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HAPPY NEW YEAR! !

Yes, we all here at Christian Acres want to wish you and yours a very happy coming New Year. May each day be filled with blessings from above. And we want to take this opportunity to thank you all for the

ian Acres Children's Home and Camp. We feel we have had a most interesting and successful year and pray earnestly that all of us, working and striving together, can have an even greater year in 1978. Won't you all keep Christian Acres in your thoughts and prayers daily and with your love and support we feel sure that Great Things For God will be accomplished in this new year!

Our camp this past year was a good one; but we feel it can be even better with more publicity, more participation, and more co-operation from ALL of us. We had a wonderful Women's Retreat, an inspiring Men's Clinic, and a terrific Youth Retreat. This coming year, we have hopes of truly soul-stirring speakers and double, maybe triple attendance records being set. We can do this only if you are all behind the programs here. What do you say? Can we count on you? More important, can God count on you? Remember, the success of Christian Acres depends on you; each one of you! This is your camp, your property--will you support it with your whole being? I pray your answer is, "Yes!"

Carl D. McIntosh, Promotional Dir.

HAPPY NEW YEAR---

HI AGAIN-----THIS IS YOUR NEW
FRIEND-----YES, I'M A NEW MOUSE--
--I'VE MADE SO MANY RESOLUTIONS
THIS PAST WEEK THAT I FEEL LIKE
I'M REALLY A NEW MOUSE-----SURE
HOPE I CAN KEEP ALL THESE PRO-
MISES, ESPECIALLY THE ONES THAT
WILL MAKE ME A BETTER MOUSE-----
LIKE THIS ONE-----I PROMISE NOT
TO MAKE SUCH A PIG OF MYSELF AT
ALL THOSE YUMMY DINNERS-----AND
THIS ONE-----I PROMISE TO KEEP MY
NEST CLEANER THIS NEXT YEAR-----I
KNOW THE MRS. WILL APPRECIATE
THAT ONE-----HOW ABOUT YOU?-----
HAVE YOU MADE ANY RESOLUTIONS?---
--HOW ABOUT THIS ONE-----I PROM-
ISE TO BE A BETTER CHRISTIAN AND
SHOW MORE LOVE TO EVERYONE THIS
NEXT YEAR-----YOU KNOW, IF WE ALL
WOULD MAKE THAT ONE AND KEEP IT,
THIS WOULD REALLY BE A GREAT
WORLD, WOULDN'T IT?-----HAVE YOU
HEARD?-----DID WE MAKE OUR GOAL
WITH THE BIRTHDAY OFFERING?-----
I HEARD THEM TALKING ABOUT IT,
BUT COULDN'T MAKE OUT WHAT THEY
WERE SAYING-----SURE HOPE WE MADE
IT-----GOTTA GO NOW-----

Luv, CHARLIE

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A very special THANK YOU to Mrs.
Mack Wright of Bluewell. She is
the wonderful gal who serves as
our very special beautician. All
of us gals here at Christian
Acres have been sporting brand
new haircuts thanks to her.

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REMEMBER---CAMP SEASON IS COMING!

MANY, MANY THANKS-----

To-----

Fine Grove Church of Christ
Mudfork Youth Groups
Falls Mills (Joy Glass)
Crooked Creek Church of Christ
Falls Mills (Middlers)
Pettry Church of Christ
M/M Kenneth Brooks
M/M Paul MaHaffey
M/M Hayes (Mudfork)
Frances Hedrick (Midway)
Mapleview Ladies' Group
M/M Charles Beggs
Loyal Order of Moose (Blfd.)

for the gifts, money used to
buy gifts, the turkey and all
the loving ways in which each of
these people helped to make our
Christmas Day one of much, much
joy and happiness here at the
Children's Home. God bless each
of you. We Love you!!

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We were saddened recently by
the decision of Mona to leave
our home. She was not happy at
all with our 'rules' concerning
boys and dating and she decided
that she would be happier some-
where she will have what she
feels is 'more freedom to do as
she wants'. Of course, we were
unhappy to see her go but we
cannot help but feel that this
decision was for the best con-
sidering everything. We do wish
Mona the best of everything and
pray that she will stay close to
her Saviour whom she has just
recently met.

