

Class of 1967 Historian's Address

In the fall of 1964, eighteen young people, having felt the call of God upon their lives, entered the doors of FGBI to start their spiritual training for a life-time service of ministry.

We experienced a real time of spiritual refreshing at the opening of our freshman year. Classes were a challenge and inspired us to, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God..." (II Tim. 2:15.)

Rev. Robert Barrier, Bartlett, Director of Teen Challenge in Philadelphia PA was our speaker during the convention services. The services proved to be very profitable, bringing our first year to an excellent close.

October 1965 found us, although fewer in number, with a much greater desire to find and do God's will.

Among the thrills of the year were: (1) the introduction of the Alma Mater" written and composed by Miss Florence Schumaker, our dearly beloved English teacher. (2) The entire basement ceiling was plastered, brightening the spirits of the students during the bleak winter. (3) Much work was done toward the completion of the dormitory rooms in the Institute building.

Our closing Convention was of great Spiritual uplift as Rev. William K. Wilson of Nixon New Jersey ministered under a great anointing of the Holy Spirit.

Thrill of thrills- we moved!! How lovely, spacious and comfortable were these never-lived-in-before dormitory rooms. A dream of eight years was realized as we moved into the rooms in October 1966. God's faithfulness and the contributions of our many Faith Partners made this dream a reality.

Genuine revival fires burned in our hearts as many of the students sought a deeper experience with God. Some have said that a greater out-pouring of the gifts of the Holy Spirit was manifested this year more than in any other previous year. For this we PRAISE THE LORD!

We realize now, more than ever, that we must depend upon God completely and follow the leading of the Holy Spirit in order to find and do His perfect will.

May the coming of the Lord find us ever faithful in His service. "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will thee a crown of life." (Rev. 2:10)