

ENGLISH GUIDE FOR FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY BOOK

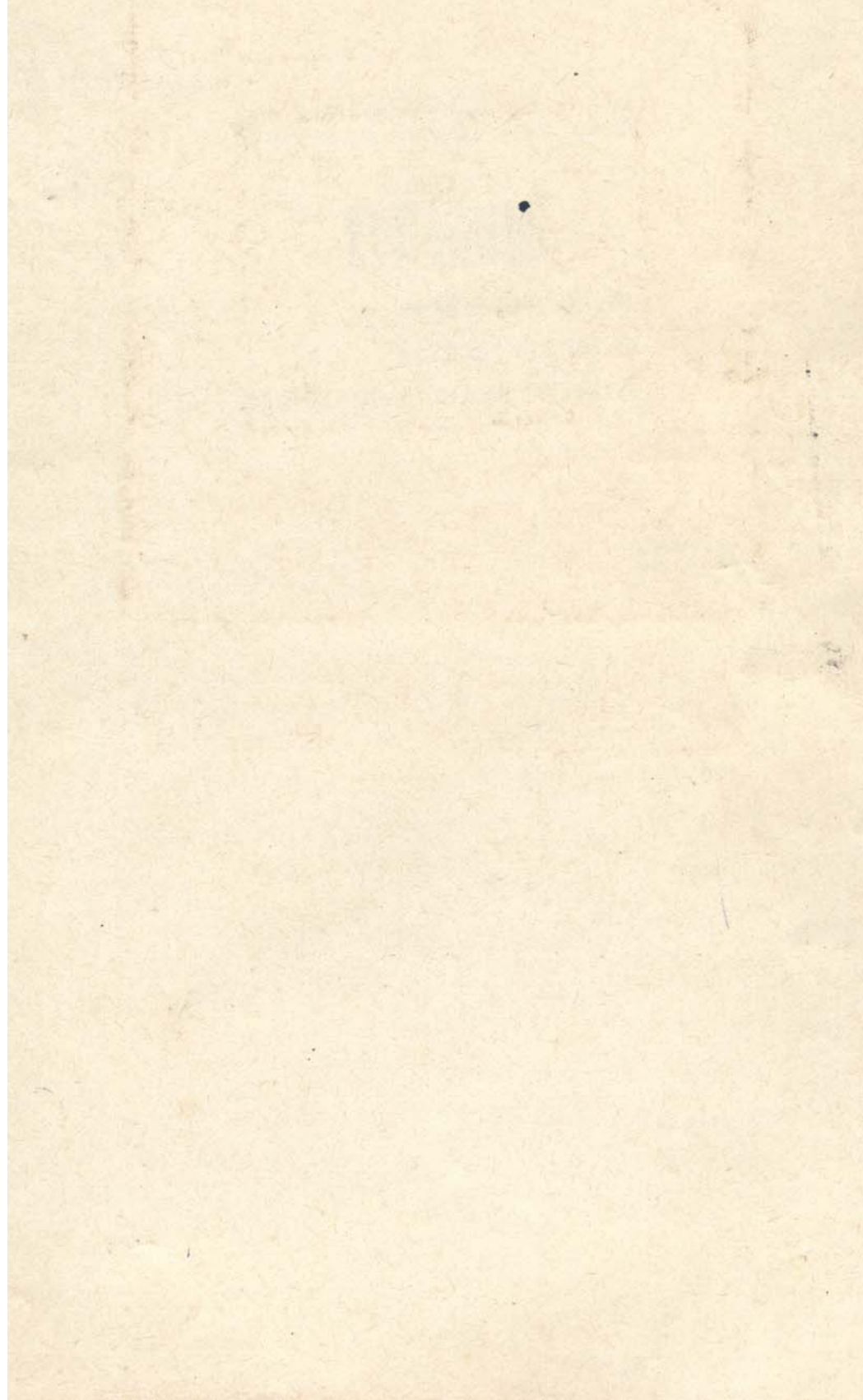
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INTRODUCTORY WORDS

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Many are the mysterious circumstances, used by the Lord, to fulfill surprising and unexpected tasks in life. At least, this is what happened in the life of the author, in writing this Spanish Nazarene Church History Book, entitled *BODAS DE ORO DE LA IGLESIA DEL NAZARENO EN EL DISTRITO ARGENTINO* or its English equivalent "*GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARGENTINA EVANGELICAL CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE.*"

How did the idea of this fifty year condensed chronological history, by presentation of facts and their documentary pictures, become a reality? How did this moving picture, by means of facts and photographs, emerge as a documental history of our church in this Southern Cross Republic? The only answer is; it contains a series of providential circumstances which have been combined, to transform a vision into an unexpected reality.

During 1951, I was enrolled as a student in Nazarene Theological Seminary at Kansas City, Missouri, working on my Bachelor of Divinity Degree. From my very first semester, God had placed in my heart an intense desire to write my thesis, and use a chronological and historical plan of development of our church in Argentina since its beginning in 1919. Thus I decided to thoroughly research our church history, and leave a condensed historical document of our field. Dr. Mendell Taylor and Dr. Russell V. DeLong, my two thesis professors who were teaching courses in my mayor field of study, in

Missions and Evangelism, approved the title, and I began writing some historical phase of our church history development in Argentina in regularly assigned term papers each semester.

It was a long and arduous task to collect, screen and document my basic thesis materials, for I was absent from Buenos Aires and unable to research my work from Spanish sources. However, I gleaned all pertinent material possible from our church periodicals and books written in English, documenting all sources from 1915-1952 in notebooks and bibliography. The Nazarene World Mission's Office permitted me to research all missionary church periodicals and gave me biographical data from their files. From all these sources, I selected 352 articles in *The Other Sheep* and *Herald of Holiness*. I also made a statistical report of the field yearly from 1919-1952, copied from the files. I made a statistical chart of the field and then I waded through an endless mass of historical facts. There were many people, interesting events and fascinating statistics in my hands, and I knew they were true, for they had been extracted from books and articles written by our veteran church founders, since the beginning days of our church here. Patiently, I kept screening, documenting and forming a chronological month by month and year by year historical picture of the work in Argentina.

Furthermore, in 1952, I sent out the first set of personal questionnaires to all the missionaries and national workers who had laboured on the field. Many were signed in long hand and returned to me. I received personal questionnaires answered by Rev. Frank Ferguson and Mrs. Leona Kate Stallcup Miller. I also received a written questionnaire from Mrs. Ethel Kirby McHenry, Rev. and Mrs. L. D. Lockwood, Rev. and Mrs. Donald Denton and many questionnaires signed by national workers. At the time my fiftieth anniversary book was written, Rev. Frank Ferguson was the only one alive of the first three veteran missionary couples who came to Argentina during the earliest days of the work. During 1952, I personally interviewed Dr. John A. Cochran, Field Superintendent since 1939 and Rev. Frank Ferguson, retired Field Superintendent, in Kansas City, Missouri. My thesis was written, approved and I graduated from Nazarene Theological Seminary in 1953.

In 1954, I returned to the Central Bible Training Theological School in Buenos Aires, where I had taught from 1946-1949. In 1955, I continued to research our history upon arrival here. In 1956, a second church questionnaire was prepared for all local churches, asking for official data taken from the church minute books, and making a notebook with data for each local congregation. In 1959, our church celebrated its fortieth anniversary. I was privileged to be Editor of our District Church Periodical, *LA VIA MAS EXCELENTE*, during that year. The September number included a specially prepared edition, containing documentary facts and some selected pictures.

As the years continued to go by, we were nearing the time to celebrate our golden anniversary as a denomination on September 3, 1969. In 1962, I had prepared another questionnaire for all the local churches to update church progress made on the district. At the close of 1968, I was asked to be responsible for the publication of the fiftieth anniversary data. Immediately, I began to research all our Spanish church periodicals and Spanish source materials from 1919-1968. I extracted building information from our National Church Association Minutes from 1935-1968. I researched all our District Assembly Minutes and many other documents. In 1968-1969, I sent out a third questionnaire asking each pastor to write his own biographical data and sign the same. Another questionnaire was sent to each church to update all new

congregations formed, all new churches constructed and other pertinent data about the beginning of each.

I took my English thesis, reshaped the chronological picture year by year and month by month, now from both English and Spanish source materials. I had received personal testimonies from many important laymen over the district, with reference to their conversion and church activities. There were public interviews which were taped. Many of the veteran workers gave important personal data for the book. Rev. Frank Ferguson sent his personal photograph album to select pictures from beginning days of the work. Mrs. Ethel McHenry's personal diary was sent by members of the family. A number of local churches loaned their church minutes books to document some of the earliest years of the work, and data was extracted from other personal diaries, which otherwise would not have been available.

Special recognition is due to photographers, Mr. Rafael Osorio of Merlo, Mr. Jorge Platero of Terrero Central Church, Mr. Osvaldo Guevara of San Salvador de Jujuy, Mr. Lino Tejerina and Mr. Seguí of Buenos Aires, who took and developed many pictures. Also a number of pastors, laymen, missionaries and friends sent pictures which have been used. I am indebted to our Nazarene Information Service, the Spanish Department at Kansas City and the Nazarene Radio League for sending me data and pictures of General Church Leaders used in the book. The Argentina Bible Society gave special help and Mrs. Martha de Fernández, Bible School Secretary, also gave invaluable help. My special gratitude is given to those who corrected my Spanish manuscript, and without the very special help, rendered sacrificially and financially by Mrs. Angela M. de Fernández and family, and the personnel staff of Argon-Press, this book could not have been published, because its documentary pictures and historical data have demanded much time and money invested.

EXPLANATION OF PHOTOGRAPHS AND THEIR CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER

This English Explanatory Guide for the Spanish Fiftieth Anniversary Church History has been written in condensed form and is built around the 403 documentary pictures contained in the book. Its purpose is to present a moving picture type of presentation of our church from year to year in chronological form, first by means of historical facts and then by the documentary picture.

I have tried to include a picture of every missionary and national worker who has ever laboured on the field over these fifty years. The book is divided into sections. The first section deals with facts and documentary pictures of our work from 1919-1939, or until Rev. and Mrs. Frank Ferguson retired from the Field. It contains eighty documentary pictures showing the veteran founders of the work, pictures of the national workers, our first groups of local laymen in the different places where works were opened, and the first church equipment used to begin the work. This part of the history is built mainly around the labours of the Millers, the Fergusons and the McHenrys, with limited facts about the Cochrans and the Lockwoods who arrived in 1936 and 1938 respectively. We have tried to accurately document the founding of each local church and the church departments.

The second division of the book contains 323 documentary pictures, to document our church history from 1939-1969. Rev. and Mrs. John Cochran have been our District leaders during these years. This part of the book depicts the consolidation and expansion of the work. We have updated all

pertinent material through 1972, under each church picture, individual pastor's picture, missionary picture or church department pictures. All churches, pastors and local congregations have been included. A special map of Argentina has been printed, for our English Guide Supplement readers to see how the work has advanced over the years. A picture is included of Rev. Alejandro Medina, newly elected National District Superintendent and his wife. Also there is one of Rev. and Mrs. Donald Davis. Rev. Davis is new Council Chairman. Rev. Medina and Rev. Davis have now taken over their respective duties, since the retirement of Dr. and Mrs. Cochran from the field in March of 1972, after having given thirty six years of Christian Service in Argentina. We thus leave our first fifty two years of church history documented by facts and pictures, trusting that the twenty years given to this task will help others have a vision, pray for the work and give for world evangelism.

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ARGENTINA

CHAPTER I

OUR CORAGEOUS CHURCH FOUNDERS

December 16, 1909: GENERAL DATA ABOUT THE FERGUSONS

Date of the arrival of Rev. and Mrs. Frank Ferguson on the S. S. VASARI ship to Buenos Aires. Mrs. Lula Ferguson sold a small cottage at Bowling Green, Kentucky which she had bought from inheritance money received when her father died. With the \$ 600 dollars, she helped pay for their ship ticket to Argentina. They sailed to Buenos Aires November 20, 1909. Upon their arrival, they conducted services in their rented quarters, worked in colportage work from 1910-1913 and lived by faith without a stipulated salary. In 1911, they purchased a small portable organ for \$125 dollars. They did colportage work in Pergamino, Río Cuarto and 9 de Julio in Buenos Aires Province. In 1913, they were forced to return to the States because of illness. They continued to wait on the Lord for further direction in missionary service.

April of 1914:

The American Bible Society in Buenos Aires offered Mrs. Ferguson \$20 dollars a month to keep books for them. They left in April to return to Buenos Aires, where they rented an unfurnished room with a Jewish family. They bought a set of wire bed springs which they placed on four empty boxes. The Bible Society gave them a mattress and wash stand. Thus they began a second term of christian service for lost souls in Argentina.

Spring of 1915

The Fergusons began colportage work, by faith, and left the Bible Society work to give full time service to evangelization work. They worked in Tucumán and San Salvador de Jujuy. In Jujuy they conducted services for the Indians in one small room.

1916 to 1918:

The Fergusons lived in Luján, Buenos Aires Province, some forty two miles West of Buenos Aires. There were 16,000 residents in this city which houses the National Shrine of the Virgen Mary. They had a garden and raised chickens to supplement a small salary.

February of 1918

The Fergusons took residence in Roque Pérez, where they worked with Rev. and Mrs. Charles Miller, who were helping the Christian Missionary Alliance Church in Argentina. These two couples belonged to groups which had merged with the Church of the Nazarene, so in 1918, both couples solicited permission to open work for our church in Argentina.

GENERAL DATA ABOUT THE MILLERS

October 14, 1914

Arrival date of Rev. and Mrs. Charles H. Miller and son, John Henry, by third class ship fare, to Buenos Aires. From 1915-1918 they helped the Christian Missionary Alliance Church. Their twin sons, Paul Howard and Charles Wesley were born in Laprida, Argentina.

February of 1918

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Miller and Rev. and Mrs. Frank Ferguson wrote to Nazarene Missionary Headquarters in the States asking permission to open a new work in Argentina.

September of 1918

The Nazarene Missionary Board voted to establish the Nazarene work in the capital city of Buenos Aires, a city of two million people at that time; but word did not reach them until several months later.

May of 1919

Date when the Millers and Fergusons received word in Roque Pérez, city located some eighty miles from Buenos Aires, that the new work was to be opened in Buenos Aires. Then another special message arrived. The Charles Miller family had been appointed to Buenos Aires, while the Fergusons were appointed to supervise our work in Cuba.

OPENING THE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE IN ARGENTINA

September 3, 1919

The official date for opening the work for the Church of the Nazarene at 1749 Médanos Street in Buenos Aires by Rev. and Mrs. Charles H. Miller. The Millers rented humble living quarters from Mrs. Carmen C. de García, and opened their living room for daily devotions to the public. They owned a few pieces of old furniture. Their arrival provoked all types of comments by their catholic neighbours. With a small portable organ, some hand made chorus sheets, a few printed hymnals and an investment of \$1.25 dollars to make twelve rustic wooden church benches, they began to preach, sing, visit, pray and invite their neighbors to prayer and public worship services in their home.

THE MILLER FAMILY (Photo Nº 1, p. 9)

Picture of the Charles H. Miller family, taken in 1920 when they lived at 1751 Donato Alvarez Street in Buenos Aires. From left to right: John Henry, Rev. Charles Miller, the twin brothers, Charles Wesley and Paul Howard, and Mrs. Kate Stallcup Miller.

FIRST NAZARENE CONVERT (Photo Nº 2, p. 9)

Mrs. Carmen C. de García and daughters, Bernardina, Fortunata, Laura Esther and Lucia, were among the first to attend public worship services in the Miller home on Médanos St. The Garcías lived in part of the same home with the Millers. Lucia Carmen García, a fifteen year old fervent catholic teen age girl, zealously prayed for the Millers to become Roman Catholics, while they talked to her, reasoned with her, prayed for her and were patient with her. According to a personal questionnaire signed by Mrs. Leona Kate Stallcup Miller in 1952 and sent to the author, she states that Lucia Carmen

García was the first nazarene convert in Argentina and among the first group to be baptized and received into church membership at San Martín Mission in 1920 in Buenos Aires. She was converted in her own room November 21, 1919, after a tremendous spiritual and intellectual struggle. Miss Lucía Carmen García, a third year student in Normal Training School Nº 10 in Buenos Aires, stands with her classmates in 1921. She is second from the left in the last row. She was then preparing to become a public school teacher. Others who also attended services at the Miller's home were doña Emilia de Pereira, doña María and Aurelia Villalba, a young lady who worked for the Millers.

SOME NAZARENE CHURCH RELICS IN 1919

FIRST PORTABLE ORGAN (Photo Nº 3, p. 10)

Picture of the small portable church organ brought by Rev. Charles H. Miller from Mexico, and used when public services were opened at his home on Médanos St. in Buenos Aires. Picture was taken in 1969 with Dr. Lucía Carmen García de Costa, first nazarene convert, seated at the organ. Home made song sheets and a hymnal are also on the organ.

FIRST CHURCH HYMNAL AND FIRST CHURCH MAGAZINE (Photo Nº 4, p. 10)

Dr. Lucía G. de Costa holds a copy of the first church hymnal to be used to conduct first nazarene services in Buenos Aires. It was printed in Saladillo, F.C.S. and entitled *HIMNOS SELECTOS DEL EVANGELIO* or *CHOICE GOSPEL HYMNS*. She also holds a bound book with the pages opened at the first monthly copy of Rev. Miller's own religious monthly periodical called *LA SENDA ANTIGUA* or *THE OLD PATH*, and corresponding to the month of September 1919, or the first printed copy of our church periodical as a new denomination. Picture was taken in 1969. Rev. Charles Miller bought a small printing press, and had published an interdenominational holiness magazine since 1916. The September 1919 number gives the new church address at 1749 Médanos Street in Buenos Aires. All these Church Relics are private treasures. They belong to Dr. Lucía Carmen García de Costa. For this reason, they were available for photographing and could be documented in this church history.

FIRST RENTED HALL AND FIRST BAPTIZED CHURCH MEMBERS

February 29, 1920 (Photo Nº 5, p. 11)

Services were conducted in the Miller home at Médanos Street, from September 1919 to February 1920, at which time the first rented church hall was publicly opened at the corner of Camarones and San Martín streets in Buenos Aires. On February 29, 1920, a series of special evangelistic services were held for one month, following the inauguration of the worship hall located at 1751 San Martín Street. There was a Bible display, with open Bibles displayed in several different languages, which were placed in a exhibition window in front of the church hall. The picture was taken of the San Martín Sunday School attendance in 1922 with 92 people present.

June of 1920 (First Baptismal Service)

The first class of church members were baptized by sprinkling in June of 1920, according to Dr. Lucía Carmen García de Costa. They were doña Carmen de Salvo, Sra. Emilia de Pereira, Sr. Pereira, Esther Hernández, Miss Lucía Carmen García and two more whose names she does not remember, or a total of seven in all, at the San Martín Mission.

NEW MISSIONARY RECRUITS ARRIVE IN 1920

February 7, 1920 (Photo Nº 6, p. 11)

Rev. and Mrs. Frank Ferguson returned to Argentina from Cuba to help the Millers advance our work. This picture of the Fergusons, or of don Francisco and doña Lula as they were called by all, was taken at 1871 Andrés Lamas Street in Buenos Aires.

1922: FIRST CHURCH ORGAN AND PULPIT PURCHASED FOR SAN MARTIN MISSION (Photo Nº 7, p. 12)

This picture shows the first church organ bought and the first church pulpit made for the San Martín Street Mission. These church relics date back to 1922. Dr. Lucía Carmen García de Costa is seated at the organ. Rev. Antonio López, carpenter by trade and a veteran nazarene elder called to preach in our church in 1923, stands behind the pulpit. Rev. López has made many of our church benches, church furniture and helped to build several churches. Picture was taken during 1969 at Terrero Street Central Church in Buenos Aires, or at the Mother Nazarene Church in Argentina.

Last Sunday of May 1920 (Photo Nº 8, p. 13). SECOND MISSION OPENED IN BUENOS AIRES

A new Sunday School was started the last Sunday of May 1920 in the Villa Modelo Section of Buenos Aires, by Rev. and Mrs. Frank Ferguson. They had independently opened a work in 1914 in the Behring Street Area of the city. They conducted services in the home of Pedro and doña Lucía de Riesco. Don Pedro owned a demijohn or wine jug factory and had some sixty employees. Several workers attended the weekly services. In 1920, the Fergusons re-opened this work as the second Nazarene Mission in Buenos Aires. They rented a room at 1274 Gamarra Street, which belonged to doña Consuelo de Bamio. Picture shows the very good Sunday School attendance in 1920 at Gamarra Street Mission. Rev. and Mrs. Frank Ferguson, Rev. Charles Miller and Miss Lucía García were Sunday School teachers. This later became our Behring Street Church.

October 31, 1921 (Photo Nº 9, p. 14) THIRD MISSIONARY COUPLE ARRIVES

Picture of Rev. and Mrs. Guy C. McHenry and son, taken with Dr. and Mrs. C. Warren Jones beside their home. This picture was taken while traveling toward New York to sail to Buenos Aires. From left to right are Rev. Guy McHenry and son, Guy Wendell, Mrs. Ethel Kirby McHenry, Rev. and Mrs. C. Warren Jones and boy in their home. This picture was taken from Mrs. Ethel McHenry's personal Diary, and was sent by Mrs. Audrey Coats of Greencastle, Indiana. The McHenrys had left their nazarene pastorate at Greencastle as newly assigned missionaries to Argentina. They left New York on the S.S. VASARI ship on October 8, 1921, arrived in Buenos Aires port October 31 and were given a lovely welcome service on Tuesday, November 1, 1921, by the church people. Mrs. Miller prepared hot chocolate and Mrs. Ferguson helped to bake cakes. A third missionary couple was added to help re-enforce the missionary staff in Buenos Aires.

November of 1921 ORGANIZATION OF ARGENTINA MISSION DISTRICT

The II District Assembly met in November of 1921. It was called THE ARGENTINA MISSIONARY DISTRICT OF THE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE. It included Argentina, Chile, Bolivia, Paraguay and Uruguay. Our Church has

established works in all these countries except Paraguay. Rev. Vicente Longo, pastor at Formosa, entered Alberdi, Paraguay during 1971 and conducts monthly services there, so our Church is preaching in all of them.

November 8, 1921 (Photo Nº 10, p. 15) **FIRST NATIONAL WORKER PAID FROM MISSION FUNDS**

Rev. Geraldo José Marino was sanctified under the early ministry of Rev. Guy C. McHenry. He gave public testimony of this experience November 8, 1921. He soon was called to the ministry and transferred his church membership to the Villa Modelo Mission in January of 1922. He became the first national man worker to be employed as a helper in our church. According to council minutes and Mrs. McHenry's private diary, he was paid \$50 dollars monthly salary. He was the first national worker paid from Mission funds. Miss María Luisa Dunoyer was named as helper in Villa Modelo in 1922. She also received the same salary from mission funds, according to official minutes.

July 19, 1923 (Photo Nº 11, p. 16) **NEW CHURCH ORGANIZED IN VILLA MODELO**

The picture shows a Sunday School group in the Villa Modelo Section of Buenos Aires. Rev. Frank Ferguson, Rev. and Mrs. Guy McHenry and Rev. Charles Miller are in the back row and Rev. Antonio López is at right side of fifth row. The picture was taken in 1922. After eight years without a furlough, Rev. and Mrs. Frank Ferguson left on August 9, 1922 for the States. Rev. and Mrs. Guy C. McHenry assumed the Villa Modelo pastorate. Rev. Charles Miller organized the Villa Modelo Church on July 19, 1923 with 18 members and 8 probationers. The local church minutes of this occasion are signed by Juan Comandú as Secretary and Rev. Guy C. McHenry as pastor.

December 11, 1922 (Photo Nº 12, p. 18) **RELOCATION AT RENTED BUILDING ON GAONA AVENUE**

On December 11, 1922, the church furniture and mission equipment was moved from the San Martín Street Mission to the newly rented building located at 1796 Gaona Avenue, in the Villa Mitre Section of Buenos Aires. Picture of the building was taken in 1923. According to Mrs. McHenry's personal diary, the moving was done on Monday, finished by 4:00 P.M., and a Bible Study was conducted that same night in the new property. From 1922-1939, Gaona Avenue property was the headquarters of our work in Buenos Aires.

February 15, 1928 (Photo Nº 13, p. 19) **FIRST NAZARENE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OPENED**

On February 15, 1923, the first nazarene elementary school was opened for student enrollment at the 1796 Gaona Avenue Mission Property. Miss Lucía Carmen García, now a graduate from normal Training School in Buenos Aires, was named Director. She was 19 years of age and had worked actively in all types of christian work since her conversion in 1919. She stands at the left side of the picture, accompanied by her 28 students who are dressed in their white school uniforms. Lucía became a full time worker in 1923 and received her salary from the fees collected from the elementary students enrolled at the Nazarene Elementary Public School in Gaona Avenue.

III District Assembly in 1923

Four national workers were reported. They included Rev. Geraldo José Marino and Miss María Luisa Dunoyer, who had been national helpers for

more than a year and were being paid from Mission Funds. Mr. José Martín was supported by free will offerings given by the local church congregations. Miss Lucía Carmen García was supported by the fees collected from the twenty eight elementary students enrolled at Gaona Ave school. Gaona Avenue Church reported twelve members and five probationers in 1923.

1924: THIRD NAZARENE MISSION OPENED IN BUENOS AIRES (Photo Nº 14, p. 20)

The third nazarene work was opened in February of 1924 in the Belgrano Section of Buenos Aires. Mr. and Mrs. Juan Comandú joined the Behring Street Church in 1923. They opened their home at 1265 Superí Street for Sunday School and worship services. This picture of the Sunday School group, in front of the Comandú home, was taken in 1924. Rev. and Mrs. Guy C. McHenry started the work and the Comandú family, Miss María Luisa Dunoyer and others helped there. Don Juan Manuele and Mrs. Filomena de Castiglioni were saved in 1924, when services were started in this new area of Buenos Aires.

December 12-14, 1924 (Photo Nº 16, p. 21) FIRST OFFICIAL CHURCH VISITOR

Rev. J. D. Scott was present from December 12-14, 1924, for the IV DISTRICT ASSEMBLY in Buenos Aires. According to documented sources from early church periodicals on file in Kansas City, Rev. J. D. Scott was the first official visitor sent to visit the work in Argentina. He came from Guatemala. He had been named General Supervisor of the Nazarene Work in Latin America. On December 14, 1924, he signed ministerial licenses for seven national workers. Miss Lucía Carmen García received her District Preacher's license at this time. It contains the signatures of Rev. J. D. Scott, General Latin American Supervisor and Rev. Guy C. McHenry, District Secretary. Following Rev. Scott's visit to Argentina, Miss Lucía Carmen García and Mrs. Dominga S. de Marino began to receive national worker's salaries from the mission, while Rev. Antonio López and Juan Comandú continued with secular employment and helpers in the different churches.

May of 1925: LIST OF NATIONAL WORKERS SALARIES

Here is the list of national worker's salaries, according to information taken from an official financial document in 1925. During the first part of 1925, Miss Lucía Carmen García and Miss María Luisa Dunoyer received \$24 dollars monthly salary or \$288 annually, while Rev. and Mrs. Geraldo José Marino received \$48 dollars monthly or \$576 yearly salary.

FINANCIAL CRISIS AFFECTS ARGENTINA IN 1925

June 24, 1925: Rev. and Mrs. Guy C. McHenry were transferred to our work in Perú.

June 17, 1925: Rev. and Mrs. Ferguson returned to work in Buenos Aires.

September of 1925: THE MILLERS WORK WITH CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY ALLIANCE CHURCH

Due to very difficult financial circumstances of the mother church in the States, Rev. and Mrs. Charles Miller returned to work with the Christian Missionary Alliance Church in Argentina. Only Rev. and Mrs. Frank Ferguson stayed on to work for the church. The General Church was going to close

the work in Argentina. It only promised the Fergusons one half salary for six months, and nothing for the national worker's fund, but both the Fergusons and the national workers heroically sacrificed and carried 'on.

August of 1925: ORGANIZATION OF ZAPIOLA STREET CONGREGATION IN BUENOS AIRES

The third church was organized at 1420 Zapiola Street in Buenos Aires during August of 1925, with ten members. Rev. Geraldo José Marino was appointed pastor. Rev. and Mrs. Frank Ferguson pastored the Gaona Avenue Church and Rev. Antonio López became a helper in the Villa Modelo Church. He was elected full time pastor January 28, 1927.

1926: Zapiola Street Sunday School group in 1926 (Photo Nº 17, p. 23)

BEGINNING OF NAZARENE WORK OUTSIDE OF BUENOS AIRES

1926-1927: NEW WORK BEGUN IN GENERAL RODRIGUEZ (Photo Nº 18, p. 24, left side)

During 1926, Mrs. S. N. Fitkin, General President of the Nazarene Women's Foreign Missionary Society, sent word to the Fergusons not to dismiss the national workers in Argentina. There were 10,000 nazarene women who had recently formed the Prayer and Fasting League in the homeland, so before the end of 1926, the promised offerings were coming in for our work here.

The first work opened by our church, outside the city of Buenos Aires, was in General Rodríguez, a city located some thirty five miles West by train from Buenos Aires and had some 6,000 population. A blind lady named doña María de Arévalos opened her humble adobe home for Sunday School and church services. This picture was taken in 1927. Mrs. Lula Ferguson accompanied Miss Lucía García and Miss Soledad Quintana, who were in charge of the work. Doña María, the blind lady, is seated on the front row.

1930: SUNDAY SCHOOL GROUP IN GENERAL RODRIGUEZ (Photo Nº 19, p. 24, right side)

Picture of Sunday School in General Rodríguez in 1930, under the supervision of Rev. and Mrs. David López, who served as helpers of Miss Lucía Carmen García in Merlo from 1927-1933.

January 6, 1927 TWO VETERAN SINGLE LADY MINISTERS (Photo Nº 20, p. 25)

Picture supplied by Mrs. Soledad Quintana de López. Miss Lucía Carmen García and Miss Soledad Quintana lived together in Merlo in 1927. They did house to house personal evangelism in Merlo, Castelar, Moreno, General Rodríguez and other neighboring towns. Miss García arrived in Merlo to live on January 6, 1927. Soledad was then 20 years old. These two single workers broke down many prejudices with their zealous evangelistic spirit and sacrificial living. Most of the organized churches from this area are the result of their evangelistic efforts many years ago as single lady ministers.

November 16, 1927: FIRST GRADUATES FROM CHRISTIAN WORKERS COURSE AT GAONA AVENUE

On November 16, 1927, or 45 years ago when these lines are written, Miss Carmen Lucía García was the first student to finish the Christian Worker's Course at Gaona Avenue Bible School. Also Miss Soledad Quintana and Rev. Antonio López graduated in 1928. These three veteran graduates are all alive at this time and working for the Lord.

1927-1929 (Photo Nº 21, p. 26) NEW WORK OPENED IN MERLO

Picture of Sunday School group in the new work opened in Merlo in 1927. Merlo had eight thousand people and is located twenty miles West of Buenos Aires. Miss Lucía Carmen García, pastor, is fourth from left side in back row. Merlo Church was organized April 28, 1932 with 9 members and five probationers, under her pastorate.

JANUARY-FEBRUARY 1928 (Photo Nº 22, p. 26) NEW DISTRICT PERIODICAL PUBLISHED

Miss Lucía Carmen García, or Dr. Lucía de Costa, shows the first number of the new District monthly church periodical called LA VIA MAS EXCELENTE or "THE MORE EXCELLENT WAY". Picture was taken in 1969. Since 1925, there had been no church periodical. Rev. Ferguson was Editor and Lucía was his helper. She also translated books entitled "The Christian's Secret of a Happy Life"; "The Second Coming of Christ" by Marsh; "Wholly Sanctified" by J. O. McClurkan and Binney's Theology Book.

FIRST NAZARENE CHAPEL IN ARGENTINA (Photo Nº 23, p. 27)

Picture of first nazarene chapel in Argentina, built in Castelar. On July 9, 1928, Miss Lucía García and Miss Soledad Quintana did personal evangelism in Castelar. At the close of the day, Lucía found an old house with a dairy, where doña María de Rodríguez gave permission to have services once each two weeks. In 1929, a small room was rented at 964 Drago Street in the home of doña Catalina de Lanteri. Don Natalio Costa, an Italian young man, arrived from the States to Argentina in 1923. In 1933, he was sanctified in Castelar. His pastor was Miss Lucía García. He gave a surprise donation to help pay five monthly payments on a new lot purchased at 737 Espronceda Street in Castelar, and during 1933, he donated six weeks of labor helping build the first small wood chapel at Castelar. Rev. Ferguson dedicated the first chapel May 25, 1933 in Castelar.

CASTELAR CONGREGATION IN 1935 (Photo Nº 24, p. 28)

Rev. Ferguson married Miss Lucía Carmen García and Mr. Natalio Costa May 6, 1935 at the Gaona Avenue Church in Buenos Aires. Don Natalio began the Christian Worker's Course in 1935 and finished in 1938. Picture shows congregation at Castelar in 1935. Mrs. Costa stands by her husband at right side of pole in third row. Castelar Church was organized in 1934 with seven members.

LIBERTAD CHURCH ANNEX OPENED IN 1929 (Photo Nº 25, p. 29)

Libertad, city of 3,000 people and neighbouring town to Merlo, was evangelized in 1929 by Lucía García. She wrote for a small Merlo newspaper which reached Libertad. Don Pedro and doña Rosa de Lasia came to Merlo services. A small room was used for church services. Lucía left a Gospel tract in the home of Juan Pedro Alessandria, fifteen year old teenager in Libertad. Juan was saved, attended Merlo Church and married Miss Francisca Zoroastro at Merlo in 1937. The believers in Libertad united with Merlo

MRS. FERGUSON ORGANIZES LOCAL PRAYER AND FASTING LEAGUES IN 1929

On November 12, 1929, Mrs. Lula H. Ferguson organized the first Prayer and Fasting League at 1420 Zapiola Street Church in Belgrano Section of Buenos Aires. Six months later, she reported fifty members in the Prayer and Fasting League which gave \$136.98 dollars to help support one national worker.

GAONA AVENUE CONGREGATION IN 1930 (Photo Nº 26, p. 29)

Mrs. Lula Ferguson pastored Gaona Avenue Church in 1930. She stands at right side in the third row. Also in the picture are Juan Ianni, David López, don Juan Rasquín, Miss María Luisa Grisafi and doña Carmen de Policastro, who bought a tent for evangelistic campaigns in 1931.

NEW WORK OPENED AT MORENO IN 1930 (Photo Nº 27, p. 30)

Picture of congregation taken at Moreno May 18, 1936. Moreno was first evangelized by Miss García and Miss Quintana from Merlo in 1927. In 1928, Lucía looked for a single lady embroideress named Esperanza Garah in Moreno, and found her living with a sister named Mrs. Carolina de Rodríguez. They were christian believers and services were conducted in this home. Later, doña Ramona de Alberdi was saved. In 1930, special tent services were held. From 1935-1939, Rev. and Mrs. David López were in charge of Moreno Church. Miss Garah is first person from right side in third row of picture.

NEW WORK OPENED AT ITUZAINGO IN 1930 (Photo Nº 28, p. 31)

Rev. and Mrs. Natalio Costa evangelized Ituzaingó. Services were started in the home of Mrs. Emma de Cabrera, first convert. A new empty house was loaned. Don José and doña Catalina de Rípoli were saved and services held in their home. A tent campaign was conducted in 1936. Picture shows Ituzaingó congregation with the Costas in 1936. Ituzaingó was organized under their pastorate with twelve members.

NEW WORK OPENED AT LUJAN IN 1930 (Photo Nº 29, p. 32, left side)

Rev. and Mrs. David López evangelized Luján in 1930. A drunk man appeared at a tent service in General Rodríguez; but was sober enough to inform them of the arrival of an evangelical family in Luján named Guiastrevec, parents of Mrs. Rosa de Rodríguez. First public service was held in Mrs. Guiastrevec's kitchen with five ladies present with their New Testaments. In 1932, Mr. Guiastrevec loaned his barber shop on Sundays for Sunday School. Picture shows attendance during a tent campaign in Luján with Rev. and Mrs. Juan Ianni as workers, under the pastoral ministry of Rev. and Mrs. David López.

NEW WORK OPENED AT VILLA BALLESTER IN 1930 (Photo Nº 31, p. 33)

Mr. Felipe and doña Josefina de Fernández opened their home for prayer services at 745 Balcarce Street in Villa Ballester, a branch of Zapiola Street work in Belgrano Section of Buenos Aires, with Rev. Geraldo J. Marino as pastor. In June 1930, they had a tent meeting and rented a storage shed from don Bernardo Alcaráz at 685 Neuquén Street. After three years, a church was organized May 10, 1933 in Villa Ballester with eleven members and Rev. Marino as pastor. Picture of the Villa Ballester congregation was taken in 1936. From the Fernández family have come three generations of Nazarenes.

