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TELEGRAMS

Pasadena, California — Organized West Covina Church with fourteen adult charter members; Rev. Roy Orrin, the pastor. Construction of church building to begin immediately. —W. Shelburne Brown, Superintendent of Los Angeles District.

Bethany, Oklahoma—New church organized with twenty-one charter members at Shattuck; Lawrence H. Wade appointed pastor. Church building purchased by Bethany First Church with Dr. E. S. Phillips, pastor.—J. T. Gassett, Superintendent of Northwest Oklahoma District.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Pastor M. L. Turney sends word from Hattiesburg, Mississippi: "First Church closed good revival with Evangelist Joel Danner. A great rally on the closing Sunday; burned mortgage on church building, and received a fine class of members. First Church moving forward."

Superintendent R. C. Gunstream, of New Mexico District, sends word: "Rev. Carlton Ponsford, pastor of First Church in Albuquerque, has resigned to accept a position as special financial representative with Pasadena College. We regret to lose this wonderful pastor and his fine family. They have made a fine contribution to our church here and also to the district. Rev. Marvin Powers, pastor of Trinity Church in Colorado Springs, Colorado, has accepted the call to pastor Albuquerque First Church."

Rev. C. W. Lindeman has resigned as pastor of First Church in Albany, New York, to accept a call to Central Church in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Mrs. John F. Roberts sends word from Pilot Point, Texas: "Rest Cottage Board of directors at a specially called session unanimously elected Rev. Geren Roberts superintendent of Rest Cottage (September 19); Rev. John F. Roberts elected assistant superintendent."

Rev. Kenneth Burton has resigned as pastor of the church in Janesville, Wisconsin, to accept the pastorate of the church in La Porte, Indiana.

On September 24, the Palmdale Church of the Nazarene (California) gave a reception in honor of the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. J. P. (Jud and Dea) Wear, at the Women's Club House in Palmdale.

Brother Wear formed the Wear Evangelistic Party, in which he labored for a number of years. He served as a minister in the Church of the Nazarene for thirty-eight of the fifty years.

Rev. O. F. Langford is now leaving the pastorate to re-enter the field of full-time evangelism, beginning his work early in October.

Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains: for the Lord hath comforted his people, and will have mercy upon his afflicted (Isa. 49:13).

WANTED: A \$10,000.00 Handshake!

"I went over to visit in that church one Sunday morning, thinking I might assist them some financially. And, though I tarried a while after service, no one came to shake hands or to invite me back. I do not plan to go there again."

These words were spoken by an elderly man of means to the preacher who had called in his home with the intention of seeking a donation for the above congregation that had recently completed a new church building.

But, after the man's statement, the preacher had no heart to ask for the contribution, even though the man was well able to make a generous gift.

Lack of a hearty handshake and a friendly greeting is expensive in more than one way. The donation this congregation forfeited, even though it might have been \$10,000.00, was small when compared to the spiritual blessings lost.—Evangelist Joe Norton, Hamlin, Texas.

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The "Herald of Holiness"— A Definite Ministry!

Some time ago in our home church the drive for Herald of Holiness subscriptions took on great enthusiasm. We not only renewed our own subscriptions, to go "over the top" in our quota, but also the chairman gave each member a quota to reach besides, such as sending the Herald to a number of friends or relatives.

Some weeks later my wife and I had the privilege of visiting in one of the homes in another state where we had sent the Herald. The husband is completely paralyzed on one side and confined to his bed; the wife has to work and has many burdens in the daily routine. The day we called had been an extremely perplexing day and discouragement seemed imminent.

That very day the first copy of the HERALD made its appearance, they said, and they were about to cast it aside with some old newspaper and the remark, "Oh, just another religious paper." But instead they placed it on the library table. As the day wore on. the problems increased, and the wife, in despair, sat down by the library table—the HERALD in front of her. Her heart began to cry out for help, and she thought, Surely this paper must have something for me. "Help me, Lord, and give me just what I need at this time," was the cry of her heart. And, lo, there was the article by Evangelist Paul Martin with the very help she needed. She read it over several times, then dropped to her knees before God, asking His forgiveness for having so little faith and trust in His great power.

Needless to say, the Herald now holds first place in their religious reading. Incidentally, through this, the Lord now is getting the weekly tithe from this home.

As we listened to this testimony and the words of praise and thanks to God for renewed hope and courage, we picked up the blessed Word, and after reading from its sacred pages and having prayer, we went on our way blessed in our own hearts and thanking the Lord again for the HERALD OF HOLINESS.

—Evangelist Charles W. Weagley, Waukesha, Wisconsin

It is possible for us to become so interested in the marvels of creation that we utterly forget the Creator—also, it is possible for us to become so busy doing church work that we neglect to take time to commune with the One for whom we labor.—Mary Sanders.

The Thanksgiving Call

Take ye from among you an offering unto the Lord: whosoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it, an offering of the Lord" (Exod. 35:5).

An effort to enumerate our blessings would be futile. We would find that they are countless. God has smiled upon us and our people around the world. His protection has been over our missionaries and their efforts have been abundantly rewarded. Our churches in the homelands have received an overflow of divine grace. For all these favors we owe a debt of thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father.

Our thanks to God can be expressed in different ways. By song, sermon, testimony, and prayer we can declare to our Heavenly Father and to the world about us that we are grateful for His abundant mercies; the faithful work of our hands, the godly walk of our feet, and the outpoured love of our willing hearts can demonstrate our thanks better than the best-chosen words could do it. Then the offering of a portion from our savings, the earmarking of a week's salary, the giving of something long treasured (a diamond, jewelry, or heirloom turned into money), possibly the making of a new will or the changing of the old one to include the General Board of the Church of the Nazarene at Kansas City, Missouri, and the departments which it represents—all can furnish evidence of true thanksgiving.

Our Heavenly Father demonstrated His love for a lost world by giving His Son to die for it. "He . . . spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all." Let us render to God the voice of praise, the hand of service, and from the overflow of willing hearts demonstrate our thanks to God by bringing in the greatest Thanksgiving Offering in the history of our church.

D. I. VANDERPOOL, for the BOARD OF GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS

PAYDAY

By Clyde Golliher*

Many commercial houses have posted in a conspicuous place a sign that reads: "PAY-DAY—Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 m." It is evident from this and other systems of pay which employers follow that man has accustomed himself to expect his pay soon after doing his work. This no doubt has served, at least in part, to cause man to misunderstand God's system of pay, because God does not pay exactly as man does.

Sometimes the Christian does not receive immediately the reward for his labor. To the eyes of some it would look as if the Christian's work had all been in vain. Judson labored for years in Burma, as did Schmelzenbach in Africa, without apparent results or reward. No doubt the burdens were heavy and the years discouraging ones, but they did not go unnoticed by God. He used these laborers' every effort and from them has brought forth a great harvest of souls; those who did the sowing will receive their reward along with those who did the reaping.

Often a pastor or layman in starting a new church works and works and seems to get no place. And there are those faithful believers who without complaint sacrifice in time and money for the advance of God's work, but their efforts go almost unnoticed and unpraised. However, what we do for God is not in vain—"... my beloved

brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord" (I Cor. 15:58).

God has His final payday, and when that day comes He is going to pay the balance for every good deed done in His name, every tear shed or meal fasted or sacrifice made for His work, every testimony given for Him, and every persecution suffered bravely for His cause. Heaven's scribe has marked it all down in his book, and what God has not already paid off with spiritual or material blessings remains to the individual's credit until that final payday.

Just as God does not immediately pay the believer for all of his good deeds, neither does He recompense immediately the sinner for his evil ones. And man, the foolish creature that he is, mistakes God's mercy for indifference and is thereby emboldened to continue in his sins. "Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil" (Eccles. 8:11). Some men think that God's delay means He does not see them sin: "He [the wicked] hath said in his heart, God hath forgotten: he hideth his face; he will never see it" (Ps. 10:11). But the Apostle Paul says: "We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad" (II Cor. 5:10).

The rejections, the disobediences, and all of man's unconfessed sins will meet him in the day

of judgment and the punishment they bear is waiting for him. "... in your obstinacy and impenitence you are storing up wrath for yourself on the Day of Wrath, when the justice of God will burst forth. For he will pay every man for what he has done" (Rom. 2:5-6, an Amer. trans.).

God's delay in paying the sinner for his sins is not a revelation of His indifference, or blindness, nor is it that man might have time to procrastinate; rather, it is an expression of divine mercy. It is that man might have an opportunity to see the error of his way and turn to God; for "the Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (II Pet. 3:9).

God does not pay every Saturday, but He has His payday!

THE FRAGRANCE OF CHRIST

By Ovella S. Shafer

Jesus, our Rose of Sharon,
Altogether lovely is He;
His name is as ointment outpoured—
Costly perfume with fragrancy.

The Father thought Him lovely, Called Him, "Beloved Son"— Lovely in speech and compassion, This aromatic One.

He's the Lily of the Valley, A garden of spices rare, Whose holy fragrance has wafted To every land—everywhere!

It Happens, but Not Often Enough!

A RELUCTANTLY went to the Western Union office at Valentine, Nebraska, fearful lest the message would be bad news, and received the surprise of my life. Here is a direct quotation:

We wish to express our sincerest gratitude for the new pastor you helped to obtain for us. There is no other one we know that could have filled his place so efficiently. God is answering prayer.

(signed) Church Board, Central Nazarene Church, Omaha, Neb.

I am sure there are many laymen who feel the same way, yet have failed to put themselves on record. This special gesture warmed my heart, thrilled the pastor, and gave the senders a deep sense of satisfaction.

Gratitude, and the habit of expressing your appreciation for people and what they mean to you, will bring you compound interest on compensations that really count, now and tomorrow, too.

—Whitcomb Harding, Superintendent of Nebraska District.

A Back-Fence Sermon

By Genevieve Thompson*

H DEAR, time to cut the sweet peas again! What will I do with them? Every available space has a bouquet in it now. So ran my thoughts as I looked at the garden fence where the bright blossoms fluttered in the burning sun, for all the world like a cloud of butterflies on the wing. I might be tired after hanging a huge wash on the line but the sweet peas must be cut. I might be busy every minute of the day, picking up the rosy apples which snuggled in the dew-wet grass and converting them into spicy, golden applesauce for winter, but the sweet peas must be cut before nightfall. I might be scratched from head to toe after picking raspberries and hot and tired after turning them into glasses of ruby-colored jam, but the sweet peas must be cut.

So each day, sometime before nightfall, found me with scissors and basket cutting handfuls of loveliness. "Why do it?" someone may ask, but every gardener knows the answer. When you don't cut sweet peas consistently they quit blooming. If a few faded blooms are left on the vines a few times, the sweet peas will quit blooming and soon the whole vine withers and dies. If you want

bloom you must use it.

As I walked down along the fence in the hot sun that day, busily cutting blossoms, the thought came to me that sweet peas are a perfect example of the spiritual truth that we must use what we have for God, or lose it. That is what Jesus meant when He said, "Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents. For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath" (Matt. 25:28-29). The man who fearfully hid his one talent lost it to the man who had increased his five talents to ten. It seemed like an unfair ruling, but in reality was the simple stating of an immutable law. Both Jesus and the sweet peas teach, "Produce or die."

I had been thinking, as I cut, how much I would like to take the flowers to a young friend, newly saved and just home from the hospital. But I had neither time nor strength to walk many blocks in the heat that day, and I had no car. Even as I regretfully put aside the thought, my young neighbor on the other side of the fence came to tell me, tearfully, of a heartache hard for her to bear. With what comforting words I could offer I gave also the huge bouquet of fragrant sweet peas and was rewarded by her smile. Tomorrow would be another day, I might have a car, it might be cooler, and there certainly would be more sweet peas!

