ANNUAL REPORT

of the

Salem United

Presbyterian Church

of

Venedocia, Ohio 45894

FROM

JANUARY 1, 1975 to DECEMBER 31, 1975

PASTOR - REV. VON E. GIESSLER

The child of God can plead with Him for others and for situations in life, Abraham's height of faith and friendship with God seems at times to be beyond our "little possibilities." But Abraham grew, step by step, not by great leaps. So may we if we do not become discouraged.

No temptation in prayer life is more common than the failure to preserve. We begin to pray, but after a brief period of time, having received no definite answer, we cease altogether to pray for that particular need.

This is a deadly fault. Simply because the person who forms the habit of beginning without finishing has simply formed the habit of failure.

But someone says, "How long shall we pray?" There is but one answer. Pray until the thing you pray for has been granted, or until you have the assurance in your heart that it will be.

Remember, prayer is not only calling upon God but also a conflict with Satan. However we know that with God we are already victors. He that is mastered by Christ is the master of every circumstance.

In 1976 may our faith in prayer be evidenced by our consistency. May this portion of our Christian life grow in practice and in principle.

Yours in HIS service.

VON E. GIESSLER, Pastor

STATISTICAL REPORT FINANCIAL REPORT SALEM UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SALEM UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Pastor _____ Rev. Von E. Giessler Elders: Venedocia, Ohio Daniel Foster, Bebb Jones. January 1, 1975 to December 31, 1975 Donald Richards. Hugh O. Pugh. Gordon Pugh, David W. Owens, CURRENT FUND Officers: Clerk of Session Edgar L. Morgan Receipts: Financial Secretary Florence Jones Balance on Hand January 1, 1975 \$ 3,199.00 Treasurer _____ Everett Koenig Organist _____ Mrs. Daniel Foster Chorister Bebb Jones Plate Offering 3,909.63 Handbell Choir Mrs. Bebb Jones Per Capita Envelope Offering Head Usher David Lynn Morris 15.00 MEMBERSHIP REPORT Ministers Retirement Fund Offering _ 130.25 Communicants Jan. 1, 1975 207 Int. & Money received from Trustees _ Received by Confession of Faith 641.60 Received by Letter For Centennial Plates Sold 6.00 Refund from Board of Pensions ' Total 215 189.00 Transfer by Letter Refund from Ohio Power Co. 11.79 Deaths From Zion, 30% Easter Film cost Placed on Non Resident Roll 11.98 Total Balance and Receipts \$20.874.50 \$20,874,50 Total Communicants Jan. 1, 1976 199 BAPTISMS Disbursements: Adult Baptisms 5 Pastor's Salary \$5,500.00 Martin Luther Trisel Karen Lee Trisel Pastor's Pension 1.162.89 Scott Alan Trisel Car Expense Melissa Renee Trisel 420.00 Krista Marie Trisel Pulpit Supply 210.00 Infant Baptisms Organists 530.00 Travis Snyder Daniel Rogers Foster Janitor 1,140.00 Elizabeth Jean Wienken Janitor's Supplies **67**.76 Total Baptisms IN MEMORIAM Printing Bulletins **200**.00 Financial Secretary 150.00 Orbie F. Fisher May 27, 1975 Treasurer Maurice N. GeorgeJuly 28, 1975 100.00 Frances Breese Dec. 2, 1975 Clerk of Session 75.00 Respectfully submitted, Per Capita Payment Edgar L. Morgan, Clerk of Session (250 members--\$3.41 each) **852 50** __2__ -- 3 ---