NEW WORK OPENED IN SAN FERNANDO (1930-1932) (Photo Nº 32, p. 34)

San Fernando is twelve miles on Mitre Railroad Line. In 1930, it had 30,000 population. Don Federico Cerdán, nazarene converted policeman from Buenos Aires Behring Street Church and member since March 29, 1929, called on his brother and wife, don Daniel y doña Julia de Cerdán in San Fernando. They were converted and joined Behring Church January 25, 1932. They opened their humble kitchen for Gospel services. Rev. Antonio López, don Antonio Sacilotto and don Federico Cerdán evangelized in San Fernando. On May 12, 1935, Rev. Ferguson organized a church at San Fernando with seven

members in the Cerdán home. Picture shows congregation in 1936. The Cerdans removed furniture from living room for services, some time later, and put it back after services.

SR. RUSSO WITH SUNDAY SCHOOL CART IN SAN FERNANDO (Photo Nº 33, p. 34)

DR. J. B. CHAPMAN VISITS ARGENTINA IN 1931

June 8-13, 1931 (Photo Nº 34, p. 34)

Picture of Dr. J. B. Chapman, first General Superintendent of the Church of the Nazarene to visit Argentina. He presided at the IX DISTRICT ASSEMBLY held at the Behring Street Church in Buenos Aires.

FIRST CLASS OF NAZARENE ELDERS IN 1931 (Photo Nº 35, p. 36)

On June 13, 1931, Dr. J. B. Chapman ordained the first class of ordained elders at the Behring Street Church in Buenos Aires. From left to right are Miss Lucía Carmen García, Mrs. Soledad Quintana de López, Dr. J. B. Chapman, Rev. Geraido José Marino and Rev. Antonio López. Congratulations to all.

DR CHAPMAN WITH THE NATIONAL WORKERS IN 1931 (Photo Nº 36, p. 36)

Dr. Chapman is seated in front row. First row, from left to right are Rev. Antonio López, Mrs. María de López, Rev. David López, Mrs. Soledad Q. de López, Juan Comandú, Juan Manuele, Lucía Carmen García, Miss Lidia Castiglioni, Miss María Luisa Grisafi, Mrs. Dominga S. de Marino, Rev. Geraido José Marino, Mrs. Lula Ferguson and Rev. Frank Ferguson, Field Superintendent.

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY STATISTICS FOR 1931

The IX DISTRICT ASSEMBLY reported 132 members, 70 probationers and 263 in Sunday School attendance. Total annual giving was \$7,711.75 pesos, with \$2,028.05 pesos in Behring Street Church Building Fund. There were 73 Bibles, 97 New Testaments sold and 309 New Testaments given away. There were 2,788 Gospel Portions handed out and 17,119 tracts distributed. A total of 3,526 pastoral calls were made, 926 messages preached, 719 open air services held with 228 professions of faith and 1,142 visits made by laymen. Thus reads official data copied from the 1931 District Assembly Minutes.

BAPTISMAL GROUP GATHERED AT GAONA AVENUE IN 1931 (Photo Nº 37, p. 37)

Picture shows an open air baptismal group gathered at the back of Gaona Avenue property for a baptismal service by immersion in a small concrete tank. These were moments of joy and blessing for all the believers in Christ.

DOÑA CARMEN DE POLICASTRO BUYS A GOSPEL TENT FOR EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGNS

Mrs. Carmen de Policastro gave a thank offering of \$600 pesos for the purchase of a Gospel tent, which was used first time from November 15, 1931 to June of 1932 for evangelistic campaigns, with new converts won to the Lord.

NATIONAL WORKERS IN 1933 (Photo Nº 38, p. 39)

After seven years without a furlough, Rev. and Mrs. Frank Ferguson left for the States October 23, 1933. The group of national workers carried on in their absence. First row, left to right, are Mrs. María de López, Miss Lucía Carmen García, Mrs. Soledad Q. de López, Mrs. Dominga S. de Marino. Second row, left to right: Rev. Antonio López, Rev. David López and Rev. Geraldo José Marino. Rev. Antonio López served as Interim Field Superintendent, Miss Lucía Carmen García was Editor of the VIA MAS EXCELENTE, monthly church periodical, and Rev. Geraldo José Marino was District Treasurer.

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY PICTURE AT BEHRING STREET CHURCH IN 1934

(Photo Nº 39, p. 39)

From October 23, 1933 to February 20, 1935, Rev. Antonio López was Interim Field Superintendent. He also was building the new church building at Behring Street. A good representation was present for the 1934 District Assembly in Buenos Aires. Our Argentina Nazarenes courageously carried on.

REV. ANTONIO LOPEZ AND FAMILY (Photo Nº 40, p. 40)

Picture of Rev. Antonio López, his wife, María, and children Matilde and Samuel. Rev. López pastored the Behring Street Church, was Interim Field Superintendent from 1933-1935 and was in a building program at Behring Street Church at the time. Congratulations to Rev. López and family.

NEW WORK OPENED IN VILLA URQUIZA IN 1932 (Photo Nº 41, p. 40)

The Gospel tent was taken to Villa Urquiza Section of Buenos Aires in 1934. Picture shows Rev. Antonio López, on the first row at right side of pulpit, with Mr. Tijón Bicowsky seated by his side and a Sunday School group present. Mr. Bicowsky offered one of the rooms in his home at 3174 Pacheco Street, in the Villa Urquiza area for services as a Sunday School annex of Behring Street Church. Services were held there from 1930-1940.

CONGREGATION AT LORETO STREET CHURCH IN BUENOS AIRES (Photo Nº 42, p. 41)

In 1933, the growing congregation at Zapiola Street in Belgrano Section of Buenos Aires, moved to 3190 Loreto Street. Picture was taken in 1936. Some of the national workers from this church have been Rev. and Mrs. José Suárez, Mrs. Lidia Castiglioni de Marmorato, Mrs. María Castiglioni de Zoarastro, Rev. José Armagno and Mrs. Filomena de Castiglioni.

THE NAZARENE CHURCH ASSOCIATION FORMED IN 1935

On April 6, 1935, the First District Assembly of the Argentina Nazarene Church Association convened and was presided by Rev. Frank Ferguson, President and Rev. Antonio López as Secretary. The Rules and Regulations of the newly formed legal church association were presented by the Resolutions Committee, composed of Lucía García, Geraldo José Marino and Rev. Antonio López, according to official minutes copied from the Nazarene Association Book. The Nazarene Church Association is the legal representative with rights to hold church property and transact all official and legal church matters. The First Committee Members elected for the Nazarene Association were: *President*: Rev. Frank Ferguson; *Vice President*: Miss Lucía Carmen García; *Secretary*: Antonio López; *Treasurer*: Geraldo José Marino; *Auditor*: Mrs. Soledad de Ló-

pez and *Members at Large*: Juan Manuele, Juan Ianni and Luis Bevacqua. The Church Association is based upon the Church Manual, plus any government regulations deemed necessary for its operation.

October 16, 1935 ARGENTINA NAZARENE ASSOCIATION RECOGNIZED BY GOVERNMENT

On October 16, 1935, the Argentina Government Officials granted the Nazarene Association legal rights to hold property and transact all business matters for the church. We were given Judiciary recognition with our own registration number recorded and used since that time for all business matters.

CHRISTIAN WORKERS COURSES FOR MINISTERS IN 1935 (Photo Nº 43, p. 43)

Some of the twenty students enrolled in 1935 for Christian Worker's Courses at Gaona Avenue Church. From left to right in first row: Mrs. Victoria Castiglioni de Suárez, Mrs. Consuelo de Gómis, Miss Hortencia Gómis. Second row, left to right: Mrs. Lula Ferguson, Rev. Frank Ferguson, Natalio Costa, Juan Ianni, María Luisa Grisafi de Ianni and son, Juan Carlos.

CHRISTIAN WORKERS STUDYING IN 1938 (Photo Nº 44, p. 43)

From left to right in front row: Natalio Costa, Mrs. Victoria de Suárez and son, Rodolfo, Mrs. Lidia C. de Marmorato. Second row, left to right: Amador Suárez, José Suárez, Miss Esther Bisignano, Miss Juana Giles.

MRS. FERGUSON ORGANIZES LOCAL MISSIONARY SOCIETIES IN 1935 May 10, 1935

Date when Mrs. Lula H. Ferguson started organizing local missionary societies on the district. From May 10 - July 26, she organized six local missionary societies. This was the beginning of the N.W.F.M.S. here.

ACHEGA CHURCH ORGANIZED IN 1935 (Photo Nº 45, p. 44)

On May 18, 1935, Rev. Ferguson organized a new church at 3484 Achega Street, in the Villa Pueyrredón Section of Buenos Aires with 9 members. Rev. Geraldo José Marino was named pastor. Rev. and Mrs. José Suárez were helpers. Picture of Achega group was taken in 1936.

GAONA AVENUE CONGREGATION IN 1936 (Photo Nº 46, p. 45)

OPEN AIR SERVICE IN PLAZA IRLANDA IN BUENOS AIRES (Photo Nº 47, p. 45)

Picture of group attending an open air service in Plaza Irlanda, located four blocks from the Gaona Avenue Mission. Picture taken from Rev. Ferguson's personal album. Street meetings are one of the effective means of preaching the Gospel and contacting new people for the church services.

DON JOAQUIN GOMIS AND FAMILY (Photo Nº 48, p. 46)

Don Joaquín Gómis, his wife, doña Consuelo and children Hortencia, Daniel, Raquel and Esther. Don Joaquín is a veteran prayer warrior, saved in 1926 at Zapiola Street Mission and doña Consuelo was saved in 1929. They were caretakers and active laymen in the Gaona Avenue Church. Doña Consuelo went to heaven August 27, 1969; but don Joaquín continues to be that same prayer warrior.

THIRTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY FOR THE FERGUSONS (Photo Nº 49, p. 46)

October 12, 1936 was the thirtieth wedding anniversary for the Fergusons. Mrs. Ferguson happily displays a special bouquet of flowers sent to their home

at 1871 Andrés Lamas Street, by their spiritual children and from the Gaona Avenue Congregation, where she was pastoring in 1936. Congratulations.

NEW ANNEX OPENED IN MARCOS PAZ IN 1936 (Photo Nº 50, p. 47, left)

Lucía García evangelized in 1926 at Marcos Paz as a single lady. She and don Natalio Costa did colportage work. A tent campaign was held in 1936. Services were conducted in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Ponce. Rev. and Mrs. Leopoldo Lagraña and Daniel Lagraña are from this work. Picture taken of beginning group in 1936. This group united with Merlo Church.

A RETIRED POLICEMAN SAVED IN MARIANO ACOSTA (Photo Nº 51, p. 47)

Don Juan de Dios Pardo was a former policeman and a drunkard. He had received LA SENDA ANTIGUA in General Alvear in 1916 from Rev. Charles Miller. This church periodical was discontinued in 1925 and LA VIA MAS EXCELENTE begun in 1928, with Miss Lucía García as helper to Rev. Ferguson. He went to Merlo hospital in 1934 to see Mrs. Costa to renew his subscription. She went to their home in 1935. He was drunk the first service held in his home, but was converted and offered his home. Rev. Justo Lado and don Pedro de Mendiola are from Mariano Acosta. He is second from left in back row of picture. Mariano Acosta was an annex of Merlo and now has been discontinued.

FIRST NAZARENE TEMPLE BUILT IN BUENOS AIRES (Photo Nº 52, p. 48)

Rev. Antonio López, standing second from left in last row, pastored the growing congregation at Behring Street Church in 1936. This was the first church temple built, after the small chapel dedicated in Castelar in 1933.

FOURTH MISSIONARY COUPLE ARRIVES IN ARGENTINA IN 1936 (Photo Nº 53, p. 48)

On September 16, 1936, Rev. John Aubrey Cochran, Georgia Marie and their children, David and Mary Faith, arrived by ship in Buenos Aires. This is how they looked thirty six years ago, as the fourth missionary couple sent to Argentina. Rev. and Mrs. Frank Ferguson had worked alone since 1925. Some 300 people gathered at a big tent in Gaona Avenue to welcome them.

REV. AND MRS. THOMAS A. AINSCOUGH AND SON ALBERTO (Photo Nº 54, p. 49)

Picture of Rev. Thomas A. Ainscough, his wife Ramona Más, and son Alberto Eduardo, taken in 1936 during the Annual District Assembly in Buenos Aires, held from November 4-6, 1936. He preached at 1345 Conde Street on Thursday, November 5th. Rev. Ainscough went to Formosa in 1931 as a single missionary for Emmanuel Holiness Mission in England. On November 11, 1933, he married Miss Ramona Más, an elementary Argentine school teacher in Rosario. From 1935 to 1936, they had begun preaching places in La Florida, Paganini and Villa El Prado at Rosario. He was given district license by our church in 1936 and continued to work in Rosario, Santa Fe Province, while he taught English.

REV. AND MRS. JOSE SUAREZ ENTER THE WORK (Photo Nº 55, p. 49)

On May 15, 1937, Rev. and Mrs. José Suárez entered as part time national workers, working in evangelistic work and as helpers while studying the Christian Worker's Course at Gaona Avenue Church. In February 1937, they were tent caretakers during services in Chilavert. A small nucleus of believers was formed in Chilavert as annex of Villa Ballester under Rev. Geraldo Marino.

FIRST NAZARENE PASTOR'S RETREAT HELD IN 1937

The first Pastor's Retreat was held July 9-10, 1937 in Buenos Aires with 18 workers present. Rev. Thomas Ainscough was night speaker. Services for the public were held first night at Behring Street Church and the second evening at the Gaona Avenue Church. It was a time of blessing and inspiration.

DISTRICT WOMEN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY ORGANIZED

MRS. S. N. FITKIN VISITS ARGENTINA (Photo Nº 56, p. 50)

Left to right: Mrs. S. N. Fitkin and Mrs. Paul Bresee. Mrs. S. N. Fitkin visited Argentina from October 20 - November 2, 1937, accompanied by Mrs. Paul Bresee. Mrs. Fitkin was General Women's Foreign Missionary Society President. She had come to organize the local church societies into a District Nazarene Women's Foreign Missionary Society. Mrs. Ferguson had organized local societies since May 16, 1935. On November 2, 1937, Mrs. Fitkin presided at the Missionary Convention in Behring Street Church. The first elected District Missionary Council was composed of: *President*: Mrs. Lula Ferguson; *First Vice President*: Mrs. María G. de López; *Second Vice President*: Mrs. Dominga S. de Marino; *Secretary*: Mrs. María Luisa de Ianni; *Treasurer*: Mrs. Soledad Q. de López; *Corresponding Secretary*: Mrs. Marie Cochran; *Chairman of Publicity and Missionary Study*: Mrs. Marie Cochran. Mrs. Ferguson reported 11 local missionary societies with 68 Prayer and Fasting Members, a total of 269 members in the District Missionary Society, with a total of \$1,075.90 pesos given for missions during 1937.

SECOND MISSIONARY CENTER OPENED IN ROSARIO IN 1937

REV. AND MRS. JUAN IANNI SENT TO ROSARIO (Photo Nº 57, p. 51)

In October 1937, Rev. and Mrs. Juan Ianni were sent to Rosario. Rev. and Mrs. John Cochran were named missionaries in charge to open a second missionary center in Rosario, Santa Fe Province, where Rev. and Mrs. Thomas A. Ainscough had worked from 1933-1937. They worked in the La Florida Section of Rosario, started by Rev. Ainscough. Rev. and Mrs. Ianni helped in Gaona Ave. Church from May 1935 - September 1937. Now they became full time workers.

NEW CHAPEL IN VILLA EL PRADO - ROSARIO (Photo Nº 58, p. 52)

Rev. Thomas A. Ainscough stands at left of new chapel in Villa El Prado, which he and his wife worked sacrificially to build in Rosario area. Rosario is in Santa Fe Province and is 190 miles North by train from Buenos Aires. According to "The South American Handbook", bought by Rev. John Cochran in 1936 when he came to Argentina, the urban population of Rosario was 507,349.

CONGREGATION AT VILLA EL PRADO IN JULY 1938 (Photo Nº 59, p. 52)

Group present in July 1938 at Villa El Prado, Rosario, during the visit of Mrs. Lula Ferguson to organize the local missionary society there. Mrs. Ferguson is in the center of first row.

OFFICIAL ORGANIZATION OF THE ROSARIO CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

On September 24, 1938, Rev. Antonio López baptized eight new people

in Villa El Prado Baptistry. The Rosario Church of the Nazarene was organized with fifteen members. There were six from Villa El Prado, three from La Florida, one from Moreno Street Mission and one from Paganini, besides the Ainscoughs and the Ianni family. Rev. Frank Ferguson organized the church and Rev. John Cochran was missionary in charge of the Rosario area.

PAGANINI ANNEX IN ROSARIO IN JULY 1938 (Photo N^o 60, p. 53)

Mrs. Lula Ferguson visited the Paganini work and organized the missionary society in July 1938. Picture shows the group present. This work was closed in 1934, when the work in the La Florida, Rosario area became larger

GROUP OF VETERAN NAZARENES IN LA FLORIDA - ROSARIO (Photo N^o 61, p. 53)

Picture of some of first converts in La Florida Section of Rosario. Mrs. Juan Ianni, is first person at left in back row. At right side stand don Enrique Celebrone, doña María de Celebrone and Miss Julia Kopp.

VETERAN ROSARIO LAYWOMEN TRIO FROM MORENO STREET MISSION (Photo N^o 62, p. 53)

Three veteran nazarene active laywomen from Moreno Street Mission, started by Rev. and Mrs. John Cochran when they went to Rosario in 1937 to open the second mission center for our work. From left to right: doña Celestina Fornerón (de Bonastre) an Italian; doña Gregoria de Giménez, Spaniard, and doña Josefa de García, Spaniard. They were a dedicated international trio of christian workers in Rosario with the Cochrans. Doña Josefa passed away November 7, 1969 in the Cochran home where she worked and lived all these years. Doña Celestina and doña Gregoria still are active in the work.

MORENO STREET MISSION OPENED BY THE COCHRANS IN 1937 (Photo N^o 63, p. 54)

Rev. John Cochran rented a vacant house at 1142 Moreno Street in Rosario, and moved his family, arriving November 16, 1937 at Rosario. He worked with Rev. and Mrs. Thomas A. Ainscough and Rev. and Mrs. Juan Ianni to begin an evangelistic plan at Rosario. One week after arriving, the Cochrans held their first Sunday School in their home with 18 present and had from 20 to 30 people present for night evangelistic services in a few weeks. Picture shows Rev. John Cochran at left side in last row, with a Sunday School group at the new Moreno Street Mission in Rosario in 1937-1938.

BIBLE STUDY CLASSES AT 3 DE FEBRERO MISSION IN ROSARIO (Photo N^o 64, p. 54)

Mrs. Marie Cochran, first at left in second row, with some ladies and children at the 3 de Febrero 13 Street Mission in Rosario. She gave Bible studies in the home of doña Celestina Fornerón in 1938.

DOÑA CELESTINA FORNERON CONVERTED IN 1938 (Photo N^o 65, p. 54)

Doña Celestina Fornerón lived with a common law husband named don Francisco Bonastre at 3 de Febrero 13, Rosario. She and her husband were going to Villa El Prado to collect a bakery account. Place was located right in front of the nazarene chapel there. Mrs. Marie Cochran sat reading a Bible in Santa Rosa Park, while waiting to travel to Villa El Prado for a missionary service. Doña Celestina sat beside her on the bus, conversed with her, ac-

accompanied her to the service in Villa El Prado and returned to Rosario on the same bus with her. Mrs. Cochran invited her to attend the new Moreno Street Mission. After a series of crucial experiences and difficult circumstances, doña Celestina Fornerón was saved March 8, 1938, according to her personal questionnaire.

DOÑA CELESTINA DONATES HER HOME TO OUR CHURCH IN 1942 (Photo Nº 66, p. 54)

After her conversion, doña Celestina had to take the decision to not live with don Francisco Bonastre, her common law husband for twenty five years, because he had a living wife and Argentina has no divorce law. She opened the doors of her home for services on June 1, 1938. The home was her personal property. She had a small hall built at the back for \$2,000 pesos, for the church services to be held. In 1938, a tent campaign was conducted in her neighborhood and a group of believers met at her home. In 1942, she donated her home to our church and continued to live in it. After Mr. Bonastre's first wife died, she married him at the small chapel in the 3 de Febrero Mission hall on December 6, 1945, with her daughter and grand daughter present. Rev. John Cochran performed the wedding ceremony. Mr. Bonastre was not saved. They moved to Santa Fe. Here Mr. Bonastre became sick and doña Celestina took care of him, and won him to the Lord before his death and burial one year later. His funeral services were conducted in the small chapel at 3 de Febrero. It was doña Celestina's strong will, intercessory praying, hard work and sacrificial giving which have made her an outstanding personal worker and District Deaconess all down through these many years.

PÉREZ ANNEX OPENED BY THE IANNI FAMILY IN 1938 (Photo Nº 67-68, p. 55)

From January 1938 - March 10, 1944, Rev. and Mrs. Juan Ianni worked in Pérez, a village located fifteen kilometers from Rosario. It began with a tent campaign. Picture was taken in 1938 and sent by Rev. Ferguson. Services were conducted in homes in Pérez until the work was discontinued in 1944, when Rev. and Mrs. Ianni returned to Buenos Aires area to pastor.

NEW WORK OPENED IN LUDUEÑA SECTION OF ROSARIO (Photo Nº 69, p. 56)

Rev. and Mrs. Juan Ianni moved to the Ludueña, Rosario area in 1938, where they did personal work. They also evangelized in the neighboring town of Funes, some twelve kilometers from Rosario. They worked in the North-eastern part of Rosario in La Refinería and in Arroyito in Northern Rosario. Picture was taken of the Ludueña, Rosario group when the congregation was worshipping at 1582 Junín Street in 1942. The Ludueña, Rosario church was organized January 28, 1943 with twelve members, under the pastorate of Rev. Juan Ianni.

EVANGELISTIC EFFORTS IN AND AROUND LUJAN

WORKING IN LUJAN AND CARLOS KEEN (Photo Nº 70, p. 57)

From left to right: Rev. and Mrs. José Suárez with their son, Rodolfo, and Rev. and Mrs. David López with their daughter, Raquel, standing in front of the 1927 Model car used by Rev. David López to evangelize in Luján and the surrounding rural areas. In 1938, a Sunday School annex was begun in Cuartel Quinto in Luján. Rev. Pablo Müller is from this section of Luján.

Rev. and Mrs. José Suárez helped in tent campaigns in Luján, Carlos Keen, in Ruíz and other villages. Rev. Esther Nemeck, one of our single day ministers, was in the Daily Vacation Bible School in Carlos Keen in 1938.

LUJAN EVANGELISTIC AUTOMOBILE (Photo Nº 71, p. 57)

Mrs. Lula H. Ferguson seated in Rev. David López's 1927 model car which was used for evangelistic purpose in Luján and surrounding community.

1938 - 1939 NEW WORKS IN SAN ANDRES DE GILES, SAN ANTONIO DE ARECO, CAPITAN SARMIENTO

In 1934, Rev. and Mrs. David López began services in San Andrés de Giles. Also, they started visiting in San Antonio de Areco and Capitán Sarmiento, where services were being held in homes of believers of a sister denomination. In November of 1933, a new church was organized by this group at San Antonio de Areco. It had ten members from San Antonio de Areco and four from Capitán Sarmiento. Between 1938-1939, those two new places were passed over to our church, and Rev. and Mrs. David López was in charge of them. The López family pastored in Luján, and with the use of their car, they took care of the services in the home of Pedro Urcola's mother at San Andrés de Giles, and also took care of the two preaching places in San Antonio de Areco and Capitán Sarmiento until 1943.

March 1-21, 1938 (Photo Nº 72, p. 57) NEW WORKED OPENED IN VICTORIA

Rev. and Mrs. José Suárez cared for the Gospel tent pitched in Victoria for a campaign, sponsored by Rev. Antonio López and the San Fernando congregation. There was much persecution, and some tried to burn the tent, but God intervened. Twelve people were saved. These formed the nucleus of believers for the new work in Victoria. A hall was rented at 3 de Febrero Street in Victoria, and Rev. and Mrs. José Suárez assumed the pastorate on April 25, 1938. Here is a picture of a part of the congregation there. The church was organized March 5, 1939 with twelve members, under their ministry.

1929-1938 (Photo Nº 73, p. 58) NEW WORK OPENED IN MORON

Picture of don Marino D'Alessandro, our first convert at Morón, and his wife, Juana Giles. Mr. D'Alessandro and son, Mario, came from Italy when the son was a small boy. In 1929, Miss Lucía Carmen García had conducted one service weekly for one year in a small room loaned by don Apolinario Zoroastro of Merlo church. Services were held in La Calabria section of Morón at that time, but suspended until a tent meeting was held there in 1938. Meanwhile, Salvador Zoroastro, a young shoe cobbler employed by Mr. D'Alessandro, asked permission to take Mario to Castelar Sunday School. Mario brought home a Sunday School paper which was read by his father. God used this means to touch his heart. He attended Castelar church, was converted, and attended there until the new work was opened in Morón after the tent meeting in 1938. He was married to Juana Giles on April 13, 1940. He became a charter member of the Morón church when it was organized in September 1940 with 13 members, under the pastoral ministry of Rev. and Mrs. José Armagno, who had become pastors at Castelar and Morón in 1939.

October 23-30, 1938 LAST HOLINESS CONVENTION FOR THE FERGUSONS IN ARGENTINA

Holiness services were conducted nightly from October 23-30, with Rev. Thomas A. Ainscough as speaker. A baptismal service was held at 2:30 P.M. on October 29th. Services were held under a big tent for this occasion. God was there and blessed souls.

November 1, 1938 ANNUAL DISTRICT MISSIONARY CONVENTION

The II Annual District Women's Foreign Missionary Convention was conducted November 1, 1938. Mrs. Lula Ferguson, District President, presided for the last time. Mrs. John Cochran was elected new District Missionary President. Mrs. Ferguson reported 13 societies with 72 young adult members, 110 juniors and 279 adult members or 461 members in all. There were 128 Prayer and Fasting Members, who had given \$3,322.40 pesos for all purposes. There were 36 Life Membership Certificates given that year by the missionary societies.

November 2-4, 1938 XVIII DISTRICT ASSEMBLY CONVENES

The XVIII Annual District Assembly convened under a large tent at Donato Alvarez 1535 Street. Rev. Ferguson gave his last annual report as Field Superintendent. He informed that there were 4 missionaries, 13 national pastors, 10 organized churches and 16 other preaching places. There were 253 members and 206 probationers, 24 Sunday Schools with 64 teachers, 1,162 pupils enrolled and 697 weekly attendance. The sum of \$16,500 pesos was given for all purposes. There were 9,475 Bibles, New Testaments and Gospel Portions given out, 100,000 tracts and 55,000 periodicals distributed during 1938.

December 21, 1938 (Photo N^o 74, p. 60) FIFTH MISSIONARY COUPLE IN ARGENTINA

Picture of Rev. Llewellyn Dewitt Lockwood and wife, Florence Swartzlander, with Carol Gay. They arrived in Buenos Aires December 21, 1938 from the Northeast Indiana District. They had come to re-enforce the missionary staff, before the near retirement time of Rev. and Mrs. Frank Ferguson from the field in August of 1939. They were given a hearty welcome by all. This is how they looked upon arrival in Argentina. They were the fifth missionary couple in the history of the work of our church in Argentina.

January 18-25, 1939 (Photo N^o 75, p. 59) SECOND CLASS OF ORDAINED ELDERS

Dr. J. W. Montgomery, District Superintendent of Northeast Indiana District, visited Argentina for a series of special services held under a big tent. He had been officially authorized to ordain the second class of elders for the Church of the Nazarene in Argentina. They were Mrs. María Luisa Grisafi de Ianni, Rev. David López and Rev. Thomas A. Ainscough. Their ordination service was January 25, 1939. Rev. Thomas A. Ainscough, seated at the right side of the picture, is accompanied by Rev. J. T. Palmer, his former missionary colleague of Emmanuel Mission in Formosa in 1931. At the center stands Chief Trifón of Formosa Province, who accompanied Rev. Palmer to Buenos Aires, to interest the government and also evangelical believers in the needs among the Indian tribes of this Northern province. They were special visitors for this occasion.

April 15-23, 1939 MOTHER CHURCH RELOCATES HEADQUARTERS TO DONATO ALVAREZ STREET

From April 15-23, a series of special services were held in the newly rented church and central headquarter's building, located at 880 Donato Alvarez Street in Buenos Aires. The change was made from the Gaona Avenue building, which had been the central church site since December 11, 1922.

June 8, 1939 REV JOHN COCHRAN OFICIALY AUTHORIZED AS NEW
FIELD SUPERINTENDENT

According to the Nazarene Association Minutes, Rev. Frank Ferguson called a business session of the Official Members of the National Association on June 8, 1939. Rev. Ferguson served as President of the Association. Rev. John Aubrey Cochran was authorized to officially assume his duty as new President of the Association and Field Superintendent.

July of 1939: REV AND MRS. JOHN COCHRAN MOVE TO BUENOS AIRES
FOR OFFICIAL DUTIES

Rev. John A. Cochran was new Field Superintendent and Mrs. Marie Georgia Cochran was District Missionary President.

August 31, 1939 (Photo Nº 76, p. 61) FAREWELL SERVICE FOR THE
FERGUSONS

Picture of Rev. and Mrs. Frank Ferguson, who had spent 29 years of christian labours of love in Argentina, with 19 of them given for the founding of the Church of the Nazarene. On August 31, 1939, some 275 people crowded into the rented church hall at Donato Alvarez Street church property in Buenos Aires, for their farewell service. There were few words, but many tears, as the farewell speakers tried to express words of appreciation to these servants who had so sacrificially served them since 1920. A special album was presented to them, which had been signed by members of all the local churches and preaching places. Don Francisco Ferguson read I Corinthians 1:1-13, II Timothy 4:1-5 and Acts 20:26-32, as his parting words of counsel and farewell to all.

September 1, 1939 (Photo Nº 77, p. 61) PICTURE OF NATIONAL WORKERS
IN 1939

This picture contains the sixteen national workers in 1939. It was taken especially for the Fergusons and presented them by the national workers. The picture was tied with a sky blue and white ribbon, the national colors of Argentina. On September 1, 1939, don Francisco and doña Lula Ferguson boarded the ship and sailed from the port of Buenos Aires, while some one hundred people stood on the dock and waved their white handkerchiefs, until the forms of these veteran servants of the Lord could no longer be distinguished aboard the ship.

Here are the Argentina National Workers who held the ropes of Christian Service, as the Fergusons would continue to do by holding the ropes of Prayer, following retirement. First row, from left to right are Mrs. Lucía Carmen García de Costa, Mrs. Soledad Quintana de López, Mrs. María G. de López, Rev. Antonio López, Mrs. Rufina Agudo de Armagno and Mrs. Dominga Sánchez de Marino. Second row, from left to right, are Rev. Natalio Costa, Rev. David López, Mrs. Victoria Castiglioni de Suárez, Rev. Thomas A. Ainscough, Rev. José Suárez, Rev. Juan Ianni, Rev. Lidia Castiglioni de Marmorato, Rev. María Luisa Grisafe de Ianni, Rev. José Armagno and Rev. Geraldo José Marino.

June 23, 1950 (Photo Nº 78, p. 62) PICTURE OR REV. AND MRS. CHARLES
H. MILLER

Picture of Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Miller, which was sent to the author in 1952. Rev. Charles H. Miller, veteran founder of the Nazarene Work in Argentina in September of 1919, passed to his heavenly reward at 3:30 P.M. on June 23, 1950 in Los Angeles General Hospital. Funeral service was conducted

at the Mexican Nazarene Church in Pasadena, California. Mrs. Leona Kate Stallcup Miller, born April 3, 1876, went to her heavenly home during 1963 when 87 years of age. To all members of the Miller family, we send you fiftieth anniversary greetings from Argentina.

June 7, 1963 (Photo Nº 79, p. 62) MRS ETHEL KIRBY Mc HENRY

The picture of Mrs. Ethel Kirby McHenry was sent the author in 1969 by Mrs. Aubrey Coats, of Greencastle, Indiana. Mrs. Coats is the daughter of one of Mrs. McHenry's uncles and aunts who died, and whom she took to rear as a daughter, according to personal questionnaire data received in 1952 from Mrs. McHenry. To Mrs. Coats and another friend, I am deeply indebted for sending me Mrs. McHenry's private diary written in Argentina, and also sending me her last letters to Mrs. Coats. Mrs. McHenry passed away, while living with her daughter in law and grandchildren in Grinnell, Iowa, on June 7, 1963 at 84 years of age. Her son, Wendell, was killed July 29, 1950 in an automobile accident. Mrs. McHenry died a glorious death in the Lord. To all members of the family, our sincere thanks for all data given and special anniversary greetings for all of you from Argentina.

May 8, 1944 DOÑA LULA FERGUSON JOINS THE TRIUMPHANT CHURCH

On May 8, 1944, Lula Hutcherson Ferguson went to be with her Lord at 78 years of age. Her earthly remains were laid to rest at Spring Hill Cemetery in Nashville, Tennessee. God bless her memory among us.

November 12, 1969 (Photo Nº 80, p. 62) OUR VETERAN FOUNDER'S 89th BIRTHDAY

This picture was sent by Rev. Frank Ferguson for the fiftieth anniversary book. He was 89 years old on November 12, 1969, our golden anniversary year. He is now 91 years of age and was especially honored by the retired missionaries living at Casa Robles, our home for retired missionaries located at Temple City, California, his last birthday. Rev. Ferguson is the only one living of our first three veteran missionary couples who worked in Argentina.

Rev. Ferguson, May God richly bless you is our prayer from Argentina. Thank you and Mrs. Ferguson for the thirty years of Christian Service spent in Argentina, and especially the twenty years you gave so unselfishly for the Church of the Nazarene. We have continued to build on the holiness heritage left us when you retired from the field. Our most cordial christian fiftieth anniversary greetings to you from all of us. God grant his blessings upon us as we begin our second fifty year period of church history in this great nation.



Rev. Frank Ferguson
Field Superintendent (1925-1936)



Dr. John A. and Marie G. Cochran
Field Superintendent (1936-1972)

CHAPTER II

CONSOLIDATION AND EXPANSION (1939 - 1969)

July of 1939 (Photo Nº 81, p. 65) NEW FIELD SUPERINTENDENT IN ARGENTINA

Picture taken of Dr. and Mrs. Cochran in 1969. Rev. and Mrs. John A. Cochran moved from Rosario, Santa Fe Province in July of 1939 to Buenos Aires. Rev. Cochran assumed the superintendency of the field when Rev. Frank Ferguson retired in August of 1939. Dr. Cochran has been Field Superintendent in Argentina from 1939 until 1972, except for furlough years spent in the States. On September 16, 1971, they finished thirty five years of christian service here. Dr. Cochran served as Field Superintendent from June 8, 1939 to February 15, 1972. Mrs. Georgia Marie Cochran has been District Missionary President from 1939-1971, with exception of her furlough years in the States. Rev. Alejandro Medina, appointed National Assistant District Superintendent in October of 1970, was elected National District Superintendent on March 2, 1972 by the Argentina District Assembly in Buenos Aires.

October 3-17, 1939 (Photo Nº 82, p. 65) DR. J. G. MORRISON VISITS THE FIELD

Dr. J. G. Morrison, second General Superintendent to visit the field, arrived in Buenos Aires on October 3rd for a two week's visit. He conducted the XIX District Assembly from October 10-12, 1939. He ordained Rev. Juan Ianni as a new elder in the church. The District Assembly convened at 1345 Conde Street, with Rev. John Aubrey Cochran as new Field Superintendent. Mrs. Florence Lockwood reported 296 members and 222 probationary members. There were 1,305 enrolled in Sunday School and yearly contributions totaled \$17,681.51 pesos.

April of 1939 (Photo Nº 83, p. 66) NEW DONATO ALVAREZ STREET CENTRAL CHURCH PROPERTY

Picture of the Donato Alvarez 880-884 property in Buenos Aires. It was rented and special services were held in April of 1939. It became the Central Church Headquarters from 1939-1958. The Gaona Avenue Church moved to Donato Alvarez and used the lower floor. Bible School classes would soon be started on the second floor. The Donato Alvarez building was bought on June 1, 1944 for \$25,000 cash. The Church and Bible School were located at Donato Alvarez for many years. It is just two and one half blocks from our Tennero Street Central Church property.