I ran across this following article recently and would like to share it with you.

THE GROWING-UP PROCESS

I see children as kites. You spend a lifetime trying to get them off the ground. You run with them until you're both breathless . . . they crash . . . they hit the rooftop . . . you patch and comfort, adjust and teach. You watch them lifted by the wind and assure them that someday they'll fly. Finally they are airborne: they need more string and you keep letting it out. But with each twist of the ball of twine, there is sadness that goes with joy. The kite becomes more distant, and you know it won't be long before that beautiful creature will snap the lifeline that binds you together and will soar as it is meant to soar, free and alone. Only then do you know you did your job well.

--Erma Bombeck--

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**CHILDREN NEED YOUR PRESENCE MORE
THAN YOUR PRESENTS!**

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We have almost all weekend dates free for speaking engagements. I would really like to come and share with your congregation the happenings here at Christian Camp and Children's Home. Why not let me hear from you about a date to come share with you?

**CHILDREN MAY TEAR UP A HOUSE, BUT
ALMOST NEVER BREAK UP A HOME.**

-----*** * ***----- **ATTENTION LADIES!!**

Be sure to mark your calendars and plan to be here for the Ladies Retreat. It is being planned now and will be August 11th.-12th here at Christian Acres. Your support is needed in the planning of the Retreat and in your attendance come August. You'll be glad you came.

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**WITH GOD'S HAND ON YOUR SHOULDER,
YOU DON'T HAVE ROOM FOR A CHIP!**

-----*** * ***----- **MEN-----**

Start making plans not to be here at Christian Acres for the annual Men's Clinic which will be held in the spring this year. We moved the date up and will be having our Clinic in June (9th. and 10th.) instead of August. Plans are being made not concerning our speaker and special music. If you have any suggestions or requests for certain speakers, get in touch with Ken Hylton of myself real soon so that we can try to comply. It is going to be a great Clinic. Be here and see for yourself.

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DON'T FORGET-----CAMP IS COMING!!

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR CHRISTIAN ACRES DECEMBER 1977

Balance	435.31
Incoming Receipts:	
Thousandair Club	50.00
Faith & Works Glass, Falls Mills	20.00
M/M Albert Vinciguerra	10.00
M/M Rudy Hearn	10.00
M/M J. E. Helmondollar	10.00
M/M Rudy Hearn	5.00
Community Chr. Ch., Hinton	25.00
Oak Grove Chr. Ch.	81.00
Rederfield Chr. Ch.	20.00
Children's Home, Salary	200.00
Central Ch. of Chr.	50.00
Louise Turner	5.00
Falls Mills Chr. Ch.	450.00
Landside Chr. Ch.	10.00
M/M Carl McIntosh	25.00
Petty Ch. of Chr.	50.00
Mapleview Chr. Ch.	125.00
W. Lawton Chr. Ch.	40.31
Laurel Fork Ch. of Chr.	10.00
First Chr. Ch. of Montcalm	55.90
Willowton Chr. Ch.	10.00
Lorona Ch. of Chr.	30.00
Bass Grove Ch. of Chr.	100.00
W. Fork Ch. of Chr.	60.00
Thousandair Club	807.84
Note # 1000-23	1,615.70
Midway Ch. of Chr.	400.00
M/M Clifton Elmore	5.00
Bluefield College of Evangelism	433.40
Bass Chr. Ch.	45.00
Delving Ch. of Chr.	25.00
Williams Chapel Ch. of Chr.	50.00
Springville Chr. Ch.	25.00
Midway Ch. of Chr.	103.00
Ellybrook Faith Promise	9.23
First Chr. Ch., Hinton	20.00
Monthly Income	4,961.38
Net Income	5,396.69