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These Days 29,0	00	Receipts:
Telephone 102,0	3	Amount on Hand Jan. 1, 1975
Electricity613,		Envelope Offering\$ 2,331.00
Fuel Oil (For Manse) 348.2	23	One Great Hour of Sharing Offering 468.85 From Ivanhoe Commandery
Coal2,490,4		Knights Templars for One
Taxes 171.5		Great Hour of Sharing
Insurance 902.0		Total Receipts \$2,871.40 \$ 2,871.4
Workman's Compensation 88.6	-	Disbursements:
Rockford Press	-	Central Receiving Agency \$2,231.00
Spencerville Journal News 41.3	_	One Great Hour of Sharing 540.40 American Bible Society 100.00
Burger and Shafer Organ Co		
Paul Price — Mower Rent	-	Total Disbursements
Flowers 60.0	-	Balance on Hand Jan. 1, 1976 00
Barnt Refuse	. •	
Post Office Box Rent 3.0		IMPROVEMENT FUND REPORT FOR 1975
Typewriter 150.0	· -	Receipts:
Ministers Retirement Fund	-	Balance on Hand Jan. 1, 1975
Overholt Electric Co.		Gift from Mrs. Krauss
Installing Overhead Lights, etc 743.7	70	in memory of Henry Uhl 50.00
General Labor and Supplies		Total Receipts\$ 225.00 \$ 225.00
Church 938.4	2	Disbursements:
Manse 1,258.2	9	Overholt Electric on Installation of Overhead Lights \$225.00 \$225.00
Total Disbursements\$19,011.6		Balance on Hand Jan. 1, 1976 00
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Balance on Hand January 1, 1976	\$ 1.862.69	MANCE BYING DEBODE BOD 1000
Plus Bank Certificate at Commercial	ф 1,002.09	MANSE FUND REPORT FOR 1975
Bank, Delphos of	¢ 2 000 00	Receipts:
-	\$ 3,000.00	Rent received from Thomas Evans for Manse from March 1, 1975 to
Floren	ce Jones,	Jan. 1, 1976 at \$100.00 per month\$ 1,000.00 Disbursements:
Financial Secretary		00
•		Rolange on Hand Ion 1 1076 & 1000.00
Audited 1/6/76 and found correct.		Balance on Hand Jan. 1, 1976\$ 1,000.00 Florence Jones.
Gordon D. Pugh and T. Dewey Diss		Financial Secretary
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT	1975	Savings Account - Van Wert National	151,24	
Members of the Board:		Cash on hand (Received 12-31-75	101,21	
T. Ellis Jones — Chairman		Memorial for Mr. and Mrs. M. N. George	300.00	
Jim Lloyd — Vice Chairman		and Mrs. M. W. George	500,00	
John C. Lloyd, Jr. — Secretary		·	7,756.94	
Paul Ashton, Bill Evans, Donald Fissel			•	
Hayden Lloyd, John C. Morris and Tom Morris		Interest Earned on Memorial Fund Menic	5	
Memorial Fund		Investors Mutual, Inc. Lima, Ohio		
Horeb Memorial	\$ 800.00	Original stock purchased Jan. 6, 1960	87.184	
Thomas E. Jones	. 100.00	Total shares owned Sept. 30, 1975	110 200	
Venedocia Male Chorus	100.00	Total Jinidan Janaan 3 Tana 1 1000	119,500	
Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Breese	200.00	through Sept. 30, 1975	52.22	
Mr. and Mrs Evan Morris	. 500.00	Disbursed to Church Treasurer		
Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Jones	25.00	Interest corned on Contification Description	52.22	
Mr. and Mrs. Owen Pugh	50.00	Interest earned on Certificate of Deposit V. W. National Bank		
Welsh Board of Missions	400.00	Commercial Bank	263.56	
Mr. and Mrs. Evan S. Jones	400.00	Commercial Bank (Henry Uhl)	91.19	
Hugh and Bertha Pugh	90.00	Mark of the control o		
David O. Davis	500.00	Total interest on Certificates	354.75	
Mrs. J. Brough Jones	. 000.00	Disbursed to Church Treasurer	354.75	
Mrs. Elanore Jones	•	Savings Account:		
Mrs. Lillian Jones Moore	100.00	Deposits		
Howell A. Jones	5.00	Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1975	104.27	
J. Ambrose Breese	100.00	Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1975	100.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Morgan	300.00	Memorial Gifts Jan. 1975 thru Dec. 1976	9,00	
Miss Abisha Morgan	100.00	Interest earned during the year	7.60	
Miss M Look Bearen	100.00			
Miss M. Leah Morgan Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Morris	100.00	Total Receipts	220.87	
Mr. Fred Text-	250.00	Withdrawls		
Mr. Fred Taylor	200.00	Disbursed to Church Treasurer		
Mr. John J. Morris	150.00	for General Fund\$		
Gwen and John Edgar Morgan	17.00	Disbursed to Church Treasurer		
Mr. and Mrs. David H. Edwards	10.00	Interest 1975	7.60	
Dwight and Mary D. Williams	10.00	***		
Salem Trustees	30.00	Total Disbursements	69.63	
Gladys Pugh	50.00	Total Receipts		
Evelyn Jones Dustman ;	45.00	Total Disbursements	-69 63	
J. D. Kennedy	100.00			
David Elgar Evans		Balance on hand Jan., 1976	151 94	
Henry Uhl	2,612.70			
Mr. and Mrs. M. N. George	302.00	Respectfully Submit		
		John C. Lloyd, Jr. Secret	ary	
	\$7,756.70		76	
John C. Lloyd	, Jr.	Audited 1/6/76 and found correct.	. 11	
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Distribution of Memorial Fund Monies		OTHER DONATIONS		
Certificates of Deposit		March, 1975 Ernie Dustman \$50.00 — Genera	.1 T	
Van Wert National Bank	\$3.700.00	April, 1975 Robert Kraus \$50.00 — General	arrund	
Commercial Bank (Henry Uhl)		- ,	ıı rund	
Investors Mutual Inc., Lima, Ohio	1,000.10	(Memorial for Henry Uhl)		
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TREASURER'S REPORT SALEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School