July 1939 - December 23, 1943 (Photo Nº 84, p. 66) DONATO ALVAREZ SUNDAY SCHOOL

Mrs. Georgia Marie Cochran was pastor of the Donato Alvarez Church

for her first pastorate from July of 1939 to December 23, 1943, time of her first furlough to the States. The picture shows a good Sunday School attendance at Donato Alvarez Church.

DONATO ALVAREZ CHURCH HALL IN BUENOS AIRES IN 1950 (Photo Nº 85, p. 67)

Who can forget the Donato Alvarez 880 Church hall in Buenos Aires? The picture shows a district nazarene gathering in 1950. Many have cherished memories of prayer services, evangelistic services, Sunday School activities, Bible School Activities, and of singing, hearing the Word of God preached or of receiving spiritual help there.

March 4, 1940 (Photo Nº 86, p. 67) **DAY STUDENTS ENROLLED AT NEW BIBLE SCHOOL**

The picture shows the faculty and eleven students enrolled for the first semester of Bible School work at the new Donato Alvarez building in 1940. They studied the theological course or to prepare as good christian laymen. Classes were continued for Christian Workers, started by the Millers and the Fergusons at Gaona Avenue Mission. From left to right in the front row, and third from the left, are Mrs. Lucía Carmen García de Costa, Mrs. Florence Lockwood in the center and Mrs. Marie Cochran to her left. Rev. L. D. Lockwood stands behind his wife. There were four teachers. Classes were conducted on the main floor in three rooms during 1940.

March 4, 1940 (Photo Nº 87, p. 68) **NIGHT STUDENTS ENROLLED AT DONATO ALVAREZ SCHOOL**

There were fifteen students who enrolled for night classes at the Donato Alvarez Bible Training School on March 4, 1940. Twenty six fine students studied that first semester. Rev. and Mrs. L. D. Lockwood and faculty members all did an excellent work organizing class schedules, making Bible School Notes and planning the necessary courses. They are to be congratulated. The four teachers stand at the center of the second row. Rev. and Mrs. L. D. Lockwood were the new Bible School Directors.

October 11, 1940 (Photo Nº 88, p. 68) **FIRST BIBLE SCHOOL GRADUATION AT DONATO ALVAREZ CHURCH**

Picture of the first graduation class from the Christian Workers' Course. The commencement service was held on October 11, 1940 at the Donato Alvarez Church, with three students graduating. They lacked one year of study from the Gaona Avenue classes. From left to right in the picture are, Mrs. Florence Lockwood; Rev. John Cochran, Field Superintendent; Mrs. Georgia Marie Cochran, Mrs. Lucía García de Costa; the three graduates or Mrs. Lidia Castiglioni de Marmorato, Mrs. Victoria Castiglioni de Suárez, Rev. José Suárez, and Rev. L. D. Lockwood, Bible School Director. Rev. Lockwood presented each graduate with a diploma and an autographed Bible. The student body bought flowers for the faculty and graduates. The Lockwoods spent five years as Directors of the Bible Training School. There were fifteen graduates and six who were in the active ministry in 1952, according to Rev. Lockwood's personal questionnaire.

April 6, 1940 (Photo Nº 89, p. 69) **DR. AND MRS. ALBERTO EDUARDO AINSCOUGH**

On April 6, 1940, Rev. Geraldo José Marino was authorized to use money from the Loreto Street Church Funds to help repair rented church property

at 1420 Conde Street in Buenos Aires. The congregation moved to Conde and is still there in 1972. Picture shows Dr. Alberto Eduardo Ainscough and wife, Rosa Russo, pastors at Conde Church from 1962-1969. Both are medical doctors. Alberto finished Bible School and was ordained by Dr. George Coulter on March 6, 1970. They have pastored in Villa Ballester Church from 1969-1972. Alberto finished his medical training in 1967 and his wife graduated in 1970. Alberto is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Thomas A. Ainscough. Our sincere congratulations.

March of 1969 (Photo Nº 90, p. 69) CONDE STREET CONGREGATION IN 1969

Picture of the Conde Street Congregation taken in 1969 with Dr. and Mrs. Alberto Eduardo Ainscough. Rev. Juan Chumba became assistant pastor at Conde in 1969 with Rev. and Mrs. Paul Say as pastors. The Conde Church had been organized in 1925 with ten members at 1420 Zapiola Street. Rev. Geraldo José Marino had pastored from 1925-1946. The Conde Church property was bought in July of 1945. Rev. Oscar Mingorance pastored Conde Church during 1971 with Rev. Mario and Ana María Luisoni de Zaní as student helpers. Rev. Juan Ianni lives at Conde in 1972 with Mr. David and Ruth de Mastronardi as helpers.

November of 1940 THE DISTRICT NAZARENE YOUNG PEOPLES' SOCIETY OFFICIALLY ORGANIZED

Mrs. Florence Lockwood, first District Young People's Society President, gave her first annual report in November of 1940. She reported seven organized local youth societies with 170 members. She launched an active and intensive evangelistic program and literature selling campaigns, with nazarene youth involved, during her five years as District N.Y.P.S. President.

December 2-3, 1940 DISTRICT MISSIONARY TOUR IN ROSARIO

Mrs. Marie Cochran, Miss María Castiglioni, Mrs. Soledad de López, Mrs. Martina de Sierra, and the Lockwoods, went to Rosario in behalf of the District Missionary Society, to represent the Bible School and the District N.Y. P.S. work. A small tent was made by don Enrique Bortolamedi and used to raise money for the purchase of a new tent for evangelism.

August 30, 1941 (Photo Nº 91, p. 71) SECOND NEW CHURCH SANCTUARY IN LUJAN

On August 30, 1941, Rev. John Cochran dedicated the second new church building at Luján, and his first one as new Field Superintendent. Rev. David López stands at the left of the picture and Rev. Cochran to the right. Much sacrifice in labor and in money was contributed for this new church at Luján.

ATTENDANCE FOR LUJAN CHURCH DEDICATION SERVICE (Photo Nº 92, p. 71)

The picture shows the excellent attendance for the dedication service at the new church in Luján. Mrs. David López, pastor's wife, is seated on the right side in the front row. Rev. and Mrs. David López pastored in Luján from 1932-1953.

CONGREGATION AT LUJAN CHURCH IN 1969 (Photo Nº 93, p. 72)

Luján is the center of Roman Catholic worship in Argentina. It is located about an hour and a half by train from Buenos Aires. Luján is famous for the Gothic Basílica Shrine erected in 1630 to the Virgen Mary and for its pilgrimages from many parts. The work in Luján has never been easy. Rev. and Mrs. Salvador Pereyra pastored at Luján during 1969.

REV. AND MRS. SALVADOR PEREYRA (Photo N° 94, p. 72)

Rev and Mrs. Salvador Pereyra are graduates of the Bible School. Mrs. Silvia Galarza de Pereyra graduated from Bible School on December 3, 1966 and her husband finished November 25, 1967. Rev. Pereyra pastored at Luján from 1968-1972. Rev. Orlando Arana became pastor at Luján in March 1972.

September 16, 1941 SIXTH MISSIONARY COUPLE ARRIVES IN ARGENTINA

On September 16, 1941, Rev. and Mrs. Spurgeon Hendrix and son, Ray, arrived in Argentina as the sixth couple of new missionaries. Their welcome service was conducted the same night of arrival at the Donato Alvarez Church. There were now three missionary couples.

November 23, 1941 - January 29, 1942 DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL TOUR ORGANIZED

The District tour was promoted by Rev. David López, Rev. José Armagno and Rev. José Suárez, in behalf of Sunday School work and children's services in the places visited.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AT CHILAVERT IN 1942 (Photo N° 95, p. 73)

Picture of Sunday School attendance at Chilavert in 1942. It was an annex of Villa Ballester. Rev. Antonio López was pastor. Rev. Nicolás Tufarolo was a helper.

REV. MANUEL NICOLAS TUFAROLO (Photo N° 96, p. 73)

Rev. Manuel Nicolás Tufarolo graduated from Bible School Oct. 30, 1943. He was a helper at Chilavert annex for two years. He also helped his brother at 3029 Valdenegro Street in the Villa Urquiza Section of Buenos Aires.

VALDENEGRO STREET CONGREGATION IN BUENOS AIRES (Photo N° 97, p. 73)

From 1940-1942, services were conducted in the Villa Urquiza section in homes. The church was organized in a hall in 1940 at Lugones and Republiquetas Streets, with ten members. In 1942, the group moved to a rented hall at 3029 Valdenegro Street. Rev. Pablo Antonio Tufarolo and brother, Manuel Nicolás, pastored the work until 1946. Picture shows a Sunday School group at a tent campaign in 1942, under their pastorate.

REV. PABLO ANTONIO TUFAROLO (Photo N° 98, p. 73)

Rev. Pablo Antonio Tufarolo graduated from the Bible School in 1943. He was ordained by Dr. H. V. Miller on March 1, 1945. He pastored the Valdenegro congregation from 1942-1946.

FIRST GRADUATING CLASS TO COMPLETE THEOLOGICAL COURSE AT DONATO ALVAREZ SCHOOL (Photo-N° 99, p. 74)

On August 31, 1942, these four students finished the entire theological course for Christian Workers given at the Donato Alvarez Bible Training School. From left to right: Miss Hortensia Gómis, Miss María Ofelia Castiglioni, Mr. Amadeo García and Mr. José Armagno. Rev. and Mrs. L. D. Lockwood were Bible School Directors.

November 10, 1942 RENTED HALL IN MARTINEZ

Date for opening a small rented hall at 738 Editon Street in Martínez, as an annex of Victoria Church, under the pastoral ministry of Rev. and Mrs. José Suárez.

January 13, 1943 (Photo Nº 100, p. 74) NEW CHURCH ORGANIZED IN SAN ANTONIO DE ARECO

On January 13, 1943 a new church was organized at Arellano and Azcuénaga Streets in San Antonio de Areco, with 15 members, under the pastorate of Rev. David López. A tent campaign had been conducted by Rev. John Cochran, Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix, Rev. Alejandro Palacios and Rev. David López. Picture of the San Antonio congregation was taken October 12, 1943. Rev. José Armagno became pastor in March of 1943.

April 17, 1943 (Photo Nº 101, p. 75) CASTELAR AND MORON CHURCHES HELP EVANGELIZE IN CAPITAN SARMIENTO

On April 17, 1943, Rev. Amadeo and Hortensia Gómis de García, with 24 church members from their first pastorates at Morón and Castelar churches, left at 4:00 A.M. in the small colectivo bus, accompanying Rev. John Cochran and Rev. Alejandro Palacios to San Antonio de Areco. Rev. José Armagno pastored at San Antonio de Areco and Capitán Sarmiento. The people spent the day evangelizing in Capitán Sarmiento with Gospel literature. They also had a street meeting during the afternoon, before returning home. It was a good day.

September of 1942 (Photo Nº 102, p. 75, left) MRS URBANA DE VITALE

Mrs. Vitale was one of the early believers baptized in September 1942, at the 1151 Calle Italia meeting place. She became a charter member of the church when it was organized in 1943 in Rosario. The Moreno Mission was the beginning of Calle Italia work.

April 3, 1943 (Photo Nº 103, p. 75, right) MRS. HERMINIA DE DUNDA

Mrs. Herminia de Dunda was baptized at the Calle Italia church in September 1942. The Calle Italia, Rosario Church was organized April 3, 1943, under the pastorate of Mrs. Lidia de Marmorato. The Calle Italia group united with the 3 de Febrero 13 group to form one congregation. They organized with 15 members, according to personal questionnaires received from charter members. Mrs. Dunda was a charter member of the church.

August 9, 1943 ARRIVAL OF SEVENTH MISSIONARY COUPLE TO ARGENTINA

On August 9, 1943, Rev. Robert and Lela Jackson and son, Robert Jr., arrived by plane from the States, after spending 44 days in hotels and 43 hours of plane flight, due to conditions related with the Second World War. They were welcomed by all our people.

December 22, 1943 REV. AND MRS. JOHN COCHRAN AND FAMILY TAKE FIRST FURLOUGH TO STATES

May 18, 1944 (Photo N. 104, p. 78) THIRD NEW CHURCH BUILDING DEDICATED IN VICTORIA

The Victoria Church building was dedicated May 18, 1944 by Rev. L. D. Lockwood, Interim District Superintendent, in the absence of Rev. John Cochran from the field. The picture shows an excellent Sunday School attendance on Sunday afternoon at Victoria.

MARCH 1960 (Photo Nº 105, p. 78) REV. AND MRS JOSE SUAREZ PASTOR 22 YEARS IN VICTORIA

Picture of Rev. and Mrs. José Suárez, taken in 1968. They pastored the Victoria Church from April 25, 1938 to March of 1960, or twenty two years pastoring the same church. Both graduated from the Bible School in 1940.

Rev. José Suárez was ordained by Dr. H. V. Miller on March 1, 1945. Mrs. Suárez is a licensed minister. They are retired from the ministry, but active in the Victoria local church activities.

May 18, 1969 (Photo N^o 106, p. 78) **REV. AND MRS. CARLOS BAMMATTER**

Rev. and Mrs. Carlos Bammatter have pastored in Victoria from 1968-1972. Carlos and Ana are from Rosario. They both graduated from Bible School on November 30, 1962. Carlos was ordained by Dr. George Coulter on March 6, 1970. On May 18, 1969, the Victoria Church celebrated their silver anniversary of their church building with a special program.

VICTORIA CONGREGATION IN 1969 (Photo N^o 107, p. 79).

THE ROSARIO BRASS BAND IN 1944 (Photo N^o 108, p. 79)

The Rosario Brass Band was under the direction of Rev. Amadeo García, pastor at Ludueña and La Florida, Rosario congregations.

REV. AND MRS. AMADEO GARCIA (Photo N^o 109, p. 79)

Rev. Amadeo and Hortencia Gómis de García, pastors at Rosario from 1944-1946. They both graduated from Bible School on August 31, 1942. Rev. García was ordained by Dr. H. V. Miller on March 1, 1945. Picture was taken of the García family in Rosario, with their daughter, Beatriz.

November 1, 1944 (Photo N^o 110, p. 80) **GROUP OF ROSARIO NAZARENES**

On November 1, 1944, there was a special gathering of Rosario Nazarenes. This picture was taken of the Rosario Nazarenes from different churches in 1944. Third and fourth in the second row are Rev. and Mrs. Spurgeon Hendrix, pastors of the 3 de Febrero and Calle Italia, Rosario congregations. Seated to the left of Mrs. Hendrix, are Rev. and Mrs. Amadeo García, pastors of the Ludueña and La Florida churches. The Hendrixes taught special Bible School classes while in Rosario.

December 12, 1944 **FAREWELL SERVICE FOR THE LOCKWOOD FAMILY**

Farewell services were conducted for Rev. and Mrs. L. D. Lockwood and children, Carol Gay and Paul, at the Donato Alvarez Central Church. They were to furlough. They had worked in Argentina since their arrival on December 21, 1938.

December 22, 1944 **FIRST NAZARENE SINGLE LADY MISSIONARY ARRIVES IN ARGENTINA**

Rev. and Mrs. John Cochran and family arrived in Buenos Aires airport on December 22, 1944, after their first furlough. They were accompanied by Miss Dorothy M. Ahleman, who had come to Buenos Aires to teach in the Donato Alvarez Central Bible Training School. She was the eighth missionary to reenforce our staff in Argentina. A welcome service was given to the Cochrans and Miss Ahleman on December 27, 1944.

February 21, 1945 **DR. H. V. MILLER VISITS THE WORK**

A special welcome service was given for Dr. H. V. Miller, third General Superintendent to visit the field. It was conducted at the Donato Alvarez Central Church.

February 28 - March 1, 1945 (Photo N^o 111, p. 81) **FOURTH CLASS OF ORDAINED ELDERS**

The XXV District Assembly convened at 1547 Donato Alvarez Street in Buenos Aires, presided by Dr. H. V. Miller. On March 1st he ordained five

new nazarene elders. From left to right are, Rev. José Armagno, Rev. Amadeo García, Dr. H. V. Miller, Rev. José Suárez and Mrs. Lidia Castiglioni de Mar-morato. Rev. Pablo Antonio Tufarolo was not in the picture taken with Dr. Miller.

March 2, 1945 (Photo Nº 112, p. 81) MISSIONARIES AND NATIONAL WORKERS IN 1945

Dr. H. V. Miller, General Superintendent, third from the right side in the last row, had his picture taken with the missionaries and national pastors, who had met at our Donato Alvarez Church for an afternoon session together.

March 1945 (Photo Nº 113, p. 82) 3 DE FEBRERO 13 SUNDAY SCHOOL GROUP IN ROSARIO

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Jackson were stationed in Rosario to take care of the 3 de Febrero 13 Mission and the Calle Italia Church in March of 1945. This picture shows a Sunday School group at the 3 de febrero 13 Mission in 1945. Doña Celestina Fornerón helped in Calle Italia.

October 26, 1945 (Photo Nº 114, p. 82) THE JACKSON FAMILY LEAVES FOR THE STATES

On October 26, 1945, Rev. Robert and Lela Jackson and sons, Robert Jr. and Lyle, left by ship to return to the States. Rev. and Mrs. Jackson are registered nurses. We did not have any type of medical work for them to be in charge of in Argentina. God led them to return to the States, where they applied for missionary service as nurses, and were named to Africa. God gave them a rich ministry in Africa. Although their ministry in Argentina was short, their lives and work left a definite positive contribution here.

December 29-31, 1945 ARRIVAL OF REV. AND MRS. LESTER JOHNSTON IN ARGENTINA

Rev. Lester and Veneta Johnston and daughter, Eleanor, arrived in Argentina by plane as the ninth missionary family to help in the work. They began language study in 1946.

March 11-13, 1946 (Photo Nº 115, p. 83) REV. GENE PHILLIPS VISITS ARGENTINA

Rev. Gene Phillips, District Superintendent of the Indianapolis District, preached during the annual Holiness Convention and District Assembly, which convened March 11-13, 1946 at 1420 Conde Street Church in Buenos Aires. Rev. Phillips stands with the Mission Council in 1946 at Conde Church. From left to right, in the first row, are Miss Dorothy Ahleman, Mrs. Marie Cochran, Mrs. Fae Hendrix and Mrs. Veneta Johnston. Second row, left to right, are Rev. Gene Phillips, Rev. John Cochran, Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix and Rev. Lester Johnston.

A NEW HOUSE TRAILER FOR ARGENTINA (Photo Nº 116, p. 83)

Rev. Gene Phillips, and members of the Indianapolis, Indiana First Church of the Nazarene, made possible the money to have this house trailer built in Argentina in 1946. It has been the means of evangelizing many new places, and has been used as temporary pastor's living quarters where some new works have been opened.

August 1, 1946 PIRAN STREET CHURCH ORGANIZED

A new church was organized at 5978 Pirán Street in Buenos Aires on August 1, 1946 with 13 members, under the pastoral ministry of Rev. and Mrs. Antonio López.

April 16, 1946 REV. THOMAS A. AINSCOUGH NAMED AS NEW MISSIONARY TO ARGENTINA

March of 1947 (Photo Nº 117, p. 84) A NEW ANNEX BIBLE SCHOOL STARTED IN ROSARIO

Picture of the new Bible Training School Annex and a fine group of students enrolled at Rosario, Santa Fe Province, our second missionary center of the work. It was opened at our 3 de febrero 13 property in March 1947, by Rev. Thomas A. Ainscough with ten students enrolled. Rev. Ainscough is seated at the center in the first row. He had been with our church since 1936, and was named missionary in charge of the Rosario area in 1946. Classes were conducted with folding tables. This was the first annex opened from our Central Bible Training School in Buenos Aires. From this group have come several christian workers. At left side of front row is Rev. Francisco Fiorenza, nazarene minister from a sister denomination in 1953. Second from left is Rev. Alejandro Medina, newly elected National District Superintendent, saved under Rev. Ainscough's ministry at Rosario. Seated at left of Rev. Ainscough is Rev. Félix Cabrera, ordained minister at the Villa Soldati Church in Buenos Aires. Third from the left in the back row is Miss Cesárea Perucho, now the second Mrs. Juan Ianni, after Rev. Ianni lost his wife in 1953.

June 16, 1946 A NEW CHURCH ORGANIZED IN ALBERDI SECTION OF ROSARIO

The Alberdi, Rosario Church was organized at 1189 Matheu Street on June 16, 1946, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pascual Reina, with ten members, under the pastoral ministry of Rev. José Armagno. This was the former La Florida work started by Rev. Ainscough and Mr. Walter Holland in 1934.

March 3, 1947 (Photo Nº 118, p. 85) FOURTH NEW CHURCH BUILDING DEDICATED IN MERLO

On March 3, 1947, a new church building was dedicated under the sacrificial ministry of Rev. and Mrs. Natalio Costa. Doña Juana de Bertinotto was the first convert in Merlo. Merlo church was organized April 28, 1932 with nine members and five probationers. Don Apolinario Zoroastro, charter member at Merlo, gave three sons as nazarene ordained ministers from Merlo Church: Salvador, Angel and Carlos Zoroastro. Rev. and Mrs. David López returned to pastor Merlo in 1953. Rev. López died September 30, 1961. Mrs. López has continued to pastor the church until the present time. Picture shows a Sunday School group taken in front of Merlo Church in 1969 with Mrs. López.

MRS. SOLEDAD QINTANA DE LÓPEZ (Photo Nº 119, p. 85)

Rev. Mrs. Soledad Q. de López was a single lady Co-pastor in Merlo with Miss Lucía Carmen García in 1927. She graduated from the Christian Worker's Course in 1928. She was married to Rev. David López. She was one of the first four ordained elders in our church by Dr. J. B. Chapman on June 13, 1931. She is a veteran pastor at Merlo Church.

April 15-18, 1947 (Photo Nº 120, p. 86) DR. HARDY C. POWERS VISITS ARGENTINA

From April 15-18, 1947, Dr. Hardy C. Powers was the fourth General Superintendent to visit Argentina. Dr. Powers stands at left side of first row with briefcase in his hand. The picture was taken at Luján with national workers and missionaries on April 17th. Dr. Powers spoke to the Bible School Stud-

ents and Faculty at Donato Alvarez on April 15th. He preached in a public service at Donato Alvarez Church on April 16th and visited the Calle Italia Church in Rosario on April 18th. His visit was short but a blessing to many nazarene brethren.

CENTRAL BIBLE SCHOOL QUARTET IN 1946 (Photo Nº 121, p. 87)

From left to right: Rev. José Rogelio Palacios, now pastoring a Mennonite congregation in La Plata; Rev. José E. Antón, Field Leader for the Brethren Church, who lives with his family in Bernal section of greater Buenos Aires, Mr. Eduardo Ostalaza, who passed away March 15, 1971 and Rev. Juan Zani, pastor of Terrero Street Central Church in Buenos Aires since 1971, and President of the Argentina National Nazarene Church Association, our legal church representative organization.

April 20, 1947 (Photo Nº 122, p. 87) **NEW CHURCH DEDICATED AT VILLA BALLESTER**

On April 20, 1947, a new church building was dedicated under the pastorate of Rev. Antonio López. It was built with a special gift from the Lima, Ohio First Church of the Nazarene. Picture was taken of church building and congregation in 1969. Rev. and Mrs. Vicente Bustos, pastors in 1969, are standing at the center in the third row, in front of church door. They pastored from 1965-1969. Dr. and Mrs. Alberto Eduardo Ainscough have pastored in Villa Ballester since March 1970-1972. A number of secondary and university students attend Villa Ballester Church.

March 7, 1947 (Photo Nº 123, p. 88) **NAZARENE REST HOME PURCHASED BY NATIONAL CHURCH**

The Nazarene Rest Home for Retired Christians, which contains 23,762 square meters of land, and the former home site of Mr. Antonio del Bianco, veteran nazarene layman at San Antonio de Areco Church, was purchased by the national church for an Old Folk's Home. On March 7, 1947, the First Board of Directors was elected. Rev. José Armagno was elected first Director. Other official members were: *Vice President:* Rev. Antonio López; *Secretary:* Mrs. Hortensia G. de García; *Treasurer:* Mr. Pablo Grant; *Assistant Treasurer:* Rev. Amadeo García. The purchase was approved by the National Church Association on December 20, 1946. Picture shows the foliage and white washed trees, in front of the home purchased at San Antonio de Areco in 1947.

1947-1964 (Photo Nº 124, p. 89) **DON ENRIQUE AND DOÑA MARTINA DE BORTOLAMEDI**

Picture of don Enrique and doña Martina de Bortolamedi, faithful administrators and caretakers of the Nazarene Rest Home in San Antonio de Areco from 1947-1964, or for seventeen years. They were the ones who had been so interested in helping secure funds to make the project possible. Picture was taken after their retirement. in 1969. Doña Martina passed to her heavenly reward on December 24, 1970 in San Antonio de Areco. They planted crops, had a garden, raised chickens, had bee hives for honey, and took care of a number of veteran nazarene aged believers during those early days.

August 15, 1947 (Photo Nº 125, p. 89) **OFFICIAL INAUGURATION OF NAZARENE REST HOME**

On August 15, 1947, the Nazarene Rest Home in San Antonio de Areco was officially inaugurated, with a large group attending. October 12th, is the

annual traditional district picnic date at San Antonio de Areco. Scores of cars, trucks and special rented busses bring over a thousand people for the occasion yearly. Picture shows a devotional service being conducted by loud speaker. In 1949, an enlarged development program began, and now San Antonio de Areco has become our District Camp and Retreat Center.

September 20, 1947 FIFTH NEW CHURCH BUILDING DEDICATED AT CASTELAR

On September 20, 1947, a new church building was dedicated at 737 Espronceda Street in Castelar, under the pastoral ministry of Rev. Juan Ianni. Rev. Ianni pastored at Castelar from March 1944 to March 1958 and from March 1965 to March 1968.

December 16, 1967 (Photo Nº 126, p. 90) WEDDING BELLS RING FOR A NEW PASTOR

On December 16, 1967, Rev. Carlos Hugo Fernández, third generation nazarene from Villa Ballester Church, was married to Miss Noemí Zani, also a third generation nazarene from Victoria. Noemí is a public school teacher and former Bible School Secretary. Picture of Rev. and Mrs. Fernández was taken after their wedding. They have pastored the Castelar Church since March of 1968. Carlos was ordained on March 6, 1970 by Dr. George Coulter. He graduated from Bible School on November 30, 1968.

CHURCH AND CONGREGATION AT CASTELAR IN 1969 (Photo Nº 127, p. 90)

The Castelar Church was started July 9, 1928 with services conducted in the home of Mrs. María de Rodríguez, and was organized in 1934 with seven members, whose names were given by Mrs. Lucía Carmen García de Costa, pastor at the time the church was organized.

September 10, 1947 REV. AND MRS. RONALD DENTON ARRIVE IN ARGENTINA

On September 10, 1947, Rev. Ronald and Sarah Denton and son, Ronald Jr., arrived in Argentina from Bolivia to reenforce our missionary personnel staff.

November, 1947 (Photo Nº 128, p. 91) DR. HARVEY S. GALLOWAY VISITS ARGENTINA

Dr. Harvey S. Galloway, District Superintendent of Central Ohio District, spoke during the annual Pastors' Retreat at 965 Terrero Street property. Dr. Galloway is seated at the left side in the front row, with Rev. John Cochran, District Superintendent and member of Dr. Galloway's District. Picture was taken with national workers and missionaries present for the retreat.

October 12, 1968 (Photo Nº 129, p. 91) MRS. HARVEY S. GALLOWAY IN ARGENTINA

Mrs. Harvey S. Galloway at left and Mrs. Cochran at right. Picture was taken in front of the San Antonio de Areco house during the annual District Picnic at the District Center, in 1968. Dr. and Mrs. Harvey S. Galloway visited Argentina during October 1968. Both took part in the annual Pastor's Retreat held at Buenos Aires Central Church. They also visited our Churches at Pirán Street in Buenos Aires, Terrero Central Church, Bahía Blanca and Formosa. They spent three weeks in Argentina. Their great district has given many generous offerings for buildings and other field projects for many years.

June, 1946 (Photo Nº 130, p. 91) FIRST DISTRICT YOUTH PERIODICAL
PUBLISHED IN ARGENTINA

At the left is an issue of *JUVENTUD NAZARENA* or *NAZARENE YOUTH*, our first printed district youth periodical, begun by District President, Miss María Ofelia Castiglioni (de Zoroastro), in 1946. It was printed with our small printing press at Donato Alvarez 880 Street in Buenos Aires. It was a quarterly youth publication until the printing press was sold in 1955. Picture at right side, shows a propaganda poster prepared to advertise our Third Youth Camp to be held at Oliveros, Santa Fe Province in 1959.

June 26, 1948 (Photo Nº 131, p. 92) NEW CHURCH DEDICATED AT SAN
ANTONIO DE ARECO

On June 26, 1948, a new church building was dedicated at San Antonio de Areco, under the ministry of Rev. José Armagno. Picture of congregation and church building in 1969, under the ministry of Rev. and Mrs. Orlando Arana.

REV. ORLANDO AND JOSEFINA ALBERDI DE ARANA (Photo Nº 132, p. 92)

Rev. and Mrs. Orlando Arana pastored at San Antonio de Areco from 1962-1972. In March 1972, they were named to Luján Church. Orlando graduated from the Bible School and was ordained by Dr. Hardy C. Powers on October 11, 1966. Mrs. Arana has been District Missionary Treasurer for many years.

November 28, 1948 (Photo Nº 133, p. 93) CENTRAL BIBLE SCHOOL
GRADUATES IN 1948

On November 28, 1948, these three young people graduated from the four year theological course at Donato Alvarez Central Bible School. Rev. and Mrs. Spurgeon Hendrix were directors. From left to right are Miss Lucía Savoca (de Palacios), Rev. Juan José Zaní and Miss Julia Kopp.

January of 1949 (Photo Nº 134, p. 93) DR. SAMUEL YOUNG VISITS
ARGENTINA

Dr. Samuel Young, fifth General Superintendent to visit Argentina, arrived at the Morón International Airport. He is standing in the first row, with hat in his hand. The Mission Council members and families met him at the airport. He spent one day with the Council, spoke during an afternoon session to the National Workers and had a public night service. His visit was to guide us in the opening of a new work at Montevideo, Uruguay.

January 16, 1949 (Photo Nº 135, p. 94) THE DENTON FAMILY ASSIGNED TO
URUGUAY

Picture of Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Denton and son, Ronald Jr., newly appointed missionary couple to open work for the Church of the Nazarene in Montevideo, Uruguay. They moved from Argentina to take residency at 14 de Julio 1377 Street in a rented home located in Pocitos section of Montevideo. On January 16, 1949, they conducted the first public service in their home with sixteen present. Mr. Salvador Cipriano Ramos was converted a short time later. Ronald rode his bicycle evangelizing in Pocitos community. They worked hard to start the work in Uruguay. We now had another baby congregation in Uruguay, united with Argentina District.

February 17, 1962 (Photo Nº 136, p. 94) NEW CHURCH BUILDING IN
MONTEVIDEO

The Pocitos church congregation was organized on February 17, 1952,

under the pastoral ministry of Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Denton. This new church was dedicated at 14 de Julio 1377. It was the new Central Church located in the Pocitos area of Montevideo, Uruguay for our Uruguayan Nazarenes and our first church building built in Uruguay.

January 23, 1949 (Photo Nº 137, p. 94) NEW ORGANIZED CHURCH IN
CAPITAN SARMIENTO

Following a tent campaign conducted in Capitán Sarmiento in January 1943, a small room was rented at 602 Rivadavia Street. The church was organized January 23, 1949 with twelve members. Picture was taken during 1949. Rev. José Armagno, pastor, is the first to the right in second row.

February 26 - March 15, 1949 (Photo Nº 138, p. 95) VISIT OF REV GLENN
GRIFFITH

Picture was taken during the series of annual conventions and District Assembly, held under the large tent pitched at the back of our 956 Terrero Street property in Buenos Aires. Our buildings were all too small to accommodate the district attendance. We were privileged to have Rev. Glenn Griffith, District Superintendent of the Idaho-Oregon District, as visiting speaker from the States. Here is part of the crowd present. This large tent was used until Terrero Street Central Church was constructed.

March of 1950 (Photo Nº 139, p. 95) SOME NATIONAL WORKERS' CHILDREN
IN 1950

First row, right to left, are Noemí Zani, Mario Zani, Marta Laiacona, Roque Suárez, Miguel Zoroastro, Norberto Ianni. Second row, left to right, are Mrs. Matilde López de Remoardi, holding Norma Lagraña, Miss Isabel Marmorato, Miss Ruth Armagno and Dr. Rodolfo Suárez. There are four public school teachers from this group now, a medical doctor, an assistant director of a protestant elementary school in Buenos Aires, a music professor at Nazarene Bible School, a nazarene pastor, two who married nazarene pastors, and others who have followed other careers. God bless our National Workers' children.

March 10, 1950 (Photo Nº 140, p. 96) DR. LUCIA CARMEN GARCIA DE COSTA
AND HUSBAND

The XXVIII District Assembly congratulates Dr. Lucía Carmen García de Costa, first Nazarene to finish her Ph.D. Degree, in Hebrew, Greek and Classical Languages, at the Buenos Aires University. She finished with highest honors, among the thousands of students enrolled at the university. She also pastored the Conde Street Church, with her husband, while she studied. Congratulations, Dr. Lucía de Costa.

May 25, 1950 (Photo Nº 141, p. 96) REV. LESTER AND VENETA JOHNSTON

Picture of Rev. and Mrs. Lester Johnston, missionary pastors in charge of the Rosario area in 1950. A lovely new church and parsonage was built on a 12.50 X 50 Meter Lot, at 757 Godoy Street in Alberdi, Rosario. It was dedicated May 25, 1950 under their pastoral ministry. They also pastored the Ludueña, Rosario Church.

ALBERDI, ROSARIO CHURCH AND CONGREGATION IN 1966 (Photo Nº 142,
p. 97, first picture)

This picture shows the Alberdi, Rosario church building and congregation in 1966, during the pastoral ministry of Rev. Donald and Lucy Crenshaw. Rev. Crenshaw stands at left side of door entrance and Mrs. Crenshaw in front of

the door in last row. Rev. and Mrs. Donald Crenshaw arrived in Buenos Aires on July 6, 1962, and were sent to Rosario in 1963. Mrs. Gregoría Giménez, veteran nazarene from Moreno Street Mission in Rosario, stands with church periodical in her hands. Behind her stand Horacio Celebrone, Enrique Celebrone and María Celebrone, first veteran converts in La Florida congregation, which later became the Alberdi congregation organized on June 16, 1946 at the Reina home.

November 11, 1950 (Photo Nº 143, p. 97) **NEW CHURCH DEDICATED AT MORON**

Picture of the new church dedicated at Morón on November 11, 1950, under the pastorate of Mrs. Marie Cochran. The church at Morón was organized September 14, 1940 with twelve members. Picture was taken of church and congregation in 1969 with Rev. Juan Ianni as pastor.

REV. AND MRS. JUAN IANNI (Photo Nº 144, p. 97)

Rev. Juan and Cesárea Perucho de Ianni. Rev. Juan Ianni pastored at Morón Church three times. His last pastorate was from 1965-1972. Rev. Ianni took retirement from full time service in March 1972. They live at 1420 Conde Street parsonage in Buenos Aires. Rev. and Mrs. David Mastronardi became student helpers with the Ianni's at the Conde Street Church on April 6, 1972. God bless another veteran minister since 1935.

December 11-20, 1950 (Photo Nº 145, p. 98) **A TEN DAY EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN**

From December 11-20, 1950, a well prepared evangelistic and religious literature selling campaign was conducted. Three automobiles and the small trailer with sleeping quarters for six people, donated by the Indianapolis, Indiana First Church of the Nazarene, were used by Rev. John Cochran, Rev. López, Rev. Juan Ianni, Rev. Juan José Zani, Rev. José Armagno and Rev. Francisco Laiacona. They evangelized from Luján to San Antonio de Areco, in all the country side and villages and towns. With the use of a loud speaking system, Gospel hymns were played, announcements and invitations were given, and the campaign resulted in 111 Bibles, 244 New Testaments, 876 Gospel Portions, 1,231 books and thousands of tracts and church periodicals sold or given to the people. Gospel seeds were planted in hundreds of hungry souls.

March 4-16, 1951 (Photo Nº 146, p. 98) **DR. CHARLES A. GIBSON VISITS ARGENTINA**

Picture of Dr. Charles A. Gibson, District Superintendent of the Wisconsin District and former District Superintendent of Rev. and Mrs. John Cochran on the Ohio District, visited Argentina during the annual Holiness Convention and District Conventions, as well as the District Assembly, from March 4-16, 1951. This is the only documentary pictured used in the book for 1951. Dr. Gibson, second from left side of picture was met at Ezeiza International Airport by several missionary men and some of the children.