As I went back to the house I prayed, "Lord, let no faded blooms of selfishness, neglect, or indifference choke my fruitfulness for Thee. Help me to bear, day by day, the fruit of the Spirit in my life, lest I too wither and die."

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Your Feelings and Your Experience By Carl E. Ryan*

When you are tried, it isn't how weak you feel during temptation and trial that gauges your acceptance with God, but how true you stand to God. So long as your heart says, "Yes," to God and, "No," to the devil, you have good grounds for believing faith. You will conquer if you remain obedient to all God's will, no matter how your feelings rise or fall.

Severe trials cause inward suffering, but that pain is no indication that God has forsaken us. On the contrary, unless our faith can endure suffering we cannot prove our sincerity to God. "If we suffer, we shall also reign with him." "Though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations."

Holy feeling is wonderful, but feeling is not the blessing. The blessing of God—His forgiveness, His sanctification—abide when joyous feelings have taken their flight. The work of God remains in the heart even when the heart is heavy through manifold temptations. God's love and forgiveness toward us are just as real and genuine when we feel forsaken and are pressed above measure.

Take your liberty and shout for joy when great spiritual ecstasies are upon you. Then, when these ecstasies leave you for a season, if you shout, your shouting is still real and well founded by your faith in God. Your redemption is no less real now, in the midst of tears or when in the terrible spiritual conflicts, than it was when you enjoyed that special touch from God. We are His beloved when we are chastened just as much as we are His beloved when we are blessed. "Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit . . . unto them which are exercised thereby" (Heb. 12:11); that ye must "through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God."

God does not forsake you when your money runs out, or when your health fails. For God hath "chosen the poor of this world rich in faith." "The Lord will . . . make all his bed in his sickness." Even in the hour of death, God is nearby. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints."

God hears your prayers when you have little or no feeling, the same as He does when you are powerfully blest. Are you less interested in your children when they are troubled than when they are happy? Are you wiser than God? Are you more merciful than He?

There is no moment but that He is anxiously watching over you. Your trials and sorrows make you no less precious in His sight. And when you cannot pray, He understands. He does not watch your every move to criticize you—He is moved by your infirmities and human mistakes. "For we

have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin" (Heb. 4:15).

The holy prophets of old had seasons of sorrow and seeming defeat, but God was always there. Elijah, who had locked the heavens for over three years by his prayers, who had slain the priests of Baal, and who had proved his God before all the people by an answer of fire from heaven—this wonderful man of God after all this ran for his life and was discouraged about the spiritual welfare of his country. But God knew things that Elijah did not know. Though Elijah thought that he alone served God, yet the Lord informed him about seven thousand other godly people that worshiped Him.

To be pleasing to God is not tantamount to saying that you will be well pleasing to people. Some days you may have to stand alone, like Elijah, though you know God hears your prayers.

Sin may seem to triumph over righteousness and you may find the silent wilderness of loneliness about you. But here is the path of God where we hear the still small voice. In this place we are commissioned to anoint kings and appoint prophets. Here we are prepared for the chariot ride to heaven with the Lord of Lords and God of Gods.

Oh, how wonderful to feel the presence of the living, holy God! Oh, how wonderful to trust in Him when our feelings have fled away! We may sing with holy emphasis:

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!

The days of trust are equal to the days of solemnity. They that trust in the Lord "shall not be ashamed nor confounded, world without end." Hallelujah!

CLOUDED VISION

By Alice W. Norton

If I could see as God can see,
When bowed by grief and sorrow,
I'd know the ache within my breast
Would lessen with tomorrow.

I'd know each overhanging cloud Possessed a silver lining, And on a nearby mountaintop The sun was brightly shining.

And I would know my long, hard road Would someday have a turning, And toward the sweeter things in life I'd find a tender yearning.

And I would practice what I preach, That joy in daily living Comes not thro' pity, greed, or gain, But sacrificial giving!

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Let History Speak About Revivals

BY GEORGE BRANNON*

THE HISTORY of the Church in all ages shows that the greatest spiritual results have been secured when the highest possible experience of divine grace has been kept before the people with urgent calls to possess it. When a holy ministry proclaims a full salvation, when professors enjoy it, it will move the world toward a genuine revival.

As a church we owe our existence, our strength, and our success to a careful attention to the profound questions of the soul: to the great twofold work of divine grace in saving and sanctifying power, and to the practical truths which give our work an abiding value. A great spiritual awakening is still the need of the hour. We need it to heal the world's open sores and to restore a moral balance among the sons of men.

We need to return to the spirit of the vesteryears; to the spirit of those times when Grandpa took the team out of the field in the early afternoon on Wednesday in order to hitch them to the old spring wagon, where Grandma put all the children after she had washed their faces shining clean. Then they drove off to prayer meeting in the little white church at the crossroads underneath the old oak trees. There they all believed the Bible, trusted in God, and loved one another. We stand midway in this century, but our trouble started when we got in the whirl of material gainand now we are in a strain for gadgets while God drifts into the background.

In the last 6,000 years there have been 21 civilizations—and every one of them has gone down

at the point where it left God out in that vital sense. Since the beginning of recorded history, for only 8 per cent of the time has the world been entirely free from war. During the past 3,521 years, only 286 have been years of peace. Eight thousand treaties have been broken during this time. Human beings just do not like to think in terms of finality. Somehow we expect another chance, a better day, another opportunity.

And yet, sometime, somewhere, there must come a final day, and end, the Church's last day, the soul's deadline. It was true in Noah's day, it will be true in ours. The closing day of every age has brought judgment and final tragedy. The history of Israel is no exception. They stoned the prophets, beheaded John the Baptist, crucified Jesus Christ, and rejected the Holy Spirit. And today, the world drifts on, disregarding God in the

real sense of that term, and at the same time forgetting all past history.

Shall we sleep on until Jesus returns and God's judgment falls upon a world lost in darkness? Oh, for a mighty revival to sweep over the land before that dreadful and tragic day! We pray and plead for the mercy of a long-suffering Heavenly Father, even while the dark clouds of His just judgment hang heavy overhead. The atomic weapons man has devised have brought a fear and frustration that make our day a nightmare to a bewildered and groping world. Any moment the age may end. But until that moment, let us not slack our hands in God's great vineyard; let us be diligent in the work of the Lord. Let us pray day and night for a Holy Ghost revival.

Revivals have made up the history of the Church. With revivals have come declensions, as calm succeeds the storm. There is a first love from which too many depart. This is true of the collective Church as well as the individual. From Moses to Solomon, a period of some five hundred years, there were seasons of falling away and times of restoration. From Christ to Constantine, religious fervor rose for over three hundred years. Then came a decline of more than one thousand years.

Martin Luther spearheaded a great revival that lasted some two hundred years. Then John Wesley came on to find that formalism had taken the place of spiritual devotion in the Church. Since then, in every century, church history has repeated itself. Although the law of action and reaction

seems to operate continually, the grace of God is sufficient to nullify it. The law of grace demands and provides for constant and onward progress. "The path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day."

All wanderings, declensions, and backslidings from the Lord and high spiritual life are in direct violation of the provision and plenitude of divine grace. The Church should advance even against the strongholds of Satan without suffering defeat. Although the Bible gives ample proof to support this fact, yet in spite of it the history of the Church is a repetition of periods of rising and falling of spiritual life and power and influence. Therefore, revivals are necessary.

Revivals, in the true sense, always include three factors. First comes the quickening of God's people to a new spiritual life and activity; next comes the restoration of backsliders; and third, the sal-



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vation of sinners. When there is a period of spiritual decline, Christians become careless, prayerless, neglectful, and formal in their religious lives. They must be quickened into new life. When this happens, then those who have gone back entirely on God will come to themselves and say, "I will arise and go to my Father." Then sinners will be converted and believers sanctified.

David prayed, "Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; . . . Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee." God, grant us a revival in these last days, when the Church shall receive a new touch of holy fire and spread it throughout the land. Amen!

Wings and Wisdom

By Wanda Milner*

OVER THE breast of Judean hills in the spring, amid Jordan's marshes, the villages, the towns, the forests, and the sandy rim of Galilee winnowed the wings of a million songsters. Squinting skyward, the Bethlehem shepherd beheld the prodigals' return. His harp and flute he laid aside, for now "the time of the singing of birds" had come.

Inebriate of air, entranced by melodies flung carelessly from bough to ground, the observer may have exclaimed, "I hear and behold God!" Impressed by the assiduity of dove, eagle, finch, owl, and shore bird, the shepherd possibly mused, "I see something of God."

The plaintive call of the dove is a reminder of the fidelity and holiness of its Creator. Known to mate for a lifetime, a pair of doves, according to Levitical law, could be substituted by persons too poor to provide a lamb for their sin offering at the Temple. This demure bird was the symbol of the Holy Spirit which descended upon Christ at His baptism visibly with that peculiar hovering motion characteristic of the descent of a dove.

The swiftness of God is revealed in the stately eagle, which, according to ornithologists, swoops at a speed of more than one hundred miles an hour! At Mount Sinai the grumbling Israelites were reminded of their expedient delivery, "Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself."

A fabulous quiver of life energy is each diminutive finch in the shrub. This bird, whose little heart races at five hundred beats per minute, in a small measure reflects the vitality of the mighty God who falters not nor fails.

It is a recognized fact that the movement of the heavenly bodies reveals the precision of the Creator. This attribute is also written into the character of shore birds. With uncanny timing these birds return from inland trips to the coast for feeding at an hour when the tide is right. God's

eternal timepiece never runs down. Punctual in meeting all appointments is He. "Just when I need him most," someone has said, He brings "comfort and cheer."

Watchman of the night, the owl can boast of eyes that are ten times as sensitive to faint light as human eyes. This nocturnal creature is a reminder that "the eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry" even when the sky is a heavy lid and doubts and fears oppress.

But what does the knowledge of God's fidelity, celerity, vitality, punctuality, and vigilance profit a man if he is unaware of the love of God for Him?

GOD—THE GREAT PARENT BIRD

The intense interest which God has for each individual is emphasized by the Psalmist, who, on at least four occasions, portrays God as the great parent bird and mankind as dependent young. "How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings" (Ps. 36:7). "Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, until these calamities be overpast" (Ps. 57:1). "I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever: I will trust in the covert of thy wings" (Ps. 61:4). "He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler" (Ps. 91:4).

Implied in these scriptures are at least three truths about God. Like a bird, God prepares for His own, guards them with jealous care, and teaches them the ways of righteousness.

HE PREPARES FOR HIS OWN

The winged harbingers of spring relentlessly search many days for the perfect nesting site. When the place has been selected and the crude cradle constructed, the adult bird molds the nest to suit its own body contours in order to insure maximum comfort for each youngster. Instinctively, the parent knows that this homesite, the result of many days' work, will be abandoned someday as migrants flee winter's icy grip. But



at the end of that uncharted course is another

better home—a tropical paradise.

So it was, no doubt, with the welfare of the yet uncreated human family in mind that the divine family created earth. Love compelled them to withhold no good thing. That this world was perfectly fashioned is evidenced by the fact that the Lord of the universe found pleasure in walking "in the garden in the cool of the day." For thirty-three years earth was the dwelling place of God's only begotten Son. For the child of God, redeemed by the blood of Jesus Christ, this sphere is only a temporary dwelling place. At the end of life's road is that better world where Christ is King. John, the Gospel writer, records the promise of Jesus: "I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."