Superintendent Larry Lloyd

Chorister _____ Jean Owens

Assistant Chorister John A. Jones

Receipts:

Assistant Superintendent William Friesner

Secretary _____ Emma Jean Thatcher Assistant Secretary Betty Lloyd

Junior Superintendent Carolyn Girod

Assistant Junior Superintendent Doris Price Treausrer _____ John R. Llovd

Pianist _____ Lisa Morris Assistant Pianist Susan Geissler

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1975\$ 817.14 Sunday Collections 957.37

34.69

51.48 62.70

(Daily Collection)

Gideon Collection Bible School Collection

6.58

(Sunday morning collection) Music Committee

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Interest on Savings Account

39.60

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Audited 1/6/76 and found correct.

Gordon D. Pugh

Expenditures:

United Presbyterian Church \$

Van Wert Gospel Gift Shop

United Methodist Publishing House

Mother's Day Flowers

Gideon Society

Rally Day Supplies

Christmas Treats

On Deposit in Savings Account at

In Checking Account at Commercial

Average Sunday School Attendance

(Daily Bible School Coll.)

Total Expenditures \$ 812.98

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1975

Commercial Bank, Delphos, Ohio

Bank, Delphos Ohio

of all classes for the year 1975 -- 65

Rev. John Bohanon

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John R. Lloyd, Treasurer

589 53

34 61

9.00

34 69

7.37

51.4R

812.98

815.27

341.31

\$ 1,156.58

WOMEN'S ASSOC. TREASURER'S REPORT 1975 President _____ Ruby Jones 2195 Receipts: Vice President Marvel Lloyd 2375 Secretary _____ Ruth J Morris 2323 Balance on Hand January 1, 1975 _____\$ 231.05 Treasurer _____ Marcile Lare 3361 Shalom Circle 138 40 Co-ordinators: Jov Circle 162.15 Apron Project '74 Mission Interpretation 5 00 Maxine Morgan 2596 (Shalom) Association Collection 41.25 Margaret Morris 2595 (Joy) Sales (Bolton, Garage, Uhl, Evans) 466.97 Studies St. Davids 319.30 Arlene Morris 2095 (Shalom) Donations Carol Foster 2322 (Joy) 63.65 Blood Mobile 11.70 Involvement Mary Evans 2432 (Joy) Recipe Project 39.50 Evelyn Dolbey 2581 (Shalom) Circles (Silent Auction) 63.83 Nominating Committee: Band Parent & Kingsley (Paper Products) 43.17 Margaret Morris 2595 (Chr.) Summer Medical Offering 21.95 Minnie Jones 2696 Carol Foster 2322 Least Coin 8.66 Finance Committee: Thank Offering 88.82 Loretta Williams 2096 (Chr.) Zion Women (Share Speaker) 4.80 Arlene Morris 2095 Savings (into Checking Account) Evelvn Dolbev 120.00 Dorothy Koenig 2231 Shirley Lloyd 2573 \$1,830.20 Circle Leaders: Joy Circle Florence Jones 3662 Disbursements: Shalom Circle Loretta Williams 2096 Flowers\$ Social Chairman 55.21 Evelyn Pugh 2481 (Joy) Postage 3.30 Marvel Lloyd 2375 (Shalom) Cash 75 00 Marcile Lare 3361 (Shalom) News 2.32 Music Chairman Sewing Carol Foster 2322 29.25 Bartie Jones 3451 Groceries and Supplies 240.45 Banner Bishop Banners 33.00 Chairman — Arlene Morris 2095 Pauline Price - Zion Women 65.44 Karen Trisel 965-2665 Summer Medical Offering Carol Foster 2322 21.95 Ruth J. Morris 2323 United Church Women Key Woman