REV. ANGEL AND VIRGINIA STEIN DE ZOROASTRO (Photo Nº 147, p. 99)

Rev. and Mrs. Angel Zoroastro pastored the Moreno Church from 1946-1956. They also held services in La Reja, Francisco Alvarez and General Rodríguez. Both graduated from the theological course at the Bible School in 1944. Rev. Zoroastro was ordained on March 26, 1954 by Dr. G. B. Williamson.

February 23, 1952 (Photo Nº 148, p. 99) NEW CHURCH ORGANIZED AND DEDICATED AT MORENO

On February 23, 1952 the lovely new church sanctuary was dedicated at 736 Carlos Pellegrini Street in Moreno, Buenos Aires Province, under the pastoral ministry of Rev. Angel Zoroastro. Also, according to their local church minutes, the local church was organized that same day with fourteen charter members.

May of 1952 (Photo 149, p. 99) REV. JOHN COCHRAN RECEIVES AN HONORARY DOCTORATE DEGREE

On May 23, 1952, Rev. John Aubrey Cochran, Argentina Field Superintendent since 1939, was honored by a conferred Doctor in Divinity Degree from Olivet Nazarene College, at Kankakee, Illinois. His vision and years of fruitful District Leadership received special recognition at this time. Dr. Cochran, standing with cap and gown at the left, is accompanied by Dr. W. E. Albea. Congratulations, Dr. John Aubrey Cochran.

June 21, 1952 (Photo Nº 150, p. 100) NEW ALABASTER CHURCH BUILDING IN ITUZAINGO

The new church building in Ituzaingó, Buenos Aires Province, was dedicated on June 21, 1952, under the pastoral ministry of Rev. and Mrs. Vicente Bustos. Miss Dorothy Ahleman began a building fund in 1947, during her pastorate from 1947-1949. Miss María Luisa García gave her entire extra months' salary and Christmas bonus, for the building fund. A poor Spanish lady named doña Francisca de Arteaga, collected \$36.00 pesos in twenty cents pieces in a clay bank for the building fund. A small miniature church with electric light was used to leave about \$4,000 pesos in the fund when Miss Ahleman had her first furlough in the States in December 1949. Miss García donated the church lot on March 15, 1951. Picture shows the new church built with Alabaster Funds, together with the congregation in 1969, under the pastoral ministry of Rev. Leopoldo Lagraña.

REV. AND MRS. LEOPOLDO LAGRAÑA (Photo Nº 151, p. 100)

Rev. Leopoldo Lagraña and wife, the former Angela Ortíz, pastored in Ituzaingó and San Miguel from 1963-1970. Leopoldo graduated from Bible School in 1949. He retired in 1970, but continues to live at San Miguel and pastors the church there.

March 13, 1953 (Photo Nº 152, p. 101) DR. PAUL UPDIKE VISITS ARGENTINA - REV. AND MRS. ANTONIO LOPEZ RETIRE FROM ACTIVE MINISTRY

From March 1-13, 1953, Dr. Paul Updike, District Superintendent of North-east Indiana District, was special speaker for the annual conventions and District Assembly. Dr. Updike, seated at right side of pulpit by Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix, listens to words spoken to District Assembly attendance by Rev. Antonio López, first Argentina veteran national worker to retire from active ministry in 1953, due to his wife's health. A farewell service was given for Rev. Antonio López and wife on March 13, 1953. Mrs. María de López, sits to the right behind her husband on the platform. Don Juan Manuele presented them a gift from Argentina Nazarenes. Dr. Paul Uudike, Chairman of the Department of World Missions, spoke words in behalf of the General Church. Rev. López lost his wife August 21, 1953, when she went to her heavenly reward; but he still continues to preach the Gospel in our local churches in the Greater Buenos Aires area. He reads his small New Testament without glasses. He is a real church veteran warrior of the Lord. He is retired

in name only, but active for the Lord daily. God bless don Antonio López, who started full time pastoring in our church in 1925.

March 11, 1953 A NEW DAY FOR CHURCH EXTENSION INAUGURATED
IN ARGENTINA

On March 11, 1953, the first couple of Argentine National Workers were named by the District Missionary Society to open a third missionary area in Tucumán Province in Northwestern Argentina. San Miguel de Tucumán, capital city of Tucumán Province, is 714 miles from Buenos Aires. In 1936, this city had 136,000 population, compared to 310,000 in 1972. There are 562,000 people in Tucumán Province. This province is famous for its sugar cane, citrus fruits, grain and cattle raising. Dr. Lucía de Costa received her monthly salary from the District Missionary Society. On March 23, 1953, they were given a farewell service at Conde Street Church in Buenos Aires. They were presented with a large electric fan for the hot weather in Tucumán.

May 16, 1953 (Photo Nº 153, p. 101) TRAILER PARSONAGE AND CHURCH
SITE EN TUCUMAN

On May 16, 1953, Rev. and Mrs. Natalio Costa arrived in Tucumán, after having left Buenos Aires on May 1st. Dr. Cochran's old Chevrolet car pulled two tons of weight. He pulled the house trailer to Tucumán. This small trailer was placed on a vacant lot on Mexico Street in the Villa Urquiza area of Tucumán. Picture shows the Costas and Dr. Cochran standing in front of the trailer parsonage and church meeting center, to begin the work in Tucumán.

May 23, 1953 FIRST NAZARENE SERVICE CONDUCTED IN TRAILER AT
TUCUMAN

On May, 23, 1953, the first public church service was conducted in their trailer home with three intermediates present. They were three brothers and sisters named Hugo, Nilda and Rubén Martínez, present during a Sunday morning service. The Costas started visiting the Villa Urquiza neighborhood May 20th. All three of these young people became converted within a short time and helped as Sunday School workers in Tucumán. They are all present in the next picture shown when the author visited Tucumán in September of 1956.

December, 1954 (Photo Nº 154, p. 101) NEW CHAPEL DEDICATED IN
TUCUMAN

A church lot was bought by the Argentina District Missionary Society. Dr. Harvey S. Galloway and the Central Ohio Nazarenes, made possible the purchase of materials and the building of this prefabricated Chapel at San Miguel de Tucumán. It is located at 1850 Catamarca in Villa Urquiza section of Tucumán. The church was dedicated during December 1954 and organized with thirteen members. Picture shows congregation in 1956.

Rev. Natalio Costa and wife visited every city block in Tucumán, with its 251,000 population in 1953. Daily, he used a city map, marking with a red pencil every city block, every apartment house, every building, every public office, business house or government office, and kept an accurate visitation yearly record. During the first District Assembly report in 1954, the Costas had sold 1,053 Bibles, 600 New Testaments, 8,000 Gospel Portions and passed out 80,000 Gospel tracts in Tucumán and surrounding areas. By the end of 1954, their colportage work and evangelistic ministry in Northwestern Argentina had reached out to Esteban Echeverría Community, some eighty city blocks from the Villa Urquiza work in Tucumán, and also to Famaillá in Tucumán Province. They had also done colportage work in the three neighboring ca-

pital cities of three provinces, or in the cities of Santiago del Estero, Salta and San Salvador de Jujuy. God gave them a number of fine secondary students at the Villa Urquiza, Tucumán Church.

August 21, 1953 (Photo Nº 155, p. 102) DOÑA MARIA DE LOPEZ CALLED TO HEAVENLY HOME

On August 21, 1953, we lost our first national pastor's wife, Mrs. Antonio López. Doña María G. de López had been a faithful national worker with her husband in our church since 1925. Don Antonio López had retired in March of 1953, because of her health, but only a few months passed until she went to her heavenly home. Her life and influence continue to live on through her husband, who continues preaching in 1972.

September 23, 1953 (Photo Nº 156, p. 102) DOÑA MARIA LUISA DE IANNI PASSES AWAY

On September 23, 1953, Mrs. María Luisa Grisafi de Ianni, wife of our Castelar Church pastor, and a spiritual daughter of doña María de López in Behring Street Church in Buenos Aires, was called to her heavenly reward. She was the second lady national worker to pass away. She graduated from the Christian Worker's Course at Gaona Avenue in 1936, and was ordained on January 25, 1939 by Dr. J. W. Montgomery, who had been officially authorized by the General Church Officers in the States to have ordination service.

REV. AND MRS. ANTONIO LOPEZ (Photo Nº 157, p. 102)

Picture of Rev. Antonio and doña María de López, taken during their last pastorate at the 5978 Pirán Street Church in Buenos Aires, from 1946-1953.

FIRST DISTRICT YOUTH SACRED MUSIC FESTIVAL

August 31, 1953

On August 31, 1953, the First Argentina District Youth Sacred Music Festival was presented under the supervision of Rev. Ismael E. Amaya, District N.Y.P.S. President, and Mrs. Veneta Johnston, District Choir Leader. A large crowd was present at the Donato Alvarez Church, with many people standing outside on the public sidewalk.

August 31, 1953 (Photo Nº 158, p. 103) DISTRICT MIXED QUARTET

The District Mixed Quartet, composed of Tito Bisignano, Ruth Armargno, Ana Bisignano and Josué Mastronardi, members of our Pirán Street congregation in 1953. They were publicly presented by Mrs. Johnston for the first time during the Sacred Music Festival.

August 31, 1953 (Photo Nº 159, p. 103) DISTRICT MALE QUARTET

District Male Quartet, composed of Mario D'Alessandro, Vicente Longo, Ismael E. Amaya and Luis Palacios. They also were publicly introduced at the First Sacred Music Festival, Mrs. Johnston worked hard to organize the quartets for district occasions.

August 31, 1953 (Photo Nº 160, p. 104) DISTRICT YOUTH CHOIR

Mrs. Veneta Johnston directing the District Youth Choir in the Sacred Music Festival. This is an annual traditional event with special music, drawings, poetry, instrumental numbers, singing and other special numbers prepared by the local churches. It is held each Spring with overflowing crowds of youth present from the district.

December 26, 1953 (Photo Nº 161, p. 104) **A CONVERTED GANGSTER
BECOMES A MINISTER**

Picture of José Avellaneda, known as "*Pibe Avellaneda*", to many in Rosario. He is a converted gangster. He was a well known professional juvenile delinquent, and nationally known professional gangster from Santa Fe Province. He had served seven different prison terms across Argentina. According to his personal testimony, written for the author in November of 1956, he had spent almost twenty years living this type of life and breaking the law in several different provinces. His last jail term was on January 4, 1946 in Rosario Prison. A student prisoner named Martínez, offered him a New Testament in 1950. An elderly man, who wrote to prisoners, gave him a copy of the Bible, marking Scripture portions. After reading the Bible for several days, José knelt by his prison bed side, where he spent a long period of time praying, weeping and confessing his sins and was saved. He was delivered from many pre-meditated crimes, and was visited by evangelical pastors, among them, Rev. Francisco Laiacona, nazarene pastor at the Calle Italia Church in Rosario. On December 26, 1953, José Avellaneda was baptized at the Alberdi, Rosario Church baptistry by Rev. Laiacona and received into membership at the Calle Italia Church. After fourteen years spent in seven different prisons and jails, he was freed and he became a Gospel Minister. He and his wife are now pastoring in a sister denomination at Lanús, a suburban area of Buenos Aires. They both are also actively engaged in working among prisoners to win them to the Lord.

REV. FRANCISCO AND ANGELICA DE LAIACONA (Photo Nº 162, p. 104)

Rev. Francisco Laiacona has preached in our church since 1943. He graduated from the Bible School in Buenos Aires on November 8, 1947. He was in charge of the Bookstore for ten years. Mrs. Laiacona graduated from the Bible School November 8, 1947 from the District Deaconess Course. Rev. Laiacona was ordained by Dr. G. B. Williamson March 26, 1954. They pastored in Rosario from 1950-1955. They pastored in Villa Ballester and Chilavert from 1963-1966. Rev. Laiacona and family are living in the United States. He is pastoring at Stamford, Connecticut, on the East Latin American District. Mrs. Laiacona has been District Missionary President for several years. Her district sent a fine fiftieth anniversary donation, for the purchase of a lovely set of reception chairs, a comfortable lounge and some small tables, which form a reception center for guests and Bible School Students in the Dining Hall of the Central Bible Training School. Thank you for this lovely set made possible by your district.

March 22-26, 1954 (Photo Nº 163, p. 105) **DR. G. B. WILLIAMSON VISITS
ARGENTINA**

Picture of Dr. Gideon B. Williamson, sixth General Superintendent, to visit us. He was present for District Assembly. On March 26, 1954, Dr. Williamson ordained five new elders: Rev. Francisco Laiacona, Rev. Salvador Zoroastro, Rev. Angel Zoroastro, Rev. Juan Zani and Rev. Alejandro Medina. His rich ministry was much appreciated.

March - September, 1954 (Photo Nº 164, p. 106) **NEW CHURCH DEDICATED
IN CHILAVERT**

Picture of new church building dedicated in Chilavert, where Rev. Ismael E. Amaya had pastored from 1953-1954, when the building program was in progress. The Chilavert church was organized with 17 members on January

24, 1952, under the ministry of Rev. and Mrs. Alejandro Medina. Rev. Amaya went to the States to study at Pasadena Nazarene College. Rev. Vicente Bustos became pastor at Chilavert in 1954. Picture shows church building and congregation in 1969 with Rev. and Mrs. Rogelio Fernández, student helpers of Rev. Alejandro Medina in Chilavert Church.

REV. AND MRS. ROGELIO FERNANDEZ (Photo Nº 165, p. 106)

Rev. Fernández graduated from Bible School November 28, 1970. He became a full time pastor at Chilavert in March, 1970. His wife, Martha D'Alessandro, graduated from the Christian Worker's Course at the Bible School November 29, 1969. They have pastored in Chilavert from 1969-1972. April 16, 1972 was their first Sunday as pastors at the Morón Church in suburban Buenos Aires. Rogelio has been District Young People's Society President from 1970-1972. Martha was Bible School Secretary during 1969-1970.

September 2, 1954 (Photo Nº 166, p. 106) **PIRAN STREET CHURCH CHOIR**

On September 2, 1954, the group of nazarenes worshipping in the hall located at 3172 Andonaegui Street, Buenos Aires, and in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sadi Moro, united with Pirán Street congregation. This is the good youth choir formed of young people from Pirán and Andonaegui church groups into the Pirán Street Choir. It was directed by Mrs. Irma de Palacios. Rev. José Armagno had pastored both groups which now became one church group.

September 1, 1954 (Photo Nº 167, p. 107) **PIRAN CHURCH AND CONGREGATION**

On September 1, 1954, the Pirán Street Church was dedicated under the ministry of Rev. José Armagno. This picture shows the Pirán Church building and congregation taken in 1969, under the pastorate of Rev. Vicente Bustos. Rev. Bustos stands at left side.

REV. AND MRS. VICENTE BUSTOS (Photo Nº 168, p. 107)

Rev. Vicente and Victoria del Bianco de Bustos, pastored the Pirán Street Church in Buenos Aires from 1968-1970. Rev. Bustos graduated from Bible School November 27, 1954, and was ordained by Dr. G. B. Williamson, November 14, 1957. He was President of the Nazarena Church Association from 1968-1970, District N.Y.P.S. President, District Evangelist, a member of the Federation of Evangelical Churches and other interdenominational work.

October 20, 1954 (Photo Nº 169, p. 108) **PABLO GRANT GOES TO BE WITH THE LORD**

On October 20, 1954, Pablo Grant, unexpectedly was called to his heavenly home. Pablo was an outstanding layman at Donato Alvarez Church. He was married. He served on many district committees and was active in the local church. He was a true example of a dedicated young nazarene layman whose life and labours of love continue to live on for all of us who knew him personally. God bless his family.

November , 1954 (Photo Nº 170, p. 108) **NEW CHAPEL AT LA FLORIDA SECTION OF ROSARIO**

Rev. Salvador Zoroastro, pastor of the Alberdi, Rosario Church, gathered with his people to dedicate the pre-fabricated chapel set up in the La Florida Section of Rosario. It was an annex of the Alberdi Church and was dedicated in November of 1954. Don Pedro Babaja lived in a small pre-

fabricated room at the back of the church lot. This annex was discontinued in 1969.

REV. AND MRS. CARLOS ZOROASTRO (Photo Nº 171, p. 108)

Rev. Carlos and Aida Ponce de Zoroastro, pastored at the Villa Urquiza Church in San Miguel de Tucumán, from 1960-1970. From 1970-1972, they have pastored the Pirán Street Church in Buenos Aires. Rev. Zoroastro was District Secretary during 1970-1971. He is District Treasurer and Treasurer for the Church Association during 1972. Rev. Zoroastro attended the annex at Esteban Echeverría and Tafi Viejo in Tucumán Province. Carlos graduated from Bible School in 1953 and was ordained by Dr. G. B. Williamson November 14, 1957.

*VILLA URQUIZA CONGREGATION AT TUCUMAN IN 1969 (Photo Nº 172, p. 109)
PRE-FABRICATED CHAPEL AT VILLA URQUIZA IN TUCUMAN (Photo Nº 173
p. 109)*

*March 1955-1970 (Photo Nº 174, p. 109) REV. JOSE DI PIETRO - OUR
DISTRICT EVANGELIST*

Rev. José Di Pietro, was District Evangelist from March of 1955 - March 1970, when poor health forced him to limit his activities. He has had a very fruitful evangelistic ministry in the local churches over the district and local evangelistic campaigns, and has traveled all over the District. Little did we all realize that District Assembly time during March, 1972 would be his last time to be with us. He sat in the Bible School Reception Lounge, in the dining hall during those days, unable to attend the sessions because of failing health. On March 18, 1972, just two weeks from the close of the Assembly, he was called to his heavenly home. His mortal remains were taken to Pirán Street Church and he was buried on Sunday, March 19th. God bless his memory among us.

REV. AND MRS. FRANCISCO FIORENZA (Photo Nº 175, p. 109)

Rev. Francisco and Flora Díaz de Fiorenza pastored the Ituzaingó Church from 1953-1955. They served as District Evangelists from 1955-1957. Francisco graduated from Bible School in 1953 and was ordained November 14, 1957 by Dr. G. B. Williamson. They pastored in Villa Ballester and Chilavert Churches from 1957-1961, in San Fernando, California from 1963-1969, and since August, 1969, they have been working in Cali, Colombia with the Federation of Evangelical Churches. They sent picture and greetings in 1969.

*May 4, 1955 (Photo Nº 176, p. 110) FIRST CONVERT AND MEMBER AT
SANTIAGO DEL ESTERO CHURCH*

On May 4, 1955, a new church work opened in the Province of Santiago del Estero. Don Baltazar Orellana was the first baptized member of the nazarene work there. He was saved under a carob bean tree and baptized May 4, 1955. Santiago del Estero Province is a border province with Tucumán. The capital city is located 630 miles Northwest of Buenos Aires on Mitre Railroad Line. In 1936, its population was 21,000; but in 1972, it had grown to 109,000 and a total of 562,000 in all the province.

Rev. and Mrs. Natalio Costa had held their first service at Santiago del Estero in the Manchur home, in May of 1953, enroute to Tucumán. During 1953-1954, they had traveled by bus and had conducted open air services, while the people sat on logs under the carob bean trees. There was no money to rent a worship place. It was during this time that don Baltazar

Orellana was a poor man, a drunkard, lived with his common law wife and drank deeply the dregs of sin, until he heard the Gospel message in his sister's home. He was saved, stopped drinking, married his concubine, was delivered from all his vices, and became our first baptized nazarene convert and member of the Church of the Nazarene. He saved his money to build his family a comfortable home. He stands at the side of his new home. Don Baltazar became a strong spiritual church pillar in Santiago del Estero.

May 18, 1954 (Photo Nº 177, p. 110) OPEN AIR SERVICES IN SANTIAGO DEL ESTERO

Picture of Rev. and Mrs. Carlos Zoroastro and daughter, Norah. Rev. Carlos and Aida P. de Zoroastro arrived in Santiago del Estero May 18, 1954 to begin their first pastorate. Carlos had graduated from Bible School in November of 1953. He took his bride to this new area to help evangelize Northern Argentina. They lived in a small rented room. Public services and Sunday School were conducted in the open air and under a porch roof in those very difficult months, from 1954-1956. On October 10, 1955, the National Church Association authorized the purchase of a 30 X 40 meter lot at 56 Quinto Pasaje, in the Belgrano Norte Section of Santiago del Estero for \$9,000 pesos. This amount was pledged and paid for by the District Missionary Society, and a small pre-fabricated chapel was erected on the lot. Carlos divided the chapel into two parts. The back half was one room used for living quarters for the Zoroastros and small baby, Norah. Their kitchen was in the open air, under a hot northern sun. Aida cooked over a small charcoal burner and with a small portable kerosene burner for months. On May 25, 1956, the small prefabricated chapel, serving as chapel-parsonage, was dedicated. It was not until 1958 that a new parsonage was built at Santiago del Estero. Carlos and Aida gave six years of sacrificial labours in Santiago del Estero. The church was organized in 1955 with seven members.

March, 1954 (Photo Nº 178, p. 110) NEW ANNEX BIBLE SCHOOL IN URUGUAY

A new annex Bible School was opened in Montevideo, Uruguay with some Bible School classes taught by Rev. and Mrs. Oather K. Perkinson during 1954. They had two ministerial students. From left to right are Mrs. Ruth Perkinson, Rev. Salvador Cipriano Ramos, Rev. David Corvino and Rev. Oather K. Perkinson. Rev. Corvino had already finished his theological work at Buenos Aires Bible Institute, in a sister denomination. He only took some required courses to be ordained in our church. The Perkinsons also pastored the Pocositos Church in Montevideo. This was the second annex Bible School under the Buenos Aires Central Bible Training School.

December 3, 1955 (Photo Nº 179, p. 111) REV. AND MRS. DAVID CORVINO AND FAMILY

Picture of David and Cristina de Corvino, with daughters, Elisabet and Gabriela. Rev. and Mrs. David Corvino pastored at the Curva de Maroñas Church in another section of Montevideo, Uruguay. David had finished his studies in 1952 at the Christian Missionary Alliance Bible School in Buenos Aires. They were the first couple of national workers to enter the work in Uruguay in June of 1953. In 1954, they pastored at Curva de Maroñas Church. David was the first worker to receive his diploma from the Montevideo annex Bible School. He received his diploma on December 3, 1955 in Buenos Aires, given by the Central Bible Training School.

August 21, 1955 (Photo Nº 180, p. 111) **SECOND NEW CHURCH BUILDING
IN URUGUAY**

The Curva de Maroñas Church in Montevideo, Uruguay was organized on August 21, 1955 with ten members at 3010 Smidel Street. This lovely new church building was also under construction at that time and was dedicated under the ministry of Rev. David Corvino. The work was begun by Rev. Ronald Denton who conducted open air services on a vacant lot in front of doña Lucía de Miller's home. Doña Lucía, a poor lady who washed clothes to make a living, first heard the Gospel there. A small room was rented November 6, 1949 for services in this section of Montevideo. One hundred people attended the Christmas Eve service on December 24, 1949. Doña Lucía was saved, opened her home for services; and the church was organized just one block from where services originally were begun. This local congregation was the second nazarene work opened in Montevideo, Uruguay.

May 25, 1956 (Photo Nº 181, p. 111) **NEW CHAPEL DEDICATED IN SANTIAGO
DEL ESTERO**

Picture of the pre-fabricated chapel dedicated May 25, 1956 in Santiago del Estero, under the ministry of Rev. Carlos Zoroastro, the first resident pastor. Santiago del Estero had 101,000 people from 1954-1959. Rev. and Mrs. Félix Cabrera pastored the Santiago del Estero Church from September 1962 - March 1970. In 1970, Rev. Luis Aldo Lemos was given district license and had charge of the work at Santiago del Estero. January 15, 1972 was a historic day for the work in Santiago del Estero. Rev. Lemos brought 45 new members into our work and the two churches there now have 145 members with Rev. Lemos as pastor. During 1972, Rev. Lemos also visited in Catamarca Province, a neighbouring province to Santiago del Estero which has 206,000 population, and is hoping to establish a nazarene work in the capital city of Catamarca which has 99,818 population. He wants to open new works in Lavalle and Clodomira in Santiago del Estero Province. We have no work in Catamarca Province. Welcome, new nazarenes, from Santiago del Estero.

June 24, 1956 (Photo Nº 182, p. 111) **THIRD LADY NATIONAL WORKER GOES
TO HEAVENLY REWARD**

On June 24, 1956, Mrs. Dominga Sánchez de Marino, one of our first national workers since 1925, was called home to be with her Lord. God bless her memory and many labours of love in our church during many years.

CONGREGATION AT SANTIAGO DEL ESTERO IN 1969 (Photo Nº 183, p. 112,
upper picture)

REV. AND MRS. FELIX CABRERA (Photo Nº 184, p. 112)

Rev. Félix and María Ponce de Cabrera pastored at Santiago del Estero from 1962-1969. Rev. Cabrera graduated from Bible School March 4, 1959 and was ordained by Dr. Hardy C. Powers on October 11, 1966. They have pastored the Villa Soldati, Buenos Aires Church with its annexes from 1970-1972.

June 30, 1956 (Photo Nº 185, p. 112) **NEW CHURCH DEDICATED IN
MARTINEZ**

On June 30, 1956, a new church building was dedicated at Martínez in Buenos Aires Province, under the pastoral ministry of Mrs. Lidia Castiglioni de Marmorato. The work in Martínez dates back to the testimony of a nazarene

Italian vegetable peddler named don Tomás D'Ambrossio, who sold vegetables and testified about Christ to his clients. Don Tomás was asked by Mrs. Malvina de Bickel, one of his daily clients, if he had a certain type of vegetable seed for sale. He told her he had a better type of seed to offer her. Don Tomás sewed Gospel Seeds that day in Mrs. Bickel's heart. He gave her a Gospel tract with the Victoria Church address stamped on it. Rev. and Mrs. José Suárez, pastors of Victoria Church, visited her home in May of 1939. A short time later she opened her home for religious services for almost two years. Later, a small room was rented and the church was organized June 15, 1951 with ten members. Then a lot was bought at 1153 Hipólito Irigoyen and the new church built in Martínez. Picture shows a group of Sunday School pupils taken during Mrs. Marmorato's pastorate from 1955-1959.

REV. LIDIA CASTIGLIONI DE MARMAROTO (Photo Nº 186, p. 112)

Mrs. Lidia de Marmorato graduated from Bible School October 11, 1940. She was ordained by Dr. H. V. Miller on March 1, 1945. She was a very active and enthusiastic lady minister until her retirement in 1959 from pastoral work. Picture was taken in 1968.

December 1, 1956 (Photo Nº 187, p. 113) DOÑA FILOMENA DE CASTIGLIONI

On December 1, 1956, doña Filomena de Castiglioni, veteran nazarene convert in 1924 at the Zapiola Street Mission in Buenos Aires, received her diploma from the Bible School. She had finished her District Deaconess Course by Correspondence from the Bible School. Doña Filomena has been an untiring personal worker since her conversion. One year she made 1,200 personal calls for the missionary society. She still is active in personal work in 1972. She has given three daughters for the ministry: Lidia, Victoria and María. God richly bless the personal ministry of doña Filomena during these many years.

February 17, 1957 (Photo Nº 188, p. 113) CHAPEL AT SANTA CATALINA IN VIRREYES

On February 17, 1957, a small pre-fabricated Sunday School chapel was dedicated by the Victoria congregation at Santa Catalina section of Virreyes, on a donated lot of Mr. and Mrs. Luis Eguren. Victoria Church bought the building. It was an annex of Victoria, under the pastoral ministry of Rev. and Mrs. José Suárez. They also had another annex in a home at Don Torcuato.

*CONGREGATION AT MARTINEZ CHURCH IN 1969 (Photo Nº 189, p. 113)
REV. AND MRS. JUAN JOSE ZANI (Photo Nº 190, p. 114)*

Rev. Juan José Zani and wife, the former Elsa Galli, pastors at Martínez Church from 1965-1969. Elsa graduated from Bible School Oct. 30, 1943, and Juan finished November 28, 1948. Rev. Zani was ordained by Dr. G. B. Williamson on March 26, 1954. Mrs. Zani is a licensed minister. Juan is a converted policeman. He has been District N.Y.P.S. President, District Secretary, Director of the District Center at San Antonio de Areco, District Evangelist, Treasurer of the National Church Association from 1959-1971, pastor of Terrero Street Central Church from 1971-1972 and President of the Nazarene Church Association during 1971-1972. Mario Jorge, oldest son of Rev. and Mrs. Zani and a third generation nazarene, finished his theological training at the Bible School, together with his wife, Ana María Luisoni, on November 13, 1971.

He is a second generation ministerial graduate, under the author's teaching ministry during the past twenty five years in Argentina. Miss Ahleman taught both father and son at Central Bible Training School. Rev. Zani's daughter, Noemí, a third generation nazarene, is married to a third generation nazarene pastor at the Castelar Church.

MARTINEZ CHURCH BUILDING AND CONGREGATION IN 1969 (Photo Nº 191, p. 114)

MRS. RAMONA DE AINSCOUGH EVANGELIZES IN CORDOBA DURING 1953
(Photo Nº 192, p. 114)

Picture of Rev. Thomas and Ramona Más de Ainscough, taken in 1968. Mrs. Ainscough lived at the Matienzo Barrio of Córdoba during 1953, while her husband was in England. She visited with her neighbors, invited them to the her home for worship services and was the chief influence in preparing an open door for a nazarene work in the capital city of Córdoba Province. In 1936, the city of Córdoba had 250,000 inhabitants and was known for its nearby lovely mountains, its beautiful city and the university founded in 1613. Córdoba is located 432 miles North of Buenos Aires and is a famous tourist area. It is the third largest city in the nation, with 685,000 population in 1972 and a total of 2,099,000 in all the province. From January 26 - February 8, 1956, Dr. John Cochran, Rev. Alejandro Medina, Rev. Vicente Bustos, Rev. José Di Pietro and Rev. and Mrs. Angel Zoroastro conducted the first tent campaign in the Matienzo section of Córdoba. They made 1,500 personal contacts and handed out 4,000 Gospel tracts. Following the campaign, a good nucleus of believers met at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Angel Zoroastro for one year, while preparations were being made to build church property in Córdoba.

February 10-17, 1956 FIRST YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S CAMP AT CORDOBA

From February 10-17, 1956, the First District Youth and Children's combined Camp was held in Diquecito, Córdoba, following the tent campaign in Matienzo Barrio. There were 29 campers enrolled. There was one small dormitory room for the ladies, no electricity and tent was used for dormitory space for the men and for the dining hall and night services. It was a picturesque mountainous setting with the goats and sheep climbing the sierras daily. Rev. Vicente Bustos was District N.Y.P.S. President. The early morning prayer meeting and living with nature are unforgettable, as well as the classes, messages and recreation program for all present.

January 12, 1957 (Photo Nº 193, p. 115) *NEW CHURCH DEDICATED AND ORGANIZED AT CORDOBA*

Picture shows the pre-fabricated chapel and congregation, during the pastoral ministry of Rev. and Mrs. Salvador Zoroastro. On January 12, 1957, Dr. John Cochran dedicated the new pre-fabricated chapel in Barrio Matienzo, Córdoba, organizing church with fourteen members. Rev. Melvin Wilkinson, Rev. José Suárez and Rev. Thomas Ainscough were present. The lot was loaned by Dr. and Mrs. John Cochran, and the pre-fabricated chapel was a memorial gift given by Mrs. Hugh Clark in memory of her father who was killed in an accident. It was named the "HAPPY JAMES MEMORIAL CHAPEL." Services were continued at Matienzo, Córdoba until a new church building was built in Los Naranjos residential area of Córdoba. In 1970, this memorial chapel was moved to San Juan and now serves in a second province as the church building there.

NEW CHAPELS BUILT IN TUCUMAN PROVINCE

EVANGELIZING IN ACHERAL AND FAMAILLA-TUCUMAN (Photo Nº 194, p. 115)

Picture of Rev. and Mrs. Natalio Costa, who worked in San José de Flores at Acherál, Tucumán Province. Don Timoteo Acosta, a sugar cane worker, was their first convert. They did colportage work with their motor scooter in the sugar cane area surrounding Tucumán. This picture shows them from 1953-1957, as they worked in these different places, as well as in the Villa Urquiza Church at Tucumán. During 1956, they sold 1,050 Bibles and did colportage work among 70,000 people.

FAMAILLA CHAPEL IN TUCUMAN PROVINCE (Photo Nº 195, p. 115)

In 1954 and 1955, the small chapel was built at Famaillá, through the sacrificial giving and labours of love by the Costas and the small group of sugar employees who contributed as they could. This is a seasonal work which lasts during harvest time. The Costas bought the small lot. Little by little, the chapel was built mainly by Don Natalio Costa and some other donated labor.

CHAPEL BUILT AND DEDICATED IN 1957 AT ESTEBAN ECHEVERRIA (Photo Nº 196, p. 116)

Picture of Rev. Natalio Costa standing at chapel entrance in Esteban Echeverría, Tucumán. Esteban Echeverría, Tucumán was evangelized by the Costas in 1955. Services were held two Thursdays per month in the home of Mrs. Rosa de Martínez starting in June, 1955. In October or November 1955, Dr. Cochran and Francisco Fiorenza had a campaign with several people seeking spiritual help. Mrs. Corina de Berón was saved and offered her home twice a month for services. On March 12, 1957, the District Missionary Convention raised \$ 30,000 pesos to help build this small cement block chapel. The Costas bought the lot for \$11,300 pesos in 1956. Don Natalio did much labor on the chapel. It was dedicated September 29, 1957 and the church organized with nine members.

SRA. GENOVEVA G. DE ALBORNOZ AND FAMILY (Photo Nº 197, p. 116)

Mrs. Genoveva G. de Albornoz loaned her home for services in Esteban Echeverría in 1955. She was saved in June 1956, under the ministry of Dr. Cochran. Esteban Echeverría is located some eighty blocks from the Tucumán Villa Urquiza Church. Her daughter, Olga, paralyzed in her legs and left arm, was converted at the house trailer where the Costas lived when they first arrived in Tucumán in 1953. She had to use a wheel chair, with limited use of her right hand; but many pushed her wheel church. She brought the mayor part of 83 children present one Sunday afternoon at the small chapel. She also was the local missionary society president. During 1971, the Infante brothers, two fine nazarene builders from Esteban Echeverría Community, have now completed a lovely new church building which is located at 2651 Delfín Gallo in this same section. The new church was dedicated November 27, 1971, by Rev. Alejandro Medina, Rev. Juan Chumba is pastor since 1970 at Tucumán and its annex groups.

REV. JOSE PALACIOS AND FAMILY (Photo Nº 198, p. 116)

Picture of Rev. José Rogelio Palacios, his wife, Lucía Savoca and the children in 1968. Lucía graduated in 1948 and José in 1955 from the Bible School. They moved to Rosario in 1957 to help Rev. and Mrs. Lester John-

ston at Ludueña Church. He served as pastor in Ludueña from 1958-1961. Rev. Palacios pastored Moreno Church during 1961. He worked as Secretary for the Nazarene Association from 1962-1966.

CONGREGATION AT THE LUDUEÑA CHURCH IN ROSARIO AT 1582 JUNIN STREET (Photo Nº 199, p. 117)

Rev. and Mrs. Lester Johnston pastored the Ludueña congregation the first time from 1948-1950, and lived in the rented church property by the side of a night club. Here are some of their congregation at that time.

May 25, 1957 (Photo Nº 200, p. 117) **NEW CHURCH DEDICATED AT LUDUEÑA IN ROSARIO**

On May 25, 1957, the new church building was dedicated at 1964 Junin Street in Ludueña, Rosario, under the pastoral ministry of Rev. Lester Johnston and Rev. and Mrs. José Palacios as helpers. Picture shows Ludueña church building and congregation in 1969, taken during the pastorate of Rev. Antonio Correa, the third person from right side in the last row. Rev. Correa pastored the Ludueña Church from 1965-1969.

November 16, 1957 (Photo Nº 201, p. 118) **REV. SALVADOR RAMOS FINISHES BIBLE SCHOOL**

On November 16, 1957, Rev. Salvador Cipriano Ramos received his diploma and Bible from Rev. Thomas Ainscough, Bible School Director in Buenos Aires. Rev. Ramos was the first Uruguayan national worker to complete the entire theological course for ministers at the annex Bible School in Montevideo, Uruguay. Dr. G. B. Williamson, General Superintendent, stands behind the pulpit by the side of Dr. John Cochran during the ceremony.

November 12-17, 1957 **DR. HONORATO T. REZA ACCOMPANIES DR. G. B. WILLIAMSON TO ARGENTINA**

Dr. Honorato T. Reza, head of the Spanish Department at Nazarene Publishing House in Kansas City, accompanied Dr. Gideon B. Williamson during his second visit to Argentina from November 12-17, 1957. He was official interpreter for Dr. Williamson and represented the Spanish Department during his visit. On November 14, 1957, Dr. Williamson ordained Rev. Eduardo Fiorenza, Rev. Francisco Fiorenza, Rev. Carlos Zoroastro, Rev. Vicente Bustos and Rev. David Corvino from Uruguay at Castelar Church. Dr. Williamson spoke to the pastors at Victoria Church on November 15th, in the afternoon and Dr. Reza brought the evening message.