Less Expenses

2110 Thousandair Club	50.00
2111 Carl McIntosh, Salary	433.32
2112 Roy J. Hale, Salary	162.42
2113 Roy J. Hale, Salary	162.42
2114 Roy J. Hale, Salary	162.42
2115 Roy J. Hale, Salary	162.42
2116 Roy J. Hale, Salary	162.42
2117 Roy J. Hale, Truck Exp.	20.00
2118 Roy J. Hale, Telephone	17.39
2119 Note No. 1000-23	1,615.70
2120 Note No. 500-28	807.84
2121 Commerical Bank of Bluefield	1,100.00
2122 Bluefield College of Evang.	219.68
Total Expenses	5,076.03
Balance After Expenses	320.
Net Income	526,015.71
Net Expenses	525,695.05

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR DECEMBER 1977

CHRISTIAN ACRES CHILDREN'S HOME

Balance	323.1
Incoming Receipts	
Seekers Sunday School Class, Peach Creek	
For Childrens Christmas	60.00
M/M L. A. Williamson	8.50
Carl McIntosh (State of W. Va.)	393.15
Central Ch. of Chr.	25.00
Duretha Williamson	10.00
Mary E. Perkins	25.00
M/M John Lawrence	50.00
M/M C. R. Saunders	12.00
First Chr. Ch., Montcalm	55.90
Mapleview Chr. Ch., Childrens Christmas	25.00
M/M Charlie Baggs, Childrens Christmas	10.00
M/M Fred J. Butler	10.00
Midway Ch. of Chr.	15.00
Midway Ch. of Chr.	40.25
Acme Markets of Tazewell, Va.	63.29
Monthly Income	803.09

Net Income	1,126.75
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Less Expenses:

407 Carl McIntosh, Petty Cash	213.46
408 Christian Acres, Salary	200.00
409 Carl McIntosh, Childrens Christmas	60.00
410 Carl McIntosh, Petty Cash	191.72
411 A.E.P. Co.	116.79
412 General Telephone	93.84
413 Carl McIntosh, Childrens Christmas	<u>35.00</u>

Total Expenses	910.81
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Balance After Expenses	215.94
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Net Income	53,537.39
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Net Expenses	53,321.45
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Parable of The Tip

Now it came to pass that a certain rich man invited a churchman to lunch and they went to a popular restaurant. The waiter was efficient. The food was good. As they arose to depart, the churchman observed that his host laid some coins under the edge of his plate. And the waiter, standing by, smiled happily; which being interpreted, meant that the tip was satisfactory. Now with such customs all are familiar. And this parable entereth not into the merits or demerits of tipping. But the churchman began to meditate on these coins. Well he knew that the proverbial tip must be at least a ten per cent tithe, lest the waiter turn against you. And it came to him that few people so honor their God as they honor their waiter. For they give unto the waiter the tithe, but they give unto God only what they can spare. Verily, doth man fear his waiter more than he feareth God? And doth he love God less than he loveth the waiter? Truly, a man and his money are past understanding.

CAMP DATES:

Sr. Week July 9th.---15th
Jr. Hi Week July 16th.---22nd
Jr. Week July 23rd.---29th
Spir. Emp. Wk. July 30th.---Aug5th

The camp deans have already been chosen for this coming camp season. They are as follows:

Sr. Week-----Dave Burnette
Jr. Hi Wk.---Walter Schwitzerlette
Jr. Week-----Tony Reed
Spir. Emp. Wk.-----Derry Gray

These men have generously said they would gladly give of their time and efforts to serve as your camp deans. Won't all you young people get behind them and plan to be here for your week of camp? And adults, when you are asked to serve as teachers, counselors, or whatever, won't you consider it a privilege to serve and respond with a positive, "Yes!" The young people will thank you, Christian Acres will thank you, and your service will be most blessing to Jesus!!

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DON'T FORGET-----CHRISTIAN ACRES YOUTH RALLY

Mr. Ken Conner will be with us in the Christian Acres Chapel on January 28th. at 7 p.m. to present information on the various cults which are infiltrating the youth of America and influencing so many today. He will be witnessing to us how his own son was drawn into one of these cults and how he got him out of it. I know

you will all be interested to learn all you can about these various cults and how you can go about fighting them. So be sure to be here. We feel sure you all will be glad you came. Everyone welcome. Spread the news to your schools, various clubs, etc. We would like to see the chapel full that night.