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1976 WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Evelyn Dolbey 2581

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MUSIC COMMITTEE REPORT

HANDBELL FUND REPORT

Receipts: January, 1976 Collection from Gymanfa Gann \$ 539.95 Collection from Gymanfa Gann 63.50 December 1974: (Later) Check from Gymanfa Gann 4.00 Balance in Checkbook _____\$ 46.34 Memorials for Music Com. Transferred from Savings 54.50 In Memory of Frances Breese 25.00 Total \$ 632.45 \$ 632.45 Total Income \$100.84 ۲ **Expenditures:** Disbursements: For Music and Supplies ______\$100.84 0.58December 31, 1975; Mrs. Bebb Jones (Music) 17.50 Zondervon Family Book Store (music) 11.20

Mr. Thomas Williams. 125.00 50.00 25.00 15.00

John J. Evans Carol Hoster Kermit Imler 20.00

Reginald L. Clifton Welsh National Gamanta Ganu (Song Books) 90.00 70.37 15.00

Triangle Market Becky Zirkle Fettig's Flowers Marvin Evans (Stamps)

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Audited 1/6/76 and found correct. Gordon D. Pugh and Dewey Diss

14.20

25.00

Total Receipts \$1,144.24

484.85

Total Disbursements 484.85

Balance December 31, 1975 \$ 659.39

and Dewey Diss.

December 31, 1975:

tive feel that they are able to contribute to the enrichment

The books were audited and found correct by Gordon Pugh

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Balance in Savings 88.40

In August of 1975 a small group of interested people

of the music and worship of the church.

Respectfully submitted. Mrs. Bebb Jones, Director

not be self supporting as before and may have to turn to the Music Committee for assistance but those who are ac-

performing for the worship services now and then. We will not be traveling with this group so we may in the future

began practicing and learning the technique of handbell ringing. We now have a fairly regular group practicing and

SALEM CONTRIBUTORS-1975

Current Benv. Impr.

	Cullent	DCHV.	unpi.		Evans, Mr. and Mrs.
Alpha Kappa Class					Evans, Mrs. James
Ashton, Mr. and Mrs. Paul					Evans, Mr. and Mrs.
Bartholomew, Mrs. Alberta					Evans, Mr. William
Bassett, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas					Evans, Miss Diane
Beerman, Mr. and Mrs. Robert					Evans, Mr. William
Bolton, Mr. and Mrs. Robert					Fissell, Mr. and Mr.
Bolton, Mr. Stephen					Fissel, Miss Ann L
Bolton, Miss Christina				Y	Fissel, Mr. Donald 1
Breese, Mr. and Mrs. Alford J					Fisher, Mrs. Linda .
Brown, Mrs. Ralph					Foster, Mr. and Mrs.
Bragg, Mrs. Clifford				•	Fox, Mr. and Mrs.
Breese, Mr. I. N.					Fox, Mr. Larry Jue
Coil, Mrs. Stella					Freisner, Mrs. Will
Coil, Mr. Barry					Galloway, Mrs. Bren
Davis, Mrs. A. E.					George, Mr. M. N.
Davis, Mr. Alfred					George, Miss Dorot
Davis, Mrs. Mary					George, Miss Mary
Davis, Mr. Gregory					Giessler, Rev. and I
Davis, Miss Sharon					Giessler, Miss Susar
Davis, Miss Marla					Girod, Mr. and Mrs.
Davis, Mr. Mark					Gorman, Mrs. Ruth
Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Recs					Haines, Mrs. Robert
Deal, Mrs. Duane					Hoadley, Mrs. Dean
Decker, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Eugene					Hoelsher, Mrs. Eliza
Diss, Mr. T. Dewey					Hurd, Mrs. Elinor .
Dolbey, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert				į.	Hux, Mrs. Perry
Dolbey, Mr. Gary				,	Jenkins, Mr. and Mr.
Dustman, Mr. Ernest					Jones, Mrs. David M
DeCamp, Mrs. Nancy Sells					Jones, Mr. Douglas .
Eutsler, Mr. and Mrs. William				•	Jones, Mr. and Mrs.
Eutsler, Mr. Larry					Jones, Mrs. Ellis
Eutsler, Mr. Rodney					Jones, Mrs. Gerald
Eutsler, Miss Rosemary					Jones, Mrs. Emmett
Evans, Mrs. Daniel J					Jones, Mr. and Mrs.
Evans, Mr. and Mrs. D. Harries					Jones, Mr. John D.
Evans, Mr. and Mrs. David Hugh					
Evans, Mr. Thomas					
Evans, Miss Claudia					
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Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Evans. Mr. Owen