NEW WORK OPENED IN VILLA SOLDATI (Photo Nº 202, p. 118) **OPEN AIR SUNDAY SCHOOL**

In 1949, Mrs. Lucía de Costa recognized a blind lady seated at the Lacroze Subway Entrance in Buenos Aires, whom she had known at Colonia Martín Hospital in Itzaingó, some time before. She was selling small articles, and now was living in the underprivileged area of Buenos Aires called Laccarra. Mrs. Costa and Mrs. Verdínelli visited her home. Open air services were held at Villa Soldati during 1951-1952. Mrs. Rosa de Rodríguez helped Lucía in services at a cooking oil factory. In 1953 Villa Soldati became an annex of Donato Alvarez Church. A small prefabricated room was placed on a lot at 3437 Pergamino Street, and open air Sunday School services were conducted. This lot was bought by Villa Soldati group in 1956.

November 17, 1957 **VILLA SOLDATI CHAPEL DEDICATED** (Photo Nº 203, p. 118)
Dr. G. B. Williamson dedicated the new pre-fabricated chapel at Villa

Soldati on November 17, 1957, during a Sunday afternoon service. Mrs. Marie Cochran was pastor. The congregation had good tithers, even though many were from underprivileged homes.

February 26, 1961 VILLA SOLDATI CHURCH ORGANIZED (Photo N^o 204, p. 119)

Villa Soldati Church was organized February 26, 1961 with 22 members, under the pastoral ministry of Mrs. Marie Cochran. Picture shows Sunday School attendance in 1963. Mrs. Cochran stands first from left in the last row.

January 14-25, 1958 SECOND DISTRICT YOUTH CAMP AT OLIVEROS (Photo N^o 205, p. 119)

There were fifty seven campers and workers enrolled at the Second District Youth and Children's Camp held at Oliveros, Santa Fe Province from January 14-25, 1958. Rev. Francisco Fiorenza, District N.Y.P.S. President, was Camp Director. God was with us. There are many familiar faces to those who attended this camp.

EVANGELIZING WESTERN ARGENTINA

March 12, 1957 REV. AND MRS. NATALIO COSTA IN MENDOZA PROVINCE (Photo N^o 206, p. 119)

On March 12, 1957, the District Missionary Convention at Merlo Church, raised \$30,000 pesos to help buy a lot in San José, Guaymallén Section of Mendoza. Rev. and Mrs. Natalio Costa were sent from Tucumán to spearhead opening a nazarene work in Western Argentina. Mendoza province flourishes with vineyards, citrus fruits and other industries. It is rich in natural resources and an international tourist area. The Christ of the Andes, symbol of peace between Argentina and Chile, is in the majestic mountainous area. At that time, the capital city of Mendoza had 134,000 people, which now has increased to 213,000, with 997,000 population in the province. Mendoza became the fourth area of Argentina where we have a center today. Dr. and Mrs. Gale Gough, pastors of Wichita, Kansas First Church of the Nazarene, visited Argentina from April 24-26, 1957. These fine nazarenes sent a special offering which enabled us to build a small pre fabricated chapel and parsonage for the Mendoza work. The Costas stand in front of the new building.

February of 1958 FIRST TENT CAMPAIGN in GUAYMALLEN-MENDOZA (Photo N^o 207, p. 119)

Picture of first group of people who helped during the first tent campaign in San José, Guaymallén, Mendoza. A group did personal work. Others had children's services and there were others working on the new pre fabricated chapel and parsonage at Mendoza. Among the group are Dr. John A. Cochran, Rev. Juan Ianni, Rev. and Mrs. Natalio Costa, Mr. Emilio Veliki, Rev. José Di Pietro, evangelist; Miss Ruth Armagno, soloist; and Rev. Antonio Correa. Other helpers included Mr. and Mrs. Felipe Battaglia, Mr. and Mrs. Victorio Rodríguez and Rev. Lester Johnston. A loud speaking system was used for publicity purposes. Services were conducted each evening in the tent. At the close of the campaign, Dr. Cochran conducted a service in the unfinished pre fabricated chapel and installed the Costas as new pastors at 928 Cristóbal Colón Street in Guaymallén section of Mendoza.

EVANGELIZING SOUTHERN ARGENTINA

RAWSON-CHUBUT A NAZARENE PRISION EMPLOYEE AND FAMILY EVANGELIZE IN RAWSON (Photo Nº 208, p. 120)

During December of 1957, Dr. John Cochran and Rev. and Mrs. Melvin Wilkinson made a trip to Bahía Blanca and then on to Rawson, Chubut. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Cayetano Pistará for three days in Rawson, capital city of Chubut Province, where they held a special service in the Pistará home. Mr. Pistará was a nazarene guard at the Rawson Penitentiary. He and his wife, Jane, asked our nazarenes for donations of Bibles, song books, tracts and other Gospel literature, to start evangelizing in Rawson, Chubut. Dr. Cochran collected the literature in Buenos Aires, took it to Rawson, Chubut and makes an official presentation to the Pistará family. They began to evangelize Rawson in 1958, with the literature sent by our brethren from the district, as lay workers for our church.

July 27, 1958 NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL OPENED IN THE PISTARA HOME (Photo Nº 209, p. 120)

July 27, 1958 was the opening date for Sunday School started in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pistará at Rawson, Chubut. They handed out Gospel literature in all public places, having informed the local police department of the work they were doing. Picture shows Sunday School attendance at their home in Rawson, Chubut during September 1958. Dr. John Cochran, accompanied by Rev. and Mrs. Ardee B. Coolidge, conducted special evangelistic services in the small room of the Pistará home. There were 59 children who came to afternoon childrens' services. There were sixteen people seeking the Lord and ten probationers were received as a beginning church nucleus at Rawson, Chubut. Mr. and Mrs. Pistará were temporarily placed in charge of the work. In 1936, Rawson had 2,500 population. It is located some eight miles from the coast. Rawson received its name from the founder of a Welsh Colony who settled in Chubut Territory. In 1972, Rawson had a population of 18,000 inhabitants with 173,000 in Chubut Province. This was our first work opened in Southern Argentina, and began with a nazarene prision employee and family who wanted his own church established where he was employed by the government.

November 29, 1958 OLDEST STUDENT TO GRADUATE FROM BIBLE SCHOOL (Photo Nº 210, p. 121)

Doña Celestina de Bonastre, veteran 1937 convert at Rosario, graduated from the four year theological course at the Bible Training School on November 29, 1958 when 68 years old. She had studied ten years to finish the course. She is a District Deaconess, a real prayer warrior, an untiring personal worker and still visits for Lanús annex. She is now 82 years old. Her life has been an inspiration to all who have known her so many years.

November 8, 1958 NEW CENTRAL CHURCH BUILDING IN BUENOS AIRES (Photo Nº 211, p. 121)

A dream becomes a reality. Dr. John Cochran dedicated the new Terrero Street Central Church building on November 8, 1958, under the pastoral ministry of Mrs. Marie Cochran. Donato Alvarez First Church was transferred to this new location, which has become the headquarter's central gathering church for all district activities. The church is located at 960 Terrero Street in Buenos Aires and is the mother church founded in 1919 by Rev. Charles H. Miller at 1749 Médanos Street.

DR. AND MRS. JOHN A. COCHRAN (Photo N^o 212, p. 121)

Mrs. Marie Cochran pastored the Donato Alvarez Church a third time from 1954-1958 and finished from 1958-1959 at the Terrero Street Church before her third furlough. She pastored from 1939-1943 the first time, from 1945-1949 the second time and from 1954-1959 the third time.

November 16, 1958 NEW CHAPEL DEDICATED AT CAPITAN SARMIENTO
(Photo N^o 213, p. 122)

This new pre fabricated chapel was dedicated in Capitán Sarmiento on November 16, 1958 under the ministry of Rev. Orlando Arana. Picture of chapel and congregation was taken in 1968. Rev. Arana stands in front of church door entrance and Mrs. Arana stands in front of him, dressed in black. They pastored in Capitán Sarmiento from 1962-1972. Since March of 1972, Rev. and Mrs. Ramón Bauzá pastor here and in San Antonio de Areco.

BAHIA BLANCA: SECOND NAZARENE WORK OPENED IN 1958 IN SOUTHERN ARGENTINA

August 16, 1958 THE ARDEE COOLIDGE FAMILY ARRIVES IN ARGENTINA
(Photo N^o 214, p. 122)

On August 16, 1958, Rev. and Mrs. Ardee B. Coolidge and children, Ardee Jr. and Joy, arrived in Buenos Aires port. Mrs. Coolidge is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John A. Cochran. She had arrived with her parents the first time on September 16, 1936 as a child. The Coolidges were stationed at Bahía Blanca and named Missionaries in charge of the Southern Argentina area. Picture of Rev. and Mrs. Coolidge was taken in 1969. Bahía Blanca, the great central port city for Southern and Southwestern Argentina, is located 397 miles South of Buenos Aires. It is surrounded by thousands of acres of fertile plains which produce cattle, sheep and agricultural products. It is a great petroleum distributing center, and an important commercial port for shipment of grain, wool and many other industrial products manufactured in the South. In 1939, Bahía Blanca had 100,000 inhabitants but in 1972, there were 160,000 people. It is a key city of the South.

December 9-21, 1958 EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN IN BAHIA BLANCA (Photo N^o 215, p. 122)

The District Nazarene Youth Society sponsored an organized evangelistic campaign in Bahía Blanca, under the supervision of Rev. Francisco Fiorenza, District President. A number of fine young people volunteered their vacation time to help the Coolidges in the campaign. They did personal work from home to home, held a Daily Vacation Bible School each afternoon and tent services for the public each night. Another group was helping set up a new pre fabricated chapel in the Sánchez Elías section of Bahía Blanca. Picture shows the daily vacation bible school attendance during the campaign.

December 21, 1958 NEW CHAPEL DEDICATED AT BAHIA BLANCA (Photo N^o 216, p. 123)

The new pre fabricated chapel was dedicated December 21, 1958, at the close of the tent campaign. There were three hundred people present for the closing service. This picture shows the Bahía Blanca Sunday School attendance on Easter Sunday, March 29, 1959, in front of the new chapel at Sánchez Elías, Bahía Blanca, with Rev. and Mrs. Ardee B. Coolidge as pastors.

NEW CENTRAL CHURCH BUILDING IN MONTEVIDEO (Photo N° 217, p. 123)

Rev. and Mrs. Oather Perkinson were missionaries in charge of Uruguay, while Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Denton were on furlough in 1953. The first church building at 14 de Julio 1377 Street in Montevideo, Uruguay had been constructed in 1954. This is the mother nazarene church in Uruguay. This lovely new church was built in 1958-1959 as the Central Headquarter's Church. Bible School classes were also conducted there until 1960.

REV. AND MRS. OATHER K. PERKINSON (Photo N° 218, p. 123)

Rev. and Mrs. Oather Perkinson were the second couple stationed at Montevideo, Uruguay. They went from Argentina in 1953. Argentina and Uruguay were one District from 1949-1962. The Perkinsons were pastors, Bible School Directors and were named as Missionaries in charge of Uruguay, when Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Denton took their second furlough on August 26, 1958, and left Buenos Aires by ship. Picture of the Perkinsons was taken in 1969.

REV. AND MRS. JOHN ARMSTRONG AND FAMILY (Photo N° 219, p. 123)

Rev. and Mrs. John Armstrong and daughters, Linda and Beverley. Jack and Janet Armstrong and daughter, Linda, arrived in Montevideo in 1956. They were the third missionary couple to be stationed in Uruguay. They assumed the pastorate of the Carrasco, Montevideo Church on August 20, 1956 and were welcomed to the Argentina-Uruguay District during the annual Pastor's Retreat in Buenos Aires from October 22-24, 1956.

NEW CHURCH DEDICATED AT CARRASCO-URUGUAY (Photo N° 220, p. 123)

Picture of the lovely new sanctuary dedicated March 29, 1959 at 2296 Bolivia Ave. in the Carrasco residential section of Montevideo, Uruguay. The church was built under Rev. Armstrong's pastoral ministry. We lament the omission of this statement in the Spanish Church History Book, due to last minute difficulties in printing space and make personal appologies to the Armstrongs for lack of personal mention of their names related to this work at Carrasco. Rev. Ronald Denton had opened Carrasco Church with services in homes in 1954. He had rented a garage in August of 1954. Mrs. María de Panizza and daughter, Norma, lived in front of this place. Their curiosity was aroused through reparation work being done. They were invited to services, attended and became some of the first charter members. The Carrasco Church was organized in August of 1955 with ten members at the new rented property on Bolivia Avenue. Later this property was purchased and the new church built in this nice section of Montevideo.

EVANGELIZING IN SAN SALVADOR DE JUJUY

On April 12, 1955, Rev. and Mrs. Natalio Costa arrived in San Salvador de Jujuy, capital city of Jujuy Province in Northern Argentina. This beautiful city is located 938 miles Northwest of Buenos Aires, and in the Andes Mountain ranges at an altitude of 4,000 feet. It is a colonial style city, very picturesque and the scenery is fascinating. In 1936, it had 10,00 inhabitants, but now it has 77,000 in 1972. The Province of Jujuy has 290,000 inhabitants. It is a border province with Bolivia. Jujuy abounds in mineral resources and timber. It is a tourist city and has many who have taken residence from Bolivia. It was in Jujuy that the Costas asked for a city map and began colportage work in 1955, having traveled by train from Tucumán.

April 17, 1955 THE GUEVARA HOME OPENED FOR SERVICES IN JUJUY
(Photo Nº 221, p. 124)

On April 17, 1955, or only five days after working in San Salvador de Jujuy, the Costas conducted their first Gospel service in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Osvaldo Guevara. The Guevara family was living in the Alta Castañeda section of Jujuy and were christian believers from Bolivia now residing in Argentina. The Guevara family, at left of picture, opened their home for services monthly. The Costas traveled once a month to Jujuy, paying their own traveling expenses for two years, or until they were transferred to Mendoza. The Gospel seed which was sowed in Jujuy brought forth a spiritual harvest.

June 16, 1959 REV. ISAAC GALIÁN IN JUJUY (Photo Nº 222, p. 124)

Rev Isaac Galián was converted under the ministry of Rev. Salvador Zo-roastro, while pastoring the Andonaegui Street Church in Buenos Aires. He graduated from Bible School on November 29, 1958. He was a member of Pirán Street Church. He arrived in San Salvador de Jujuy on June 16, 1959 to pastor the group of believers who were meeting at the Guevara home. Services were continued until more ample quarters could be provided.

September of 1960 NEW CHAPEL DEDICATED IN JUJUY (Photo Nº 223, p. 124)

Front of new pre fabricated chapel at San Salvador de Jujuy. This new chapel was set up in September of 1960 and dedicated by Rev. Thomas A. Ainscough, Interim Field Superintendent. Special services were conducted. Rev. David López, Rev. José Malla, Rev. Ardee B. Coolidge, Rev. Donald Davis and Rev. Thomas Ainscough helped in the Jujuy proyect. Rev. Galián pastored in San Salvador de Jujuy from 1959-1963.

June 20, 1965 REV. AND MRS. RICARDO JUAREZ (Photo Nº 223, p. 124, center picture)

Picture of Rev. and Mrs. Ricardo Juárez, in front of chapel at Jujuy. Mrs. Victoria Castillo de Juárez and her husband both graduated from the Bible School on November 24, 1961. Rev. Juárez was ordained by Dr. George Coulter on March 6, 1972. They went to Jujuy to pastor in 1964. The church was organized at Jujuy on June 20, 1965 with twenty members. A lovely new church and parsonage has been built in San Salvador de Jujuy. It was dedicated by Rev. Alejandro Medina, Assistant District Superintendent on November 28, 1971. Congratulations to the brethren in Jujuy for a task well done.

LOCAL CONGREGATION IN SAN SALVADOR DE JUJUY IN 1969 (Photo Nº 224, p. 124)

ROSARIO - SANTA FE PROVINCE

August 1, 1959 ROSARIO CENTRAL CHURCH DEDICATED. (Photo Nº 225, p. 125)

The newly reformed church, located at 1453 Montevideo Street in Rosario, was officially dedicated on August 1, 1959, under the pastoral ministry of Rev. and Mrs. Eduardo Fiorenza. It also contains the pastor's home on the second floor. Rosario is located 190 miles North of Buenos Aires on the Paraná River. It is an international inland port for shipping, uniting Asunción, Paraguay with other world ports. Rosario is a great industrial city. Its surrounding miles of plains abound in citrus fruits, agricultural products and other industries. In 1936, Rosario had 507,349 people, but in 1972 it has increased

to 807,000. It is now the second largest city in the nation. The Santa Fe Province has 2,212,000 population. Rev. and Mrs. Harold Ray have pastored the Rosario Montevideo Street Church from 1970-1972.

REV. EDUARDO FIORENZA AND FAMILY (Photo Nº 226, p. 125, upper right picture)

Picture of Rev. Eduardo Fiorenza and family. Rev. Eduardo Fiorenza graduated from Bible School in 1953 and was ordained on November 4, 1957 by Dr. G. B. Williamson. His wife, the former Erica Müller, also studied at the Bible School. Rev. Fiorenza pastored the Rosario Central Church from 1958-1961.

REV. ANTONIO AND LEONOR MINETTI DE CORREA (Photo Nº 227, p. 125)

Rev. and Mrs. Antonio Correa pastored the Rosario Central Church from 1963-1969. Since March of 1970, Rev. Correa has served as District Evangelist, inasmuch as Rev. José Di Pietro, former District Evangelist, was forced to retire from active work due to ill health. Rev. Correa graduated from Bible School November 16, 1957 and was ordained October 11, 1966 by Dr. Hardy C. Powers.

CONGREGATION AT CALLE MONTEVIDEO IN ROSARIO IN 1969 (Photo Nº 228, p. 125)

XL ANNIVERSARY OF NAZARENE WORK IN ARGENTINA

September 3, 1959

Our Church remembered its Fourtieth Church Anniversary in 1959. Miss Dorothy Ahleman, Editor of District Monthly Church Periodical in 1959 called LA VIA MAS EXCELENTE, prepared the Special September Issue with documentary facts and some pictures of the Argentina-Uruguay District. The Statistical report for March 1959 District Assembly read as follows: There was a total of 30 organized churches on the District, or 27 in Argentina and 3 in Uruguay, not counting preaching places. There were 778 members, or 715 in Argentina and 63 in Uruguay, not counting 185 probationers. Total Sunday School enrollment was 2,249, with 1,661 weekly average attendance. They contributed \$37,284.85 pesos. There were 27 Junior Missionary Societies with 961 members, who gave \$2,259.05 pesos to help purchase doors and windows for the new Sánchez Elías Chapel at Bahía Blanca. We had 18 local N.Y.P.S. groups with 568 members, who gave \$8,602.45 pesos. There were 29 local Missionary Societies with 1,717 members and 697 Prayer and Fasting Members, who contributed a total of \$40,947.15 pesos. Total church contributions for the year were \$735,381.24 pesos given by Argentina and \$98,948.24 by Uruguay or a total of \$834,329.55 pesos for all purposes. A total of 577 Bibles, 528 New Testaments, 14,138 Gospel Portions, 139,782 tracts and 11,455 other periodicals were distributed, making a total of 166,500 pieces of literature sold or given away for evangelistic purposes. The District Missionary Society pledged \$32,000 pesos, to help on the purchase of new lots for works in Rawson, Chubut, San Salvador de Jujuy and Canelones, Uruguay.

A NEW TEN YEAR EXPANSION PROGRAM PLACED IN ACTION (1959-1969)

September 22, 1959 A VETERAN NAZARENE MOTHER GOES TO HEAVEN
(Photo Nº 229, p. 126)

Mrs. Clara de Palacios, mother of two sons who are ministers, and a

fine nazarene faithful laywoman in Buenos Aires Central Church, passed to her heavenly reward on September 22, 1959. From left to right are, José Palacios, doña Clara, Agustina and Luis.

REV. AND MRS. MELVIN WILKINSON (Photo Nº 230, p. 127)

Rev. Melvin and Carol Wilkinson arrived in Buenos Aires from the States on November 21, 1956. They studied Spanish in Rosario during 1957. The latter part of 1958, they were stationed in Tucumán to help Rev. and Mrs. Alejandro Medina with the churches and also to start Bible School annex classes. Seven students were enrolled during 1959. Daniel, their son, was born in Tucumán. The Wilkinsons were transferred to Uruguay in 1960, to help our work in that country, thus the Bible School classes were suspended at Tucumán.

PASTORS' RETREAT AT GENERAL PACHECO IN 1959 (Photo Nº 231, p. 127)

REV. JUAN CARLOS MIRANDA (Photo Nº 232, p. 127)

Rev. Juan Carlos Miranda, son of don Pedro Miranda at Rosario, Santa Fe Province in Argentina, received his Th. B. Degree from Olivet Nazarene College at Kankakee, Illinois on May 26, 1960. The Argentine-Uruguay Nazarene Youth Convention, presided by Rev. Alberto Eduardo Ainscough, sent special congratulations for his fine educational achievement. The Argentina District sends special fiftieth anniversary greetings to Juan Carlos and his family.

REV. AND MRS. MARIO D'ALESSANDRO (Photo Nº 233, p. 128)

Rev. Mario and Elvira de D'Alessandro have pastored the Belgrano Church in the La Matanza Partido of Buenos Aires Province since 1965. Rev. and Mrs. Edwin White, members of a sister denomination, had started this work in the home of don Héctor Lima in 1954. Rev. White brought this group into our church in 1959 with eighteen members. Mario graduated from Bible School on November 13, 1971. His oldest daughter, Betty, as a third generation nazarene, enrolled at Bible School on March 13, 1972.

June 20, 1968 NEW CHURCH DEDICATED IN BELGRANO (Photo Nº 234, p. 128)

This new church building was dedicated under the ministry of Rev. Mario D'Alessandro. He is a commercial artist and draws and paints beautifully. He gave much donated labor on the new church building. Church building and congregation was taken in 1969.

RAWSON - CHUBUT IN SOUTHERN ARGENTINA

September 20, 1959 REV. AND MRS. JOAQUIN LIMA IN RAWSON - CHUBUT (Photo Nº 235, p. 128)

Rev. Joaquín Lima was born in the Cape Verde Islands, came to Argentina with his parents and worked as an accountant in Avellaneda. He was saved in Cape Verde Islands in 1945 and called to preach in 1948. He married his childhood sweetheart by proxy, brought her to Argentina and both Joaquín and a good group of people were there to meet Guillermina when she arrived by ship. The Bible School gave them a shower on April 13, 1956 and their religious marriage ceremony was performed at the Donato Alvarez Church. Joaquín lived at Lanús. He finished Bible School on November 29, 1958. He was named to Rawson, Chubut in March of 1959. He arrived with his wife and two small children at Rawson, Chubut on June 12, 1959. His first church

and parsonage was the small house trailer used to start the work in Tucumán. They worked hard. This picture shows their Sunday School on September 20, 1959. Rev. Lima is first to the left in the last row. Sunday School crowd stands in front of the trailer home.

December of 1959 NEW CHAPEL DEDICATED AT RAWSON-CHUBUT (Photo Nº 236, p. 129)

The new chapel was dedicated in December of 1959 and the church was organized January 10, 1960 with ten members. The trailer home is seen at right side of chapel.

RAWSON-CHUBUT CHURCH GROUP (Photo Nº 237, p. 129)

Rev. Pablo Müller pastored at Rawson, Chubut from 1966-1970. He stands at the center in the last row. Picture was taken of the congregation in 1968.

NEW BIBLE SCHOOL BUILDING IN URUGUAY (1960) (Photo Nº 238, p. 129)

Picture of the newly reformed building purchased in Montevideo, Uruguay which was opened for boarding students in March of 1960. Rev. and Mrs. Melvin Wilkinson were transferred to Uruguay in 1960 to pastor and also to help in the Bible School.

DIVISION OF THE ARGENTINA - URUGUAY DISTRICT IN 1962

March of 1962 (Photo Nº 239, p. 130)

Rev. Robert Wellmon was named District Superintendent of the newly formed District in Uruguay in 1962. They had 3 organized churches with lovely sanctuaries in the Pocitos Section of Montevideo, in Carrasco and in the Curva de Maroñas. Another work had been opened in Manga Barrio in June 1956. Also a bar was rented and reformed at 4680 Sacarello Street. Work had also been started at Canelones. The Piedras Blancas annex was opened in 1960 and services were started in San José. In March of 1962, the district was divided and Uruguay became a separate District. Picture shows the Nazarene Mission Council in Uruguay in 1967. From left to right are Rev. and Mrs. Oather K. Perkinson, Rev. and Mrs. Melvin Wilkinson, Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Denton and Rev. and Mrs. Ted Hughes. The Armstrongs were home on furlough. Our fiftieth anniversary greetings to you in Uruguay.

AN ARGENTINA NATIONAL WORKER GIVEN FOR OUR NEWLY OPENED WORK IN BRAZIL IN 1960

A new work had been opened in Brazil, our Northwestern neighbour republic with its millions. Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Stegemoeller, a nazarene lay family living in Brazil, desired seeing a nazarene church established. Rev. Earl Mosteller and wife, went from Cape Verde Islands to Brazil. They needed a couple of national workers who spoke Portuguese to help start the work in Campinas. Rev. Joaquín Lima and wife of Argentina were named to Brazil in 1960.

REV. AND MRS. JOAQUIN LIMA (Photo Nº 240, p. 130)

Rev. and Mrs. Joaquín Lima and two children were given a farewell service by the March 1960 District Assembly. They arrived in Campinas, Brazil on April 9, 1960. A personal questionnaire from Rev. Lima in 1969 gives some interesting data about his work. From April 1960 - May 1964, he was pastor at Osasco, Sao Paulo, Brazil. From June 1964 to August 1964, Interim Dis-

trict Superintendent; August 1964 - June 1967 as Director of the Seminary and Bible School at Campinas. From July 1967-1972, they have pastored Central Church at Campinas and from 1964-1972 he has taught at the Bible School and Seminary. Joaquín was ordained by Dr. Hugh C. Benner in 1961. His church sponsored a daily fifteen minute radio program called "VUELO NAZARENO". In 1972, he was president of the Ministerial Association in Campinas, Brazil, with an evangelical constituency of 50,000 members. Joaquín served as official portuguese translator during the First South American Nazarene Pastor's Conference held at Ward College, Buenos Aires, from January 24-28, 1972.

NEUQUEN-PROVINCE OF NEUQUEN (1960-1962) (Photo Nº 241, p. 131)

Mr. and Mrs. Cayetano Pistará, with a Sunday School group in front of their home located at 964 Juan B. Alberdi Street in Neuquén capital city of Neuquén Province. Picture was taken October 8, 1961 with 62 in Sunday School. They held services in their home and Sunday School also. Mr. Pistará worked in the local jail in Neuquén. He is the tallest man in the last row. Mrs. Jane de Pistará stands in front of him.

A CONVERTED UNDERWORLD ARGENTINE PASTOR (Photo Nº 242, p. 131)

Rev. Jorge Mirco is a converted nazarene minister from Buenos Aires underworld. He was given a book to read in his prison cell, Nº 33, by a nazarene guard named Cayetano Pistará, at Rawson, Chubut. It was entitled "PICTURES THAT SPEAK," containing many pictures and drawings of the effects of sin in men's lives. When Jorge finished reading the book, he placed it on his small table by the bed, knelt at his bed, confessed his sins and was gloriously saved during the night of October 20, 1965. Don Cayetano Pistará gave him an autographed Bible on December 30, 1965. José Malla, pastor at Rawson, and Rev. José Di Pietro were both great spiritual helpers for Jorge in those days. In 1966, he was released from prison, came to Buenos Aires and God helped him to remake his home, marry his common law wife, who had borne him a daughter, and start a new life in Christ. He enrolled at the Bible School, received his district license to preach in 1970 and was named pastor of the Don Bosco church annex in Morón Sur, which was under supervision of Castelar Church. A new church was organized in Morón Sur on January 31, 1971 with 19 members, under his ministry. Jorge and Elma de Mirco are the proud parents of a baby girl. He graduated from Bible School November 13, 1971. Jorge was Secretary for the National Church Association from 1970-1972. In March 1972, Rev. and Mrs. Mirco were named pastors of the Sarmiento Central Church and Sánchez Elías Church in Bahía Blanca. Mr. and Mrs. Juan Labbozzetta have volunteered to pastor the Morón Sur Church during 1972, as lay pastors. Juan is enrolled at the Bible School during 1972.

SANCHEZ ELIAS CHURCH ORGANIZED IN BAHIA BLANCA (Photo Nº 243, p. 132)

On February 5, 1961, the Sánchez Elías Church was organized in Bahía Blanca with 26 members, under the pastorate of Rev. Antonio Correa. Rev. Adolfo Gómez pastored in Sánchez Elías from 1964-1969. Picture shows the pre-fabricated Chapel at Sánchez Elías and the congregation present in 1969. Rev. Gómez, pastor, is first from the left side in last row. A new building was then under construction to relocate the Sánchez Elías Church in 1969.

COMODORO RIVADAVIA EVANGELIZED

NAZARENE TITHING BUYS A LOT IN COMODORO RIVADAVIA (Photo Nº 244, p. 132)

Comodoro Rivadavia is located 1,839 kilometers South of Buenos Aires, at the southern tip of Chubut Province. It is rich in petroleum. Many oil companies are located in that great Patagonia section of Argentina.

Picture shows a small group of faithful tithers, who made possible the purchase of a choice lot in Comodoro Rivadavia, on which to build a new nazarene church. From left to right: Rev. and Mrs. Ardee B. Coolidge, missionaries in charge of the Southern Argentina area from 1958-1971. In 1958, they visited Comodoro Rivadavia and found Mr. Charles Revilla, a Peruvian nazarene layman and employee of an oil firm in Comodoro Rivadavia. He stands third from the left. Later, Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Green and Mr. Clifford and Thelma Griffith arrived from the States to work for oil companies. Rev. Coolidge challenged these workers to give their tithes for purchasing a church lot in Comodoro Rivadavia. During three years, this building fund grew to the sum of \$3,200. Special services were held periodically in the Griffith home. June 4, 1962, the National Church Association authorized Mr. Charles Revilla the power to work with Comodoro Rivadavia Municipality on the purchase of a new church lot located at 577 Chacabuco Street.

May 1967 REV. AND MRS. JORGE MC FARLAND (Photo Nº 245, p. 132)

Picture of Rev. Jorge and Rebeca Loida Báez de McFarland, pastors at Comodoro Rivadavia from 1967-1972. Rev. McFarland came to us from Emmanuel Holiness Mission. He worked at Formosa, Argentina until 1965. He was granted district license by our church in 1966, graduated from the Bible School, with required courses needed for our church, on December 3, 1966 and was ordained by Dr. George Coulter March 6, 1970. The McFarlands arrived in May 1967 in Comodoro Rivadavia to assume their first pastorate in our church. They also have had charge of the Bookstore in Comodoro Rivadavia. Jorge has conducted services in English for oil company employees working in that area of Southern Argentina. Rev. and Mrs. McFarland are spending 1972 in Great Britain. Rev. and Mrs. Mario Jorge Zani left for Comodoro Rivadavia April 13, 1972 to pastor the Comodoro Rivadavia Church.

August 5, 1967 NEW CHURCH BUILDING DEDICATED IN COMODORO RIVADAVIA (Photo Nº 246, p. 133)

On August 5, 1967, a new church building was dedicated at Comodoro Rivadavia. Rev. Ardee B. Coolidge had supervised the construction work. Mr. Andrew Riies, nazarene layman from California, gave \$4,000 for this new building project. Mr. Leonard Say, nazarene layman from Orlando, Florida, and father of Paul Say, helped several days during September 1966. Rev. Coolidge lived in a tent during the winter, with the patagonian winds blowing up to 120 kilometers per hour, working on the church building. The Church was organized August 7, 1971 with 19 members under Rev. McFarland's ministry.

SUNDAY SCHOOL GROUP IN COMODORO RIVADAVIA IN 1968 (Photo Nº 247, p. 133)

REV. DAVID LOPEZ CALLED TO HEAVENLY HOME (Photo Nº 248, p. 133)

After thirty three years of christian ministry, Rev. David López, pastor at Merlo Church, passed to his heavenly reward September 30, 1961. He had pastored in Luján, General Rodríguez, Moreno, San Andrés de Giles, Capitán

Sarmiento and San Antonio de Areco. He also served on many district and interdenominational committees. Another veteran worker since 1928 laid down his earthly arms to be with the Lord. His wife is pastor at Merlo. God bless the family.

DR. AND MRS. HUGH C. BENNER VISIT ARGENTINA IN 1961

November 13-17, 1961 (Photo N° 249, p. 134)

Dr. Hugh C. Benner was the seventh General Superintendent to visit our field since its beginning in 1919. Dr. and Mrs. Benner were here two weeks. They delighted the Bible School Students with an afternoon tea at graduation time. Dr. Benner spoke in public services, to the pastors, to the mission council and in a Sunday School Workshop. Their visit was a real inspiration to us.

BIBLE SCHOOL FACULTY AND STUDENT BODY IN 1961 (Photo N° 250, p. 134)

Rev. Thomas A. Ainscough, third from left side in first row, was Bible School Director. Miss Dorothy Ahleman, seated at the right, was elected Bible School Registrar, in addition to her teaching duties. From left to right are Rev. Donald Davis, Mrs. Betty Davis, Rev. Thomas A. Ainscough, Miss Dorothy Ahleman, Mrs. Rufina de Armagno and Rev. Alberto Eduardo Ainscough, faculty members.

EVANGELIZING TRELEW IN THE CHUBUT PROVINCE

January 27, 1962 DEDICATION OF NEW TRELEW CHAPEL (Photo N° 251, p. 135)

On January 27, 1962, the new pre-fabricated chapel was dedicated at Trelew, Chubut. It forms a part of the Patagonia area. Patagonia is a nickname from "patagones" or "big feet," term applied by the early Spanish explorers, to the clumsily shod aborigenes of the extreme South. In 1936, the Chubut Territory was noted for its horses, cattle, and as being dry, cool and poor for vegetation. Trelew was settled by Welshmen in 1881. It is about 43 miles from Puerto Madryn and had 5,000 inhabitants in 1936. To-day, it is a growing city and the Chubut Valley is a great sheep growing area. A number of industries are being developed in Chubut Province.

From January 19-27, 1962, a tent campaign and Daily Vacation Bible School were held in Trelew, Chubut. A number of young people volunteered their help to finish setting up the pre-fabricated chapel. Rev. Alberto Eduardo Ainscough, District N.Y.P.S. President, directed the District Project. The young people gave three days of salary to intensify evangelistic efforts on the district. There were 115 present at the close of the Vacation Bible School. The new chapel was opened during the closing service. Rev. José Malla was named pastor. Rev. Ardee B. Coolidge helped build the chapel. Rev. and Mrs. Malla moved from Rawson to Trelew to live. The Trelew church was organized March 20, 1965 with fourteen members under the pastorate of Rev. Malla.

REV. AND MRS. PABLO MÜLLER AND IVON (Photo N° 252, p. 135)

Rev. and Mrs. Pablo Müller pastored the Trelew, Chubut Church from 1966-1969. They are both graduates of the Bible School. Luisa finished the Christian Worker's Course November 27, 1965 and Pablo the theological course on November 30, 1962. From 1970-1972 the Müllers have pastored the Martínez Church in Suburban Buenos Aires.

CONGREGATION AT TRELEW IN 1968 (Photo N° 253, p. 135)

DISTRICT MISSIONARY SOCIETY TOUR IN 1962

April 23 - May 6, 1962 (Photo Nº 254, p. 136)

From April 23 to May 6, 1962, was the date for the District Missionary tour to San Juan and Mendoza Provinces. Picture shows part of the group. From left to right are Mrs. Rosa G. de Rodríguez, Mrs. María de Spina of Mendoza, Mrs. Josefa de García and Mrs. Rufina de Armagno. Others who helped were Dr. and Mrs. John Cochran, Mr. Victorio Rodríguez and Rev. and Mrs. Natalio Costa of Mendoza. They spent three days in San Juan, had 152 children present for services and 52 seekers in public worship services. The capital city of San Juan has 124,000 in 1972 and 425,000 in the Province. Then the group spent a week at Mendoza. They distributed 10,000 tracts and saw ninety souls seeking spiritual help, during the twelve day evangelistic effort in the two provinces.