HE GUARDS THEM WITH JEALOUS CARE

Neither severe storms, nor sizzling temperatures, nor fair skies, nor irritating demands, nor friend, nor foe, nor any other creature shall be able to separate the parent bird from its little ones. Let the lightning strike and the winds rage. Undaunted, the parent broods over the frightened infants, for death ensues almost immediately if nestlings become extremely wet. Hot weather too prolongs attentive periods if nests are exposed and require the shade of the bird's body. Inspired by this knowledge, the hymn writer penned these words:

Under His wings—oh, what precious enjoyment!

Tho' the night deepens and tempests are wild,

Sheltered, protected, no evil can harm me. Resting in Jesus, I'm safe evermore.

During the period of dependency, which may last from twenty-five days to several months, the bird with Job-like patience provides food for the little ones. One wren, whose feeding trips to her youngsters were counted between sunrise and nightfall, visited the nest 1,217 times! The physical hunger of the children of Israel was satisfied by the miracle of manna and quail. Through countless generations the Heavenly Father continues to satisfy the spiritual hunger of His children. Jesus said: "I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever."

Audubon marveled at the courage of the mockingbird, who goes into battle alone. With dramatic audacity the mockingbird dive-bombs snakes, dashes into treetops filled with blue jays, and readily attacks hawks and crows that threaten his home. If the young birds are captured by man and left within reach, the parents continue to feed them.

Who liberated Peter from King Herod's prison? Who scattered the forces of Sennacherib that had threatened Judah? Who did not forsake Tyndale at the stake? His (God's) truth was their shield and buckler. What "shall be able to separate us

from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord?" "... neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature."

HE TEACHES THEM WAYS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

The intricate techniques of flight, tactics of aggressive and nonaggressive defense, and other activities which will insure to some extent the satisfactory completion of a normal life span, are taught by the parents. Thus having been prepared, the youngster unhesitatingly assumes his role as a mature adult.

In the spiritual realm, the Comforter patiently teaches the child of God all things and brings to memory whatsoever Christ has said, so that in all things he can be more than conqueror through Jesus Christ.

The object of divine preparation, sheltered 'neath the Father's wings and instructed in His ways, God's children confidently anticipate His guidance in the future, as did Robert Browning, who wrote:

I see my way as birds their trackless way. I shall arrive! what time, what circuit first, I ask not; but . . .

In some time, his good time, I shall arrive: He guides me and the bird. In his good time!

The cognizance of God does not break down in time of battle. No enemy ever took Him by surprise, and no child of His need be overwhelmed if he will stay close by His side.—PONDER W. GILLILAND.

THINGS I HAVE LEARNED:

By Ben D. Lemaster*

I have learned the unimportance of possessions and places. Possessions are not prerequisite to true happiness. Neither is a place. Where I serve God is important only when I know I am in His will.

I have learned that God's care is with me anywhere. Locality does not limit God's omnipotence.

I have learned, when a pastor or layman buys a new automobile, that his purchase does not give me a valid reason for buying one.

I have learned that almost any house can be made into a beautiful home. It may not be the most modern and up-to-date dwelling, but the atmosphere within can be attractive.

I have learned that wherever there are people, one finds heartache, sorrow, grief, and pain on which to apply the balm of Gilead, broken homes to mend, and lost souls to lead to Calvary.

Others may have experienced these simple truths, perhaps more quickly than I did, but truth becomes a reality to me only as I experience it.

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KEEP YOUR FAITH UP AND TRUST GOD!—M. S. Cooper

HIS Marvels

By Mont Hurst*

ONE OF THE features of the fruits of faith is found in the thrilling manner in which God sends us His manifold blessings. It will never cease to fill us with amazement as we experience His benefits and see them come into the lives of others. What a thrill it is to see the fulfillment of a prayer request for the salvation of someone we have not been able to reach! Many times we see the witnessing, prayers, and testimony of ardent personal workers fail in winning some completely lost and indifferent soul. But to see the answer come after all of our efforts have failed is to see the unfolding of God's miracle in transformation.

A woman had a fine husband. She was very devout and loved the church. Her husband was not a bad man-but he was lost. He was a splendid husband, a good provider, and respected her faith and church loyalty. He even attended church with her on special occasions; but he was completely cold to the approach of any personal worker and to the pleadings of his good wife. But she never gave up praying that he would come under conviction. Then he attended the opening service of a church revival with her. Some said it was the preaching of the capable and Spiritfilled evangelist. The husband got up on the first altar call and knelt at the altar. He was saved and gloriously sanctified; and yet no personal worker had talked with him. But in a later testimony meeting the wife said that she had prayed day and night for her husband's conversion. It was her prayers which had accomplished the miracle. She believed in God's words, "I will do marvels" (Exod. 34:10). She knew that God is the God of marvels. She knew it would take a marvelous miracle for her husband to get into the ark of safety.

When God tells us that He will do marvels, He means He will get the job done after all human efforts have failed. But He does expect us to leave the responsibility with Him; and, if it requires an outstanding miracle for the answer to come, then He performs the miraculous. Everything about the gospel is of a miraculous nature. If our belief cannot incorporate the miraculous as an integral part of its make-up, then it is limited and results are meager. How thrilling it is to expect God to do the miraculous! How wonderful it is to see Him prove His assertion when He says, "I will do marvels"! He is a marvelous Father. He delights to perform miracles when we could

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never begin to plan things that way. How He must smile as a loving Father when He accomplishes a marvel in someone's life and watches us become thrilled and filled with amazement at His working!

Every good gift and manifestation of His love is a marvel God sends down from heaven. The very fact of our existence is a marvel. The countless times He has helped us and kept us from disaster are daily marvels. Much of our trouble and disappointment comes from the fact that we often forget that He can and does do marvels.

We are prone to think of God's workings as something akin to human ways. But, if we possess the Holy Spirit in all His fullness, we will quickly erase that thought as we think of our God, who does marvels. His ways are mysterious to our finite minds, but we must never forget that His ways are also the most practical that can be devised. It is natural with Him to perform what we think of as miracles. But they are not miracles with Him because He is supernatural and in Him lies all power over all things.

The God who spoke four words, "Let there be light," is the only God. He is a God of marvelous happenings. The good lady who prayed for her lost husband for nearly twenty years was one who was looking for God to perform a marvel. It was the only thing that could save her husband and she took God at His Word and claimed the promise. Faith that endures is the power that causes God to move. When we listen and hear God say, "I will do marvels," we must expect Him to do marvels and perform a miracle in a way we never planned for it to come. Doing marvels is an ordinary thing for God. But to us it is a blessed and extraordinary thing because it is a fresh evidence of His power and of the fact of His reward to those who love Him and do His commandments.

What the Church Should Be By Anna M. Gilleland

The church should be a sacred place Where peace and joy are found; Where the services are worshipful And the Spirit is not bound.

The church should be inspired by love;
The gospel should be heard;
Congregations should be taught
The precepts of God's Word.

The church should be a holy place
Where souls are born anew;
Where the name of Christ is glorified
By what men say and do.

The church should be a beacon light
To shine afar and near;
To the outcast and degraded
Whose hearts are fraught with fear.

AUTUMN

By Enola Chamberlin

Now great clouds dark the sky like wagons going
Across the plains with canvas on their tops.
A lonesome wind begins its dry-leaf blowing,
And little beads of silver fall in drops.
The caravans that reached this late September—
The purple plums, the golden-kerneled maize—
Keep just enough to make our hearts remember

The wedgewood-warmth of June-enamored days.

This is the hour—the prelude to the resting

Of bud and tree before their spring rebirth; But yet we know these days become the testing Of body-prisoned souls upon the earth, The time when man who Godward lifts his eyes Grows more than under summer-scented skies.

The Ideal Household By Dolores S. Douglas*

WHILE READING in Ephesians one afternoon, I came to verse nineteen in the second chapter: "Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God." Those three words "household of God" seemed to stand out in that verse. I sat there thinking about the similarity of our earthly households and of God's household.

In our human families it is the father who is the head of the home; at least the Scriptures say that is the way it should be. Over the whole family as the invisible Head is the Lord. The parents co-operate to rear their family to learn obedience and respect for them. The children should not behave in such a way as to bring shame or disgrace upon their parents.

We look upon God as the Head of His household and pledge our obedience to our Saviour. Our obedience to Him must be fulfilled even more than to earthly parents. It is emphasized throughout the Scriptures how important it is to be obedient above all else. Earthly parents may let things slip by unpunished or be indifferent, but God does not allow the Christian to live in a slipshod way and let it go unnoticed. If we really love the Lord, we will be respectful in everything pertaining to God, and our lives will be above reproach.

The human family has a never-ending task of teaching and learning to live a useful, clean life. As we are born into God's household we must learn the ways of a Christian. Paul, in his many writings to the young churches, encouraged as he taught them to become rooted and grounded in the things of God. Every day seems to bring a new experience and a new knowledge of the wonderful love of God.

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There are joys in our earthly households—laughter and warm feelings of closeness to loved ones and friends. Joy comes in many shapes and forms into our lives. How much more pleasant are these when they are shared with those we love!

We could not begin to name the joys we experience in God's household. There are no words to explain the peace and joy and contentment that came into our hearts one day—the joy of sins forgiven and hope of eternal life in Jesus!

Then there are the sorrows and trials that come to all human families. But there is comfort in such times, even though our hearts may be too stunned to understand. A little child can sob in his parent's arms over some childish disappointment and thus find comfort.

There is much more comfort for us as we go to our Heavenly Father in grief or trials. We can fling ourselves at His feet and cry with broken hearts, knowing that He will understand and give the comfort we need.

A household on earth would not be real if it did not require work to keep it going and to live as a family. Each member has to share the work and assume responsibility as he is able to do so.

This point is of great importance in God's household. Each member has a job to do, perhaps one that no other member can do. If there is anything that hinders God's work with souls, it is people who shirk their duties as children of God. The night is coming when no one can work, and every worker is needed now to help in bringing the lost ones to Jesus. We must all work together while it is day.

We are all aware of the fact that families are composed of different personalities. No two people are exactly alike and therefore it takes a lot of consideration, forgiveness, and patience to live together as a family. We learn to overlook the faults and peculiarities of each other.

In God's household it is the same, and if everyone would realize that, things would be much better in the churches. God deals with our various personalities in such a way as to bring out the best in us; certainly He overlooks our faults and shortcomings. Then this is all the more reason we should be patient with our brothers and sisters in the Lord and not be too critical of their ways.

Above all, there is love in the human family that binds them together. Food, clothes, and money are important, but isn't love greater than these!

So in God's household there is love abundantly. The love of God surpasses all understanding. And how can we love the Lord more except by showing love for our brethren everywhere! We are all in God's household, one big family, when we have been born from above. Isn't it wonderful how many brothers and sisters we have? I'm glad that I am one of that family. I'm glad that I live in that household, aren't you?

Social Security for Ministers

This series of Questions and Answers on Social Security for ministers began in the Herald issue of September 7, 1955.

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Question 21: What is the minimum "earnings" basis for Social Security participation by a minister?

Answer: A minister who serves a church in the exercise of his ministry must receive net earnings of at least \$400.00 a year.

Question 22: What is the maximum "earnings" basis for Social Security participation by a minister?

Answer: No participant in Social Security may pay taxes on net earnings of over \$4,200.00 a year. Even if a minister's net income were larger he would pay taxes on a \$4,200.00 basis only.

Question 23: What are some of the important facts which older ministers who are trying to establish eligibility to Social Security benefits should note?

Answer: (a) A person who reaches sixty-five before October 1, 1958, or a person who dies after March 31, 1956, and before October 1, 1958, will be fully insured (1) if he has a quarter of coverage for every calendar quarter after 1954 and until he reaches sixty-five or dies, and (2) at least six of his quarters of coverage were earned after 1954.