Jones, Mr. and Mrs. James Elliott	Morris, Mrs. John J.
Jones, Mr. David H.	Morris, Mr. David Lynn
Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ellis	Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd
Jones, Mr. Thomas Lee	Morris, Mr. and Mrs. David Wayne
Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Osborne	Morris, Mr. Gregory
Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W.	Morris, Miss Kimberly
Jones, Mr. and Mrs. T. Bebb	Morris, Miss Stephanie
Jones, Miss Lynn	Morris, Mr. and Mrs. J. Rees
Jones, Mr. John B.	Morris, Mrs. Rufus
Kennedy, Mrs. J. D.	Morris, Mr. and Mrs. John C
Koenig, Mrs. F. Gerald	Lisa, Carla, Todd, and Heather
Koenig, Mr. and Mrs. Everett	Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R.
Koenig, Miss Karen	Morris, Mrs. Margaret
Koenig, Mrs. Jerry	Morris, Mr. David L.
Lare, Mr. and Mrs. Lee J.	Owens, Mr. and Mrs. David W
Larc, Miss Marilyn	Owens, Mr. Terry
Linton, Mr. Reed	Owens, Mr. Dennis
Linton, Mr. Douglas	Owens, Mr. and Mrs. Haydn
Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. D. Haydn	Owens, Mr. Donald
Lloyd, Mr. Rex Eugene	Owens, Mr. Jeffrey
Lloyd, Miss Connie,	Owens, Mr. and Mrs. D. Richard
Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Larry	Owens, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald
Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. John C., Jr. Lloyd, Miss Jill	Patrick, Mr. Gus
Lloyd, Mr. Jeffery	Philathea Sunday School Class
Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. John R	Price, Mr. and Mrs. Paul
Lloyd, Mr. James	Brent, Douglas, Timothy, Eric
Lloyd, Mr. Danny	Profit, Mr. and Mrs. Larry
Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. William	Pugh, Mr. and Mrs. John O
Louth, Mr. and Mrs. Robert	Pugh, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh O.,
Louth, Mr. Robert	Pugh, Mr. Owen L.
McGee, Mrs. William	Pugh, Miss Kathy
Monroe, Mr. and Mrs. Earl	Pugh Mr Robert
Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar L	
Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn	Pugh, Mr. Eric
Morris, Mrs. Ava	Pugh, Mr. Gordon
Morris, Miss Ruth Evelyn	Rauch, Mr. R. P.
Morris, Mr. David J	Rees, Mr. Clarence
Morris, Mrs. Henry	Rees, Mrs. Evelyn
	Rees, Mr. Haydn
	Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Howard
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Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Donald
Richards, Miss Sandra
Richards, Miss Mary Jo
Roberts, Mr. Stanley
Smith, Mrs. Gail
Snyder, Mrs. Linda
Taylor, Mrs. Delilah
Taylor, Mrs. Melvia
Thatcher, Mrs. Stanley
Thatcher, Mr. John
Thatcher, Mr. Steven
Trisel, Mr. and Mrs. Martin
Trisel, Mr. Scott Alan
Van Eman, Mr. and Mrs. David
Van Eman, Mr. Dennis
Van Eman, Mr. Steven
Van Eman, Mr. David S
Waltz, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth
Wienken, Mrs. Nell Jean
Williams, Mr. Joe
Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Edward
Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Haydn
Rickey, Mickey, Nickey, Lori
Williams, Mrs. Griffith
Williams, Mrs. Robert
Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Darrel
Women's Association
Zirkle, Mr. Richard
Zirkle, Mr. and Mrs. Robert
No Name