NAZARENE BOOKSTORE REMODELED IN BUENOS AIRES IN 1962 (Photo Nº 255, p. 136)

At the close of 1962, the Nazarene Bookstore in Buenos Aires was officially opened to the public. Rev. Donald Davis was Supervisor and Mrs. Esther Amaya was Manager. A remodeling program was carried out. Many new people visited the Bookstore during the inauguration date. Rev. and Mrs. Amaya, Rev. Oscar Mingorance and Mrs. Ibarra helped in preparing the display, stocking the shelves and attending clients.

REV. AND MRS. ISMAEL E. AMAYA (Photo Nº 256, p. 136)

Rev. Ismael and Esther Amaya spent 1962 in Buenos Aires with his family. Ismael was pastor of Terrero Central Church during 1962-1963. He had finished Bible School in 1950 in Buenos Aires, taught at the Bible School from 1951-1954, then went to the United States for further study. He graduated with an A. B. Degree from Pasadena Nazarene College in 1958. Ismael was ordained by Dr. Samuel Young in 1957. His year in Buenos Aires was filled with many activities. Rev. Amaya returned to the States in 1963 to work on the Editorial Staff at the Spanish Department in Kansas City, Missouri, where he had been employed since 1958.

FRONT ENTRANCE TO ANNEX BIBLE SCHOOL AT ROSARIO (Photo Nº 257, p. 137)

From 1955-1958, Rev. and Mrs. Lester Johnston had charge of the annex Bible School in Rosario at Calle Italia Church. Mrs. María de Zoroastro and Rev. Juan Carlos Miranda helped as teachers. A new missionary home was purchased at 27 de Febrero 1660 in Rosario. The right front entrance was later used for the new annex Bible School located there.

NEW ANNEX BIBLE SCHOOL UNIT IN ROSARIO (Photo Nº 258, p. 137)

On June 20, 1963, the newly constructed annex Bible School Classrooms at the back of the 27 de Febrero Street property in Rosario were officially inaugurated with Rev. Thomas A. Ainscough as Director. Mr. Juan Rejalaga, a Nazarene layman from Castelar Church, built this unit. There were eleven students enrolled during 1963. Rev. and Mrs. Donald Crenshaw were Directors at the Rosario Annex Bible School from 1964-1966. Rev. and Mrs. Donald Davis continued classes from 1966-1968. Classes have now been discontinued in Rosario. Rev. and Mrs. Harold Ray and family live in the missionary home in Rosario.

**FIRST GRADUATION CLASS TO USE CAPS AND GOWNS
AT BUENOS AIRES BIBLE SCHOOL**

December 1, 1962 (Photo Nº 259, p. 137)

Commencement service was held on December 1, 1962 at Terrero Central Church in Buenos Aires. Rev. and Mrs. Spurgeon Hendrix were Directors. The American School Loaned us the first caps and gowns which were used for the beginning of the traditional wearing of caps and gowns in 1962. From left to right are: Luis Moro, Hilda Marino de Moro, Ana Silva de Bammatter, Carlos Bammatter, Pablo Müller, Miss Elsa Amaya, Vicente Longo and Justo Lado. Each hold their diploma and autographed copy of the Bible from the School.

A NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNEX OPENED IN FLORENCIO VARELA IN 1962

On June 3, 1962, a branch Sunday School was opened in Florencio Varela, Buenos Aires Province, under the leadership of Rev. Ismael E. Amaya and Terrero Central Church in Buenos Aires. Some twenty five members accompanied their pastor and Dr. Cochran to do personal work that Sunday afternoon. There were sixty people present for Sunday School at the home of Mr. Elías and doña Victoria de Bacarat, a nazarene lay couple from Damascus, Syria, who offered a room in their home for services. Dr. G. B. Williamson had received them into church membership at Damascus, Syria, under the ministry of Rev. Don DePasquale.

REV. AND MRS. ROBERTO CONTRERAS (Photo Nº 260, p. 138)

Rev. Roberto and Nérida Ponce de Contreras, assistant pastors in Florencio Varela in 1968. Rev. Alejandro Medina was pastor. Roberto was District N.Y.P.S. President from 1965-1969.

CONGREGATION AT FLORENCIO VARELA IN 1969 (Photo Nº 261, p. 138)

Rev. and Mrs. Roberto Ortíz were student helpers at Lanús and Florencio Varela during 1969, under the pastoral ministry of Rev. Alejandro Medina.

FIRST CHILDREN'S CAMP IN ARGENTINA IN 1962

The first Children's Camp was held February 5-10, 1962 in San Antonio de Areco. This was the first time the children had their own district camp. There were nine helpers and thirty children enrolled as campers, according to the camp minutes which give a complete list and age bracket six to twelve years of age. Miss Rosa Russo had the night services and was camp nurse. Mr. Norberto Ianni had puppets for Gospel stories. Among the leaders present were Mary Faith Coolidge, Director, Rev. Ardee B. Coolidge, Rev. Vicente Longo, Norberto Ianni, Rosa Russo, María Rosa Alfaro and Mrs. Angélica de Laiacona.

VILLA NUEVA ANNEX OPENED IN BAHIA BLANCA (Photo Nº 262, p. 138)

From January 6-12, 1964, special services were conducted, a Daily Vacation Bible School was held, and the pre-fabricated Chapel was opened at Villa Nueva in Bahía Blanca at the close of the special services. The chapel was moved from Punta Alta. There were ninety children present at the Vacation Bible School. Rev. and Mrs. Ricardo Juárez were helpers to the Coolidges at Punta Alta and Bahía Blanca. This picture shows the Villa Nueva annex at Bahía Blanca in 1968, with Rev. Juan and Margarita de Chumba, student helpers of Rev. Adolfo Gómez.

REV. AND MRS. JUAN CHUMBA (Photo Nº 263, p. 138)

Rev. Juan and Margarita R. de Chumba helped at Villa Nueva Annex in

Bahía Blanca in 1968, while he was studying at the Bahía Blanca annex Bible School. During 1969, Rev. Chumba was student pastor at Conde Street in Buenos Aires. He finished his last two years of Bible School work at Buenos Aires. In 1970, he assumed the pastorate at Conde Street Church. Juan graduated from Bible School November 28, 1970. In March, 1971 he was sent to pastor in Tucumán. He has had a splendid year in Tucumán.

REV. JOSE ARMAGNO JOINS THE TRIUMPHANT CHURCH (Photo Nº 264, p. 139)

Rev. José Armagno and wife, Rufina Aguado, entered our church as full time workers in 1939. Rev. Armagno pastored the Terrero Street Central Church from 1963-1968 as his last pastorate. He is standing behind the pulpit of Terrero Street Church, accompanied by Mrs. Armagno and District Evangelist, Rev. José Di Pietro in 1963. In March 1968, he was given a year's leave of absence due to ill health. After giving thirty years of christian service to our church, the Lord called him to heaven to join the Triumphant Church December 17, 1968. Rev. Armagno graduated from the Bible School August 31, 1942 and was ordained by Dr. H. V. Miller March 1, 1945. He was President of the Nazarene Church Association from 1961-1968. He also served on many district and interdenominational committees. Mrs. Rufina de Armagno pastored the Ituzaingó Church from 1970-1972. She went to pastor Moreno Church in March 1972. A marvellous veteran national pastor is now with the Lord. God richly bless the Armagno family.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR AT PIRAN STREET CHURCH IN 1967 (Photo Nº 265, p. 140)

Mrs. Ruth Armagno de Mastronardi, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. José Armagno, was District Choir Director for many years, as well as local choir director at Pirán Street Church. She formed a marvellous children's choir, which now is called the Armagno Choir. Picture of the Pirán Street Junior Choir was taken December 23, 1967. Several of Rev. and Mrs. José Armagno's grandchildren are members of the choir. A special record of Christmas musical numbers was recorded by the choir and placed on sale. Mr. David Mastronardi, son in law of the former Rev. Armagno, was called to preach in March 1969. He is enrolled at the Bible School. David and Ruth Mastronardi were assigned as assistant pastors at Conde Street Church during 1972, under the supervision of Rev. Juan Ianni.

DR. E. S. PHILLIPS VISITS ARGENTINA IN 1964 (Photo Nº 266, p. 140)

Dr. and Mrs. E. S. Phillips, pastors at Bethany, Oklahoma First Church of the Nazarene, were special guests in Argentina during 1964. Dr. Phillips spoke during the annual district conventions and District Assembly, conducted the latter part of February and the first part of March 1964. Dr. and Mrs. Phillips brought their first grandchild, Steve Hendrix, to visit his grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. Spurgeon Hendrix in Argentina. Dr. and Mrs. Phillip's ministry was richly blessed by God and enjoyed by all.

**NEW CENTRAL BIBLE SCHOOL BUILDING DEDICATED
IN 1964 IN BUENOS AIRES**

REV. AND MRS. SPURGEON HENDRIX (Photo Nº 267, p. 140)

Rev. and Mrs. Spurgeon Hendrix were Bible School Directors at Buenos Aires four different times, or from 1945-1946, 1948-1953, 1962-1965 and from 1967-1968. The new Central Bible School Building was dedicated in 1964 under their directorship.

NEW CENTRAL BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL BUILDING (Photo Nº 268, p. 141)

On February 29, 1964, the new Central Bible Training School was dedicated at 950 Terrero Street in Buenos Aires. It is located beside Terrero Street Central Church. Dr. Hugh C. Benner, our quadrennial General Superintendent from 1960-1964, gave us much counseling. The two story building was built at a cost of \$50,00, not counting lot nor furniture to equip the building. Dr. Benner challenged the Southwest Indiana District to give \$4,000 dollars to help purchase modern equipment for the new school building. Miss Dorothy Ahleman, who arrived in Argentina December 22, 1944, to teach at the Bible Training School located at Donato Alvarez, belonged to the Indianapolis District since 1927, and she had come from that District to Argentina in 1944. In 1948, the Indianapolis District was divided and Miss Ahleman became a part of the newly formed Southwest Indiana District. She was the only missionary on the new district at the time it was formed. Miss Ahleman is still teacher and School Registrar at the Central Bible Training School at Terrero Street in 1972. Our sincere thanks to Dr. Benner, to Southwest Indiana District, and to the Department of World Missions, as well as all laymen and pastors who made possible the new Bible School. This building is now inadequate. We have insufficient dormitory and classroom space for the eighty students enrolled.

DEDICATION CEREMONY IN NEW BIBLE SCHOOL DINING HALL (Photo Nº 269, p. 141)

Picture of some of the audience standing inside the new dining hall during the time of the dedication service. Modern furniture was bought for the Director's Office, the Library, the Dining Hall, the Kitchen and some classroom chairs. Mr. Abila was present to represent Constructors, Mr. Lestard and Mr. Siboldi. Dr. E. S. Phillips, Dr. John Cochran, Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix and Rev. José Armagno, President of the Nazarene Association spoke special words during the dedicatory service. Refreshments were served to all present in the Bible School Patio.

CHILE BECOMES A NEW NAZARENE DISTRICT (Photo Nº 270, p. 142)

Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix was named new District Superintendent for the Church of the Nazarene in Chile, our western neighboring republic. The Hendrixes arrived at Santiago, Chile during 1969. Picture of the Faculty and Student Body in 1967 is presented. It was their last year at the Bible School in Buenos Aires. We wish for them the very best in Chile. The Hendrixes were present for the 50th anniversary celebration March 7, 1970.

EVANGELISTIC EFFORTS IN SAN JUAN PROVINCE (1959-1972)

REV. JUSTO LADO WITH SAN JUAN CONGREGATION (Photo Nº 271, p. 143)

Rev. and Mrs. Natalio Costa traveled 97 miles by train, motor scooter, bus and in a Model A. Ford Car, evangelizing San Juan from 1959-1964. They lived in Mendoza. In 1959, they started services in Las Rosas Section of San Juan in homes. They rented a garage in an open air theater. In 1963, Dr. Cochran took in 26 probationary members. San Juan Province is located 700 miles Northwest of Buenos Aires. It is dry, mountainous and well known for vineyards, citrus fruits and natural resources. There are 124,000 residents in the capital city and 499,000 in all the province in 1972.

A home was rented at the Villa Rawson Section of San Juan. In 1964, church benches were made and in May of 1964, Rev. Justo Lado arrived to pastor the congregation. He pastored in San Juan from 1964-1968. Rev. La-

do is seated with his congregation, second person from left side in second row, in front of the church property which was bought in 1964. Rev. and Mrs. Edwin White pastored from 1969-1971 in San Juan. A pre-fabricated Chapel was taken from Córdoba and set up in San Juan by Paul Say. Dr. Cochran dedicated the chapel May 20, 1970. Rev. and Mrs. Eduardo Cabral have pastored since March 1971.

EVANGELISM BY A NAZARENE LAYMAN WITH HIS TRUCK (Photo Nº 272, p. 143)

Don Santiago Horst a German nazarene layman and member of Villa Soldati Church, uses his canvass covered truck to bring children and adults from underprivileged homes to Sunday School at Villa Soldati and Villa Lugano congregations in Buenos Aires. There has been a tremendous influx of mass migration from the provinces in the interior to the Greater Buenos Aires area. There have been a number of underprivileged areas around the Federal Capital. An intense building program is in operation to provide comfortable living quarters which can be purchased and financed over an extended period of time for these people. The Federal Capital, Buenos Aires, now has 3,160,000 inhabitants with 8,773,316 population in the metropolitan area of Greater Buenos Aires. Buenos Aires Province has 8,179,000 population. La Plata, capital city of Buenos Aires Province has 442,000 population. One third of Argentina's total population of 24,727,000 live within the Greater Buenos Aires section. For this reason, we must use all types of evangelism, for all types of social classes to win them to Christ.

VILLA SOLDATI CHURCH BUILDING DEDICATED IN 1964 (Photo 273, p. 144)

March 16, 1964, Mr. Santiago Horst, nazarene builder at Villa Soldati Church, took down the former pre-fabricated chapel. Some Sunday School rooms were used at the back of the church property, while new church building was under construction. For seven years, twenty five tithing members had laid aside money for a building fund, under the pastorate of Mrs. Marie Cochran. They were the first congregation to pay their part and dedicate their church building free of debt on November 4, 1964. They paid half and the Mission paid half. Mr. Aristóbulo Ponce de León, friend of the church, donated all the bricks for the building. The members donated a day's labor monthly and all worked on the church during their spare time. They became a self supporting church and bought a parsonage. Congratulations, Villa Soldati.

CONGREGATION AT VILLA SOLDATI IN 1969 (Photo Nº 274, p. 144)

REV. AND MRS. JOSE MALLA (Photo Nº 275, p. 144)

Rev. José Malla pastored the Villa Soldati Church from 1966-1970. He graduated from Bible School November 24, 1959 and was ordained October 11, 1966 by Dr. Hardy C. Powers. Mrs. María Vera de Malla graduated from Bible School November 25, 1967. Mrs. Malla is a licensed district minister. Rev. and Mrs. José Malla returned to pastor the churches at Trelew and Rawson, Chubut in March of 1970. Since that time they have built a new church in Trelew, are opening a new work at Puerto Madryn some 43 miles from Trelew, and are in the process of buying a new parsonage for Trelew.

CALVARY MOBILE CHURCH (1964-1968)

A HOUSE TRAILER DONATED AT COMODORO RIVADAVIA (Photo Nº 276, p. 144)

Rev. Paul Say and Mr. Emilio Veliki arrived in Buenos Aires June 3, 1964 after having pulled a long and heavy mobile trailer unit from Comodoro Rivadavia in Chubut Province, some 1,850 kilometers with the mission truck and camper unit. The house trailer was a donation made by the Pan American Oil Company at Comodoro Rivadavia. There were many inconveniences during the long trip, but it was to be transformed into a mobile church unit for evangelistic purposes.

CALVARY MOBILE CHURCH (IGLESIA MOVIL EL CALVARIO) (Photo Nº 277, p. 145)

Picture of the new Calvary Mobile Church Unit ready for evangelistic campaigns. Dr. Cochran had a growing vision for some type of evangelistic equipment for mass evangelism purposes, and especially, to evangelize the many large provinces and cities where we had no established work. Argentina is 2,150 miles long, 980 miles wide and has some 1,800 miles of coast line within its 22 provinces and Tierra del Fuego Territory. How could these cities and villages of Argentina's 24,742,000 population have a partial privilege of hearing a Gospel message, buy a Bible or receive a Gospel tract? These questions have been answered, to a limited degree, by means of the Calvary Mobile Church Unit.

The Pan American Oil Company in Comodoro Rivadavia donated the trailer. Mrs. Grace Clark and members of the Kentucky District Missionary Society made it a special project during 1960. Rev. Paul Say, missionary constructor and carpenter, and Mr. Pablo Müller remodeled the interior of the trailer. The González - Bada Talleres in Lanús did the outside repair work. Calvary Nazarene Church in Lexington, Kentucky gave an extra \$1,000 dollars to help complete the mobile unit. The Los Angeles, California District sent \$1,000 to buy two sets of loud speaking equipment and furnish living quarters for five people inside the trailer, while doing evangelistic work.

DR. JOHN COCHRAN DEDICATES CALVARY MOBILE CHURCH (Photo Nº 278, p. 145)

On May 1, 1965, Dr. John Cochran stood on the rear door-platform combination of Calvary Mobile Church Unit and joyfully said to all present: "*It is no longer a dream. It is a reality!*" He prayed the dedicatory prayer for the new Calvary Mobile Church and its future evangelistic ministry.

VIEW OF PLATFORM AND PULPIT FACILITIES OF MOBILE CHURCH UNIT
(Photo Nº 279, p. 145)

Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix brought a special message in song, accompanied by Mrs. Fae Hendrix seated at the small portable organ. Rev. José Armagno, President of the National Church Association, spoke special words. A picture was taken of the first evangelistic team which was to use it. They were Dr. John Cochran, Mr. Emiliano Vera, Rev. José Di Pietro, District Evangelist and David Mastronardi, special singer.

FIRST EVANGELISTIC TRIP WITH CALVARY MOBILE CHURCH
(May 4 - July 6, 1965)

THE MISSION TRUCK CAMPER UNIT (Photo Nº 280, p. 146)

On May 4, 1965, the Mission Truck Camper Unit was hooked on to Calvary Mobile Church, to leave Buenos Aires for its first two months evangelistic campaign in Western and Northwestern Argentina. The mission truck pulled the mobile church 6,000 kilometers. It was taken to San Luis Province, which has

206,000 population, with 51,000 people in the capital city of San Luis. We have no work there. It was taken to Mendoza Province with its 997,000 population and only a small beginning work since 1958 in the capital city. Rev. and Mrs. Natalio Costa helped in these campaigns. From Mendoza the mobile unit was pulled through San Juan Province with its 425,000 population, and where a small group of probationary members met weekly in the San Juan Church. The evangelistic group crossed Catamarca Province with its 206,000 inhabitants, where we have no work. They crossed Tucumán Province with its 937,000 population and worked in San Miguel de Tucumán, where the work had been opened by the Costas in 1953. They continued on to Jujuy Province with its 290,000 population, where the Costas had started evangelizing in 1955 in San Salvador de Jujuy. They returned by way of Santiago del Estero Province with its 562,000 inhabitants, and where the Costas had begun the work in the capital city in 1953. They traveled through Santa Fe Province with its 2,212,000 population to Rosario, our second mission center opened in 1937 by the Cochrans. During this time, they traveled 6,000 kilometers, had some 600,000 people listening during 100 open air services and distributed 171 Bibles, 250 New Testaments and 85,000 tracts and pieces of literature.

CALVARY MOBILE CHURCH UNIT IN BAHIA BLANCA (Photo Nº 281, p. 146)

Picture taken during the second evangelistic campaign at Bahía Blanca. From left to right: Rev. José Di Pietro, District Evangelist; Rev. Adolfo Gómez, pastor in Bahía Blanca and Rev. Angel Zoroastro from Rosario. On December 7, 1965, Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix, Rev. Angel Zoroastro, Rev. Salvador Pereyra and Rev. José Di Pietro worked with Calvary Mobile Church in the Southern part of Buenos Aires Province. They took the unit and evangelized in the cities of Azul, Tandil, Juárez, Chillar, González Chaves, Tres Arroyos, Coronel Dorrego and Bahía Blanca. The Mobile Church was stationed at the Central Park in Bahía Blanca, from 5:00-9:00 P.M. where they had five open air services, sold fifty Bibles and distributed 12,000 tracts in this one city.

SERIES OF PICTURES WITH CALVARY MOBILE CHURCH (1965-1968)

FIRST TRIP WITH MOBILE CHURCH IN 1965 (Photo Nº 282, p. 147)

Rev. José Di Pietro, District Evangelist, speaks in an open air service, while David Mastronardi hands out Gospel literature from Calvary Mobile Church platform. Rev. and Mrs. Natalio Costa give out tracts or sell Gospel literature. Dr. Cochran drove the truck. Many children and adults gathered to listen.

August 8 - September 1967 SECOND TRIP TO NORTHERN ARGENTINA (Photo Nº 283, p. 148)

Picture of Mrs. Santina Malla de Veliki, speaking to children from the mobile church platform in San Salvador de Jujuy in 1967. From August 18-24, they evangelized Jujuy Province. Dr. Cochran, Mr. and Mrs. Emilio Veliki, Mr. Emiliano Vera and Rev. José Di Pietro formed the evangelistic party.

SANTIAGO DEL ESTERO IN 1967 (Photo Nº 284, p. 148, right picture)

Mrs. María de Cabrera, pastor's wife in Santiago del Estero, giving a Bible story to a group of children from the mobile church platform. This second two months' trip reached the provinces of Córdoba, Tucumán, Salta, San Salvador de Jujuy and Santiago del Estero. There were 43 Bibles, 69 New Testaments and 30,000 Gospel Portions sold, with 50,000 tracts distributed. Thousands of people listened in open air services.

ROSARIO IN SANTA FE PROVINCE (Photo Nº 285, p. 148, second right picture)

Rev. Donald Davis singing during open air service in Rosario, Santa Fe. Rosario has 807,000 population in 1972, and is the second largest city in the nation.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE EXHIBITIONS (Photo Nº 286, p. 148)

Picture shows display of religious literature set up in city parks and sold to the public, while Mobile Church is being used for open air services. It is another effective and attractive means of personal evangelism.

November 1 - December 10, 1967 MOBILE CHURCH UNIT IN LA PATAGONIA
(Photo Nº 287, p. 149)

From November 1 to December 10, 1967, an evangelistic campaign was in progress with Calvary Mobile Church in Southern Argentina. Rev. Pablo Müller, pastor of the Trelew and Rawson, Chubut churches, distributes tracts to many outstretched hands in Southeastern Patagonia area. They also worked in Viedma, Río Negro Province, and as far as Puerto Madryn, Chubut.

CALVARY MOBILE CHURCH IN COMODORO RIVADAVIA IN 1967 (Photo Nº 288, p. 149)

Rev. Jorge McFarland speaking and distributing religious literature from Calvary Mobile Church, when the new church was opened during 1967 at Comodoro Rivadavia in the southern tip of Chubut Province.

CALVARY MOBILE CHURCH IN NORTHEASTERN ARGENTINA IN 1968

April 25 - June 1, 1968 CAMPAIGN IN FORMOSA PROVINCE (Photo Nº 289, p. 149)

Rev. José Di Pietro, District Evangelist, speaking during an open air service while evangelistic services were in progress at the Formosa Central Church. Formosa had 50,000 in 1972 and 217,000 in all the province. Formosa is sub tropical, and is located 1,440 miles North by train from Buenos Aires. It borders with Paraguay on the North. It is a province populated with a number of different Indian tribes.

REV. LONGO DOING PERSONAL WORK IN FORMOSA (Photo Nº 290, p. 149)

Rev. Vicente Longo, newly assigned pastor to Formosa in 1968, hands out tracts and invitations to secondary students dressed in typical white school uniforms. The Formosa Church of the Nazarene was organized May 1, 1968 with 34 members and 15 probationers. From April 22 - May 31, 1968, Calvary Mobile Church was taken 4,285 kilometers and they evangelized in Formosa, el Chaco and Santa Fe Provinces. Three revivals were held. There were 75 open air services conducted with 30,000 Gospel Portions and 40,000 tracts distributed, besides many Bibles and New Testaments.

OTHER EVANGELISTIC EFFORTS WITH CALVARY MOBILE CHURCH
(1969-1971)

An evangelistic tour was planned for Corrientes and Misiones Provinces in Northeastern Argentina during April and May 1969; but the mobile church unit was seriously damaged by an automobile accident, so this campaign had to be suspended for several months.

November 5-21, 1969 EVANGELIZING IN ENTRE RIOS Y CORRIENTES PROVINCES

From November 5-21, 1969, Dr. John Cochran, Rev. Carlos Bammatter, Rev. Antonio Correa and Mr. Emilio Veliki worked in Entre Ríos and Corrientes provinces with Calvary Mobile Church. They worked in Paraná, La Paz, Curuzú Cuatiá, Corrientes, Mercedes, Santo Tomé and Alvear. They sold many Gospel Portions, a number of Bibles and New Testaments, handed out thousands of tracts and conducted open air services in the cities.

November 3, 1970 EVANGELIZING IN BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE

On November 3, 1970, another evangelistic campaign was begun with Calvary Mobile Church in Buenos Aires Province. Dr. John Cochran, Rev. Antonio Correa our district evangelist, Rev. Luis Lemos, Rev. Orlando Arana, Rev. Eduardo Cabral and Estanislao Valle formed the evangelistic team. They worked in San Andrés de Giles, Carmen de Areco, Chacabuco, General Pinto, General Villegas, Rivadavia, Trenque Lauquen, Pehuajó, Carlos Casares, 9 de Julio, Bragado, Alberdi, Chivilcoy and Suipacha.

August 20 - September 22, 1971 EVANGELIZING IN CORRIENTES, MISIONES AND FORMOSA PROVINCES

This was Dr. Cochran's last trip to Northeastern Argentina, accompanied by Rev. Pablo Müller and Ricardo Witt. They worked in Goya, Bella Vista, Ituzaingó, then on to Posadas, Oberá and El Dorado. They journeyed from Resistencia to Formosa, and from Formosa to Laguna Blanca to visit the aborigenes and see the new church under construction. Dr. Cochran had been able to reach the last Province in Northern Argentina with an evangelistic program and preach the Gospel in each of them.

October 7 - November 15, 1971 DR. COCHRAN'S LAST TRIP WITH THE MOBILE CHURCH BEFORE RETIREMENT

Dr. Cochran's last trip with Calvary Mobile Church was in Southeastern and Southwestern Argentina. Rev. Félix Cabrera and Rev. Antonio Correa accompanied him when he began the trip. This trip included the provinces of Buenos Aires, Río Negro, Neuquén and La Pampa. This means that he has taken the Calvary Mobile Church to every one of the twenty two Argentina Provinces, with the exception of Santa Cruz, since it was dedicated May 1, 1965. His last trip included Roque Pérez, Saladillo, General Alvear, Taqalquén, Olavarría, Coronel Pringles and Bahía Blanca in Buenos Aires Province. A week end in October was spent in Viedma, Río Negro Province in the new chapel opened July 17, 1971 by Rev. Medina. Río Negro Province has 233,000 inhabitants. Viedma, the capital city has 14,000. Río Negro Province contains mountains and fertile valleys. Sheep, vineyards and fruit are some of its principal products. In 1936 Río Negro was a Territory with 55,570 people. The NAZARENE AMBASSADORS helped in Special week end services. The Mobile Church continued through Río Negro Valley with evangelism done at General Conesa, Choele-Choele, Villa Regina, General Roca, Cipolletti and in Neuquén capital city of Neuquén Province. They worked in General Acha and in Santa Rosa, capital city of La Pampa Province. La Pampa has 185,000 people in the province and 29,000 in Santa Rosa. Calvary Mobile Church has been an efficient means of reaching many great provinces and cities with the Gospel message.

NEW CHURCH BUILDING IN LOS NARANJOS SECTION OF CORDOBA (Photo Nº 291, p. 150)

On February 5, 1966, the lovely new sanctuary was dedicated in the Los Naranjos residential section of Córdoba. It was moved from the Matienzo section

nearer the center of Córdoba. The new church building was dedicated under the pastorate of Rev. Salvador Zoroastro.

REV. AND MRS. SALVADOR ZOROASTRO (Photo Nº 292, p. 150)

Rev. Salvador Zoroastro pastored in Córdoba from May 1958 to December 1968. Mrs. María Ofelia Castiglioni de Zoroastro graduated August 31, 1942 from the Bible School theological course. Salvador finished in 1944. He was ordained March 26, 1954 by Dr. G. B. Williamson. Mrs. Zoroastro was a licensed district minister.

CONGREGATION AT CORDOBA IN 1968 (Photo Nº 293, p. 150)

REV. AND MRS. EDUARDO CABRAL (Photo Nº 294, p. 150)

Rev. Eduardo Cabral and Yolanda Horst, newly weds from Villa Soldati Church, went to Córdoba to pastor in December 1968. Eduardo finished Bible School November 30, 1968. He pastored at Córdoba until March 1971, when they were sent to pastor in San Juan.

THE NAZARENE AMBASSADORS VISIT ARGENTINA IN 1966

July 20, 1966 NAZARENE YOUTH WITH WELCOME BANNER FOR THE AMBASSADORS (Photo Nº 295, p. 150)

WELCOME AMBASSADORS: were the large words printed on the long white banner displayed by seventy five enthusiastic people standing on the terraza at Ezeiza International Airport on July 20, 1966 to welcome THE NAZARENE AMBASSADORS, who were soon to arrive on a large Pan American Jet Plane in Argentina.

REV. SPURGEON HENDRIX WELCOMES AMBASSADORS AT AIRPORT
(Photo Nº 296, p. 151)

Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix, Interim District Superintendent during 1966, and third from left side in the picture, welcomed Dr. Honorato T. Reza, General Coordinator for the Nazarene Ambassadors from the States to Argentina. Dr. Reza stands to left side of Rev. Hendrix. Rev. Hendrix gave a hearty welcome to Rev. Sergio Franco, Campaign Evangelist; to Professor Ray Moore, Music Director, and to Rev. John Smee, special pianist. He also welcomed seven nazarene university students and one student from Nazarene Theological Seminary. The student ambassadors included Robert Harrison, Paul Johnson, Daniel Berg, David Walker, Ronald Wilson, John Fraser and Paul Soroya. The Nazarene Ambassadors had come to Argentina for two evangelistic crusades, scheduled between July 20-31, 1966. *WELCOME TO ARGENTINA NAZARENE AMBASSADORS.*

DR. H. T. REZA SPEAKING FROM CALVARY MOBILE CHURCH IN ROSARIO
(Photo Nº 297, p. 151)

Dr. H. T. Reza, Coordinator for the Nazarene Ambassadors and Director of the Spanish Department at Nazarene Publishing House in Kansas City, Missouri, spoke from the Calvary Mobile Church located at Sarmiento Park in Rosario, during an open air service held July 22, 1966. Professor Ray Moore directed the Nazarene Ambassadors as they sang. Miss Lynda Howerton played the accordeon.

ROSARIO YOUTH HELP DISTRIBUTE GOSPEL LITERATURE (Photo Nº 298, p. 151)

The Rosario nazarene youth participated in the sale of Bibles, New Tes-

taments, Gospel Portions and in handing out tracts for the Nazarene Ambassador Crusade in Rosario.

GROUP OF NAZARENE STUDENT AMBASSADORS (Photo Nº 299, p. 152)

This picture shows the members of the group of Nazarene Student Ambassadors from the United States, who worked enthusiastically during both Crusades. They also had moments of christian fellowship and exchanging viewpoints in specially prepared social gatherings with our young people. All contacts were wholesome for both groups.

LA HORA NAZARENA BROADCAST IN ROSARIO WITH DR. H. T. REZA SPEAKING (Photo Nº 300, p. 152)

Dr. Honorato Reza, International Speaker for the Spanish Nazarene weekly radio program called "LA HORA NAZARENA", was invited by Radio Station LT8 in Rosario to present a half hour radio program with the Nazarene Ambassadors participating on Sunday, July 24, 1966. Professor Ray Moore sang and Dr. Reza spoke. We now have seventeen stations which broadcast LA HORA NAZARENA in Argentina each week.

NAZARENE AMBASSADOR'S CRUSADE IN ROSARIO (Photo Nº 301, p. 153)

The Rosario Crusade was conducted from July 20-24, 1966 at the American School. Picture shows an attendance group during the Rosario Crusade. Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix and Rev. Vicente Bustos, General Argentina Coordinator for the Crusades, were present with the Ambassadors at Rosario. Three hundred people were present the last service with over twelve hundred during the campaign. One hundred twelve people sought spiritual help under the evangelistic preaching of Rev. Sergio Franco. A social hour was planned for the Nazarene Ambassadors by Rev. Antonio Correa and the Rosario nazarene youth.

SECOND EVANGELISTIC CRUSADE OF THE AMBASSADORS IN BUENOS AIRES (Photo Nº 302, p. 153)

The second Evangelistic Crusade of the Nazarene Ambassadors was held at Terrero Street Central Church in Buenos Aires from July 25-31, 1966. Professor Ray Moore leads the Crusade Choir and congregational singing. The Nazarene Student Ambassadors sang with the Crusade Choir. Seated from left to right on the platform are, Rev. Juan Ianni, Rev. José Di Pietro, Dr. H. T. Reza, Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix and Rev. Sergio Franco. The musical ministry of Professor Moore, Rev. John Smee and the student ambassadors was greatly appreciated.

TWELVE HUNDRED PEOPLE ATTEND A CRUSADE SERVICE (Photo Nº 303, p. 154)

TROMBONE MUSIC BY DANIEL BERG DELIGHTS THE CONGREGATION (Photo Nº 304, p. 154)

Student Ambassador, Daniel Berg, delights the congregation with a musical trombone number. From twenty to thirty busses came each night from metropolitan Buenos Aires, bringing christian believers and unsaved friends or loved ones. All enjoyed the singing of Professor Ray Moore, the playing by Rev. John Smee, all the vocal and instrumental numbers, among them, the Trío composed of members Fraser, Berg and Wilson.

REV. SERGIO FRANCO AS CRUSADE EVANGELIST (Photo Nº 305, p. 155)

Rev. Sergio Franco, member of the Spanish Editorial Staff at the Spanish

Nazarene Publishing House in Kansas City, Missouri, was the dynamic evangelist for the Crusade services in Rosario and Buenos Aires. There were more than two hundred professions of faith during the Crusade in Buenos Aires. From left to right on the platform, seated behind Rev. Franco, are Rev. Vicente Bustos, Dr. H. T. Reza and Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix. The Argentina Nazarenes gave more than \$500,000 pesos to help with Crusade expenses. The Nazarene Ambassadors visited "LA RAZON", well known newspaper establishment in Buenos Aires, and were interviewed. They also visited the Argentina Bible Society and the Billy Graham Association Headquarters in Buenos Aires.

REV. PAUL SKILES GREETES NAZARENE YOUTH IN BUENOS AIRES (Photo N^o 306, p. 155)

Rev. Paul Skiles, General Executive Secretary of the Nazarene Young People's Society, arrived Friday, July 29, 1966, to be with the Nazarene Ambassadors in Argentina and to greet nazarene youth. His personal contact with Argentina Youth was a marvellous blessing. His extraordinary skill as trombone player, captivated his listening audience.

REV. PAUL SKILES RECEIVES A SPECIAL AND SIGNIFICANT GIFT (Photo N^o 307, p. 155)

Mr. Roberto Contreras, District N.Y.P.S. President from 1966-1969, presented Rev. Paul Skiles a special plaque prepared for the General N.Y.P.S. office in Kansas City, Missouri and a gold Argentine District Youth pin. He thanked Rev. Skiles for the wonderful Crusades which had united nazarene youth from two continents.

REV. VICENTE BUSTOS THANKS DR. H. T. REZA FOR AMBASSADORS VISIT (Photo N^o 308, p. 155)

Rev. Vicente Bustos, Argentina General Coordinator for the Nazarene Ambassador Crusades, expressed personal thanks to Dr. Honorato T. Reza, in name of all the church in Argentina, for the visit and blessings received from the members of the Nazarene Ambassadors during their stay with us. Dr. Reza was presented with a special gift by Rev. Bustos from Argentina.

CHAPEL AND CONGREGATION IN SAN MIGUEL IN 1969 (Photo N^o 309, p. 156)

Rev. and Mrs. Leopoldo Lagraña pastored in San Miguel a second time from 1962-1972. This pre-fabricated chapel was built in 1965 by Rev. Paul Say at 969 Sarmiento Street in a rural area outside of San Miguel. Rev. Lagraña is retired. He stands at left side of third row by the porch entrance pole.

DR. HARDY C. POWERS VISITS ARGENTINA

October 11, 1966 (Photo N^o 310, p. 156)

Dr. Hardy C. Powers, General Superintendent, made his second visit to Argentina. He was present for a special ordination service conducted at Terrero Central Church on October 11, 1966. Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix was Interim Field Superintendent. Welcome, Dr. Powers, to Argentina.