(b) A minister over sixty-five may believe that he can begin his participation on January 1, 1956, rather than January 1, 1955, and obtain the regular benefits by working eighteen months. There are definite penalties for those who postpone the date on which participation begins. The law is very specific and grants a special exception only for those who establish credits during the six quarters immediately following January 1, 1955.

(c) A minister over sixty-five may believe that if he serves a church for eighteen months beginning January 1, 1955, at a salary of \$350.00 a month or more, he will receive the maximum Social Security benefits. This is often not true—he will receive substantial benefits, but in general two full years of service will yield higher benefits in such cases.

Question 24: Is it now too late for a minister to begin his participation as of January 1, 1955, and obtain the earliest possible coverage?

Answer: No. A minister may join Social Security now or as late as April 15, 1956, and secure the earliest possible benefits, provided he delivers his "waiver" to the Internal Revenue Service on or before April 15, 1956, and enters the year 1955 in answer to Question 5 on the "waiver." To be sure, do it today and get your free insurance policy from us.



Personally Conducted Tour

Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, . . . whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle. Any place Christ takes you is worth visiting.

Monday:

The valley of refreshing, of course. "He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul." The field of routine glorified. "Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; . . . and ye shall find rest unto your souls." For the yoke is fitted and He walks beside the plow. (Ps. 23: 2-3; Matt. 11: 29-30.)

Tuesday:

Fishing expedition. "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." "We have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing." Jesus enters the boat and tells us to "launch out into the deep" and try again. Now the net breaks with the "great multitude of fishes." It was foolish to forget our Guide. (Luke 5:3-6.)

Wednesday:

The wilderness. "Jesus was led up of the spirit . . . to be tempted of the devil." Tempted as we, He is an expert Guide. Satan is dogging your footsteps and buzzing in your ear, but the One who went this way before is whispering strength into your heart and pointing the way to the exit. This is not a stopping place. (Heb. 2:18.)

Thursday:

The valley of the shadow and the deep waters of affliction. He is at our side holding back the flooded rivers. In the darkness we feel His strong arm and hear His "Fear not." And the fiery furnace. In the seven-timesheated flames the form of the Fourth walks with us to bring us out with not even the lingering smell of smoke. (Isa. 41:10; 43:2; Dan. 3:25, 27.)

Friday

The frontier of service. "I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people . . . out of Egypt. . . . Certainly I will be with thee; . . . Go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say." Be not afraid, for I am with thee to deliver—"I will give you a mouth and wisdom."

"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."
"And, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." "It is the word of a gentleman; let us go forward" (D. Livingstone). (Exod.

3:10-12; 4:10, 12; Mark 16:15; Matt. 28:20.)

Saturday:

The low, green valley of humiliation with its "spiritual mosquitoes" and its fretting annoyances, or the level plain of ease with its drowsy atmosphere—both of these are treacherous, for here it seems we can dispense with an escort—the way is safe and open. But here we need Him most to keep us from exploding and running away, or from sleeping. It is only by forgetting or neglecting His presence that we can fail.

He that is humble ever shall Have God to be his Guide. (Luke 10:39-42; Deut. 8:11-15.)

Sunday:

The crossroads, or the cliff's edge, of decision. You cannot tell which way to turn; another perilous step may be your ruin. Then your "ears shall hear a word behind thee [you], saying, This is the way, walk ye in it." It is His faithful voice. (Isa. 30:21.)

"All the way which the Lord thy God led thee . . . to prove thee" and to bring thee forth as gold.

Still, still with Thee, . . .

So shall it be at last, in that bright morning,

When the soul waketh, and life's shadows flee; . . .

"The Lamb . . . shall lead . . . unto living fountains of waters." (Deut. 8:2; Rev. 7:17.)

Ten Aspects of Entire Sanctification

I. God Sanctifies Wholly

ONE ASPECT of the doctrine of entire sanctification which stands out most in I Thess. 5:23 is that God sanctifies wholly. The Christian must consecrate his all and believe, but he cannot thereby cleanse his heart from sin. God must step in and sanctify; it is He who actually frees the heart from inbred sin.

Every time a Christian obtains entire sanctification, a moral and spiritual miracle takes place—something supernatural happens. God can turn water into wine, open the eyes of the blind, heal the leper, cool the fevered brow, and even raise the dead. He is not only the Creator of nature, but He can intervene in nature and the human body and bring about changes immediately. God can do the same for the moral and spiritual man. Here the miracle awaits His activity, if possible, even more than it does when bread and fish are multiplied in order to feed five thousand people or the waters are held back so God's chosen people can cross the Red Sea on dry land. "The very God of peace sanctify you wholly."

Entire sanctification results from the direct activity of God, and can in no way be brought to pass by human effort. "The very God of peace sanctify you wholly." It was He who stilled the tempest when those with Him were filled with fear lest their ship should sink. Also it is He who stills the tempest within by sanctifying wholly. He comes on the scene and says, "Peace, be still," and the conflict between the Christ-nature and the sinful nature is brought to an end. He causes it to cease, not by compromising with the sin nature, but by pacifying it, not by finding some way to hold it down or keep it in a good humor, but by eliminating it.

Man can prepare the way for the coming of the Lord into his heart in all of His fullness, but he cannot bring Him there, he cannot create the actual freedom from the inbeing of sin. It is only God who can do that, and He does it by moving in and taking up His abode with His child. "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly."

Friendly but Firm

YESTERDAY I was talking to an automobile dealer. He told of a secondhand car he had sold. The buyer had serious trouble with it in a few days. The dealer had reason to believe that the new owner had abused the car, although he did not know for sure that this was the case. The car was still within the guaranteed time; that is, it had a guarantee that if anything went wrong with it repairs would be made at actual cost. In this instance it meant quite a bill. The work was done and the buyer wanted credit. The dealer

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informed the man that they did such work only on a cash basis. He wasn't discourteous, he didn't get excited, but he let the man know definitely that he could not have credit on that bill. In all my contacts with this automobile dealer, I have found him of that type, very friendly and yet firm, from the standpoint of his business principles. He just simply does not allow those rules to be transgressed, not even by his best friends, much less a semi-stranger.

The same day I was in the office of the vicepresident of one of the banks of the city. I have become guite well acquainted with him, and he's always ready to talk. While we were conversing he took time out to talk with another man who was transacting some business with one of the office personnel. He evidently knew this gentleman quite well, for he was very friendly with him. The man must have been making the last payment on his car, and giving a personal check for it. He wanted the individual to whom he was talking to clear the title completely of the mortgage. The vice-president, who has charge of the loan department of the bank, overheard the conversation while he was talking with me. He turned and looked at the man, who was in an adjoining room, and said courteously, "We just don't do that." The banker continued: "If you have a certified check or the actual cash, we'll clear the mortgage now; otherwise, we cannot do it until the money from the check actually comes in. We don't know what might happen to your bank balance before your check gets there." He didn't get excited, he didn't get mad, he didn't speak in a high-toned voice; he just frankly told this friend that they didn't carry on their business in that way. He was friendly to him, but firm.

These two instances led me to think—yes, I've been thinking much about them. After all, that's the way the Christian should live. He should be friendly, courteous, and kind to everybody. But this in no sense means that he will break down his convictions, or the principles by which he lives; he'll be friendly and yet firm. It may be that he has built up quite a friendship with someone, and then that person may ask him to do something that is against his Christian standards of conduct. In that case, he'll be as frank, ready, and unembarrassed in telling his friend he will not do it as this automobile dealer or banker was —friendly and courteous, but firm.

Never was there a time in the history of Christianity when Christians need so much to have convictions as they do today. Time and time again

I have mentioned the fact that life is becoming very complex. Every day we may face situations which will compromise our stand for right if we're not firm in what we believe. We don't need to get mad, excited, or be discourteous, but we must be ready to let it be known that we will not go to those places or participate in those activities. This doesn't mean that we always have to present issues ahead of time; but when they are brought up, and we come face to face with them, we must not hesitate to courteously and in a friendly manner tell the individual, or persons, exactly what our position is.

These men of whom I speak were friendly, but firm. Christians must be friendly, but firm!

A PRIZE LETTER

We receive many letters which I appreciate very much. During the years I have been in this office, the people, as a whole, have been very kind to me. I started out as an amateur, and still would be classified as one; nevertheless, I have enjoyed my work immensely. It is great to work with the people of the Church of the Nazarene and with many others who are friends of our church.

Among all the good letters I have received, one of the best came a few days ago; in fact, I like to think of it as "a prize letter." I call it this, not because of any personal references to me, but rather because of the fine spirit of loyalty which it manifested. I quote from it as follows:

"Your letter just received. It certainly wasn't necessary for you to take so much of your valuable time to explain just why you couldn't publish all which I sent in about . . . You are the editor of the Herald, and always when I send in materials, if, in your judgment, something should not be used, for one reason or another, it is perfectly all right with me. . . . Now, whatever you have done or will do is O.K. Forget the rest. I'll still keep reading the Herald, keep sending in materials for it, keep trying to get all the subscriptions for it I can, keep boosting it in every way."

What this writer has said about his loyalty to the Herald might be repeated of him as to any other part of the work of our church. That's the kind of Christian gentleman and Nazarene he is. I am not surprised that he has pastored only one church during the most of his preaching career. The church has constantly grown since he has been its leader; its membership, Sunday school, and building facilities have steadily increased. In fact, I doubt if there is any other Church of the Nazarene in a city of like size which has outclassed it in achievements for holiness and the kingdom of God.

Beware of Highbrow Religion

RECENTLY I read an editorial in one of the leading religious weeklies. It was headed "New York Eggs All in One Basket." The editor was discussing the Billy Graham campaign which is scheduled for New York City. He stated that he was not against evangelism and did not hate the evangelist. However, as I understand it, he was disturbed about the fact that during this campaign everything was to be turned over to Dr. Graham and his workers. It is really to be a "Billy Graham campaign," that is, conducted as he usually carries on his evangelistic campaigns. The editor thought that such famous men as Drs. Niebuhr, Tillich, Bennett, and others should be featured along with Graham. They, according to this editor, would emphasize some phases of the gospel which Dr. Graham omits.

Now I do not agree with Billy Graham on everything. However, I believe that God is blessing him, and that he is accomplishing much good in his evangelistic work. On the other hand, I am not here to rail on such men as Niebuhr, Tillich, Bennett, and others. They are distinguished religious thinkers. I read their books and get help from them when I can understand them. Of course, there are positions which they take that I cannot accept. Still, I am convinced that they are honestly striving to promote the kingdom of God as they understand it. But I don't believe it would hurt them if they would fall in line with the Billy Graham campaign and participate in it. It would be wonderful if they would offer their services like any other Christian and work to make the campaign a real success. I don't believe in "highbrow religion," and if we are not careful, any one of us might unwittingly find himself afflicted with it.

It is easy for those of us who worship God in a certain way to look down upon those who may worship Him in some other way. One thing sure, none of us are going to make it as Christians unless we meet Christ and keep in touch with Him; it doesn't make any difference how much or how little we know—Christ must really be the Lord of our lives. Whether we have little or much education, worship God rather crudely or with much high-sounding music and in the midst of the highest cultural surroundings, still, Christ must be Lord. Even in the Church of the Nazarene, if we are not careful, our larger and more formal churches may tend to look down on the smaller churches where they have little form and

few facilities for carrying on their work. But we should not take this "highbrow" attitude toward them. If they have Christ, they are as truly Christian as we are.

I am not against form, if it is packed with God;

and I can make a place for the lack of it, even though the kind of worship may be almost crude sometimes, if God is there. I hold no brief for either side, but I plead with God to keep me from becoming a "highbrow" in religion.



