part of the informers. The habit of being in church, without any effort to know the truth of things does nothing to us but make us a bunch of pretenders, each distrusting the other for his insincerity. Surely the true interpretation of the Bible should make us kinder, stronger and happier people. It would be more friendly and pleasant to tell a sweet lie but we were trying to find out why so many people go "somewhere else" on Sundays. When I leave my church, as I often do, to worship with the Christian Scientists, I would have it understood that it is not because of their insistence that I do so, but because of their almost unbelievable kindness and honesty and their ability to see...
Arpad Kurinsky
Teacher of Violin
WA-9651 310 Graham Rd.
Cuyahoga Falls.

something in the Bible.

MARIE C. BURST.

SUNDAY
Rev. Hulme sermonized last Sunday morning on the text "Where there is no vision the people perish." Prov. 29:18. It is the vision that a human soul possesses that keeps it alive, keeps it going. The most worthwhile vision is (1) that of God and all that God stands for, (2) a vision of the Cross. Under this heading Rev. Hulme asked the question whether or not the people of Stow see anything more in the Cross than did the Roman and Jewish spectators of that time who attended the public execution of Jesus outside the walls of Jerusalem. Finally, the vision that we need most is a newer and deeper consecration to the things of God.

This coming Sunday Rev. Hulme will take Rev. Billington's place, preaching both morning and evening in the Akron Baptist Tabernacle. And this next Sunday morning at Community Church William Robinson will occupy the pulpit. Except for the first Sunday, Rev. Hulme will take the month of August as his vacation.

NOTICE
Don't forget men! The Ladies Bible Class have invited us over to C. M. Woodring's this next Friday evening, August 4th for a picnic supper. Church Nite Business meeting will be held after the picnic.

PRAYER MEETING CHANGE
FOLDING PAPERS, ETC.
Rev. Hulme, according to announcement Sunday morning, has changed the time of the mid-week Prayer Service from Wednesday to Thursday evening. This is presumably to get away from the noise of orchestra and choir practice which seems to bother some. It will also leave opportunity for choir and orchestra leaders, Peterman and Maxwell, with their followers, to attend prayer meeting Thursday evening. This night is also the time when the Community Church News is folded and mailed. No doubt our good ministers and those who decided upon this change had it in mind to remain after prayer meeting and help

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with this job. We can always use more help when it comes to folding papers, particularly as we are working on a plan to raise our subscription list or circulation to the two thousand mark which is just about double that of the present mailing list, and, it is our hope to double the size of the paper. This, of course, will mean four times as much work or those who fold the papers.

At the job of folding church papers on last Thursday evening we were pleased to welcome back Mrs. M. A. Littel who is most expert at that sort of thing. To keep up the interest of the youngsters who sometimes help, Mrs. Daniel Cumpson arranged an all day sucker hunt which took place immediately upon completion of the paper folding. Occasionally someone who folds papers has a birthday. Then there may be a cake cut. Last but not least there is always conversation. If a court reporter were only available enough life history, interesting incidents, etc. etc. could be recorded Thursday evening to fill the next week’s paper. But we have no reporter, so you will have to come and help if you want to get in on this. Thursday evening’s the time.

FIRE

The J. C. Hale barn on Fish Creek Rd. near Darrowville burned to the ground last Tuesday evening. This barn which was one of the largest in Stow Township caught fire presumably thru the spontaneous combustion of new hay. Discovered just after milking was finished, all livestock was cleared from the barn. Stow Fire Dept. with both trucks
soon after being called pumped water some five hundred or more feet from Meadowbrook Creek and were able to save the house, and also prevented the fire spreading to the chicken houses. Hudson Fire Dept. arriving a little later was able to stop the fire in the corn crib. Visible for miles around the spectacle drew a record breaking crowd.

The barn was covered by insurance.

MUNROE FALLS
July 24th
Shirley Powell celebrated her second birthday last Sunday.
Miss Jean Griffin returned from the hospital recently. She is recovering from an appendectomy.
Joe Coomer, Main Street, has a new DeSoto car and Mrs. Martha Custer has a new Plymouth.
Mr. and Mrs. Michl Kussner of Highland avenue spent last Sunday in Pennsylvania visiting relatives.
Mr. C. H. Happoldt, Henry Lease and Mrs. Gertrude Smith attended the Townsend Club picnic at Chippewa Lake last Sunday.
Mrs. T. L. Smith and daughter Muriel left on Wednesday of this week for Pittsburgh. Mrs. Smith has been visiting Mrs. Fannie Keller.
Mrs. C. V. Shakespeare with Mrs. Van Hyning drove to Columbus this Wednesday. They returned with Bernice Van Hyning who has been attending summer school at the university there.
Mr. and Mrs. Grover Pinnet and son, Gary, from New Martinsville, West Va. were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jones, Highland Avenue over the last week end.
Mrs. Mattie Rogers, age eighty years, Miss Julia Cowan and Elfleda Hewitt, each seventy-nine years of age, sat out the double header in Cleveland last Sunday. It is reported that on account of their age they had particularly good seats assigned them.

