

On that first Easter two melancholy disciples journeyed to their village home. With their cherished hopes abandoned, they had probably agreed to go home to stay. Their depression was not due to ignorance. They knew all that had transpired in the recent past. They had seen Him in whom their faith had been placed die on a shameful cross. The unconfirmed reports that Jesus was alive did not satisfy. They seemed as idle tales to them. Now they were in a state of uncertainty and confusion.

But an experience came to them which changed all. The risen Saviour joined them in their journey. Even while their eyes were

Witnesses with Burning Hearts

General Superintendent Williamson

holden, their hearts burned within them. His presence was renewing, and the revelation which His exposition of scriptures brought revived their faltering faith. Finally, full recognition came in the breaking of bread. Jesus vanished out of their sight, but a powerful and deathless enthusiasm gripped their hearts. In the same hour they rose up and retraced their steps with lighter hearts and swifter feet. Sadness had given place to boundless joy. They had the ultimate in spiritual knowledge. They knew that Christ had risen indeed. From henceforth their zeal was according to knowledge, firsthand and irrefutable. With burning hearts they were bent on telling the world that the Saviour is alive forevermore.

In our time there are many Christians who are living in the lull between Good Friday and Easter. Some have little left but the ashes of a burnt-out emotionalism. Others loudly protest their faith with evident absence of reality of an experience of personal assurance. Theirs is an easy, flippant credulity. Still another company is composed of those who assume airs of superiority because of a pseudo-intellectuality. They feed on negatives, breathe out confusion, and stifle all enthusiasm. They equate emotion and ignorance. They spend their time in useless theorizing. They would stop all progress until the right formula is found. They stab faith to death and allow nothing to be undertaken with a desperate sense of urgency. By their approach they reduce radiant lives to confusion and skepticism.

But, thank God, there are those who have met the risen Saviour face to face. They have walked beside Him in a holy fellowship which kindles a fire of holy passion in their sanctified hearts. He has banished their doubts with a full and triumphant faith. They know whom they have believed. From that assurance flows a contagious enthusiasm. The love of Christ in the heart is an inward compulsion more powerful than any human stimulant.

A master passion is born of knowing.





Telearams . . .

Lansing, Michigan-Michigan Dis-trict had 17,800 in Sunday school on Easter, an all-time high! Enrolled 1,220 new members in Sunday school in March. Rev. and Mrs. Lyle Potter at their best in district tour and conventions for one month.—Fred J. Hawk, District Church School Board Chairman.

Honolulu, Hawaii-Easter Sunday, April 6, was a high day on our district, with a total Sunday school at-tendance of 1,366 as compared with a record attendance of 1,143 last Easter. Our Easter offering totaled \$1,962 against a record last Easter of \$1,350. First Church, Honolulu, had 453 in attendance and an Easter offering of \$1,050. Their regular tithes that day were over fifteen hundred dollars, which also was a rec-ord. Total offerings running above \$2,600 for First Church that day. This proves again that giving for world evangelism will increase our giving for the needs at home.—Cecil Knip-pers, Superintendent of Hawaii District.

Pastor Thomas M. Hermon sends word from Pueblo, Colorado: "First Church concluded on Easter Sunday one of the most successful Sunday school efforts with Chet and Cora Griffith of Lamesa, California. All records were broken.'

Let's take a look at-

Evangelism

Evangelion is an interesting word. It is Greek and it means "glad tidings" or "the message of man's redemption through Christ."

In English we write the word "cvangel."

By adding ical, we get "agreeable to, or in the spirit of, the gospel, or teachings of the New Testament." And that is what our church is.

By adding ism, we get "preaching or promulgation of the gospel, especially in revival services." And that's what our church does.

By adding ist, we get "a preacher of the gospel." And that's what our church has-good ones, too.

By adding *ize*, we get "to convert to Christianity." And that's our main goal as a church.

As an evangelical church we have evangelists who spread the evangel through evangelism in order that we might evangelize the world.-Roy K. WILLIAMS, Pastor, Syracuse, Ohio.



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CLEAN Inside and Out! By NORMAN C. SCHLICHTER

There are thousands of Americans who never fail on Mother's Day to think of the famous picture of Whistler's mother. Indeed, tens of thousands of us have this picture hung in a prominent place in our homes.

But I am sure that many who love the picture do not know that cleanliness, both inside and out, was one of this great painter's prominent characteristics. His struggle to gain a name as a painter was a long and hard one, and during this time his then widowed mother shared his hardships in what were their quite cramped London quarters.

In those days Whistler's clothes were often worn until they were not only shiny but actually threadbare; and yet so immaculately clean was he as to his person and his dress that his appearance in any group where he was found went unnoticed. Doubtless this pride of personal appearance did much to help him keep up his pride in what he knew, for a long time before others acclaimed it, was almost faultless painting.

The artist was just as clean, too, in thought and speech as he was in person and outward appearance. He would never indulge in conversation even slightly off-color, nor would he permit, if he could possibly prevent it, unclean remarks or stories by others in his presence.

I believe that his godly mother was just as proud of her son's being known among his fellow artists for his personal purity as for his artistic mastery. In view of this trait of Whistler's, it is no surprise that his portrait of his mother symbolizes the lofty purity of every true Christian mother.