Present

ROY F. SMEE, Secretary

Evangelistic Honor Roll

This is the third list of churches that have achieved a place on the Evangelistic Honor Roll this year. The groupings in which they qualify are as follows:

Group	Membership	Gain Required
I	1-24	9
II	25-74	12
III	75-149	18
IV	150-299	25
V	300-499	35
VI	500 and $over$	50

Another church joins the "over 50" group—First Church, Ironton, Ohio, with a gain of 59 new Nazarenes, 57 of these joining the church on profession of faith. The pastor is Rev. R. B. Frederick.

Each of these churches will receive a beautiful certificate from the Crusade for Souls Commission for having received into its membership during the assembly year the number of new Nazarenes (not including transfers) set for its group.

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Church	Group	Gain	Membership
CANADA V	VEST DIST	RICT	
Calgary North	II	14	88
CENTRAL C	оню Dist	RICT	
Athens	II	17	82
Columbus Whitehall	II	25	65
Waverly	\mathbf{II}	16	63
Zanesville North	II	12	68
Columbus Shepard	IV	30	218
Fostoria	IV	31	244
Columbus First	V	37	492
Columbus Warren Avenue	-	39	435
Ironton First	V	59	387
Colora	DO DISTRIC	T	
Denver Derby	I	13	23
Denver Lowell	II	12	91
Las Animas	\mathbf{II}	13	62
Greeley First	III	38	120
Pueblo First	IV	36	253
Maritin	ME DISTRI	C T	
Summerside	II	12	48
New Eng	LAND DIST	RICT	
Anson, Maine	I	10	33
Brocton, Mass.	\mathbf{II}	13	63
Farmington Falls, Maine	II	12	62
Framingham, Mass.	II	19	64
Newport, Vermont	\mathbf{n}	14	64
Strong, Maine	\mathbf{II}	14	57
New Yo	rk Distri	CT	
Freeport	II	12	66

Church		Group	Gain	Present Membership	
North Dakota District					
Denhoff		II	14	41	
No	ORTHEASTERN	Indiana	DISTRICT		
Blountsville		1	10	26	
Luray		II	14	57	
Anderson Colu	mbus Avenue	e III	26	112	
Anderson First	t	IV	30	270	
Muncie North	Walnut	IV	37	165	

Crusade for Souls Conferences

South Dakota District

October 31 (7:30 p.m.)—November 2 Pierre, South Dakota

Workers: Dr. Roy F. Smee, Rev. Wilson Lanpher, Rev. Leslie Parrott

NORTH ARKANSAS DISTRICT

November 7 (7:30 p.m.) -9 Conway, Arkansas

Workers: Dr. Roy F. Smee, Rev. Milton Huxman, Rev. Paul Martin

MINNESOTA DISTRICT

November 14 (7:30 p.m.)-16 Minneapolis Camden Park Church Workers: Dr. Roy F. Smee, Rev. Milton Huxman,

Rev. Paul Martin

NEBRASKA DISTRICT

November 16 (7:30 p.m.) -18 Scottsbluff, Nebraska

Workers: Dr. Roy F. Smee, Rev. Milton Huxman, Rev. Paul Martin

"Prayer should be a natural turning of the mind and heart to God. He is our Father. He is our Friend. He loves us and looks after us, and nothing that happens to us is so small as to be of no concern to Him. Let us 'speak to Him then, for He hears,' pouring out our thanks to Him, seeking to glorify His name, interceding on behalf of others, laying our desires before Him in all frankness and faith and love and assurance; knowing that He is even more ready to give than we are to ask, for that is the way of a father's heart." —Christian Observer.



The Young People's Society

A Demonstration of Love

L. J. DU BOIS, Secretary

THE THIRD great characteristic of the exemplary Christian is love. The scripture gives it to us thus: "Be thou an example of the believers, in . . . charity, . . . " Our words, our conduct, our demonstration of genuine love-this is the order thus far. Love is essential to the Christian; in a sense it is synonymous with the term "Christian." God is the Author of love, the Bible is a Book of love, the Christian is to live a life of love. The Old Testament law caught the fringe of this truth; the prophets moved in to the outer borders of it, but Christ grasped the heart of it when He taught that true religion was essentially love and then gave His life on a cross to show just what He meant.

It seems strange that we have so much difficulty convincing good people that the religion of Jesus Christ is primarily one of love. Maybe that is because there is so much hate in the world and because love is so foreign to the carnal heart. It has seemed that throughout history religious hatreds and prejudices have been too much in evidence, and many times the fact that

these differences were based on religious issues made them all the more intense.

But we should not blame our forefathers alone. We have about as difficult a time today in selling the idea that love is a primary factor in Christianity. Racial differences, class differences, church differences, family differences, these are plentiful-many existing in the name of the church and in the name of religion. We have not come so far ourselves. It is amazing and alarming how many people can sow dissension and troubles and even fight in the name of religion and display every attitude but that of love. It is no wonder that young people are confused with the whole issue.

But none of these attitudes are right. The fact still remains that the exemplary Christian is one whose heart is filled with love and one who demonstrates that love. No matter what element is lifted up as being all-important in religion, if it is contradictory to an attitude of love it is not essentially Christian. No matter what the principle, no matter how high the

standard, no matter how holy the cause, if it is not and cannot be promoted in a spirit and attitude of love it is not fully Christian.

Yes, it would do us all good to give attention to the quality of our love. We shall never miss it to make this primary in our lives. We had better go easy on any attitude or spirit or reaction which will not pass the love test.

News of Youth

The following have recently been elected or re-elected as district N.Y. P.S. presidents: Rev. C. W. Elkins, Alabama; Rev. Howard Griffin, Canada Pacific; Rev. C. R. Moore, Florida; Forrest Whitlatch, Iowa; Milton Huxman, Kansas; John T. Sapp, Minnesota; Claire Kern, North Dakota; Jerald Johnson, Northwest; James Hester, Northwest Oklahoma; Wesley Hoeckle, South Dakota; Paul Byrns, Southwest Indiana; Bob Gray, Tennessee; Carl Clendenen, Western Ohio; J. E. Childress, Indianapolis; Marion Holloway, Missouri; and Winston Ketchum. Nevada-Utah.

THE QUESTION BOX

Conducted by STEPHEN S. WHITE

Q. My mother recently died at the age of eighty. She had lived a long and useful Christian life in spite of many serious illnesses and accidents. She worked as usual on Saturday before she died on Sunday and it was very hot on that Saturday. Now my sisters are fretting because they feel that she might not have died when she did if she had not worked so hard on Saturday. However, I tell them that God has a plan for every life, including a time for it to end. Therefore they should not worry, for she would have died on Sunday even if she had done nothing on Saturday. Am I right?

A. No. I can't agree with you. Your mother's life might have been cut short a little because of her work on Saturday. On the other hand, she might have died before she did if she had given herself to a life of inactivity. Only God knows about these things. In any case, she was ready to go and

had lived a long and worth-while life, so why worry? Look up and thank God for such a wonderful mother.

Q. Is it wrong for Christians to attend ball games? I am thinking especially of high school games like football, baseball, and basketball games.

A. All of us need some recreation. Attending such games as you mention, as well as participating in them, provides excellent recreation. However, a Christian should not permit these or other types of recreation to get such a hold on him that he neglects the higher values—his studies, work, or his duties to God and the church. The sin which arises in connection with many forms of legitimate recreation is due to the Christian's failure to keep them in their proper place.

Q. I would like to know if one of the two disciples of Luke 24:13 could have been Simon Peter.

A. Verse eighteen of this same chapter in Luke indicates that one of the two was Cleopas. However, any statement as to who the other person was is mere conjecture. I don't know of any evidence that it was Simon Peter.

Q. Just what did Daniel Steele mean by speaking of Adam's holiness as being "natural holiness"?

A. He didn't mean that it wasn't something bestowed upon him by God, that is, that it wasn't something supernatural in the sense that it was a gift of God. When God created man, He created him in His own image, and this included man's holiness. Man in his entirety was the work of God; and from that standpoint he was a supernatural effect. I emphasize this

because sometimes the word natural is set over against the supernatural. something which God does immediately. Adam's holiness and your holiness-if you are sanctified-are both gifts from the hand of God. The former came as a part of God's work of creation, while the latter came through grace and the blood of Jesus Christ. It was on the basis of these provisions that God sanctified you. Steele didn't mean that Adam's holiness was native while ours is acquired. Adam was created, and not born. Therefore, he did not inherit his holiness. As we have said above, it was a gift, and not natural in the sense that it was native. In contrast to this, our holiness is neither native nor acquired. When Steele

said that the holiness of Adam was natural he was not contrasting the word natural with acquired, as is sometimes done.

Finally, the term natural is on occasion used as the opposite of moral, or ethical. This is what Steele had in mind when he said Adam's holiness was natural. He meant that it was not ethical, or a state based on choice, as is the case with our holiness. God bestows it on the basis of choices we make.

Q. I have heard that so long as there is breath in us we have hope of getting saved. Others say that there is no hope for some. In other words, there are some who have gone beyond the deadline. What do you say?

A. I have preached for over forty years, but I have never met a person of whom I could say definitely: "There is no hope for him." On the other hand, I have met quite a few people for whom I did not have much hope. Why? Because they had turned down the offers of mercy so many times. Nevertheless, I always deal with all people when opportunity is afforded as if they were still within reach of God. Only God knows for sure about this. The individual himself may even think that there is no hope for him when there is. If you still have any longing in your heart to follow Christ, find an altar somewhere and repent and believe. God is ready to meet the heart that is really repentant.

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CABLES

From Barbados

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Change of Address

Rev. and Mrs. Ardee Coolidge have now moved to:

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Answered Prayer In Guatemala

From a report in the New York Times we learn that the National Constituent Assembly of Guatemala has approved Articles 50 and 51 guaranteeing freedom of worship and granting juridical status to all religious organizations and churches, which may now own and dispose of property.

From the beginning of the drawing up of the new constitution, President Castillo and the majority in the assembly have favored freedom of worship, and after vigorous debate Article 51, which states that "the free exercise of all religions is guaranteed," was approved as drafted.

The new constitution also preserves freedom of education, granting to re-

ligious organizations the right to optional religion classes in the public schools.

Prayer Needed!

According to news just received from China by an Evangelical Lutheran missionary here in America, Wang Ming Tao, the spiritual leader of the large segment of the Church which has rejected communism and remained true to the gospel, was arrested at one o'clock in the morning on August 8. On the seventh he had preached his last message, entitled "They in This Manner Betrayed Jesus," and had given out his last little booklet, We, Because of Our Faith.

Eighteen young Christians of college age have also been arrested for the sake of the gospel.

Pray for these Chinese Christians that their faith shall not fail. Pray that their witness shall convict their captors, and turn the hearts of many Chinese to Christ. Pray also for the other Chinese Christians who live in daily dread of arrest and imprisonment and often death. God can make them shining lights for Him, in the darkness of Communist China.

Pray for Our African Coloured Nazarenes

Our Nazarene Christians of mixed blood in Africa need your prayers. Some are being declared "natives" by the officials, and are thus being forced to leave homes and communities and jobs where they and their families have lived all their lives, sometimes even for two or three generations. Pray that these Christians shall not yield to the temptation to give up their faith in Christ in their bitterness over what they feel is cruel and unjust treatment.

WANTED-

Musical Instruments

Do you have any used musical instruments in good, playable condition, that you would like to give to a missionary for use on the foreign field?

Music has a wonderful attraction for people of other lands, and often is the means of drawing a crowd of listeners to an evangelistic service who would never come near enough, otherwise, to hear the words of life.