NEW CLASS OF ORDAINED ELDERS IN 1966 (Photo N^o 311, p. 156)

On October, 11, 1966, Dr. Hardy C. Powers ordained the fine class of seven new ordained elders, whose pictures were taken with their wives and Rev. and Mrs. Hendrix. From left to right are Rev. Orlando Arana and wife, Rev. Félix Cabrera and wife, Rev. Vicente Longo and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Spurgeon Hen-

drix, Interim Field Superintendent, Rev. Oscar Mingorance and wife, Rev. José Malla and wife, Rev. Adolfo Gómez and wife and Rev. Antonio Correa and wife. Congratulations to all of them.

REV. ANGEL ZOROASTRO (Photo N° 312, p. 157)

Rev. Angel Zoroastro, pastor in our church since 1945, passed to his heavenly home on April 21, 1967, after suffering a heart attack. He loved to do personal work and evangelize. He helped in many campaigns. He stands on Calvary Mobile Church platform, preaching a Gospel message, a short time prior to his death. God bless the family in these hours of bereavement.

NEW CHAPEL DEDICATED IN MONTE GRANDE IN 1966 (Photo N° 313, p. 157)

On October 22, 1966, a new pre-fabricated house type of chapel was dedicated in Monte Grande, Buenos Aires Province, on a lot donated by Mr. Fernando Palavecino in 1961. Mr. Aristóbulo Ponce de León gave \$ 100,000 pesos for the purchase of the house and \$ 60,000 was given by the Mission. Church benches were donated. The Costas started the new work in Monte Grande when Dr. Lucía de Costa came to Buenos Aires Bible School from Mendoza in 1966, to teach full time. Immediately they began a work in Monte Grande. Picture shows Sunday School attendance in Monte Grande and the chapel in 1969.

CHURCH ORGANIZED IN MONTE GRANDE IN 1972 (Photo N° 314, p. 157)

On February 13, 1972, Dr. John Cochran organized his last church in Argentina, before his official retirement date which was Tuesday, February 15, 1972. He organized the Monte Grande Church with 16 members, which had been started in 1966 by Rev. and Mrs. Natalio Costa. Rev. and Mrs. Costa stand in front of the chapel in Monte Grande. The Costas pastored in Monte Grande from 1966-1972, at which time Rev. Lino Tejerina, a Senior at the Bible School, assumed the pastorate. Don Natalio has remodeled the chapel. Mr. Ponce de León has bought bricks for a new chapel, and a building program in Monte Grande is on the 1972 agenda of new church buildings.

DR. COCHRAN PAYS SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO THE COSTAS IN LAST DISTRICT ASSEMBLY REPORT

On March 2, 1972, Dr. John A. Cochran, Retiring Field Superintendent, gave his last district report. At the close of the report, Dr. Cochran stated that Rev. and Mrs. Natalio Costa had opened twenty three preaching places during their ministry. Thirteen of these are now organized churches in 1972, or exactly one third of the 39 organized churches on the district. Dr. Costa is the first convert in the church since November 21, 1919 and has been a worker in the church since its beginning.

For all who have known the Costas so many years, the author privately solicited the names of the 23 preaching places opened, and wishes to document them for future church history data. They are as follows: In Buenos Aires province, are Merlo and its three former annexes at Mariano Acosta, Libertad and Marcos Paz. Then there are the organized churches at Castelar, Moreno, Morón and Ituzaingó. The last one was Monte Grande. In Buenos Aires, Federal Capital, is Villa Soldati as an organized work. In Tucumán Province are Villa Urquiza and Esteban Echeverría as organized churches, with the former annexes at Acherai and Famailá. In Santiago del Estero Province are one organized church and an annex at Loreto. In Jujuy Province is the organized church at San Salvador de Jujuy. In Mendoza Province is the

organized church at San José, Guaymallén, and the annexes where they worked at Villa Nueva, Las Heras, in the Center of Mendoza Capital City and in the home of Doña Loreta. In San Juan Province is the group of probationary members not yet organized. The Costas have started a new work in San Antonio de Padua since March 1972. God richly bless their long and fruitful ministry in our church.

NEW LADY LAWYER (Photo Nº 315, p. 158)

On April 28, 1967, Miss Gladys Mercedes Rocabado, from Alberdi Church in Rosario, took her oath for the conferring of a Doctorate Degree in Law from the National University Law School at Santa Fe, in Santa Fe Province. Her official diploma is dated July 14, 1967, and bears five official signatures. Congratulations, Dr. Gladys M. Rocabado.

PASTORS AND NATIONAL WORKERS IN 1967 (Photo Nº 316, p. 158)

NAZARENE LAYMEN AND PASTORS FROM 1919-1939 (Photo Nº 317, p. 158)

Picture was taken at commencement service at the Bible training School on November 30, 1968, of those present who had attended services in our church at some period of time between 1919-1939. Special congratulations to our pioneer nazarenes on the district.

MISSION COUNCIL STAFF IN ARGENTINA DURING 1967 (Photo Nº 318, p. 159)

From left to right are Rev. and Mrs. Norman Howerton, Rev. and Mrs. Spurgeon Hendrix, Rev. and Mrs. John Cochran, Rev. and Mrs. Donald Davis, Rev. and Mrs. Paul Say, Rev. and Mrs. Ardee B. Coolidge, Miss Ruth Miller and Rev. Thomas A. Ainscough. Miss Dorothy Ahleman was on furlough.

REV. ISMAEL AMAYA GRADUATES FROM NAZARENE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY (Photo Nº 319, p. 159)

On May 14, 1968, Rev. Ismael E. Amaya, native of Argentina, holds his diploma for his B. D. Degree, conferred by Nazarene Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Missouri. He graduated from Buenos Aires Bible Training School, received his A. B. Degree from Pasadena Nazarene College, worked on the Editorial Staff at Nazarene Spanish Department in Kansas City, has pastored, has written a number of books and translated many books for the Spanish Department. Currently, he is teaching at Pasadena Nazarene College in Pasadena, California and is studying for his Ph. D. Degree. Congratulations, Ismael.

REV. AND MRS. OSCAR MINGORANCE (Photo Nº 320, p. 160)

Rev. Oscar Mingorance, Argentina Nazarene employee of the Spanish Department in Kansas City, with his wife, Adela. For nine years they were Dean and Women at Buenos Aires Bible School. Oscar was in charge of the Central Bookstore for five years. He graduated from Bible School November 30, 1963, and was ordained by Dr. Hardy C. Powers October 11, 1966. Rev. and Mrs. Mingorance returned to Buenos Aires February 21, 1971, where they pastored the Conde Church. Rev. Mingorance teaches in the Bible School, is in charge of La Hora Nazarena work and they are Dean of Men and Women at the Bible School.

REV. AND MRS. FLORENTINO BAUZA (Photo Nº 321, p. 160)

Rev. Florentino and Stella Tavella de Bauzá. She graduated from Bible School November 25, 1967. Florentino finished November 29, 1969 and was ordained by Dr. George Coulter on March 6, 1970. They pastored the Behring Street Church during 1968-1969. Since March of 1970, they have pastored Alberdi and Ludueña Churches in Rosario.

CONGREGATION AT BEHRING STREET CHURCH IN 1969 (Photo Nº 322, p. 160)

REV. AND MRS. PAUL SAY (Photo Nº 323, p. 160)

Picture of Rev. Paul and Thelma Say, who were welcomed to Argentina with their family on June 2, 1962 from the United States. Rev. Say has been carpenter, builder, pastor, has had general supervision of District Building work and has served on many council and district church committees. Thelma has worked as Bible School Librarian, Supervisor to the Dean of Men and Women and as Bible School Kitchen Manager. During 1968, they were pastors at Behring Street and also during 1970, with Rev. and Mrs. Roberto Ortíz as student helpers. During 1971, a new building program was begun for a lovely sanctuary in Behring Church. Rev. and Mrs. Paul Say and family furloughed December 15, 1971. Rev. and Mrs. Roberto Ortíz are continuing with the construction program during 1972.

CONGREGATION AT MORENO CHURCH IN 1969 (Photo Nº 324, p. 161)

REV. AND MRS. RAMON BAUZA IN 1969 (Photo Nº 325, p. 161)

Rev. Ramón and Aurelia Fryda de Bauzá pastored the Moreno Church from 1968-1970. Aurelia finished Bible School December 3, 1966 and is a licensed minister. Ramón finished Bible School November 25, 1967 and was ordained by Dr. Coulter March 6, 1970. From 1970-1972 they pastored in Bahía Blanca. Since March 1972, they are pastoring at San Antonio de Areco and Capitán Sarmiento.

THE DAVID CERCHIARA FAMILY IN 1969 (Photo Nº 326, p. 161)

Mr. and Mrs. David Cerchiara, members of the Castelar Church, made a substantial financial donation for the construction of a small pre-fabricated chapel at the Madre Selva Moreno annex. Their smaller son, Danny, was converted when three years old in Moreno Church. At this tender age, he wanted his parents to take an offering daily during family devotions. During 1966, this money was given for Nazarene Ambassadors Crusade. Now it is given for alabaster offerings or a Junior Missionary Society project.

THE WORK PROGRESSES IN MENDOZA (1966-1969)

OPEN AIR SERVICE IN BARRIO ARREDONDO IN MENDOZA (Photo Nº 327, p. 162)

Miss Lynda Howerton plays the accordeon. Curtiss Howerton gives a puppet lesson and Edgardo Fariñas and Oscar Videla are singing and directing the open air service opened in 1966 in Barrio Arredondo, Mendoza under the pastorate of Rev. Norman Howerton.

DOÑA TERESA OLIVARES BRINGS SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN AT MENDOZA (Photo Nº 328, p. 162)

Doña Teresa Olivares stands with a number of children she has brought to Sunday School in Mendoza. Rev. Howerton, pastor at Mendoza, stands to the left of our Guaymallén Church building, with the children. Many times she has taught classes in the open patio and under the grape vines. She is loved by her Sunday School children.

REV. NORMAN AND JOANNA HOWERTON (1966-1968) (Photo Nº 329, p. 162)

Rev. and Mrs. Norman Howerton and family arrived in Argentina October 1, 1964 from the States. They were named missionaries in charge of Mendoza in 1966. They pastored the Guaymallén Church, took care of the annex

Sunday Schools, conducted classes at the Mendoza annex Bible School and were in charge of San Juan in 1968. On July 30, 1968, they left for their first furlough in the States.

THE GUAYMALLÉN CHURCH BUILDING IN MENDOZA (Photo Nº 330, p. 162)

The Guaymallén, Mendoza Church, located at 928 Cristóbal Colón Street, was opened for public worship on April 2, 1958. The church was organized December 11, 1960 with twelve members. Services were also conducted in the homes of don Rutilio and doña Magdalena de Macías in Villa Nueva Barrio in 1958, then in the home of doña Juana de Arce. Other Sunday School annexes were opened in the center of Mendoza, in Las Heras, in Barrio San Lorenzo, in Almirante Brown and in Barrio Arredondo.

CONGREGATION OF THE GUAYMALLÉN CHURCH IN MENDOZA IN 1968

(Photo Nº 331, p. 163)

Picture was taken in December of 1968 with Rev. and Mrs. Edwin White and Rev. Esther Nemeč as Co-workers in Mendoza and San Juan.

REV. EDWIN AND ENRIQUETA DE WHITE (Photo Nº 332, p. 163)

Rev. and Mrs. Edwin White formerly belonged to the New Testament Mission in England. They joined our church in 1959, and brought their congregation at Belgrano with them. Rev. White is a retired minister. He helped in Mendoza during the last part of 1968 and during 1969. In November of 1969, he went to San Juan where he pastored until March 1971.

REV. MISS ESTHER NEMEČ (Photo Nº 333, p. 163)

Rev. Miss Esther Nemeč graduated from the Bible School November 27, 1965, and received her district license in 1966. She was a helper in Mendoza with Rev. and Mrs. Norman Howerton from 1966-1968. From July 1968 to November 1969, she helped Rev. and Mrs. Edwin White in San Juan and Mendoza. During 1970, she was Co-Pastor with Miss Ruth Miller in Tucumán and its annexes. During 1971, she was Co-Pastor with Mrs. Rufina de Armagno in Ituzaingó. During 1972, she is working with Rev. and Mrs. Harold Ray in the Calle Montevideo Church at Rosario. She was District Teen Supervisor during 1971.

CONGREGATION AT TERRERO CENTRAL CHURCH IN BUENOS AIRES IN 1969 (Photo Nº 334, p. 163)

REV. AND MRS. ALEJANDRO MEDINA (Photo Nº 335, p. 163)

Rev. Alejandro Medina pastored Terrero Street Central Church in Buenos Aires from 1968-1971. He finished Bible School in 1951 and was ordained March 26, 1954 by Dr. G. B. Williamson. Rev. Alejandro Adolfo Medina pastored in Chilavert during 1968-1969, with Rev. and Mrs. Rogelio Fernández as helpers. Rev. and Mrs. Roberto Contreras and Rev. and Mrs. Roberto Ortiz were his helpers in the annexes at Lanús and Florencio Varela in 1968 and 1969. In 1970, Rev. Medina was elected President of the National Church Association.

Rev. Alejandro Adolfo Medina had served as a helper in Donato Alvarez Church and in Chilavert from 1950-1951. He became pastor at Chilavert in 1952. From 1953-1956 he pastored at San Antonio de Areco and Capitán Sarmiento. During 1957, he was District Evangelist. He pastored in Tucumán and its annexes from 1958-1959; in Alberdi, Rosario Church from 1960-1962; in Pirán Street Church in Buenos Aires from 1963-1967 and Terrero Street Cen-

tral Church in Buenos Aires from 1968-1971. He served as District N.Y.P.S. President during 1952; as Director of the District Center from 1953-1956; as District N.Y.P.S. President in 1963 and as a member of the National Church Association Board from 1964-1972. He was Secretary of the National Church Association from March 1965 - March 1966. In 1951, he was Editor of JUVEN-TUD NAZARENA, the District Youth Periodical. From March 5, 1970 - March 5, 1971, he was President of the National Church Association.

Friday afternoon, October 30, 1970, at the close of the Annual Pastor's Retreat in San Antonio de Areco, Dr. John A. Cochran officially announced that Rev. Alejandro Medina had been appointed by General Church officials, as the New Assistant District Superintendent of Argentina. A time of great rejoicing followed the presentation of Rev. and Mrs. Medina by Dr. Cochran to the pastors and missionaries present. Our Church had now started a new program as a Mission-National District.

The high peak of our last District Assembly was Thursday Morning, March 2, 1972. Rev. Medina was elected on a "Yes" or "No" vote for District Superintendent, with only two dissenting votes. Mrs. Medina was ushered to the platform and Rev. and Mrs. Alejandro Medina were joyfully presented to the District Assembly. Rev. Medina was presented as newly elected National District Superintendent and Mrs. Medina as District Missionary President. A new and historic moment of church history was lived by all present. The District Assembly delegation rose to its feet. There was a prolonged applause, tears, choruses, praises to God and a scene never to be forgotten as retiring Field Superintendent, Dr. John Cochran, embraced Rev. Medina and congratulated him on his newly elected position as National District Superintendent of the Church of the Nazarene in Argentina. Appropriate words were spoken by Rev. Medina and also by Mrs. Medina who was presented a lovely corsage. Congratulations, Rev. and Mrs. Alejandro Medina, as you start the third period of church advancement on our district. Our pastors, missionaries and laymen believe in you. We know the Lord is going to bless your ministry.

PRE-FABRICATED CHAPEL AND CONGREGATION IN LANUS IN 1969 (Photo Nº 336, p. 164)

The Lanús Annex was started with open air services and a tent campaign in 1958. It was an annex of Terrero Street Central Church from 1958-1960. Eduardo Cabral was saved in 1956. Also, Joaquín Lima, his sister and parents lived there. Doña Celestina de Bonastre went to live at Lanús when the pre-fabricated chapel was finished in 1960. Rev. and Mrs. Carlos Bam-matter were in charge of Lanús Annex in 1961 as an annex of Villa Soldati. For several years it has been an annex of Terrero Church. Rev. and Mrs. Lucio Gamarra were helpers during 1970-1971. Rev. Juan Zani is pastor. Doña Celestina de Bonastre lives in the church property. It is not an organized congregation.

NEW CHURCH BUILDING IN ALBERDI, ROSARIO AND CONGREGATION IN 1969 (Photo Nº 337, p. 164)

On May 25, 1970, a beautiful new sanctuary was dedicated in Alberdi, Rosario, under the pastorate of Rev. Donald Davis. Rev. Davis was also in charge of annexes at Nuevo Alberdi and La Florida. They pastored the Alberdi Church from 1966-1969. Rev. Davis spent many months of planning the building, working with the builders and gave many hours of manual labor on the building. The community was well represented at the official dedication service. Rev. and Mrs. Florentino Bauzá became the new pastors in Alberdi.

A STREET CAR DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT NUEVO ALBERDI

(Photo Nº 338, p. 164)

A lot was bought for a church annex in Nuevo Alberdi, Rosario in 1957, and a small hall was built in 1960 by Rev. Angel Zoroastro and the congregation, as an annex of the Alberdi Church. A Daily Vacation Bible School was conducted in a street car at Nuevo Alberdi one year during the Davis' ministry. Picture shows teachers and children engaged in craft work during one session.

REV. AND MRS. DONALD DAVIS (1960-1972)

April 6, 1960 (Photo Nº 339, p. 165)

Rev. and Mrs. Donald Davis arrived with their family from the States on April 6, 1960. They pastored at the Morón Church from 1960-1962, as well as teaching in the Bible School and other assigned duties in Buenos Aires until first furlough on November 23, 1963. Rev. Davis studied at Nazarene Theological Seminary during furlough year. Upon return to the field, Rev. Davis served as Mission Treasurer, while Rev. Ainscough was on furlough in England. Mrs. Betty Davis served as teacher in the Bible School, Council Secretary and Editor of the District Bulletin during 1963 and 1965. In 1966, they were transferred to Rosario as missionaries in charge of the area. They pastored the Alberdi Church and its annexes from 1966-1970. They were also Directors of the Annex Bible School at Rosario. They left July 13, 1970 by plane for their second furlough. Rev. Davis enrolled at Nazarene Theological Seminary. He was a member of the first graduating class to receive a Master's Degree in Theology, conferred May 11, 1971. Congratulations, Don.

Rev. and Mrs. Donald Davis returned to Buenos Aires August 28, 1971 for a third term of service. During the October 1971 annual Mission Council Meeting, Rev. Davis was elected as new Field Superintendent, subject to the approval of the Department of World Missions, the General Board of the Church of the Nazarene and the Board of General Superintendents. During the visit of Dr. E. S. Phillips, Secretary of the Department of World Missions, and Dr. George Coulter, General Superintendent in Jurisdiction of Argentina from 1968-1972, Rev. Donald Davis was authorized to assume official duties as Field Superintendent February 15, 1972. The visit of Dr. Phillips and Dr. Coulter to Argentina was in conjunction with the First South American Nazarene Pastors' Retreat, held at Ramos Mejía from January 24-28, 1972 with 160 present. Rev. Davis was authorized to assume the duties of Dr. John Cochran, Field Superintendent from 1939-1972, and who was retiring from the field. Rev. Davis presided at the LII District Assembly convened on March 1-2, 1972 at Terrero Street Central Church in Buenos Aires. Rev. Alejandro Medina was elected new National District Superintendent. Rev. Davis is now Council Chairman and works with Rev. Alejandro Medina in his new relationship as helper and advisor. Congratulations, Rev. Davis, as our new Council Chairman in Argentina. God bless you in this new period as a National-Missionary District is now in operation.

ANNEX BIBLE SCHOOL IN ROSARIO (Photo Nº 340, p. 165)

Picture of Annex Bible School group at Rosario, during the Directorship of Rev. Donald and Lucy Crenshaw. Rev. and Mrs. Crenshaw arrived in Argentina from the States on July 6, 1962. They pastored in Rosario from 1963-1965. Rev. Crenshaw was Mission Treasurer and taught in Buenos Aires School during 1965. He was Director of Buenos Aires Bible School during 1966. They

furloughed to the States in December 1966. Mrs. Lucy Crenshaw was active in secretarial work. She stands third from right side in first row, and Rev. Donald Crenshaw, the first in the second row from right side.

BIBLE SCHOOL GROUP AT ROSARIO IN 1968 (Photo Nº 341, p. 165)

Picture of Faculty and Student Body at Rosario Annex Bible School in 1968, with Rev. and Mrs. Donald Davis as Directors. Mrs. Lilliana de Gibbons and Rev. Antonio Correa were on the teaching staff in Rosario. Classes have now been discontinued at Rosario.

VETERAN MISSIONARY FOUNDERS OF EMMANUEL MISSION
AT FORMOSA

REV. AND MRS. JOHN CHURCH (Photo Nº 342, p. 165)

Picture of Rev. and Mrs. John Church, some of the veteran missionary founders of Emmanuel Holiness Mission from England. They were among the founders of this church group of faith missionaries, who began the work for their church in Formosa Province. On April 14, 1931, according to Rev. Thomas Ainscough, three single men missionaries arrived in the city of Formosa from Emmanuel Faith Mission. They were Rev. Thomas A. Ainscough, Rev. J. T. Palmer and Rev. John Church. They traveled almost a thousand miles by boat up the Paraná River to the city of Formosa, which had 10,000 people in 1936. It was a Territory at that time with 27,210 people, according to the South American English Hand Book. Rev. Ainscough went to Rosario in 1933. Rev. John Church and Miss Amy Whitefield and Rev. J. T. Palmer and Miss B. Blockstock were married March 2, 1937 and both couples spent their honeymoon in Buenos Aires. Rev. and Mrs. John Church went to Laguna Blanca to start a work among the aborigenes. This picture was taken of them in 1969. They are retired and living at Laguna Blanca.

REV. AND MRS. VICTOR EDWARDS (Photo Nº 343, p. 166)

Rev. and Mrs. Víctor Edwards and daughter, Merion Hilda, arrived from Wales to begin their first term of service as Nazarene Missionaries on October 17, 1969. They had both spent a term of service for Emmanuel Faith Mission in Formosa Province. They were single when they went to the field. They were married in Argentina September 26, 1964. In 1968, after having served since 1963 as missionaries for Emmanuel Mission, they were pastoring the Formosa Headquarters Central Church, when the work was given to our church. They returned to Great Britain in 1968. In January of 1969, they were named to Argentina. Upon arrival in Buenos Aires, they were named missionaries in charge of Mendoza and Directors of the Annex Bible School. They have pastored the Guaymallén, Mendoza Church, taken care of the annexes and other duties. A new church building for Guaymallén is in their 1972 working agenda. Also, a new annex was opened August 29, 1971 at Rodeo del Medio, in the home of Mr. Rivera, who offered two rooms for services. We are happy for this fine couple and appreciate their labors in our church.

FORMOSA CENTRAL CHURCH AND PARSONAGE (Photo Nº 344, p. 166)

Picture of Emmanuel Mission Headquarter's Church Building and home in Formosa, which was received by our church in 1968. Rev. and Mrs. Vicente Longo were named pastors to Formosa. Rev. and Mrs. Víctor Edwards were the last pastors for Emmanuel Mission. They worked with our church in all legal matters related to property transference.

THE GOSPEL JEEP IN FORMOSA (Photo Nº 345, p. 166)

The vehicle left by Rev. and Mrs. Víctor Edwards and loaned to Rev. Vicente Longo to be used in Formosa during their furlough year in Great Britain. The vehicle is painted with words in Spanish which mean "CHRIST IS THE BEST FRIEND."

NEW NAZARENE WORK ORGANIZED IN FORMOSA IN 1968 (Photo Nº 346, p. 166)

Picture of the Formosa congregation in December 1968. On May 1, 1968, Dr. John Cochran organized Formosa church with 34 members and 15 probationers, under the pastorate of Rev. and Mrs. Vicente Longo. Calvary Mobile Church was used for evangelization in the area. The Nazarene work in Formosa is the result of 18 Emmanuel Faith missionaries from Great Britain, who gave of their lives, time, talents and means to open a holiness work in Northeastern Argentina. This province borders with Paraguay. They sowed the seed and we reaped the harvest. A new church building has been made possible by Central Ohio District Nazarenes. It was dedicated May 25, 1972 by Rev. Alejandro Medina. Rev. Longo has also started services monthly in nearby Alberdi, Paraguay. They have several annexes which the laymen in Formosa help take care of. The work continues to grow. Congratulations.

CHAPEL AND CONGREGATION AT COLONIA PRIMAVERA IN FORMOSA PROVINCE (Photo Nº 347, p. 167)

This picture was taken among the aborigenes at Colonia Primavera in 1969. It is one of the many Indian tribes in Formosa Province. Rev. and Mrs. Bruno Radzizewski have pastored this group from 1969-1972.

REV. VICENTE AND JOSEFINA GALLI DE LONGO (Photo Nº 348, p. 167)

Rev. and Mrs. Vicente Longo went to Formosa in 1968. During 1968, they had charge of Formosa Church with its annexes, as well as Laguna Blanca, Colonia Primavera, Comandante Fontana in Formosa Province and conducted Bible School classes for students in Formosa. Mrs. Josefina Longo graduated from Bible School in 1944 and is a licensed minister. Rev. Longo graduated November 30, 1962 and was ordained October 11, 1966 by Dr. Hardy C. Powers. Rev. and Mrs. Longo have pastored in Formosa from 1968-1972.

BUILDING AT COMANDANTE FONTANA IN FORMOSA PROVINCE (Photo Nº 349, p. 167)

Rev. and Mrs. Víctor Edwards were married and lived in Comandante Fontana to care for a group of believers. Rev. Edwards began working on a church building. He stands at left side in front of the unfinished church. Rev. Longo and laymen from Formosa have had charge of Comandante Fontana from 1968-1972. It is some 200 kilometers from Formosa capital city. Rev. Lucio Gamarra and wife, María Maldonado, who were from the Formosa Emmanuel work, studied in Buenos Aires Bible School and both graduated November 13, 1971. They arrived in Comandante Fontana the last days of March 1972 to pastor the work. Their first Easter offering was \$4,500 pesos, the second Sunday they were at their new church. It is the third area in Formosa Province where we now have a pastored station.

WORK AT LAGUNA BLANCA IN FORMOSA PROVINCE (1952-1972)

CHURCH BUILDING IN LAGUNA BLANCA (Photo Nº 350, p. 168)

Laguna Blanca is located some 150 miles from Formosa capital city. This

small chapel in Laguna Blanca was built by Emmanuel Mission about 1951. Work was first begun and closed among the Toba Indians in a nearby area. Laguna Blanca work began among the white people of this area. The church was built by Rev. and Mrs. Bert Findlay. A former Emmanuel Mission Student gave money to help purchase and remodel the missionary home at Laguna Blanca, during those early days of the work.

REV. BRUNO AND MARIA DEL CARMEN DE RADZIZEWSKY (Photo Nº 351, p. 168)

Rev. Bruno Radziewsky finished Bible School November 30, 1968. He went with his family to Laguna Blanca, Formosa Province in March 1969. God has richly blessed their labors in this area. They have pastored Laguna Blanca and the annexes located at Colonia Primavera, Misión Tacagle, Siete Palmas, Buena Vista, Espinillo and in four other places. They opened six preaching points their first year in Laguna Blanca.

NAZARENE CHURCH ORGANIZED IN LAGUNA BLANCA IN 1969

The Second Church of the Nazarene organized in Formosa Province was in Laguna Blanca. It was organized January 29, 1969 with nineteen members and six probationers under the pastorate of Rev. Vicente Longo. This group had had its first baptismal service in Emmanuel Mission in 1940. It has been pastored by Rev. and Mrs. Bert Findlay, Rev. and Mrs. John Church, Miss Vera Smith, Ron Milligan, Jorge McFarland and other workers.

MISION TACAGLE CONGREGATION IN FORMOSA PROVINCE IN 1968 (Photo Nº 352, p. 168)

NEW CHURCH BUILDING DEDICATED AND WORK ORGANIZED IN NAI NEX IN 1972

A new church building has been completed for the Toba Indian brethren in Nai Nex near Laguna Blanca, Formosa. It was dedicated February 5, 1972 and the church was organized with 54 members, under the pastorate of Rev. Bruno Radziewski. Our best wishes for the new nazarene congregation. The seeds sowed by Emmanuel Mission were reaped in the formation of this congregation.

A NAZARENE LAYMAN DONATES HIS INHERITANCE FOR A PLACE OF WORSHIP

JULIO AND ELIDA DE FORMICHELLI (Photo Nº 353, p. 169)

Picture of Mr. and Mrs. Julio Formichelli, a converted nazarene layman with a meat market, and a former member of Villa Soldati Church in Buenos Aires. Julio gave a million pesos inheritance to help purchase and remodel a house at 5485 Montiel Street in Villa Lugano section of Buenos Aires. For two years he was unemployed. Julio and his wife have been faithful and conscientious nazarene tithers and godly young people. He is studying at the Bible School. Julio received his district license in March 1972 and became pastor of Villa Lugano Church, after the retirement of Mrs. Marie Cochran as pastor. His wife, Elida, has taken care of the meat market at night while he attends classes. We thank God for this devoted couple of new national pastors in Villa Lugano in 1972.

VILLA LUGANO CHAPEL IN 1968 (Photo Nº 354, p. 169)

Picture of the Villa Lugano remodeled home which was dedicated as a chapel on June 6, 1968, under the pastorate of Mrs. Marie Cochran. It had been an annex of Villa Soldati since 1967. The Church was organized at Villa Lugano June 20, 1970 with 13 members under the pastorate of Mrs. Marie Cochran. A new Church building has been built and was dedicated at Villa Lugano on May 13, 1972 under the pastorate of Rev. Julio Formichelli.

SUNDAY SCHOOL IN VILLA LUGANO IN 1969 (Photo Nº 355, p. 169)

Mrs. Marie Cochran pastored in Villa Lugano from 1967-1972. It was her last pastorate before retirement from the ministry. Mrs. Cochran has pastored actively from 1939-1972 in Argentina. God bless her memory among us and her love for lost souls.

DISTRICT YOUTH SACRED MUSIC FESTIVAL (October 26, 1968)

ROSARIO (Photo Nº 356, p. 170)

Garth Davis plays trumpet and Gustavo Correa accompanies him with the organ. A fine group of young people came from Rosario for the Annual Sacred Music Festival held October 26, 1968 at Terrero Central Church in Buenos Aires.

BAHIA BLANCA (Photo Nº 357, p. 170)

Mrs. Mary Faith Coolidge directs the Bahía Blanca Annex Bible School Orchestra in the District Music Festival in Buenos Aires in 1968. They came a long distance away.

DISTRICT NAZARENE YOUTH CHOIR (Photo Nº 358, p. 170)

The District Youth Choir has been directed by Mrs. Ruth Armagno de Mastronardi for many years. She directed the District Choir during 1968. Rev. Ronald Grabke directed the District Choir during 1971. Mrs. Mastronardi has formed a District Male Choir. She also has directed the Bible School Choir for several years.

ATTENDANCE GROUP PRESENT FOR SACRED MUSIC FESTIVAL IN 1968
(Photo Nº 359, p. 171)

CENTRAL BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL AND ANNEXES IN 1968

REV. THOMAS A. AINSCOUGH (Photo Nº 360, p. 171)

Rev. Thomas Ainscough, Director of Central Bible Training School in Buenos Aires from 1956-1958, from 1961-1962 and during 1968 the last time. He now is teaching at the Bible School in 1972 and has made a fine contribution to our work in Argentina in many different types of work. God bless him and Mrs. Ainscough richly.

FACULTY AND STUDENT BODY AT BUENOS AIRES CENTRAL BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL IN 1968 (Photo Nº 361, p. 171)

GRADUATING SENIOR CLASS AT CENTRAL BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL IN 1968 (Photo Nº 362, p. 172)

From left to right: Rev. Eduardo Cabral, Rev. Bruno Radzizewski and Rev. Carlos H. Fernández, all ministerial students who graduated November 30, 1968.

MENDOZA ANNEX GROUP IN 1968 (Photo Nº 363, p. 172, second picture)

Picture taken in December 1968, of all students who had studied in different classes at Mendoza from 1960-1968 in the Annex Bible School with Dr. Lucía de Costa and Rev. and Mrs. Norman Howerton.

MENDOZA BIBLE SCHOOL CHOIR IN 1967 (Photo Nº 364, p. 172)

Bible School was under the direction of Rev. and Mrs. Norman Howerton in 1967.

FORMOSA ANNEX BIBLE SCHOOL GROUP (Photo Nº 365, p. 172 fourth picture)

Picture was taken in December 1968 with sixteen students enrolled for classes in Formosa, with Mrs. Josefina de Longo in charge. Rev. and Mrs. Vicente Longo were teachers.

CORDOBA ANNEX BIBLE SCHOOL GROUP (Photo Nº 366, p. 172, last picture)

Picture was taken of the six students who finished Bible School classes taught by Mrs. María de Zoroastro in Córdoba. Picture was taken in December 1968.

BAHIA BLANCA ANNEX BIBLE SCHOOL ORCHESTRA (Photo Nº 367, p. 173)

Picture of Bible School Orchestra in Bahía Blanca in 1968, directed by Mrs. Mary Faith Coolidge. The Orchestra played for many special occasions.

SUMMARY OF BIBLE SCHOOL WORK IN 1968

The total enrollment of our Central Bible Training School, with its annexes in 1968, was 152 students enrolled in six different sections of the nation, the highest enrollment, at any time in the history of the work.

SARMIENTO CENTRAL CHURCH IN BAHIA BLANCA

December 14, 1968 (Photo Nº 368, p. 173)

The Bahía Blanca Central Church, located at 869 Sarmiento Street, was built under the supervision of Rev. Ardee B. Coolidge and the pastorate of Rev. Adolfo Gómez. It was dedicated December 14, 1968. The District Choir traveled to Bahía Blanca to sing. The Bahía Blanca Annex Bible School Orchestra was present to play for the service.

Rev. Jorge and Elma de Mirco were sent in March 1972 to pastor the Sarmiento Bahía Blanca Central Church. The church is not yet organized.

REV. ADOLFO AND MARIA ROSA A. DE GOMEZ (Photo Nº 369, p. 173)

Picture of Rev. and Mrs. Adolfo Gómez taken in 1969. María Rosa Alfaro de Gómez finished the Christian Workers Course November 30, 1963. Rev. Gómez graduated from Bible School November 24, 1961 and was ordained October 11, 1966 by Dr. Hardy C. Powers. They pastored in Bahía Blanca from 1964-1970. Mrs. Gómez is an elementary public school teacher.

PICTURES OF DISTRICT CAMPS

PEHUENCO CAMP AT BAHIA BLANCA (Photo Nº 370, p. 174)

Mr. González Martínez, a Roman Catholic friend, donated a block of ground in Pehuenco, which is valued at \$50,000 dollars. It was given for a camp center near Bahía Blanca. A building has been built. Picture shows a group for youth and children's camps.

CHILDREN'S CAMP AT SAN ANTONIO DE ARECO (Photo Nº 371, p. 174)

Picture of children and camp leaders, with Mrs. Betty Davis as Camp Director in 1969.

YOUTH CAMP AT SAN ANTONIO DE ARECO (Photo Nº 372, p. 174)

Rev. Paul Say was Camp Director in 1969. Picture of recreation time at youth camp.

OTHER DISTRICT CAMPS WHICH HAVE BEEN ORGANIZED (1969-1972)

During January 1969, a youth and children's camp was held at Trelew, Chubut with representation from Comodoro Rivadavia. In December 1970, Rev. and Mrs. Norman Howerton helped organize the first youth camp at San Salvador de Jujuy. In January 1972, Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Grabke helped Rev. and Mrs. Victor Edwards in a youth camp at Mendoza. The country is so vast that regional camps have been set up for the youth as so few are able to travel to Buenos Aires for the central camp.

ANNUAL CHURCH SCHOOLS' CONVENTION (March 3, 1969)

MEMBERS OF DISTRICT CHURCH SCHOOLS' BOARD FOR 1969 (Photo Nº 373, p. 175)

From left to right: Mrs. María Rosa A. de Gómez, Mrs. Hortencia Gómis de García, Mrs. Betty Davis, Rev. Antonio Correa, Miss Ruth Miller, Mrs. María Vera de Malla and Mrs. Santina Malla de Veliki. Mrs. Santina de Veliki was elected District Chairman.