How many readers know that this famous mother picture was first shown in our own Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts in Philadelphia in 1861 and that it attracted little attention? And that it is the only picture by an American artist that was ever accepted for a place in the most renowned of all the world's galleries, the Louvre, in Paris? France loaned the picture for exhibition at the Century of Progress Exposition in Chicago in 1933.

Peace

I will lift up mine eyes to the hills, From whence cometh peace That passeth all understanding And makes my sorrow cease! -MARY R. HAAS

Twelfth Annual Assembly

BRITISH HONDURAS DISTRICT

General Superintendent Vanderpool

The assembly convened in the Benque Viejo Church of the Nazarene with an excellent crowd in attendance. Only about one-third of the people understood English. Brother Ronald Bishop was the efficient interpreter. When I spoke the congregation just looked at me (oh, a little expression from a few); but when Brother Bishop spoke they came to life, laughed and cried. He got a lot better response than I did, and he seemed to enjoy it.

Brother Bishop's superintendent's report showed district progress along all lines. In areas where our properties were burned, the Sunday schools and church services have better attendance than before. There is an increasing interest in what we have to teach and preach. We are using makeshift buildings until we can get something of our own.

The British Honduran Nazarenes are being taught to support the whole church program. They have accepted local, district, educational, and general budgets, and are trying sacrificially to pay all of these budgets.

At the close of the assembly we ordained five fine men. This gives them seven elders who are British Honduran men. I tried to lay it upon their hearts that if British Honduras was ever evangelized it would be done by the British Honduran people themselves. I received a hearty response to my challenge.

There are now twelve organized churches on the district, and they are all set to secure their share of new churches this year, to increase their Easter and Thanksgiving offerings, to surpass anything they have ever done in the past. They are striving in every way to properly celebrate the Golden Anniversary of our church.

Blessings upon all of the British Honduran Nazarenes and the faithful Nazarene missionaries who labor there.

Pentecost and Prophecy

By E. S. PHILLIPS Pastor, First Church, Bethany, Oklahoma

Prophecy is distinctly an Old Testament word with a New Testament fulfillment.

Pentecost is peculiarly a New Testament word with an Old Testament background.

In the ancient Jewish economy the pious Jew observed three special yearly feasts-the Feast of Passover, the Feast of Harvest, and the Feast of Tabernacles. The first record we have of the Feast of Pentecost is in Exodus 23:16, where it is called the "feast of harvest." This feast was observed yearly from the day of its inauguration to the inauguration of the Holy Ghost on that Pentecost day.

Successive prophets referred to its spiritual implications. Eight hundred years before Christ, Judah had entered upon dark days. The people were wandering from God and were about to be scattered into all lands. But the prophet Joel saw in a vision of prophecy a glorious day of ingathering and harvest. He saw the consummation of the promises to the fathers and he prophesied concerning the last days. Some eight hundred years later on the morning of the "feast of harvest," or Pentecost, the little church of 120 were in their meeting place. Supernatural things began to happen and Peter, explaining the phenomenon, said, "This is that which was spoken by . . . Joel." As a result of that day, an ingathering of three thousand souls was harvested. What a beautiful "feast of harvest"! What a blessed Pentecost! What a glorious fulfillment of prophecy! What a precious offering to the Lord!

But as with the harvests in nature, so also with the harvest of souls. It involves the element of sowing. How did this harvest of souls happen on the Day of Pentecost? Only as a result of the sowing of the prophets and the divine Son of God. Jesus said He came to sow seed. He also said one sows and another reaps but the results will be shared. He sowed for three and one-half years without much visible results, but God, being true to His promise of the "feast of harvest," gave the Lord, through His disciples, three thousand souls as the first fruits of His labors.

But has Pentecost yet realized its climax? Are there not many souls yet to be harvested? Every Nazarene knows the answer. Every Nazarene can be a sower of seed and a harvester of souls by accepting the Pentecostal experience of purity and the Pentecostal power of witnessing for Christ. May this Pentecost season and Golden Anniversary year truly be a "feast of harvest" of souls throughout our beloved Zion!

Pentecost for Flaming Hearts!

By EDWARD LAWLOR, Superintendent of Canada West District

In the Old Testament, God was for His people! In the opening of the New Testament, through a Babe in a cattle stall, it was "Emmanuel, God with us." So through the Gospels, God was with His people in the form of a Man-His Son! When He, the Son of God, returned to His Father, something different happened. For He entrusted His cause to a group of earth-bound men-men who were always caviling for position; men who were dull of comprehension; timid, self-conserving men. But ere He left them, He gave them the greatest promise of all when He said, "Receive ye the Holy Ghost"; and when Pentecost became a reality, the best of all came to pass, for it was not only God for His people or God with His people-now it was God dwelling in the flaming hearts of redeemed humanity! God in His people!

The acts of the apostles became an ever-



increasing chain of spiritual conflagrations caused by men with flaming hearts, men who went out without money, without patronage, and mostly without learning, but with flaming hearts to turn the world upside down; and within three centuries of time they overthrew the cult of the Caesars. These men with flaming hearts did not light the fire of Pentecost, but rather applied their surrendered lives to the everlasting fire. That fire has not gone out—it is still *Pentecost for flaming hearts!* It is still fire for surrendered lives.