If you have a trumpet, horn, guitar, clarinet, saxophone, or some other instrument in good condition that you would like to put to work for Christ, write to the Department of Foreign Missions, 6401 Paseo, Kansas City 10, Missouri, and tell us what you have. We shall be happy to send you mailing instructions. Do not send the instrument. We have no means for forwarding these from here.



CHOICE

By Edna Hamilton

I do not care for sunset's gold
Or evening with its calm and rest,
But long for sunrise in the east;
Its rosy fingers I love best.
I'm always eager to arise
And do the tasks that fill my day,
And from my labors I acquire
Blessings that enrich life's way.

By J. GEORGE TAYLORSON

Topic for October 23: The Struggle in the Wilderness (Temperance)
Scripture: Luke 4:1-15 (Printed: same)

GOLDEN TEXT: Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve (Luke 4:8).

Loneliness always has proved to be a fruitful area for Satan. Alone in a large city; at home with the family away; a young man in the armed forces-all realize in such situations how the soul can be assailed by the forces of the world of darkness. How typical was the temptation of Jesus, following as it did the hour of the glorious experience of His baptism! Many have experienced their darkest hour after a brilliant victory. We all have had our wilderness experiences which have a way of coming at times when we are in the midst of a crowd, but still desperately alone. No one ever knows the struggle that is going on in the soul of another. The best are not excluded, for Jesus was "tempted like as we are, yet without sin" (Heb. 4:15).

In this hour of attack upon the Son of God, Satan drew his sharpest and cruelest weapon—half truths. "It is written." Shakespeare makes Antonio say, "The devil can cite scripture for his purpose." He not only can, but he does, and wherever and whenever the words of scripture are used purely for personal gain, it is in the efficient and destructive hand of Satan. There is only one successful way to encounter half truth and that is by the presenta-

tion of the whole truth. Here is a weapon that Satan cannot face. There is a vast difference between the words of the Bible and the word of the Bible.

"Use God's power to further yourself." How contemporary this sounds! Was it not today that we too heard that devilish voice? Surely there is no harm in satisfying a deep physical need with power that God himself has made possible! "Look to yourself first." "After all, you have to be practicalyou have to live, for only as you live can you serve the people, and how they need you!" Here our blessed Lord met in battle this dark force of hell and gloriously routed it forever. A man doesn't have to live to servethat was a "half truth"; He could die, yes, die on a cross and provide life for all. Man's most urgent needs are not physical, and this was not the primary mission of Jesus, for He said, "My meat is to do the will of him that sent me." Our Lord steadfastly resisted all temptation to use this union with God for His personal advantage or for a lesser service than His Heavenly Father intended.

Satan offers to our Lord a short cut—success without sacrifice. "You are God's Son, You want men to follow You; do the spectacular. Leap from the pinnacle; You are too good to suffer. God's angels will protect You." Only the divine Son of God could pos-

sibly have seen through this proposal to its inevitable tragic conclusion. It seemed so reasonable. While the means may not be the very best, yet the end will justify it all. How well our Master realized that the means and the end are so bound together that to poison one pollutes the other! Here was our Lord's last chance to get the outer results without Calvary. Suppose He had yielded! We would be His today, but His by force. Not sitting reading in our homes, hospitals, or offices with the freedom to receive or reject: His by force—the gift of the devil! Christ won! No short cut; the Cross was to be His move and there would be no service except through redemption. His by love—God's gift through Christ! We can live without Him, but we don't have to. His love has won our hearts. We simply cannot be the men we ought to be and pass that fact by.

Just a word: If there is an enemy threatening the destruction of our souls there is also a great Companion. It matters not what sin has done to you, if you draw close you will see and feel the scars of One who fought and conquered through love, so you too may really live!

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HOME CIRCLE

Clean and Wholesome Pastures

IN AN ARTICLE written by a Kansas City Star correspondent, the story of J. C. Penney is told. It is always interesting to learn how a great man got started and what his inspiration was. The following selections are quotes.

James Cash Penney is one of the last—if not the sole—survivor of the old class of merchant princes (eighty years old), who laid the groundwork for the great department store busi-

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ness in this country. There are 1,670 Penney stores throughout the land—in every state of the Union.

Mr. Penney is still active in his business. He is chairman of the board, and works at his job like any other Penney executive.

We called on Mr. Penney to report on him at this venerable stage in his career. It was 10:00 a.m. and he had already been in his office since 8:30 a.m. He is a large, well-set-up man, looking at least ten years younger. He can jump up from his desk—as he did several times in search of a document—like someone half his age.

We asked Mr. Penney if he could single out any one influence in his long life which had been of the most importance to him. He put his hand into his pocket and pulled out an old two-bladed knife.

"This belonged to my father," he said, "and I've been carrying it around with me for forty years. And the reason I've done so is this: My father was

a preacher, but because he belonged to the Primitive Baptists, which do not believe in paying their ministers for their services, he was a farmer. For six days he labored on the farm near Hamilton, Missouri, where I was born, and on the Sabbath he preached.

"I used to follow my father around the farm, and whenever he saw a weed he would take out his knife and cut it out. I say a weed, because even if it was only one single weed, which other men might have passed by, he dug that out too. This pride in keeping his pastures clean made a deep impression on me. The older I was, the more I realized what this meant, this keeping your pastures clean and wholesome. It developed in me the principle of clean dealing in business. My first store in Kemmerer, Wyoming, had the sign 'Golden Rule' painted big on top of the frame house in which it was located. The Golden Rule became my business motto. So you see why I have kept my father's knife so long. Each time I put my hand into my pocket, it was there as a reminder."

FAITH AND LOYALTY-

As we live together in families and in church and business groups, do we have any idea of the influence we have upon those about us? Have you stopped recently and recalled your childhood, trying to discover what small or large incident and influence changed your ideas and ideals of life? As a mother or a father, as a brother

or a sister, or as a friend, for what principles of living will you be remembered? James Cash Penney remembers his mother. Listen to his words:

"Another profound influence in my life has been my mother. She was a remarkable woman with immense faith and unbounded lovalty. In one crisis in my father's life she was a rock of loyalty and love. My father preached at a little church in Log Creek, about twelve miles away, between Kingston and Polo, Missouri. He was rather advanced for his congregation, believing in certain things opposed by his church, such as Sunday schools, educating ministers, and remunerating them for their services. This was considered heresy, and after thirteen years of preaching in that church my father was brought to trial as a heretic. Father reaffirmed his beliefs and a sentence of expulsion followed. My mother sprang up and cried, 'I believe as Jimmie does, and you will have to put me out also.' She was put out.

"What that meant to a woman as devout as my mother may be imagined, but she had faith in her husband, and in what he thought was right, and she stood by him."

Such incidents as the above taught James Cash Penney to be loyal and courageous!

GOD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU

It was soon after the 1929 Black Thursday — the stock crash — that

James Cash Penney had a nervous breakdown. One day he had been worth forty million dollars—the next, nothing!

He said: "I was in a state of mind where I thought everything had turned against me, and that I hadn't a friend in the world left, not even my family. I went for treatment at the Battle Creek sanitarium in Michigan. But I made no progress toward recovery. I grew more despondent.

'One night, at nine o'clock, I remember, I took a sedative, according to the doctor's orders. But at ten o'clock I awoke, and I was as wide awake as I am now talking to you. I had a feeling that my time had come and I wouldn't see the dawn of another day. I wrote two letters to my family, then turned out the light and waited for what I was certain was the end. But somehow I muddled through that tortured night. Next morning I rose and made my way to the dining room. I heard sounds of singing. In a corner of the room a group of people were holding a morning service and singing a hymn. The hymn was 'God Will Take Care of You.' Helpless in my utter despair, I asked God to take care of me.

"God's help was forthcoming. I improved rapidly. The crushing burden I seemed to feel rose from me; my eyes, that had seemed so clouded, were cleared. In three weeks I left the hospital and started to rebuild. Today I don't have 40 million, but I am happier than I have ever been."

NEWS of the Churches

Evangelist H. N. Dickerson writes that, on account of building programs, he has the following three dates now open: November 9 to 20, and one each in March and April of 1956. Write him, 2235 N. Alabama, Indianapolis 5, Indiana.

Evangelists W. W. and Wilma Geeding write: "Because of a change in pastors, we have an open date, October 26 to November 6. Write us at our home address, 376 W. Pine Street, Canton, Illinois."

Evangelist Lillian Williams reports: "I began my summer's work with a series of children's services in Sparta, Tennessee. In June, I had the privilege of conducting vacation Bible schools in Owensboro and Henderson, Kentucky. The schools were well attended and a number of the boys and girls found Christ. God gave us a good Bible school at the Centenary Church in Nashville, and also with our church in Sparta. It was a pleasure to go for the third time to Pleasant View Church, Allardt,

Tennessee, for a Bible school. The Holy Spirit came to convict of sin, and a number of children found the Lord. On August 5 we started a tenday series of services with the boys and girls at our East Tennessee camp—we had a wonderful time. In addition to the vacation Bible schools, God has helped us to conduct missionary, young people's, and regular preaching services in various places. I am now slating vacation Bible schools for 1956, and giving full time to the field of evangelism. I use the Scene-o-felt pictures with lights. Write me, 627 Broadway, Sparta, Tennessee."

Naomi, Kentucky—In August our church had a revival with Rev. R. L. Horton and family as evangelist and musicians. God blessed, souls prayed through to victory, and the church moved up spiritually. The building was crowded to its capacity every night. Brother Horton brought soulstirring messages, and the children are talented musicians. We appreci-

ated the fine work of this talented family. Our church is now in a building program; and the lot already has been purchased.—Oscar Lobb, Pastor.

Evangelist O. C. Mingledorff re-orts: "God and the good people have ports: been keeping us busy in the states of Georgia, Pennsylvania, and Tennessee. In each meeting God has been with us, giving definite results in the saving and sanctifying of souls and calling some of the youth into His service. Also, quite a number of peo-ple have united with the church as We have a result of these revivals. found the pastors and their wives a most delightful and co-operative group with whom to labor. It was a real pleasure to be associated with eight or more of these brethren for the second and third time in revival efforts. We have an open date the first two weeks of December, also some open dates for the winter and early spring-will be glad to slate this time with our pastors anywhere. We believe the gospel is the power of God

unto salvation, major on Bible preaching, and co-operate with the full program of the church. Write me, P.O. Box 43, Douglas, Georgia."

The Pecos and El Paso zones of the New Mexico District N.Y.P.S. met at Carlsbad for a combined rally on September 5. More than 250 young people and their pastors were inspired and challenged by the activities of the all-day convention. The morning session was devoted to Sunday-school emphasis, the program including an inspirational message, a panel discussion, and a skit on "How Not to Run a Sunday School." The climax of the morning was the pertinent message of Rev. Orville Jenkins, superintendent of the Abilene District. In the afternoon, Rev. and Mrs. H. K. Bedwell, missionaries, presented the missionary phase of the Crusade for Souls Now. Through their ministry God gave us a real spiritual feast. "Crusade for Souls Through the N.Y.P.S." was the theme of the evening service, and again Rev. Orville Jenkins presented us with a great challenge. The main course of the all-day spiritual feast was embellished with many soul-stirring, praise-provoking, talented musical specials. It was an outstanding rally, and we believe the district will feel the spiritual impact of it for a long time to come.—Stanley W. Deale, Reporter.