VII ANNUAL DISTRICT CHURCH SCHOOLS' CONVENTION IN 1969 (Photo Nº 374, p. 175)

Mrs. Betty Davis presided, in place of Mrs. Aurelia de Bauzá, with Mrs. María Rosa de Gómez as Secretary. All departments were given ample visual publicity. Mrs. Davis reported 50 Sunday Schools with 3,901 enrolled and 2,304 weekly attendance. There were 8 Home Departments with 153 enrolled and 11 Cradle Rolls with 152 enrolled. Total contributions for Sunday School were \$900,931 pesos in 1968. Zone Workshops were held in Buenos Aires, Formosa, Bahía Blanca, Trelew and Comodoro Rivadavia. Two District Sunday School Contests were conducted. Terrero Street Church was declared Honor Sunday School on the District. There were 24 Daily Vacation Bible Schools with 1,447 enrolled and 27 Christian Service Training Courses conducted in 18 different churches with 215 people receiving 236 credits. There were two Sunday School teachers who received certificates as Registered Teachers.

XXIX DISTRICT NAZARENE YOUTH CONVENTION (March 4, 1969)

DISTRICT COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR YOUTH SOCIETY IN 1969 (Photo Nº 375, p. 176)

From left to right: *President:* Rev. Roberto Contreras; *Vice President:* Rev. Florentino Bauzá; *Secretary* Rev. Rogelio Fernández; *Treasurer:* Mr. Luis Bi-rardo; *District Intermediate Supervisor:* Miss Ruth Miller; *Intermediate Representatives:* Rubén Moreira and Jorge Cabrera; *Youth Camp Representative:* Rev. Ramón Bauzá.

Rev. Roberto Contreras, District N.Y.P.S. President, informed 33 local societies with 688 members, with a total of \$188,200 pesos given for all purposes. There were 115 young people in San Antonio de Areco youth camp. Rev.

Paul Skiles had sent 30 musical instruments from the States to form a district band and orchestra. Thank you, Rev. Paul Skiles.

MISS RUTH MILLER (Photo Nº 376, p. 177)

Miss Ruth Miller arrived in Buenos Aires May 24, 1966 to help in the Bible Training School. She also was Editor of the District Church Bulletin from 1967-1969. She served as Bible School Treasurer during 1969 and District Intermediate Supervisor. During 1970, she was Co-Pastor with Miss Esther Nemeck in Tucumán Church and its annexes. Ruth furloughed to the States April 7, 1971.

XXXII DISTRICT NAZARENE WORLD MISSIONS' CONVENTION (March 5, 1969)

DISTRICT N. W. M. S. COUNCIL MEMBERS DURING 1969 (Photo Nº 377, p. 177)

From left to right: *Publicity and Study Chairman*: Rev. José Malla; *First Vice President*: Mrs. Inés Alberdi de Medina; *Secretary*: Mrs. María Vera de Malla; *Second Vice President*: Mrs. Stella Tavella de Bauzá; *President*: Mrs. Mrs. Georgia Maria Cochran; *Treasurer*: Mrs. Josefina Alberdi de Arana; *Prayer and Fasting Secretary*: Dr. Lucía de Costa; *Star Society Secretary*: Mrs. Rosa G. de Rodríguez. Dr. Cochran presents the newly elected Missionary Council for 1969. Each holds a lighted torch to represent annual emphasis.

ARGENTINA A STAR MISSIONARY DISTRICT FOR FIRST TIME IN 1968 (Photo Nº 378, p. 178)

Seventeen local society representatives hold their Stars as Star Societies. Mrs. Marie Cochran, District President, reported for 1968. We had 34 local missionary societies with 959 members, 909 Prayer and Fasting members, with \$189,073 pesos given for Alabaster and \$ 151,928 in the Easter offering. A total of \$929,174 was given for all purposes. The District helped pay for a five week evangelistic tour with Calvary Mobile Church in El Chaco, Santa Fe and Formosa Provinces during 1968. 18 local societies had special evangelistic services with 393 services held in homes. There were 684 Bibles, 1,644 New Testaments, 46,086 Gospel Portions, 165,118 tracts and 10,035 religious periodicals distributed. There were 32,217 personal visits made by missionary society members in 1968.

A WELL FOR THE FORMOSA INDIANS FROM DISTRICT JUNIOR SOCIETY (Photo Nº 379, p. 179)

The Junior Missionary Society has the Prayer and Fasting League and uses the Junior Missionary Reading Books. Our Juniors are active throughout all the district. During 1968, the Juniors contributed a total of \$36,886 pesos, to dig a well for an Indian Congregation in Formosa Province. Rev. Vicente Longo, pastor at Formosa, received a miniature well with the money placed inside, which was presented by Danny Cerchiaro from Castelar Church, a junior boy who had given daily with his family during devotions for the project. The well has been dug for our Toba brethren in Formosa, who now have good drinking water, and do not have to drink from river or open ditches or water holes. Each year the Juniors have a District Junior Missionary Project. Mrs. Rosa G. de Rodríguez is Junior Supervisor during 1972. In 1968, there were 32 Junior Missionary Societies with 1,311 members. During 1972, the Juniors will be helping at Comandante Fontana, Formosa, where a church is being finished.

XXXIV ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ARGENTINA NATIONAL CHURCH
ASSOCIATION (March 6, 1969)

On October 16, 1935, our church was officially incorporated and recognized by the Argentina Government as a legalized religious institution, with the right to hold property, and to transact all legal business matters related to the Argentina Church of the Nazarene. This is a government regulation for all organizations. Since 1935, the Argentina Nazarene Church Association convenes annually for its official Assembly, reports all business matters taken care of, makes a financial report of all money received and disbursed, and reports all church property owned by the church. A copy is sent yearly to government to be filed for our church. A book of Laws and By Laws, formed by the Church and accepted by the Government, is our guide book for all matters pertaining to the organization. A Board of Directors is elected annually by official delegates present from the district and each local church. Rev. Vicente Bustos, President, presided at the XXXIV Annual Argentina National Church Association Assembly convened March 6, 1969 in Terrero Street Church in Buenos Aires.

REV. VICENTE BUSTOS (Photo Nº 380, p. 180)

Rev. Vicente Bustos, President of the Argentina Nazarene Association from 1968-1970. Rev. Alejandro Medina was President during 1970, but when he was appointed Assistant District Superintendent, the Association elected Rev. Juan Zani, who has served during 1971-1972. Other officers for 1972 are *Vice President*: Rev. Carlos Bammatter; *Secretary*: Miss Marta García; *Treasurer*: Rev. Carlos Zoroastro; Mrs. Ruth de Mastronardi, Mr. Oscar Seminario, Mr. Jorge Platero, Mr. Felipe Fernández, Mr. Luis Birardo, Mr. Pablo Müller, Mr. Josué Mastronardi, Mr. Juan Labbozzetta, Mr. Vicente Ortiz, Mr. Julio Formichelli, Mrs. Hortencia de García, Dr. Rosa de Ainscough, Rev. Harold Ray and members by virtue of office: Rev. Alejandro Medina, District Superintendent, and Rev. Donald David, Mission Council Chairman. They were elected March 3, 1972 during the XXXVII District Assembly of the Argentina Nazarene Church Association.

REV. NATALIO COSTA IN COLPORTAGE WORK (Photo Nº 381, p. 181)

Rev. Natalio Costa has been an outstanding colportage worker for many years. The Argentina Bible Society sent special data in their files and a personal interview was held during a chapel hour at the Bible School May 9, 1969 and taped, in order to give the following facts. Rev. and Mrs. Natalio Costa had sold 9,159 Bibles, 6,700 New Testaments and 12,000 Gospel Portions, not counting hundreds of thousands of Gospel tracts and church periodicals. The money received as a commission from sale of literature was reinvested in starting new churches. Congratulations, don Natalio on a task well done.

XLIX ANNUAL DISTRICT ASSEMBLY (March 6, 1969)

The XLIX Annual District Assembly convened at 960 Terrero Street in Buenos Aires on March 6, 1969 during the afternoon, with Dr. John A. Cochran, Field Superintendent, presiding and Rev. Adolfo Gómez as District Secretary. Dr. Cochran brought the following items of interest in his annual report for 1968. There were 1,265 members and 351 probationers, 50 Sunday Schools with 4,502 enrolled and 2,304 weekly average attendance. There

were 84 revivals conducted with 1,207 seeking salvation and 825 the doctrine of holiness. There were 28,521 pastoral calls made and 35,640 by the laymen. There were 34 local missionary societies with 959 members and 908 Prayer and Fasting members, who gave \$139,118 pesos for all purposes. There were 32 Junior Missionary Societies with 1,301 members who contributed \$36,886 pesos. A total of \$16,538,041.00 pesos was given for all purposes by the church during 1968. There were 954 Bibles, 2,675 New Testaments, 101,792 Gospel Portions and 317,696 Gospel tracts distributed. New churches had been dedicated at Belgrano, Villa Lugano and Sarmiento Central Church in Bahía Blanca. Other building projects under construction included churches in Chilavert, Sánchez Elías in Bahía Blanca and Alberdi, Rosario. Dr. Cochran reported that the value of the Emmanuel Mission Property in Formosa Province, donated to our church in 1968, was worth approximately eight million pesos.

REV. AND MRS. ROBERTO FERNANDEZ (Photo Nº 382, p. 182)

Rev. Roberto Fernández received his district license in March 1969. He and Miss María Piqueras both graduated from Bible School November 29, 1969. They were married after the District Assembly on March 21, 1970 in Villa Ballester Church. They pastored the Moreno Church during 1970-1971. Since March 1972, they are pastoring the Chilavert Church.

CENTRAL BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL IN BUENOS AIRES DURING 1969

FACULTY AND STUDENT BODY GROUP IN 1969 (Photo Nº 383, p. 183)

There were 45 students enrolled during 1969. Miss Dorothy Ahleman was Interim Director from December 1968 to September 15, 1969, when Rev. Norman Howerton assumed the Directorship. Rev. and Mrs. Norman Howerton arrived from furlough August 30, 1969 and were given a special welcome service by the Bible School Faculty and student body. Rev. Howerton has served from 1969-1972 as Bible School Director. Miss Ahleman is teaching and is School Registrar. There were 80 students enrolled for classes during 1972.

MISS DOROTHY AHLEMAN AS INTERIM BIBLE SCHOOL DIRECTOR IN 1969
(Photo Nº 384, p. 183)

FOUR NEW BIBLE SCHOOL GRADUATES IN 1969 (Photo Nº 385, p. 183)

From left to right: Roberto Fernández, María Piqueras, Florentino Bauzá and Mrs. Marta D'Alessandro de Fernández. They graduated November 29, 1969, after this book went to press.

STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS AT BIBLE SCHOOL DURING 1969 (Photo Nº 386, p. 184)

From left to right: *Treasurer*: Lucio Gamarra; *Vice President*: Juan Chumba; *President*: Florentino Bauzá *Student Representative*: Roberto Fernández; *Secretary*: Jorge Mirco.

BIBLE SCHOOL BOARDING STUDENTS DURING 1969 (Photo Nº 387, p. 184)

From right to left: Mr. Lucio and Marta de Gamarra from Formosa; Miss Ana María Luisoni from Mendoza; Miss Aurelia Báez from Laguna Blanca, Formosa; Miss Dorothy M. Ahleman, Interim Director; Lino Tejerina from San Salvador de Jujuy; Jorge Cabrera from Santiago del Estero and Rev. and Mrs. Roberto Ortíz, students and Dean of Men and Women.

BIBLE SCHOOL COOKS IN 1969 (Photo Nº 388, p. 184)

At the left, doña Adela Manzanelli, mother of Mrs. Adela de Mingorance, who helped cook for many years at the Bible School, and Mrs. Marta de Gamarra from Formosa.

BUENOS AIRES CENTRAL BOOKSTORE AND BRANCH STORES IN 1969

BUENOS AIRES CENTRAL BOOKSTORE DISPLAY (Photo Nº 389, p. 185)

Rev. Ardee B. Coolidge was Supervisor and Mr. Luis Birardo was Manager in 1969. Mr. Luis Birardo continues as Bookstore Manager in 1972. Rev. Oather K. Perkinson was elected Bookstore Supervisor during 1972, during the absence of Rev. Ardee B. Coolidge who is in the States with his family on furlough.

Nazarene Branch Bookstore in Bahía Blanca (Photo Nº 390, p. 185)

Mrs. Ardee B. Coolidge waits on a client. Rev. and Mrs. Coolidge had charge of Bahía Blanca Bookstore Branch in 1969. Rev. Coolidge served as General Bookstore Supervisor from 1967-1971.

Bahía Blanca Bookstore Building and Bible School Entrance (Photo Nº 391, p. 186)

Viedma, Río Negro Bookstore Branch (Photo Nº 392, p. 186)

Picture of Mr. and Mrs. Cayetano Pistará, laymen who are in charge of the new chapel and bookstore branch in Viedma, Río Negro Province. They used their home for selling books until the new church was dedicated July 17, 1971 by Rev. Alejandro Medina. They are lay pastors.

Comodoro Rivadavia Branch Bookstore Display (Photo Nº 393, p. 186)

Rev. and Mrs. Jorge McFarland were in charge of the Branch Bookstore from 1967-1972. Rev. and Mrs. Mario Jorge Zani are in charge since March 1972.

Front of Trelew, Chubut Branch Bookstore (Photo Nº 394, p. 186)

Rev. and Mrs. Pablo Müller in charge during 1969. Rev. and Mrs. José Malla in charge from 1970-1972.

Neuquén Bookstore Branch: Opened at Neuquén, Neuquén Province in November 1969.

Santiago del Estero Bookstore Branch:

Opened the first days of June 1971, by Rev. Ardee Coolidge and Mr. Luis Birardo, with a stock of books for sale under the supervision of Rev. Luis Aldo Lemos.

NEW NAZARENE MEDICAL DOCTOR (Photo Nº 395, p. 187)

Picture of Dr. Carlos Domingo Curino and wife, Lidia Garber, laymen from our church in Morón, Buenos Aires Province. Dr. Curino finished his M.D. Degree June 30, 1969. Mrs. Curino accompanies him in the picture. They have moved to Santa Rosa, La Pampa Province, where he has a good medical practice. We hope we can enter Santa Rosa which has 29,000 people, and is located in the heart of the republic. Congratulations, Dr. Curino.

REV. AND MRS. HAROLD RAY AND FAMILY (Photo Nº 396, p. 187)

Rev. and Mrs. Harold Ray and family arrived from the States September 17, 1969. They taught the last semester at the Bible School. In 1970, they went to Rosario to pastor the Montevideo Street Central Church. Rev. and Mrs. Luis Nieto helped them in Rosario for several months before going to Córdoba. Rev. Ray has been actively engaged in District Committees and

Mission Council assignments. Mrs. Emily Ray has worked actively on the District Church School Board since 1970. Both have made a fine contribution to the work and on the missionary staff.

NEW CHURCH BUILDING AT SANCHEZ ELIAS IN BAHIA BLANCA (Photo Nº 397, p. 187)

A new church building was dedicated in the Sánchez Elías area of Bahía Blanca on June 20, 1969, under the pastorate of Rev. Adolfo Gómez, and the supervision of Rev. Ardee B. Coolidge. Rev. Ramón Bauzá pastored in Bahía Blanca from 1970-1972. Rev. and Mrs. Oather K. Perkinson went to Bahía Blanca, the latter part of 1971, where they helped in the Sánchez Elías Church. Rev. and Mrs. Jorge Mirco were named pastors for the Bahía Blanca churches during 1972. Rev. and Mrs. Perkinson are busy helping in general church work in the Southern Argentina area. They are cooperating with the pastors in Bahía Blanca, Viedma, Trelew, Rawson and Comodoro Rivadavia. Rev. Perkinson is General Supervisor of the Central Bookstore and branch bookstores during 1972.

MR. AND MRS. ARTHUR E. AHLEMAN (Photo Nº 398, p. 188)

It was through the lives of my godly parents that I became a christian and a member of the Church of the Nazarene when eight years of age. I was privileged to be reared in a nazarene home, bowed at a family altar and was taught faithfulness by my parents. I wish to dedicate these lines and this English Guide for my Spanish Nazarene Church History Book to my parents, whom God took to heaven in 1964 while I was in Argentina. These lines are dedicated with gratefulness to God for the goodly heritage they left me and my family. Without their help and prayers, I would never have been in christian work for thirty five years, nor in Argentina for twenty eight years, with exception of furlough years.

DR. GEORGE COULTER VISITS ARGENTINA (Photo Nº 399, p. 188)

Dr. George Coulter, eighth General Superintendent to visit our Field, arrived February 27, 1970, accompanied by Mrs. Coulter. They were present for the closing days of the annual holiness convention, under the evangelistic ministry of Rev. Edward Wyman, visiting Latin American evangelist. Dr. Coulter presided at the L District Assembly and preached during the annual district conventions. He also spoke to the pastors and to the Mission Council. These services convened from March 2-6, 1970. The XLIII District Missionary Convention was on March 2nd, the VIII District Church School Convention was on March 3rd and the XXX District N.Y.P.S. Convention on March 4, 1970. The L District Assembly was in session on March 5-6, 1970 and the L Church Anniversary Celebration on March 7, 1970. His ministry and the presence of Mrs. Coulter was a blessing and an inspiring experience to all.

LAST CLASS OF ORDAINED ELDERS (March 6, 1970)

During the closing service of the L District Assembly, Dr. George Coulter ordained a fine class of seven new elders on Friday night, March 6, 1970. They were Rev. Florentino Bauzá, Rev. Ramón Bauzá, Rev. Carlos Bammatter, Rev. Ricardo Juárez, Dr. Alberto E. Ainscough, Rev. Carlos Hugo Fernández and Rev. Jorge McFarland. All were accompanied by their wives and all are ministerial graduates from the Bible School. Rev. and Mrs. Spurgeon Hendrix were present from Santiago, Chile for the service. Congratulations to the last class of new ordained elders on our district.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE ON SEPTEMBER 3, 1969

September 3, 1969: (Photo Nº 400, p. 190)

On September 3, 1969, we celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of our church, or September 3, 1919. We had a special service in the Bible School Chapel at Buenos Aires. A special tape was recorded for Rev. Frank Ferguson, only living missionary of the three first veteran missionary couples to Argentina. Second and third generations greeted Rev. Ferguson on tape. Dr. Costa played the first small pump organ used to open the work and we sang from the first song books and chorus sheets used in 1919. Dr. Lucía Carmen García de Costa, first nazarene convert, spoke words to Rev. Ferguson in name of all the student body. Miss Dorothy Ahleman, Interim Bible School Director in 1969, stands at the left, holding one of the two beautiful pictures presented by faculty and student body to Dr. Costa, who stands at the right. The tape was mailed to Rev. Ferguson in Temple City, California who was then 89 years of age. He was so grateful for having remembered him.

FIFTIETH OFFICIAL ANNIVERSARY SERVICE ON MARCH 7, 1970

On March 7, 1970, the Argentina District closed the Fiftieth District Assembly with the official Fiftieth Anniversary Service prepared by the District. On Saturday afternoon, a special tea hour was enjoyed by friends and members of the church who gathered in Terrero Central Church Patio. Dr. and Mrs. George Coulter were special guests. Dr. Coulter was interviewed by reporters from LA RAZON, a leading Buenos Aires newspaper.

The night service was held at Terrero Street Central Church in Buenos Aires at 8:00 P.M. Special guests included Rev. and Mrs. Spurgeon Hendrix from Santiago, Chile, Rev. Ronald Denton and a delegation from Montevideo, Uruguay, Rev. Joaquín Lima from Campinas, Brasil, Rev. Feliciano Sarli from the Federation of Evangelical Churches and a number of friends from other denominations.

During the anniversary program, special greetings were given from Chile, Uruguay and the Federation of Evangelical Churches. Dr. Lucía de Costa, Rev. Antonio López, Rev. Alejandro Medina and Dr. John Cochran spoke. A special tape with greetings from Rev. Frank Ferguson was played. Miss Dorothy Ahleman presented Mrs. Angela Fernández, a christian printer lady for all the evangelical churches and publisher of the Golden Anniversary Church History Book, who together with her son and business firm, had made possible the publication of the book and the lovely cover. She had donated the hours of labor and worked sacrificially to finish the book on time for the anniversary service. Argen-Press, thank you for making our Golden Anniversary Book possible, and for your wonderful financial contribution for our church. Miss Dorothy Ahleman presented the Golden Anniversary Book to the public. Dr. George Coulter, with Rev. Harold Ray as interpreter, brought a challenging message. The church sanctuary and patio were filled with a capacity crowd. Special music was presented by Rev. Ronald Grabke and by the District Choir. Thank you to every one who had a part in making this book a reality.

LOS EMBAJADORES NAZARENOS ARGENTINOS (Photo Nº 401, p. 189)

In 1968, the ARGENTINE NAZARENE AMBASSADORS became an officially organized evangelistic group, under the District Young People's Society. The visit of the Nazarene Ambassadors to Argentina in 1966 for two evangelistic crusades, influenced our own young people to form an evangelistic team.

In 1969, the ARGENTINA NAZARENE AMBASSADORS held six week end evangelistic campaigns. From left to right are *Chalk Artist*: Rev. Mario D'Alessandro; *Evangelist*: Rev. Florentino Bauzá; *Music Director*: Mrs. Ruth de Mastronardi; *Coordinator*: Rev. Carlos H. Fernández; *Soloist*: David Mastronardi and *Trumpet Player*: Julio Golub. The Ambassadors went to Viedma for a week end from October 27-31, 1971. They are actively engaged in 1972.

JUVENTIM IN 1969 (Photo Nº 402, p. 191)

JUVENTIM made its official appearance August 9, 1969, under the supervision of Miss Ruth Miller, District Teen Age Supervisor. They were the newly formed members of *THE ARGENTINA DISTRICT TEEN AGE IMPACT TEAM*. From left to right in front row are: Miss Joy Say from Behring Street Church in Buenos Aires and Miss Eva Duré from Moreno Church. In second row, left to right are: Guillermo Ritson from Conde Street Church in Buenos Aires, Mario Lares from San Miguel, Carlos Hidalgo from Chilavert, Juan José Zani from Martínez and Rubén Etcheverría from Villa Ballester. Their first program was given in Victoria Church and was entitled "*THE NAILS AND THE CROWN*", with songs, poetry and a dramatization. Miss Miller did an excellent work with this group and teen activities on the district.

REV. AND MRS. RONALD GRABKE (Photo Nº 403, p. 192)

Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Grabke and children arrived by plane from the States on November 30, 1969. They have been very busy since their arrival. Mrs. Martha Grabke is Council Secretary and teaches in the Bible School. Rev. Grabke is Mission Treasurer, teacher and Head of the Music Department in the Bible School. Both are involved with vocal and instrumental teaching in the Music Department, as well as making other musical contributions. The Grabkes have been Music Directors at Terrero Central Church since 1970. They also have worked with Behring Street Church Choir. Rev. Grabke became District Choir Director in 1971. They have formed a large District Intermediate Choir, and a select mixed musical team called *LECHE Y MIEL* or *MILK AND HONEY*. This group gave a splendid Christmas Cantata in 1971 and journeyed to Rosario for evangelistic services the first of May 1972. The Grabkes have made a valuable contribution on our mission staff.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY ORGAN PRESENTED TO ARGENTINA

On May 16, 1970, a lovely Hammond Organ was publicly dedicated at Terrero Central Church in Buenos Aires. This wonderful gift was made possible by the generous giving of pastor, Rev. Garland Johnson, and members of the Columbus, Indiana First Church of the Nazarene. It was presented as a fiftieth anniversary gift for the Mother Church and for the Bible Training School. The Calvary Church of the Nazarene at Rochester, New York, also gave a five hundred dollar approved special for organ expenses. To each of these local congregations we are grateful for your making possible an electric organ for our Central Church in Buenos Aires, who only had a pump organ until this time. One thousand public programs were printed and donated through the courtesy of Mrs. Fernández and Argen-Press. Our special thanks to them. On August 22, 1971, a special service was conducted by Terrero Street Central Church and a special plaque was placed on the electric organ with the name of its donors.

HOLINESS CONVENTION IN BUENOS AIRES (February 20-27, 1972)

The annual Holiness Convention was conducted from February 20-27, 1972 at Terrero Street Central Church. Special speakers were Rev. Víctor Edwards

of Mendoza, Rev. Florentino Bauzá from Alberdi, Rosario and Rev. Rogelio Fernández from Chilavert church. The convention was blessed by many receiving spiritual help. Dr. John A. Cochran spoke the last two nights of the convention. His messages were timely, inspired and rewarded with souls and new young people called to the ministry.

XXXII ANNUAL DISTRICT NAZARENE YOUTH CONVENTION (February 26, 1972)

The District Convention convened on Saturday, February 26, 1972, at Terrero Central Church. Rev. Rogelio Fernández, District President, presided. He reported 27 young people's organized societies for adults with 728 members and 10 Teen Age Chapters with 136 members. There was one children's camp with 65 in attendance and 4 youth camps with 225 young people present. A total of \$935,163 pesos was given for all purposes or \$ 1,461.45 dollars, due to the tremendous inflation exchange which Argentina had experienced due to the dollar crisis during 1971. Rev. Fernández was reelected president for 1972.

The District Choir, Intermediate Choir, the District Male Choir, The Milk and Honey Mixed Musical Team, The Nazarene Ambassadors, the Bible School Quartet and other special music features formed a part of the evening service. A special farewell service was sponsored by the District N.Y.P.S. for Dr. and Mrs. John A. Cochran, retiring District Superintendent and wife from Argentina, after 35 years of service among our youth. Including the Musical Talent program, which started at 7:00 P.M., the service lasted until 11:00 P.M. A special white gold plaque, mounted on yellow onyx base, was given to Dr. and Mrs. Cochran. Among its most significant words were those "DE SUS JOVENES ARGENTINOS" or FROM YOUR ARGENTINA YOUNG PEOPLE". The prolonged applause was electrifying as nazarene youth expressed their thanks to the Cochrans for their years of labor in Argentina. Dr. Cochran brought the closing message to the young people. A great host of fine young people came forward to offer their lives for christian service. God was there!

X DISTRICT SCHOOLS' CONVENTION (February 28, 1972)

The District Church Schools Convention was in session on Monday, February 28, 1972. Mrs. Santina de Veliki, District Sunday School Chairman, presided. Members of the Board of Church Schools presented the Departments through visual aids. A report was given in behalf of the first Sunday School District Retreat for both Sunday School Superintendents, Teachers and Sunday Officers which was held July 9-10, 1971 at General Rodríguez. Mrs. Veliki reported 56 Sunday Schools with 3,556 enrollment and 2,136 weekly average attendance. There were 19 D.V.B.S. with 1,032 enrolled and 863 average attendance. There were 20 Christian Service Training Classes conducted and 154 credits given. The Sunday School gave \$1,413,842 pesos or \$1,859.78 dollars. Mrs. Ana Silva de Bammatter is new Chairman of Church Schools for 1972.

XXXIV ANNUAL DISTRICT NAZARENE WORLD MISSIONS' CONVENTION (February 29, 1972)

During the XXXIII Annual District Missionary Convention, which convened March 2, 1971 in Terrero Central Church, Mrs. Inés Alberdi de Medina, wife of our newly appointed National Associate Superintendent, was elected as new District N.W.M.S. President to replace Mrs. Marie Cochran, retiring President. She was reelected on the first ballot with a good vote of confidence, during our XXXIV Annual District Missionary Convention held February 29, 1972. A national strike was held this day, but a good number were present for the

convention. Mrs. Medina reported the following items of interest. We now have 33 missionary societies with 962 members and 889 Prayer and Fasting Members. There are 28 Junior Missionary Chapters with 1,014 members. We had 602 readers for Missionary Course Reading Books. The annual Easter offering was \$386.35 dollars and our Alabaster giving was \$170,180 pesos or \$467.25 dollars. Total giving was \$935,163 pesos or \$1,461.45 dollars. Mrs. Marie Cochran brought the closing message. The session closed early because of the national transportation problem.

LII ANNUAL DISTRICT ASSEMBLY (March 1-2, 1972)

The LII Annual District Assembly convened March 1-2, 1972 at Terrero Central Church in Buenos Aires with Rev. Donald Davis, New District Superintendent, presiding. Rev. Carlos Zoroastro, District Secretary, accompanied Rev. Davis. Rev. Davis had served as Field Superintendent since February 15, 1972, as Dr. Cochran was retiring from missionary service after being Field Superintendent of Argentina since 1939. There was a wonderful spirit during the pastors' reports, and everyone listened to Dr. Cochran's report with interest and also with sadness, knowing it would be his last one. Also we listened to the report of our Assistant Superintendent, Rev. Alejandro Medina.

Mrs. Betty Davis, Statistical Secretary, read the following report. We have 39 organized churches and 18 preaching places, with 1,522 members and 379 probationary members or a total of 1,901 church membership. There are 56 Sunday Schools with 3,556 enrollment and weekly average of 2,136. There are 33 local missionary societies with 962 members and 29 Junior Missionary Societies with 1,014 members. There are 27 adult youth chapters with 728 members and 10 Teen Chapters with 136 members. The Sunday School gave 1,413,842 pesos or \$1,859.78 dollars. The District N.Y.P.S. gave \$158,490 pesos or \$234.80 dollars. The District N.W.M.S. gave \$ 935,163 pesos or \$ 1,461.45. Giving for all purposes was \$28,760,925 pesos (national money) or a total sum of \$42,608.78 dollars. Church giving increased three and one half million pesos over 1971 total giving, or \$20,000 dollars more; but the sudden inflation and devaluation reduced the sum given in dollars, tremendously.

NEW NATIONAL DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT ELECTED (March 2, 1972)

Thursday morning, March 2, 1972, was a new milestone in our church history. Rev. Donald Davis, Field Superintendent, authorized by our General Church authorities, presented the name of Rev. Alejandro Medina for a "Yes" or "No" vote as District Superintendent, to the District Assembly. When the official board of tellers returned, Rev. Medina had received all but two dissenting votes. Rev. Davis asked for Mrs. Medina to be escorted to the platform. Dr. John A. Cochran, joyfully embraced Rev. Medina and congratulated him on the splendid vote of confidence given him. There were tears, applauding, choruses and a time of real rejoicing as Rev. Medina addressed the District Assembly and Mrs. Medina spoke a few words. We thank God our District now is under national leadership, and wish for Rev. and Mrs. Alejandro Medina God's richest blessings as we all labor together for the salvation of souls in our great nation. Dr. Cochran preached each evening and God truly blessed his ministry with souls.

XXXVII NAZARENE ANNUAL ASSOCIATION ASSEMBLY (March 3, 1972)

The XXXVII ANNUAL ASSOCIATION ASSEMBLY convened at 9:00 A.M. on

March 3, 1972 at the Terrero Street Central Church for its annual business session. This body is the legally recognized governing body of the church. Annual reports were given by the officers of the Nazarene Church Association: Rev. Juan José Zani, President, presided and Mr. David Mastronardi was Secretary. The official delegates signed their names with the minutes for the year. Rev. Juan Zani was reelected President, Rev. Carlos Bammatter Vice President, Miss Marta García as Secretary and Rev. Carlos Zoroastro as Treasurer, as well as the rest of the members of this governing body. The pastors and delegates served Dr. and Mrs. Cochran a special meal at noon in the Dining Hall of the Bible Training School. This was followed by a time of social moments together with those present.

DR. COCHRAN SPEAKS TO PASTORS FOR LAST TIME (March 3, 1972)

Rev. Alejandro Medina, newly elected District Superintendent, presided during the afternoon session of the pastors and workers with Dr. and Mrs. Cochran. A number of pastors spoke words of appreciation for Dr. and Mrs. Cochran. Dr. Cochran gave his last words of testimony and timely counseling to those present. All participated in the farewell Communion Service. Service was closed with prayer. Pictures were taken following the afternoon session of all those present, with Dr. and Mrs. Cochran, and also group pictures.

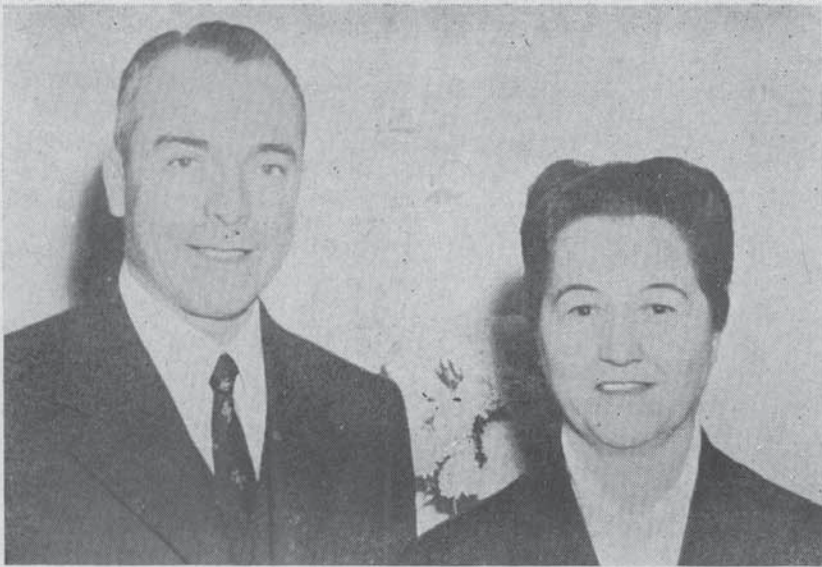
FAREWELL SERVICE FOR DR. AND MRS. JOHN A. COCHRAN (March 3, 1972)

A packed church building on Friday night, March 3, 1972, was an unforgettable occasion. Rev. Alejandro Medina, District Superintendent, presided. The farewell service was entitled "THIS IS YOUR LIFE". Dr. and Mrs. Cochran were seated on the platform. Pictures were taken of all those who were in the church when the Cochrans arrived in Argentina in September, 1936, of all who had been converted under their ministry; those who had been dedicated, as babies, during their ministry, those who had helped in evangelistic campaigns; those who helped in building and construction work and several other pictures. One person was selected from each group to speak special words of appreciation for their ministry. Special musical numbers included the District Choir, Mrs. Ruth de Mastronardi, the Male District Choir, the District Intermediate Choir and other music. Dr. Lucía de Costa presented Mrs. Cochran with a small Map of Argentina, made of yellow gold and mounted on an onyx base, with 39 red rubies and 18 green emeralds which were scattered across the map. The rubies represented the organized churches and the emeralds the preaching points, or 57 in all. Rev. Juan Zani presented a wide gaucho belt studded with coins to Dr. Cochran. Mrs. Soledad de López presented Mrs. Cochran with a picture album. Colored pictures were taken of our pastors and other groups and given to the Cochrans for the album. Dr. and Mrs. Cochran each spoke partings words of appreciation and farewell blessings upon all present. The Male District Choir, led by Mrs. Ruth A. de Mastronardi, sang a song dedicated especially to the Cochrans. The service was sad in one sense; but also a time of blessing for all who had come and were able to bid the Cochrans a personal farewell. Each person received a lovely printed folder, containing the photograph of the Cochran family when they arrived in September 1936, and their fiftieth anniversary church picture. The farewell line was long that night. We all wished them God's richest blessings, as they retire from their adopted land of Argentina, after having spent thirty five years of labours of love in this great nation.

DR. AND MRS. COCHRAN LEAVE BY SHIP FOR THE STATES (March 7, 1972)

A constant stream of friends climbed the narrow stairway of the Río Salado Cargo Ship on Tuesday afternoon, March 7, 1972, to bid Dr. and Mrs. John A. Cochran farewell at the Buenos Aires port. From 3:00 - 7:30 P.M., the people came and went. There were the many veterans who had come to welcome them, so many years ago. There were children, young people, young married couples, teen agers, pastors and wives, laymen, missionary colleagues of all ages and walks of life. The ship reception lounge was inadequate to seat or provide standing room for the scores of people who came to say the final goodbye to the Cochrans. Three group pictures were taken with Dr. and Mrs. Cochran, but still there were many others not included in them who arrived later in the afternoon. A special farewell service was conducted in the reception lounge. The people sang "*Onward Christian Soldiers*" and other songs. Scriptures were read, a prayer offered and special words were spoken. The evening dinner gong sounded, and it was time to leave the ship and say the last personal goodbye. With Dr. and Mrs. Cochran standing on the deck, while a cool breeze was blowing, the last group of Nazarenes sang "*God Be With You Till We Meet Again*". Their handkerchiefs blended with ours as night began to appear and when at 7:30 P.M., the crowd began to disperse. We waved to them as we walked away from the ship.

Now they are gone from us, and after a safe journey, arrived in New York on April 3, 1972 where they were visited by Argentines living in the States. Yes, Dr. and Mrs. John A. Cochran have retired from the work in Argentina. They now have placed the lighted torch in our hands, to begin the third period of our church history. They are trusting us to faithfully go forth, taking up the torch they have left behind. By God's grace, that is our goal, under the leadership of the Lord, our new National District Superintendent and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Alejandro Medina; our new Council Chairman and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Donald Davis, and with your prayers in our behalf.



REV. ALEJANDRO AND INES MEDINA
National District Superintendent



REV. DONALD AND BETTY DAVIS
Council Chairman

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