And while we gladly acknowledge our debt to those who have kept alive the flaming heart experience, even to those who became martyrs, counting not their lives dear, rejoicing even in death, knowing that the fire of Pentecost would never be put out, yet we must ask ourselves, Have we lost the Pentecost of the flaming heart? Have we tried to keep pace with the times and allowed ourselves to become professional Christians rather than flaming-heart Christians? Is it in 1958 that our everyday Christian experience is a mere routine of custom and performance? Have we lost that inner glow? Has the fire of Pentecost that brings the flaming heart been forgotten? God has ordained it that flaming hearts under the power of the Holy Ghost should not only conquer, but conquer more abundantly-"for the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds" (II Corinthians 10:4).

Those disciples of the flaming heart were sanctified men, were sent men, and in 1958 it is sanctified and sent men that we need to go out with flaming hearts full of love and power and compassion for a lost humanity. If we could only realize at Pentecost, 1958, that the Holy Ghost is still looking for those through whom He might work! Unbelief, indifference, lawlessness, and all kinds of vice and crime abound. Worldliness has crept in among God's people until the prophecy of our Lord, ". . the love of many shall wax cold" (Matthew 24:12), has come to pass—but Pentecost is still a reality! The Holy Ghost is ready to be outpoured on surrendered lives and to send a Pentecostal revival in the most unlikely places and circumstances. What we need in 1958 is "Pentecost for Flaming Hearts!"

Pentecost has always had a place of outstanding significance for the people called Nazarenes. The baptism of the Holy Ghost has resulted in manifold demonstrations in the fifty years of our history. It was the experience of the flaming heart that sent our pioneers out under the stars facing privation, starvation, isolation, and for many on farflung battlefields, death itself in order that men everywhere should hear the gospel of full salvation.

Pentecost of the flaming heart is still our need today! Methods, organization, programs become only a remedy for a decline of power and zcal and the flaming heart experience *when* Pentecost and all it implies are ignored, and this is deadening and deadly and brings formalism and powerlessness to the Christian Church. The Christian experience is hopeless without the active, personalizing baptism of the Holy Ghost that brings the experience of the flaming heart.

It is not enough to be ready to go, to do, or to be, nor even enough to be ready to fight for or even die for the faith—we must always know that we have had the Pentecostal experience of the flaming heart, personally and individually. That is the experience that will enable us to meet the needs of this day and fit us to be soul winners for Him! The mysterious fire of Pentecost that brings the flaming heart experience is subject to certain immutable laws. All the wishing for it, all the longing for it, all the singing for it will avail nothing unless the contact is made by a fully surrendered, redeemed life.

On this anniversary of Pentecost when our church needs *Him*, the Holy Ghost, more than perhaps ever before, let us accept our risen Lord's invitation as did those disciples of long ago who heard Him say, "Receive ye the Holy Ghost."

THE HOLY GHOST: A Great Evangelist

By JOHN L. KNIGHT, Superintendent of Florida District

Jesus speaking to His disciples on the coming of the Holy Ghost said: "When he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment" (John 16:8). Thus we have a brief outline of the work of the Holy Ghost as an Evangelist, through a sanctified people.

The Holy Spirit comes to the Church or bornagain Christian: "It is expedient for you [disciples] that I go away:" said Jesus, "for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you" (John 16:7). The one paramount need of the Church is the coming of the Holy Spirit in His mighty cleansing, purifying, purging, empowering presence; then, but only then, will the Church become the mighty force for evangelism Christ expects her to be.

The Holy Spirit is the energizing force for all true evangelism. Without Him there is no real quickening of spiritual life. But "when he is come, he will reprove [or convict] the world of sin." A Spirit-filled church will have a constant stream of salvation work being done at her altars. The Holy Spirit and a fruitless church are opposites. The conversion of sinners, the reclamation of backsliders, and the sanctification of believers are evidences when the church is baptized with the fiery baptism of the Holy Ghost. This is the work of the Holy Spirit, and can be done by no other. All substitutes utterly fail.

Every great evangelist makes room for the Holy Ghost. Man is only the witness—the Holy Ghost is the Prosecuting Attorney! Man gives witness to what he knows, and the Holy Spirit takes over from there and applies the truth to the individual, probes the conscience, convicts the heart, and "reproves the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment."

> Have you ever felt the power Of the Pentecostal fire, Burning up all carnal nature,... Going thro' and thro' your spirit Cleansing all its stain away? ... It is for us all today!

Hence revivals are brought about, souls are born into the Kingdom, believers are sanctified, and the work of Christ is built up.

Evangelism goes on and on, then, because the Holy Ghost is the Head and Force of all true evangelism.

CHRIST



Jesus Christ, the Second Member of the Godhead, had much to do with and much to say about, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost. In fact it would be utterly impossible to separate the work and ministry of Christ and the work of the Holy Spirit. The dispensation of the Holy Spirit did not supersede the ministry of Christ, but sanctioned and completed it. As the Son revealed God the Father, so the Holy Spirit reveals the Son and glorifies Him before men.