Dr. and Mrs. A. S. London report: "It was a delight to be with Pastor Fred Spencer and his people at Madill, Oklahoma. This pastor has received four unanimous calls from this church, which is heartening for any pastor. Our visit to Enid, Oklahoma, with Pastor Clegg was greatly enjoyed. The installation of the teachers and officers will not soon be forgotten. The pastor has done excellent work, and now goes to Drumright. We also spoke at our Oklahoma City First Church for Pastor R. T. Williams. This church averaged 673 in Sunday school for the

The Corydon church was organized in June of 1929, by Evangelist E. C. Tarvin, with nine charter members; in 1937 the present property was purchased. The original church building was built by sacrificial giving and the donated labors of a faithful group. Under the ministry of the present pastor, Rev. R. A. Ketterman, the church realized a need of more adequate Sunday-school facilities and much-needed improvement on the original building. On May 27 of 1954, a group of seventeen men gathered and dug the footing for the new annex, and the present building was completed six months later. There were hundreds of hours of donated labor and much sacrificial giving on the part of members and friends, making the approximate cost of the building, not including the donated labor, \$28,000.00. Dedication services were held last November 28, with Dr. T. W. Willingham bringing the message.—Reporter.

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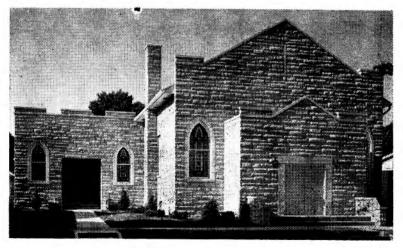
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month of August, with more than 100 in the new school recently organized. It was a pleasure to speak Wednesday night at the supper meeting to the

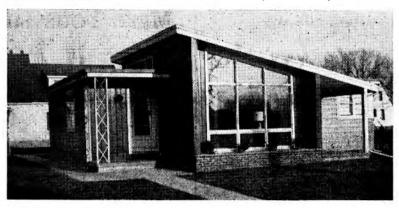
teachers and officers. This group numbers around 135, under the direction of Brother Harper Cole and Superintendent Walter Cherry."

Corydon, Indiana



Our people at Parkside Church in Rockford give thanks to God for His miracle-working power. Parkside Church was organized in 1949 with Rev. Clem Kruse as pastor, and builder of a fine church chapel with the Sunday-school rooms adequate the Sunday-school rooms adequate for temporary living quarters. Rev. and Mrs. Robert Clack were called as pastors in May of 1952, and a campaign for eliminating the indebt-edness of \$4,200.00 was launched for that year. The miracle of it all was that less than forty-eight hours before the year terminated the debt still showed a balance of \$3,300.00. This was a real test of faith-but God gave a miracle. God spoke to a friend and told him to mortgage his home to pay off the debt on the Parkside Church of the Nazarene—this man did not know the amount of the debt. Two weeks later the pastor was given the check. It was a glorious time of rejoicing and thanking God for His miracle-working power. After much prayer, and realizing the need of the Sunday-school rooms for adequate

Nazarene Parsonage, Parkside Church, Rockford, Illinois



space to accommodate the increased Sunday school, the board voted unanimously to erect a new parsonage. We are happy to present the picture of this beautiful, six-room parsonage, with full basement, completed in

July of '54. Pastor Robert Clack, with the help of the members, was able to build this modern edifice, valued at \$20,000.00, for \$9,500.00. We thank God for His blessings upon our church. —Reporter.

Pastor J. G. Wells reports for First Church, Knoxville, Tennessee: "Our assembly year has closed, and we thank God for this band of good people who have labored so faithfully with their pastor. In our three years in this pastorate, we have seen 170 additions to the church; this last year was the best, with 102—89 of this number by profession of faith, new Nazarenes. Five revival meetings were conducted. The first was the citywide campaign with Evangelist Nettie Miller and the Speer Family; then Rev. R. L. Ihrig, Rev. R. V. Bridges, and the pastor labored to strengthen the church while others sought God at the altar of prayer. The closing campaign was our youth camp and vacation Bible school, with the Snyders are children's and youth workers of first magnitude. A total of 1,310 people sought God during the year just closed; in the youth camp services 76 found God, with 41

additions to the church through this campaign alone—including both youth and adults. Scores of homes were opened to us following our youth camp, and new people attended the Sunday school. This was our first project of this kind, and we already look forward to a similar campaign next summer. We continue the Crusade for Souls Now. A weekly broadcast over WIVK, Sundays, 9:00 to 9:30 a.m., goes beyond our state borders on the east. Please pray for us in this great open field."

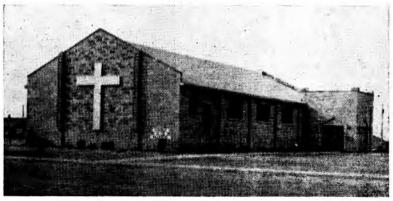
Monticello, Illinois—September 11 marked the close of our fall revival, with Evangelists Alva O. and Gladys Estep as the special workers. Brother Estep's straightforward preaching of the Word of God brings results. Sister Estep was a real blessing with her singing and altar work. The Esteps are the pastor's friends and understand the pastor's problems. We greatly appreciated their ministry with us. In

the closing service the evangelist raised nearly \$200.00 for the building fund. We are beginning our fourth year with this church. At our assembly we were able to report an increase in every department, with a 10 per cent increase in the Sunday school. During the month of June the concrete block walls were covered with beautiful insulated wallboard; also a much-needed gas heating plant was installed at a total cost of \$2,000.00. We appreciate our good people.—W. E. Allison, Pastor.

Mineral City, Ohio—Our church recently enjoyed a most successful revival with Evangelist Fred Thomas as the special worker. We felt he was sent to us by God, and came with a burden for lost souls. The revival reached many souls needing to be saved, sanctified, and others seeking spiritual help. We greatly appreciate the ministry of Brother Thomas with us.—Clarence Ley, Secretary.

This year has marked the culmination of a long-standing desire of the Pasco Nazarenes to have an adequate building in which to worship God. In answer to prayer, difficulties were removed in a remarkable manner and the building, officially valued at \$87,-000.00, was constructed at a total cost of \$32,000.00; the indebtedness on the church is \$18,000.00. The structure, 85 x 42 feet, will seat 400, with enough room for 20 Sunday-school classes. The plan is so designed that an educational unit may be added at a later date. As our church was dedicated this past spring, our district superintendent, Dr. E. E. Zachary, challenged us with our responsibility to reach out for God. The willingness of the people to do that has been demonstrated in the large amount of donated labor given to the building, and also in sacrificial offerings and a bur-

Pasco, Washington



den for the lost. God has been moving on the scene with a resulting increase in attendance and spiritual

victory since we have occupied the new building.—B. Weston Tucker, Pastor. Concordia, Kansas—In September we had a real, Heaven-sent revival with Rev. and Mrs. Edward Donoho as the special workers. We thank God for the many answers to prayer, as thirty-nine souls sought God at the altar. The Donohos came for one week, and as the Lord blessed, we felt the Spirit would have us continue for another week. At least two people answered the call of God to special, full-time service. Under the ministry of Brother Donoho, from 1949 to 1952 the church was organized and the building erected. We appreciate the consecrated spirit of these evangelists in their singing, preaching, and special music. We press forward for God.—Kenneth Hull, Pastor.

Princeton, Indiana—Rev. Roy Vaughn came to First Church in 1952, now serving his fourth year as our pastor. During this time about 70 new members have been received, and finances have increased by nearly \$11,000.00. Each year our Sunday school has shown an increase in enrollment, now nearly 600. The church mortgage has been liquidated, with a mortgage-burning ceremony last February. The church has been completely redecorated, and new property purchased adjacent to the church. A parking lot has been completed for the accommodation of our growing attendance. The church and class-rooms have been air-conditioned, and the church parsonage redecorated inside and outside. Pastor and people, in full co-operation, have made these accomplishments possible. A radio broadcast, each Sunday at 7:45 a.m., has a favorable listening audience; reports have been received from a 200-mile radius. Souls are finding God in our regular Sunday and mid-week services, and we give God praise for His blessings.-Reporter.

Georgia District

Boys' and Girls' and Youth Camps

The Georgia District boys' and girls' camp and youth camp and institute were held at the district campgrounds at Adrian, July 11 to 15 and 18 to 22 respectively.

During the past five years, since the organization of the youth camp, we have seen our camp facilities outgrown and overcrowded until this year we were forced to divide our groups. This division proved to be divinely ordered, for both encampments were all that we could have wished them to be.

Rev. and Mrs. Jack Dell, pastors of our First Church, Brunswick, were the efficient directors of the boys' and girls' camp. Excellent organization, interesting handcraft, hiking, swimming, supervised play, and talent contests, coupled together with inspirational evangelistic services, resulted in a successful camp. There were 144 boys and girls registered—exceeding our expectations by nearly 50 per cent. Various pastors of the district were selected to bring the messages in the evangelistic services, and more than one-half the campers won definite

victories as they knelt together about the altar, many of these for the first time.

Rev. Walter Boswell, pastor at Augusta, and Rev. James Foreman, pastor at Fitzgerald, were co-directors of the youth camp, and Rev. R. E. Maner, Jr., pastor at Douglas, dean of the institute. These men, with the co-operation of teachers and other workers, made this year's camp one of the most successful we have had. Both directors and dean had their work well in hand, and won the love and respect of the entire youth group.

For the second time we were fortunate in having Dr. Mendell Taylor as camp evangelist. He is held in high esteem by both campers and workers, and is unsurpassed as a youth speaker. His winsome personality and ability to gain and hold the interest of young people while driving home vital Christian principles made him a popular figure among the members of this year's camp. The altar was lined night after night until nearly all of the 145 young people had taken their stand for the Lord. We were also happy to have Mrs. Taylor and Dillard on the grounds. Mrs. Taylor's readings and personal influence upon each of us will be long remembered.

The results of these camps are being felt all over the district, and we look forward to bigger and better camps next year.

H. W. MINGLEDORFF, Reporter

Indianapolis District Assembly

The thirtieth annual assembly of the Indianapolis District convened at the district campgrounds, August 22 to 26. In this reporter's twenty years of attending assemblies, this was one of the best. The spirit of district unity was noticeable, and God placed His seal upon the assembly by manifesting His presence.

District Superintendent Luther Cantwell was re-elected by a commendable vote after giving his report, which showed good district progress.

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Both Dr. Harold W. Reed, president, and Rev. John Swearengen, field representative, with his pianist and soloist, represented Olivet Nazarene College. For the first time in history, the district paid its Olivet budget in full. The district superintendent should receive a great deal of credit for this accomplishment.

Among the many welcome visitors at the assembly were Rev. Stanley Whitcanack and his daughter, who ably represented our publishing house.

Dr. Hugh C. Benner was the presiding officer. As a veteran, he directed the business with ease, grace, and efficiency. God directed his ministry to the real needs of this district as he challenged us all to a better service for the Master. Dr. Benner's ordination service was uniquely supreme as five men received elder's orders.

With the divine challenge given us by Dr. Benner, and the Holy Spirit to energize us, the district should make some great strides in building the Kingdom during the coming year.

Spurgeon Lynn, Reporter



Chaplain Herbert Van Vorce writes the following words in his June report:

"This has been a very good month in every way. God has blessed in all our services and there were seven decisions for Christ. Our Sunday evening services have increased in attendance, also our midweek services. We are planning our vacation Bible school starting next week. We covet a continued interest in all of your prayers for these closing days of our work here in Germany."

"I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for the kind consideration shown to Nazarene servicemen by your mailing of the church periodicals to us. At the time of my entry into the air force I was not a born-again Christian, and I must confess that as a sinner these publications were somewhat a source of embarrassment to me as they were delivered to me. But, praise His name, I now look forward for the time when each of them is due to arrive; for aside from the wealth of spiritual guidance and knowledge derived from the periodicals, the opportunity for testimony to my friends when they ask questions as to what the publications are makes them a great blessing to my life. In my outfit I have a friend who was recently converted from the Catholic faith, and seeing that he has no church home or outside help whatever, I would appreciate it if you could put his name on your mailing list."