PERSONALS
School opens Monday, September eleventh.
Young folks. You are invited to attend C. E. Sunday evenings. Bill Robinson preached last Sunday evening at Krumroy.
Bible School picnic, Saturday,
August 12th at Water Works Park.

Burt Mineard and family of River Road spent the last week end in Pennsylvania.

Miss Clara Hardy is taking a secretarial course at Bankers Institute of Commerce, Akron.

Mr. and Mrs. Taft Boston and family of Echo Road spent last Sunday in Ashland, Ohio.

Birthdays celebrated at Bible School were those of Mrs. A. N. Coleman and Miss Lo’s Jean Francis.

If your car won’t run, call George at Gerbers. He will fix it. Phone WA-8843. (Adv.)

For Rent: Four unfurnished rooms with breakfast nook. Adults only. Mrs. Hohn, Lillian Road, Stow. (Adv.)

Mr. Harry Judy was taken to the hospital last Friday night with an infected finger.

For Sale: Laundr’ mangle and four burner gasoline range, good condition. M. E. Jackson, Call WA-6888. (Adv.)

The Stow Taxpayers League met last Friday night to consider new plans for obtaining city water in Stow.

Mr. Frank Richards of Maple Road left for Rhode Island last Saturday where he will set up a display for the B. F. Goodrich Co.

Miss Helen Stahl left the latter part of this week for a Great Lakes cruise on the steamer, South American.

Choice Fryers, Broilers, Roasting hens. Get them at the Kent Stow Market. Top of the hill one fourth mile east of Fish Creek on the Kent Rd. Phones WA-1595 or Kent 3947. (Adv.)

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Sondereker of Ellsworth Road left Friday for a week end visit in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Osman, Mildred Osman, and Paul Monteth leave Wednesday, August 2nd, for a week at the New York World’s Fair.

It pays to recover. Get your upholstering done while the prices are low. McGrail Antique Shop, 150 East Kent Road, Stow. Phone WA-1091 — (Adv.)

Mrs. E. S. Dunn of Williamson Road left last Friday to spend the week end visiting with son, Charles, and his family in Wooster, Ohio.

Miss Ella Poole from Conneaut, Ohio, is visiting her brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Harry Poole of Hudson Drive.

C. M. Carson and wife, Akron-Kent Road-Silver Lake, returned this last week end from a two week’s vacation trip thru Iowa and Illinois.

Mr. Guy Brace, Marguerite Street, is fishing this week in Michigan while wife and son, Junior, are visiting the World’s Fair in New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Boston,
Maple Road, left last Sunday to visit their daughter, Mrs. Donald Wertenberger in Uhrichsville, O.

Week End Special
Wyandotte Fryers, 3 lbs. 25c lb.
Leghorn Broilers, 2 to 2½ lbs. 45c a Piece

DAMONS, WA-9670
Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. ("Jim") R. Coleman of Ravenna, Ohio Thursday July 20th a daughter, Judith Rae. All are doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Erurn, son Billy Gene, and niece, Roberta, spent the last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Howard on Maple Road.

Ohio State cream cheese. Buy it where it is made. Eighteen cents a pound. Frank Bientz, North Town Line Road, first house past railroad bridge west of Darrowville. (Adv).

Visitors over the week end at the home of Mrs. Ida Hardy, Maple Road, were Miss Inez Thayer of Abingdon, Virginia and Mrs. M. B. Jones of New Castle, Pa.

Attendance at Bible School Sunday was one hundred fifty-six. With a percentage attendance of one hundred forty Miss Clara Hardy's class of girls won the banner.

Note from the Ladies Class. "How can a God of love and peace dwell in a house of uproar."—(Ed. Note) The person who sends this in evidently refers to the applause for orchestra last Sunday morning.)

For Fruit and Vegetables Shop at the Kent-Stow Open Air Market. Top of the hill, one fourth mile east of Fish Creek on Kent Rd. Phones WA-1595 and Kent 3947. (Adv.)

The Diller property, 114 Edgewood Drive, was recently sold by Oakley Spaght and Son (Mrs. Hawk saleslady) to Wm. McClaren of Goodyear. The Dillers have moved to Akron.

Mrs. Edith Sunthimer, Charis—Swavis Corsetier, Telephone WA-6759.

Last Monday morning Miss Betty Monteith and her cousin Catherine Gray of Ravenna rode their "bikes" to Stow where they spent the day at the formers home. In the evening they were accompanied to Ravenna by brother Bud Monteith on his bicycle. Bud returned home a day or two later.

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Jimmy Mincks has a broken shoulder. He received it while playing ball last Thursday.

Starting August first Dr. W. Ocher, dentist, will occupy offices in the Spaght Block, Stow. Dr. Ocher formerly had dental offices in Cleveland while Mrs. Ocher is a former Cleveland school teacher.

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M. A. Littell and family of 153 North Marcella Avenue returned last week from a two week's vacation trip to Florida, 3000 miles all told and not a single flat tire!

Rachel Schnee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Perry A. Schnee of Cuyahoga Falls, returned recently from a ten month's visit with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Shankland and family of Lincoln, Nebraska. She reports having many good times while there but did not like the Nebraska dust storms.

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