It must be remembered that the full dispensation of the Holy Ghost did not begin until the Day of Pentecost. However the Spirit was in operation from the very beginning of time. In Genesis 1:2 we read, "And the spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters." Here the Spirit of God brought beauty and order out of chaos.

Dr. Pope suggests that Jesus Christ was under the guidance of the Holy Spirit during His earthly ministry rather than under the independent agency of His divine personality. Our Lord's human nature was sealed, consecrated, and enriched by the Spirit given to Him.

Jesus gave His full announcement of the Spirit's coming in His farewell discourse. In the first few verses of John 14 the Master tells His followers about the place called heaven and the preparation for such a dwelling. Then in verse 16 Jesus tells them about another Comforter who will abide with them forever. He further tells them that this Holy Spirit will be with them as the Spirit of Truth, whom the world cannot see. "He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you." He further gives them solace by saying that they will never be left comfortless. "He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you."

In the Master's high priestly prayer recorded in John 17 He further gives some suggestions about the coming of the Holy Spirit by asking the Father not to take His followers out of the world, but that "thou shouldest keep them from the evil." He further prays for their sanctification, which will be effected by the coming of the Holy Spirit on that initial day. To make sure of their sanctification Jesus says, "For their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth."

and Pentecost

Dr. Luke, in his recording of the first chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, seems to sum up the whole story when he gives Jesus' detailed instructions for the coming of the Spirit. The Christ desired that there would be no slip-ups; so He outlined carefully the necessary steps to be taken prior to this blessed event of power and purity for His own Church.

While they were eating together the Christ commanded them to tarry and wait in Jerusalem for the promise of the Father. As Jesus Christ was the grand promise of the Old Testament, during the whole continuance of the old covenant, so the Holy Ghost was the grand promise during the New Testament. Christ further recommended that His own followers be made instruments in the establishment of His own kingdom. This must be by the energy of the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven, and this energy would be given in such times and seasons and in such manner as should appear best to the infinite wisdom of God.

Christ did not answer the inquiring disciples directly, but He gave them such information as to bring their faith and hope into action immediately. It was Chrysostom who said, "It is the prerogative of an instructor to teach his disciple, not what he wishes to learn, but what his master sees best for him." So it was with Jesus. He felt that the desperate need of His disciples after His return to the Father was the infilling of the Holy Spirit.

The ascension of Jesus Christ was absolutely necessary in order to establish the conditions under which the Holy Spirit could be received as a gift. Jesus said, "It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you" (John 16:7).

So actually the Pentcostal gift of the Holy Spirit was the immediate proof of the Ascension, the answer to the promise of the Christ, the result of His fervent high priestly prayer, and the conclusion of His farewell discourse. As Dr. Pope says, "The glory within the veil and candlestick outside, symbols of the Son and the Spirit, were blended when the veil was removed, into one and the same fullness of God."

In the fullness of time, God chose the Day of

By KENNETH H. PEARSALL, Pastor, First Church, Akron, Ohio

Pentecost for the ushering in of the Holy Spirit's dispensation. This day which was to celebrate the giving of the law of God to Moses, fifty days after the celebration of the Passover, saw the 120 prayerful followers receiving the blessed Holy Spirit. Just as the advent of Christ was preceded by some miraculous signs, so the advent of the Holy Spirit was preceded by three inaugural signs. Dr. Wiley suggests, "The sound as of a rushing mighty wind was the first harbinger of His coming, the cloven tongues as of fire indicated His arrival, the gift of tongues marked the assumption of His office as Administrator and the beginning of His operations."

To every born-again follower of Christ, Jesus is still saying, "Wait for the promise of the Father . . . ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence." When you have been as careful in your preparation as the 120 were in the Upper Room prior to the Day of Pentecost, personal Pentecost will be yours.

Pentecost and Purity

By GEORGE FRAME, Superintendent of British Isles North District

Peter's interpretation of Pentecost reminds us of Gideon's famous 300. Gideon's unorthodox strategy makes Peter's statement "purifying their hearts by faith" (Acts 15:9) all the more illuminating and significant. The root meaning of purify has reference to a similar military operation in which a commander prepares for battle by weeding out those who for any reason whatsoever might possibly bring defeat.

Think of what it would mean for us to have eliminated from our natures those diverse elements that have proved to be actively hostile to our best and noblest interests! For Peter's language refers to something much deeper and more revolutionary than even the most radical moral reformation. It is a proclamation that the end or purpose of the Holy Spirit's work in the individual is a refining of the deepest depths of human nature and a purging of the strategic fountains of human conduct.

Pentecost not only bestows purity, makes it possible for you and me, but it also transforms it. It makes purity a means to an end rather than an end in itself, so that it becomes a positive rather than a negative experience. Purity could mean merely the absence of alien elements. In the realm of conduct, such a negative experience only gives birth to an arid, censorious, repellent puritanism.

Pentecostal purity as the product of the incoming and indwelling of the Holy Spirit is a positive experience of tremendous potentialities. It transforms

The world has clouds of mist and rain That bring to us distress and pain. And there are winds, and snow, and hail That almost make our courage fail. But then by faith we look above And see the sunshine of God's love.