JOHN G. JACKSON

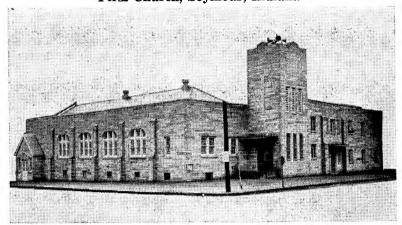
"Would like to see the following letter in the 'Servicemen's Corner' of the Herald: 'As I complete my third year of the service [U.S. Army], and entering my fourth, I wish to say that I have appreciated the periodicals, especially the Herald. At this time of writing I am stationed in New York state and have the opportunity to attend Watertown, New York, First Church, with the Rev. Paul Andrews as pastor. My home church is Richmond, Virginia, First. It's hard to be a Christian in the army, but the prayers of the Nazarenes have kept me."

Paul Marshall

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First Church, Seymour, Indiana



dedicated last July 31 by Dr. Samuel Young. First Church—fifty years in the same location; first building destroyed by fire in 1921, and the present building replaces the one built in '21. It is of New Bedford stone construction; auditorium seats 500, and the educational unit will accommodate 750. It has all new furniture, new piano chimes and bells; also a baptistry and two choir lofts. The building is valued at \$175,000.00 and the present debt is \$50,000.00. It is one of the finest buildings in the city. Splendid co-operation from general superintendents, district superintendents, ministers, and laymen has made all this possible. Rev. C. E. Fleshman was the architect, and Mr. Stanley Hill, local preacher in our church, was the builder and contractor. Our Sunday-school average attendance last year was 314, with an Easter-Sunday attendance of 810. Our present pastor, Rev. Leo Darnell,

The new building pictured here was dedicated last July 31 by Dr. Samuel

is now serving his fifth year; during the first four years 57 have been added to the church membership. This being our golden anniversary year, we have set some goals: 50 members received this year, 50 increase in Sunday-school average, and \$50,000.00. Pray for us.—Reporter.

Assembly and Camp Meeting Wisconsin District

The blessing of God was upon the Wisconsin District assembly and camp meeting, and the services were an uplift to all who attended. Dr. Samuel Young presided at the assembly with skill and much understanding; the assembly closed with an impressive ordination service. Dr. Young's messages were timely, practical, and forceful. Dr. Samuel Young is a good and gifted leader, with clear vision and thoughtful understanding.

Dr. C. A. Gibson was re-elected as district superintendent, receiving a unanimous vote, and was given a good love offering in view of the coming General Assembly. This was Dr. Gibson's thirty-fourth report to the church as district superintendent, his eighth on this district.

A new item of business to which consideration was given and which received a fine vote for adoption was the placing of all budgets on a percentage plan. Each church's budget is now determined by a percentage of the total giving, less the amount paid on buildings and improvements. Consideration was given to smaller churches by giving them lower percentages on some budgets. The pastor's salary was the basis for determining what percentages each church should pay.

In conjunction with the assembly, the Church Schools, N.F.M.S., and N.Y.P.S. conventions were held. Each convention was well attended, and gave stimulation and impetus to the various departments. The N.F.M.S. convention was inspired and blessed by the stirring messages and fine spirit of Rev. William Vaughters, missionary to Guatemala. Dr. Samuel Young and Rev. D. K. Wachtel were guest speakers for the N.Y.P.S. convention; their messages were practical and inspiring. Dr. Harold W. Reed, president of

Olivet Nazarene College, gave a fine, down-to-earth message on building a successful Sunday school. Rev. D. K. Wachtel also spoke to the church schools convention and stirred the hearts of all who were present.

The camp-meeting services, held each evening during the assembly week, grew in attendance and spirit each evening and came to a glorious climax on Sunday. Dr. Young brought a clear, forceful, and convicting message on holiness on Sunday morning, resulting in a number of seekers at the altar. Brother Wachtel spoke in the afternoon and evening services with God's anointing upon him, and souls sought God at the altar of prayer in both services. Sunday evening brought a fitting and glorious climax to a wonderful week. We give God thanks for His presence, the faithful speakers of the truth, and the many victories won.

E. E. Young, Reporter

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The annual convention of the Kansas City District N.Y.P.S. was held at Lakeview Park Nazarene Camp, Overland Park, Kansas, on September 4 with our beloved president, Rev. Jack H. Lee, presiding. He was reelected for his third term by a wonderful vote.

Other district officers elected were: Rev. Preston Theall, vice-president; Rev. Russell Brunt, treasurer; Rev. Bob Radebaugh, secretary; Lloyd Brown, teen-age supervisor; Vera Hoffpauir, sponsor of Boys' and Girls' Work; with Sarah Whitcanack and William Kelly as teen-age representatives.

Rev. L. J. Du Bois, executive secretary of the N.Y.P.S., spoke to the conwention on this year's theme, "By My Spirit—Serve." All were inspired and challenged to do more in the way of service to others this next year.

The closing service of the convention was crowned with God's presence as our special speaker, Rev. Lawrence Hicks, brought a stirring holiness message.

Bob Milburn, Reporter

DEATHS

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REV. BILLIE EUGENE ROUGH was born September 16, 1930, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and died August 13, 1955, at Newport, Arkansas, age twenty-four years and ten months. He was converted and called to the ministry at the age of seventeen, and attended Bethany Nazarene College. He was ordained as an elder at Muskogee, Oklahoma, in 1953. On April 12, 1952, he was united in marriage to Mary Movalene McCuin. After pastoring for a short time on the Northeast Oklahoma District, they came to the North Arkansas District, where they have served so well, at Russell's Chapel, then to Newport. On Saturday morning, August 13, he and five of his Sunday-school boys were in a boat together when Stanley Short fell out. Brother Rough, his pastor, dived in to rescue him, and they went down together. Billie had served and worked well with the district N.Y.P.S. He was elected well with the district N.Y.P.S., also elected as a ministerial delegate to the General N.Y.P.S. Convention to be held next June. He is survived by his wife; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Rough of Tulsa; two brothers, John and Ronnie; and two sisters, Mary Jo and Mrs. Dick Reddick. The double funeral service was held in the Newport Church of the Nazarene with District Superintendent J. W. Hendrickson in charge. Burial was in Forrest Hills Cemetery, Little Rock.

STANLEY H. SHORT was born February 7, 1945, and died August 13, 1955, at Newport, Arkansas; age ten and one-half years. Stanley was converted and joined the Newport Church of the Nazarene a few weeks before he and his pastor, Rev. Billie Rough, were drowned together. Stanley is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Short; a brother, Ronald; two sisters, Judie and Vickie, all of Newport. A double funeral was held at the Newport Church of the Nazarene, with burial at the Walnut Grove Cemeterv. Newport. Walnut Grove Cemetery, Newport.

JAMES H. MC MILLEN, member of the Sunday school at First Church of the Nazarene in Georgetown, Kentucky, died June 24, at a hospital in Lexington. In his wide traveling, he and his wife had visited Nazarene churches in many states, taking great interest in both the building and the religious program of the church. Mrs. McMillen and the children, Linda and Larry, expressed their appreciation to Rev. C. T. Duckett, Rev. Hugh S. Clark, and Dr. Dan Moore, for their consoling messages in the funeral service.

M/SGT. EARL H. BOST, son of the late W. A. and Jessie Bost of Tallula, Illinois, was born August 13, 1918, and died in Vallejo, California, February 19, 1955. He had been in Korea a year, and suffered a heart attack there in November of '54. Because of his condition he could not be moved to the States until January. He was a devout Christian and while in Korea had tracts printed in the Korean language and passed them out. He carried a burden for the unsaved. He is survived by his wife, Joan; a daughter, Deborah; son,

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Stephen, all of Dallas, Texas; his mother, four brothers, and three sisters. Funeral service was held in First Church of the Nazarene, Springfield, Illinois, in charge of Rev. G. H. Harmon, pastor. Interment was in the National Cemetery, Camp Butler, just outside of Springfield.

GEORGE BARNEY was born May 11, 1879, and died February 7, 1955. He became a child of God when twenty-one years of age. He united with

the Louisiana Church of the Nazarene shortly after the Louisiana Church of the Nazarene shortly after its organization in 1911, becoming a member of the Lake Charles church when it was organized in 1912 and, together with the pastor, built the first auditorium for that congregation. He was often a delegate to the early Louisiana annual assemblies; in 1913 he was elected as secretary, and in 1912 and '13 he was a member of the District Advisory Board. He was a faithful follower of Jesus. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Eva K.

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Barney, and his children. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. C. K. McKay and Rev. W. E. Carruth in the Queensboro Church, Shreveport, where he held his membership.

MRS. ISAAC REED (nee Flora Bell Finn), of Bethany, Oklahoma, died in August. She was born in Illinois, converted at the age of fourteen, and began teaching Sunday school at once; she continued to teach until her last illness this past summer. In 1906 she was united in marriage to Isaac Reed. She had been local president of the W.C.T.U., and county vice-president. She, with her husband, were good supporters of the N.F.M.S., giving liberally for missions down through the years. She lived and died a victorious life. She is survived by her husband; a son, Paul; two daughters, Mrs. Joe Connally and Mrs. Ernest Sherrill; one brother; and three sisters. Funeral service was in First Church of the Nazarene, Bethany, with Rev. Mr. Ripper, Rev. A. LeRoy Taylor, and Dr. James Garner officiating. Burial was in the Bethany Cemetery. Cemetery.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECOMMENDATION—Rev. A. E. Collins, paster of the Newmarket church, entered the evangelistic field September 1. Those who know Brother Collins recognize him as an excellent pastor, and also a successful evangelist who "gets the glory down." If you are looking for a strong holiness preacher of the rugged evangelistic type, a man of devotion and prayer, give Brother Collins a call. His experience as paster, district superintendent, and college ence as pastor, district superintendent, and college president fits him in a unique way to do our churches good. Address him c/o Nazarene Publishing House, 1592 Bloor St. West, Toronto 9, Ontario,

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WEDDING BELLS--June Haub and Fred Forster of Pasadena College were united in marriage at the bride's home in Lee's Summit, Missouri, on August 27.

BORN—to Rev. and Mrs. John inneapolis, Kansas, a son, Bruce Lambert of Minneapolis, F September 25. Edward,

—to Glen and Margaret (Langheld) Scheiern of Kalamazoo, Michigan, a son, Douglas Wayne, on September 7.

—to S/Sgt. Arthur and Pearl (Hills) Gould of Anchorage, Alaska, a daughter, Wendy Gale, on September 5.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Robert M. Ingland, Jr., of Leavittsburg, Ohio, a daughter, Cathrine Anne, on August 15.

–to Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Tolbert of Wood-, Washington, a daughter, Susan Eileen, on Eileen, on August 12.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Isaac J. Ratcliff of Huntington, West Virginia, a daughter, Wanda Ruth, August 9.

—to Wally and Ruth Brown of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, a son, Mark Loren, on July 29.

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standing prayer—she believes it is according to His promise in the Word, and that she will keep believing and trusting; by a mother in Alabama for her son in the

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u.s. service—raised in the Unurch of the Nazarene—that he may soon come to God; by a woman in West Virginia for her brother who has had a very serious operation and consequently one arm and leg are paralyzed—that he may regain the use of them, and that the affliction

may not return;
by a lady in Washington state for a man who
is very ill—a tavern operator—that he might be
spared long enough to be saved and find Christ as his personal Saviour.

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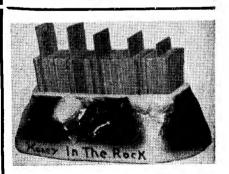
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