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NEVER TRUST SOMEONE WHO HAS TO
CHANGE HIS TONE OF VOICE TO ASK
SOMETHING OF THE LORD.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for ladies to serve as Camp Cooks this summer during our camp season. We need someone who is willing to more or less be in charge and also, we'll need three or four ladies who are willing to serve as helpers each week of camp. In the past, we've just assigned a particular church group to be responsible for one week of camp. We can still do it that way; but thought it would be nice if we could have people who would volunteer to be here at a particular time (week). Do you have a week you could spare to serve Christ and tomorrow's young church leaders? If you do, just be sure to let us know soon!

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SEE YOU IN CAMP THIS SUMMER!!!!!!

Fill in the blanks, and place the letters from the blanks in the numbered spaces. This will reveal a quotation from an epistle.

47 2 35 Church seat
 21 50 6 34 Book of the N.T.
 4 46 31 41 36 "The Hittite"
 17 45 11 23 (I Kings 15:5)
 26 30 13 43 8 Upper room
 39 12 48 (I Kings 17:19)
 51 20 10 How many sons did
 9 16 38 42 Noah have?
 19 15 22 28 25 Gardening tool
 40 24 18 29 Female sheep
 49 1 44 Stone
 32 37 33 7 (Matt. 7:25)
 5 14 3 27 Proffer
 1 2 3 4 5 Soften
 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 (Josh. 2:11)
 15 16 17 18 19 20 Short for Alfred
 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 Close
 29 30 31 32 33 34 (Rom. 10:8)
 Son of Adam & Eve
 (Gen. 4:25)

35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43
 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51

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Good Luck! Now here's another----

Find the foods mentioned in the Bible and circle them. They run horizontal, vertical, diagonal, forward, or backward. How many can you find?

apples	manna
bread	milk
butter	millet
cheese	olive
corn	onion
egg	pomegranate
figs	pottage
fish	pulse
garlic	rye
grapes	salt
honey	venison
leek	wheat

T B R E A D L O F T C T
 E A G E S P H L S I E L
 S G E C T O K E E L G A
 E E X H N T V K L I M S
 E O Y E W T U I P E S E
 H N Y R M A M B P V F P
 C I L R A G E F A I U A
 N O S I N E V V S L S R
 I N R X N J F H S O V G
 E T A N A R G E M O P L

Have fun folks!!

A MESSAGE FROM THE MCINTOSH'S

We want to take this opportunity to thank all the fine folks who so generously gave of their time and monies so that we here at the Children's Home would be assured a 'Merry Christmas'.

The children received so many really great gifts from so many people, generous amounts of monies came in so that we were able to get each child here just what they had asked for again this year. You people are really a super bunch!!! We appreciate you all so much!!!

We were fortunate to be able have 'Our Baby, Melody' with us for the holidays. It was really a fun time having a tiny one again for Christmas. It's been a long time since our own kids were this size and we really did enjoy it.

Now we have a week with all of the kids home from school and we can 'play' with all their toys, games, and just relax and enjoy their company. We thank you all for that, too. Because of you and your support of Christian Acres we can realize our heart's desire of being houseparents and serving the Lord as we have for so long wanted. We sincerely look forward to another year of working and planning with you in seeing Christian Acres grow into a mighty instrument for Christ.

We wish for you a New Year of happiness, joy, and accomplishment for Jesus Christ.

Carl and Carole

MAMA NEEDS

for the shelves:

cake mixes
pow. sugar
cocoa mixes

for the laundry:

tuna t. tissue
spam p. butter
tea b. sugar
pizza sugar

personal items:

baby shampoo
kleenex

for the Home:

dish towels
hot pads

deoderant
hand lotion

fabric softener

round cake pans
reg mop
saucapans

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