-SADIE JOFFRION WRIGHT

life and conduct through perfect love as indicated in I Timothy 1:5: "The end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart." Pentecost changes purity from something that is mystical and otherworldly into something that is real, vital, and all-important to us here and now. A religious experience becomes a personal revolution with farreaching psychological and moral consequences.

Purity is vital to peace. The impurities in human nature are dynamic and active. They inevitably generate inner tension, friction, and disunity. They thus undermine the very foundations of personal happiness. But their elimination produces an inner harmony and unity that creates a deep, abiding, and ever-increasing peace.

Purity is vital to power. Impurities—the presence of alien elements—mean weakness in both substance and organisms. An impurity in metal creates a flaw that becomes the breaking point in times of stress and strain. Impurities in the blood stream mean physical weakness. Vital strength can come only through the eradication of all impurities. Hence the poet was expressing an eternal and basic truth when he wrote, "My strength is as the strength of ten, because my heart is pure."

Purity is vital to life. The modern emphasis on antiseptic surgery, the current cult of hygiene, and the contemporary crusade for pure foods are eloquent witnesses to the importance of purity for life. Purity of thought, of desire, of affection, of the self is the very essence of real and vital living. Impurity of heart and life is unconscious selfdestruction.

Moral power, inner peace, perfect love, spiritual vision, and the Spirit's fullness all add up to abundant living. Pentecost and purity should be our goal to be attained at all costs. Self-surrender becomes a small price to pay for such capital and dividends.

How to Live the Sanctified Life*

James B. Chapman

A great man once said: "It means more to keep the grace of God than it does to receive it," and then added: "Not more than one in three do it." The literal truthfulness of this last statement may be questioned, but we are all aware that there are comparatively few who live the life of unbroken communion. There are few indeed, who receive the experience of perfect love and retain it always from the beginning. It is said that John Fletcher lost the blessing five times through his failure to testify to it. The conditions upon which the experience is retained are not essentially different from those upon which it was received. (1) Utmost care must be taken that the vow of entire consecration be not broken. The agreement to be always wholly the Lord's must be constantly and punctually fulfilled.

This means a life of painstaking honesty. Any questionable dealing in matters of business, failure to pay God His portion of all our increase and laxness in observing His Sabbath day are breaches of the vow of consecration.

Slanderous, extravagant and frivolous conversation are marks of infidelity to our promise to glorify God by word and deed. To keep our promise to Him, we must keep our promise to others even when we sustain material loss by doing so. Carelessness in meeting appointments and in redeeming promises are breaches of that highest promise to be wholly His.

Place preference and all manner of self-seeking anxiety nullifies the former vow of self-abnegation made at the altar of consecration.

A return to the follies of fashion for our standard of excellence is a travesty upon that covenant of non-conformity and unworthiness that once we signed.

On the more positive side the inward assent to the divine bidding must never be permitted to become less fervent than at the first. The idea that a fully surrendered soul should ever need to stop for a deeper death before entering upon any work, or before enduring any sacrifice whatsoever is incompatible with the meaning of the first "yes" of the yielding heart. A consecration less than allinclusive would never bring the blessing; then surely the theft of a portion of the now hallowed gift would grieve the Sanctifier away. "A half obedience is disobedience." Even to the offering up of an only son, obedience must be unwavering.

*Herald of Holiness, August 7, 1912.

When our time, talent, means or even our children are required of us there is no ground for complaint, for did we not give all these to Him forever? Through every loss and every gain let the gift once laid upon the altar remain untouched. Satan may tempt, but if the consecration is unbroken, there should be no loss of peace.

(2) "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved," is as true when the quest is for full-deliverance as when it is for initial salvation. And just as faith is the final condition in receiving the blessing, so a constant trust is the condition for retaining the experience. Environment will change and personal feelings will vary. Temptations arise both from isolation and from association and bring the soul into heaviness. Inability on our own part, and ingratitude on the part of those for whom we labor will sometimes occasion the most severe trials.

But through all the changes and struggles of life, through all the heaviness of soul and depression of feeling, "This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." The whole secret of living the sanctified life is to maintain an unbroken consecration and to exercise a constant faith in the cleansing blood.



Superintendent of Northwest District

Eight hundred Italian immigrants were my travel companions sailing from Naples to Australia. The crying and sobbing of these people turned to wails of grief as the ship slid out of dock. Most of them would never see kin or native country again—the break was a sort of dying, final and absolute. You listened until your heart was seized with the tragedy, and then you hurried away to the starboard side to try to forget.

Their long trip would represent a sort of death, a burying of the past, and then there would be a sort of resurrection into a new life as they would become a part of more than two million new Australians that have made a similar break with Europe in the past ten years. From time to time I engaged in conversation with those who spoke English, hoping to learn something from this experience that had catapulted them into a new life adventure. A young doctor came up with a statement that seemed to summarize the feelings of most of the eight hundred: "What is there for us back there? Too many people, not enough jobs! Australia is our land of promise—our *bambini* will have a chance!"

