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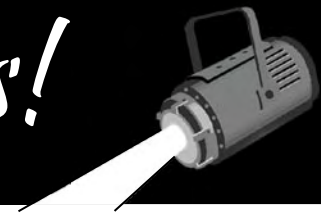
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This past year has been a year of changes. There have been tough times and good times, but God has helped us at every turn. In the last year, the roof of the church was replaced. Rev. Perry Case brought a crew from Pierrepont Manor and helped with one side, then we hired some Mennonite friends who work in construction to finish the job. The south side of the roof had withstood many years of New York winds and weather and was in terrible shape, but insurance funded its replacement. Consequently, the church only had to pay approximately half of the total bill!

Before Zeiglers moved here, there was excavation around the basement, straightening up the walls and sealing it to prevent the water from pouring in as it had for several years. Last January, we learned that the boiler was in dire need of replacement. The many years of use and moisture had run their course and it was in horrible condition. The church is small enough that the bill seemed too much for the treasury to handle, so it caused a bit of concern. We waited until fall to look into it, and right after having three estimates done, the boiler died. The best estimate was still \$5,500, and more than the church could handle — it was cause of much prayer. Once again, the Lord provided and \$4,500 of that bill was donated by the pastor's grandmother. Now we have a reliable heating source which includes a reliable hot water heater. The previous boiler was not heating the water properly so the hot water ran out quickly. With the new boiler, a 40 gallon tank was installed and has been a wonderful blessing. When the boiler was installed, one concern was the fact that the baseboards in the parsonage



were also in poor condition. As a result, we look to replace them sometime in the future as God provides. This will cost approximately as much as the boiler itself, so we have postponed it indefinitely. This past summer, we landscaped the front and north sides of the church. The weeds had overcome the beds, so a complete change was needed in the front, and the side needed some major help. We started the landscaping around the house but only managed to complete the front. This coming spring and summer, our goals will be to finish landscaping around the house and the south side of the church, as well as around each tree. Our pastor strongly believes that the church grounds should be attractive. A load of top soil will be purchased for around the house, which is the cause for the delay, but the Lord is blessing and we will be able to make some

cosmetic improvements to the area. A few windows in the church basement are in need of replacement, creating another job for the spring.

God has been helping the church in the last year, and we are still open with no plans to back down! God has the church doors open for a reason and that reason is people! Last November, Rev. Jacob Martin from Penns Creek, PA preached in a weekend Revival during which several new ones came. The Lord really encouraged each of us during those services. On Sunday, January 30, 2005, Jay Knipmeyer from Penns Creek, PA, joined us for the morning and told his story of tragedy and God's help through it all. We had some visitors stop in, and tears were shed. The Lord touched each one in the special service. We are looking forward to our next revival in March with Rev. Randy Neville. Our prayers are for new souls, and a fresh touch from the Lord.



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Another change is the start of an activities night. The church has been able to rent a gym once a month, and will be using this opportunity to invite people to break down barriers and to get to know about the church. In April, a group from the Ministerial Department of PVBI will be joining us for a weekend. There will be a special service on Friday night, each student will be knocking on doors Saturday, and then one of them will be preaching in the Sunday morning service. We would like to see at least a thousand flyers handed out that weekend. Last fall, Sr. Zeigler started KBK, Kids' Bible Klub, which meets twice a month. The topic for the next few months is a Polar Expedition. Five children and a teenager have been attending the meetings.



We believe that God has set the stage for church growth, and though it may take time, God has something in mind for this church! Church growth doesn't always happen quickly, but God wants us to spread the Word about His Son, and wants all to come to Him. People are hungry for something more than they have, and God is the answer. People will come once they know that we are different from the rest.

—Contributed by Bro. Reuben Zeigler

Crooksville, Ohio

Rev. and Mrs. Roger Ellers assumed the pastorate at Crooksville, Ohio, in July 1971. Services were being held in a storefront building on Main Street. The upstairs served as the parsonage. In November 1972, property was purchased on Keystone Street consisting of three lots and two small houses. One house was used for the church, the second for a parsonage, and the third lot was set aside for the building of a new church, which began in 1974.



On May 26, 1978, the footer was dug for the parsonage, which was completed in March 1979.

On July 16, 1984, the church was organized as part of the Pilgrim Holiness Church of NY, Inc. A fellowship hall was added to the parsonage in 1998.

God has been faithful in providing for the pastor, his family, and the church. Everything accomplished has been done by faith in a great God. There was never a time when the church was in debt. All



expenses were provided by the congregation. We at Crooksville thank the Lord for all that He has done for us in the past, all He is doing for us in the present, and the wonderful things that He is going to do for us in the future.

God Is So Good!!



—Contributed by Rev. Roger Ellers

Next month's anticipated Spotlights —
East Worcester, NY and Endicott, NY