As I remembered their country, pictures of a sad classic beauty passed through my mind. There was so much of the ancient lightly sprinkled with the new. I remembered a countryside still being plowed with oxen—two million that are constantly unemployed even in the best of times—the mother and the three little children that begged me for a few lire in the so-called eternal city. Yes, I agreed, Australia was a land of promise! It was a whole, big, wonderful continent of promise! A continent almost as big as the United States, a continent with open spaces and opportunity, and with only ten and one-half million population! Yes, it could promise much to those who were willing to work and who would give it their love.

The impact of this migration is already evident in a new and rising economy in Australia. Thousands of acres of new homes spread out from every major city; new factories, office buildings, new American-style hotels, motels and filling stations, stores and new highways, all create a different look to the country as the nation builds. These constitute a part of the vision of a growing nation. But is this all? We are reminded that "man shall not live by bread alone," and these wonderful things are only a part of the heritage of man—a very necessary part, but still only a part, no matter in what continent he lives.

The Australian, new and old, has a great spiritual hunger. There are many who are disillusioned with form and ceremony without the corollaries of spiritual power and spiritual values. We believe the Church of the Nazarene can assume a part of the responsibility to provide these spiritual values, and to give the atmosphere of love and a dedication that will offer a sufficient message of salvation. We are new in Australia—only little more than ten years old; we started just as the country was rising out of the last war and the present great migration from Europe began. We are a part of the new day of promise—we have a mission to fulfill!

It was thrilling to see crowds of people in our churches, and among the seekers in one of our meetings were two fine young men who had arrived from Europe some few months before. They had found a new and friendly country, they found God at the altar with Nazarenes praying with them, and the Nazarenes are forming a warm spiritual atmosphere for them and all others who will follow.

NEWS in PICTURE



800-POUND NEON REVOLVING CROSS. The cross, sixteen feet high, is erected on top of a fifty-foot tower at the corner of Ironton's (Ohio) First Church. Sign men say this is the first revolving completely neonized cross. Rev. J. Donald Carrico is the pastor.

If I Would Be Like Jesus

By ALICE HANSCHE MORTENSON

"Oh, let me be like Jesus!" Thus frequently I pray, And rise up from the place of prayer To go upon my way, Forgetting what I said to God; Amid the strain and stress Of living, quite unmindful of His power, His holiness.

If I would really be like Him-I know He has the power To make me thus, but He must have My yieldedness each hour; I cannot say a hurried prayer And put Him on the shelf, To go my worried way alone, Depending on myself.

He must be with me constantly, Our hearts must interlace If I would do what He would do If He were in my place. "Oh, let me be like Jesus!" Thus often let me pray, But rise up from the place of prayer To go upon His way! The

ANNIVERSARY ISSUE of the "Herald of Holiness"



"We distributed 5,200 copies of the special anniversary issue of the Herald of Holiness in a little over two hours on Sunday afternoon. Another 300 will be going out this week in the mails to business and professional people in our community. I like the trend of using more pictures and less lengthy articles . . ."-Raymond W. Hurn, Pastor, First Church, Medford, Oregon.

"I want to congratulate you on the very fine Golden Anniversary issue of the Herald of Holiness. I think it is great and we are doing our best to place copies in the homes of our church location."—Paul W. Urschel, Pastor, Hemet, California.

LIFE with No Direction

Like the proverbial man who jumped onto his horse and rode off in all directions, our modern rocket-age life has a way of becoming more or less confusing. Life with no direction—no purpose, nothing to hope for, nothing to long for and strive for—can turn to ashes at our finger tips.

We now have power to speed in life, but to be of any value it must be controlled. Atomic power with no control will destroy us. Life without control and direction will destroy itself. In a hurry and with a big flurry we can rush through life in all directions, much to our disappointment. When we leave out the central, cohesive purpose of life, it has nothing to hold it together.

When God created man, He breathed into him the breath of life "and man became a living soul" (Genesis 2:7). He distinctively placed man into a category of life that made him different from an

By CLAUDE E. PITTENGER Pastor, Chanute, Kansas

animal. He is one capable of reason, intelligence, logic, and has the capacity for spiritual life because he is "a living soul." No dog, pig, or monkey has that capacity. A man who exists only for the pleasure this material and physical world offers soon finds that life becomes more of a dog life than human life. Man has a conscience, a memory, and the power to interpret the meaning of life.

The story is told of a man who had trouble with his memory. He was constantly embarrassed by his forgetfulness of many important engagements. Finally he went to see his doctor for treatment. After the first treatment he returned complaining that his eyes were giving him trouble. While his memory had improved, he just couldn't see where he was going. The puzzled doctor examined his patient and came up with this startling statement: "Sir, you have an unusual disease. I can treat you for your loss of memory but it will affect your eyes; or I can treat your eyes, but it will affect your memory. You will have to make a choice between the two." The patient thought for a moment and replied: "Doctor, you can treat my eyes. I would rather see where I'm going than remember where I've been!"

This is hardly the choice that man has. He is confronted with his past, present, and his future.



DANGEROUS FATHERS, PROBLEM MOTHERS AND TERRIBLE TEENS

By CARLYLE MARNEY (Abingdon, \$2.00)

When I read this book I said to myself, I wish this had been available when I was a young father. I would like to see it in the library of every young married couple and wish every engaged couple would read it. It should be read with frankness and honesty and a willingness to take it on the chin. This author speaks bluntly, forcefully, and describes carefully those diseases which infect the home and cause its decay.

Dads, to us he speaks straight from the shoulder. Mothers, he describes your weaknesses without fear or favor. And teen-agers, he pulls no punches.

The one reference to movies as being approved entertainment, I wish had been left out. It should never have been included in the book. But read the book with that in mind and I think you will be a better father, mother, or teen-ager for having done it.

-NORMAN R. OKE, Book Editor

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He must choose to live with himself if he is to live at all. He cannot divorce himself and be happy.

The directions for living life at its fullest-the purposes-the yearnings of the soul-are all fulfilled when the soul finds fellowship with God, his Creator, and Jesus Christ, his Saviour.

Educated or illiterate, rich or poor, great or small, all have no other way to answer the great questions of life: "Who am I?" "Why am I here?" and "Where am I going?"

Christ said: "I am the way, the truth, and the *life*: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" (John 14:6). Without Him we are like wandering babies that get lost in the woods of life with no sense of direction.

"For to me to live is Christ," Mr. Paul the Apostle told us. He was on the road that led toward the city of Damascus to fight those dumb, ignorant Christians one day. He discovered to his amazement he was blindly going the wrong direction. Educated, rich, and powerful, he found the



"Fourth of July Celebration—The Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene of Hutchinson, Kansas, most earnestly and cordially invites all Nazarenes and other holiness people of Kansas to come and join with them in observing July Fourth as a day of special prayer and solemn waiting upon God. A convocation of God's children for the day. Services of prayer and praise to begin at 9:30 a.m. to continue as God directs. Pray with and for us if you cannot come.—H. M. Chambers, Pastor." (Herald of Holiness, July 2, 1913.)

"The General Assembly—Thursday morning, the first day of the assembly proper, was given to prayer for the meeting, and waves of glory swept over the place as the saints pleaded with God for victory. In the afternoon Dr. Bresee The American people raise millions of dollars each year to fight cancer, T.B., and polio, but spend billions (\$9,050,-000,000 in '55) to help spread the virus that causes alcoholism.—Dr. Caradine R. Hooten, General Secretary, Board of Temperance, Methodist Church.

right road and the proper directions of life leading to Christ.

The prodigal son thought the road away from home and the decent things of life led to great happiness (Luke 15), but "he came to himself" and discovered the road he had taken led to a "pig" life. He found the proper directions of life in the road of confession and forgiveness.

Life with the directions of Christ brings happiness, peace, and joy. "In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths" (Proverbs 3:6).

conducted the love feast, assisted by Brothers Agnew and Brown of the Nazarene, and Brothers Riggs and Bearse of the Pentecostal churches. It was a time of wonderful manifestation of the power of God, as all hearts were melted with holy love. Owing to the train being five hours late the California delegation had not arrived, so the business session had to be postponed until Friday morning.— C. E. Cornell." (Beulah Christian, October 19, 1907.)

"Another new district—At the Alabama District Assembly, General Superintendent Reynolds organized what is known as the Mississippi District, with eight elders and eight licensed preachers. I. D. Farmer was elected district superintendent." (Herald of Holiness, December 17, 1913.)

"Brother Norberry reports the thermometer registering 44 degrees below zero, but salvation burning hot in northern New York. Fourteen probationers united with the Sciota church on the last night of his labors there." (Beulah Christian, February 15, 1908.)

"The First Church at Los Angeles will hold a mammoth revival meeting, March 19 to 29. Revs. Bud Robinson, Will Huff, and I. G. Martin are the workers." (*Beulah Christian*, March 21, 1908.)

Unity and Pentecost

Usually we talk about Pentecost and unity; and rightly so. Pentecost does bring unity. Jesus prayed, "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth." Then He said, "That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee." The sanctifying baptism with the Holy Ghost brings oneness to God's people. After all, unity is a spirit. It is not something external; it is something within. There is nothing which so furthers this spirit of unity as the baptism with the Holy Ghost unto sanctification. Thus we are not on the wrong track when we speak of Pentecost and unity, or of the latter as growing out of the former. The cleansing Spirit destroys inbred sin in the unsaved and opens the door to the highest type of unity within reach of man on this earth.

But with all of this emphasis on Pentecost and unity, we should not forget Acts 2:1-4, which begins with these words: "And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place." Pentecost came after there was oneness of accord and place. Pentecost not only lays the foundation for unity; unity prepares the way for Pentecost. It is not only correct to speak of Pentecost and unity; it is also permissible to talk about unity and Pentecost.

When I refer to unity in this latter sense I am not thinking so much of the one place, whether in the Temple, the Upper Room, or somewhere else. Mere geographical unity doesn't help to bring Pentecost. There may be a thousand of us in one place and yet in spirit we might be many miles apart from each other. Spatial nearness does not necessarily signify nearness in heart. By this I do not mean to discount physical nearness to each other; it is good to assemble in one place. That does have value, but far more important than that is the unity of spirit that may be active even among those who are not in the same place. We can be of one mind without being together geographically; therefore I am thinking especially now of unity of spirit as a means of bringing about a Pentecost. Oneness of accord in objective, or purpose, more than any other human factor made possible the baptism with the Holy Ghost on the Day of Pentecost.

Adam Clarke says that the Greek word here translated "with one accord" is very expressive; "It signifies that all their *minds*, affections, desires, and wishes, were concentred in one object, every man having the same end in view; and, having but one desire, they had but one prayer to God, and every heart uttered it. There was no person *uninterested*-none *unconcerned*-none *lukewarm*; all were in *earnest*; and the Spirit of God came down to meet their *united* faith and prayer. When any

assembly of God's people meet in the same spirit they may expect every blessing they need."

The Church of the Nazarene needs an oldfashioned Pentecost, and I am sure that God is ready to give it to us. But all of us need to remember that there will have to be a mighty, unified spirit of prayer, a oneness of accord, heart, or mind, toward one objective before that Pentecost will ever come. This spirit of unity will not be helped by me if I am busy pointing out the shortcomings of my brother or my church. We must really be of one accord in our praying if we would have a Pentecost.

Unity and Pentecost! "And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a



sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance" (Acts 2:1-4). A true Pentecost in a holiness church will mean a fresh anointing for those who already have had their Pentecost, and a baptism of the Spirit in His fullness for many of those who are saved but have not yet received their Pentecost.

The Nelson-Atkins Art Gallery

One of the most attractive places in Kansas City is the Nelson-Atkins Art Gallery. The building itself is spacious and stately. This is as it should be, for it houses many famous and valuable productions which catch the eye and interest the mind. It would not be proper to have such an art collection in a building that was not a place of symmetry and beauty. It would be anything but good taste to house what they have in the Nelson-Atkins Art Gallery in a barn. Of course, if this had to be done because of some emergency, it might be tolerated temporarily; but no one who has any appreciation for what is found in the Nelson-Atkins Art Gallery would feel that a barn could furnish a place of permanent residence for the same.

My whole point is that what you find in this art gallery demands an environment which is fitting. This is not only true of the massive structure but also of the grounds. They are large enough to allow for plenty of beautiful lawn and trees. More than that, the grounds are kept in perfect condition throughout the year, as well as the building within and without. In the Nelson-Atkins Art Gallery we have a center of culture and refinement, and its immediate surroundings provide a suitable atmosphere.

All of this is said in order to point out the fact that the experience of holiness is beautiful, and it should be housed in a mind and body, a home, which is in accord with the attractiveness of the holiness of the life within. Education is the true companion of holiness, and not ignorance. Time and time again when both young and old people have been brought into the Kingdom and then sanctified wholly, there has come to them an intensified craving for knowledge. Intelligence befits holiness



far better than the lack of it does. That's one reason why the holiness movement has been characterized from the beginning by the organization of educational institutions.

Please do not think for a moment that any snobbishness is intended here. It is not my purpose to make a god of education. The most ignorant can be sanctified wholly, but there's something about that blessing which will make them dissatisfied with remaining in that condition. They'll want to know more because in knowing more they can give better expression to that which God has done for them. Likewise they'll want their bodies to be clean, and also their clothes. Uncleanness in body or in clothes does not harmonize with holiness of heart. Those who get the blessing of entire sanctification clean up, not only from the standpoint of bad habits, but also from the standpoint of dirty clothes and dirty bodies. One should follow the other as naturally as the day follows the night.

The same is true as to the homes in which the sanctified live. Unkept homes do not go well with the experience of holiness. Flowers, beautiful yards, cleanliness within the home, all go well with the experience of entire sanctification. The second blessing means wholeness; not only wholeness of spirit but also of mind, body, clothes, and home. Only cleanliness without can furnish the proper environment for cleanliness within. The beauty of holiness demands a fitting atmosphere. God is not only the God of holiness; He is the God of symmetry and beauty-cleanliness, intelligence, refinement, and culture. If we are holy as He is holy, we will seek to follow His footsteps in these respects. Dr. V. H. Lewis and the other members of the Department of Evangelism have helped plan and provide articles for this issue on Pentecost. I thank these men for their assistance. They are among the best leaders in our church and are doing much to forward the spirit of revival in our midst. God bless the members of the Department of Evangelism and move upon all of us to join with them in providing a church-wide Pentecost.—Editor.

What has been said does not necessarily mean that those who reach or approach the ideal set forth above have to be wealthy or on a salary level higher than the average. Neither is it intended to imply unusual intellectual and cultural gifts and opportunities. Further, some of the many homes the writer has been in through the years have been very limited in money. Because of this, the dress of their occupants and their home furnishings were very simple. Nevertheless, they were clean and manifested good taste. Also they did not have an abundance and variety of food, but it was well prepared and wholesome, and attractively served.

Finally, holiness cannot develop as it should except in an atmosphere which shows an appreciation for all of the true values of life.

The Mortality Rate Still Stands at One Hundred Per Cent!

U.S. News and World Report for March 28 has on the front cover in the upper right-hand corner, "CURES," with a question mark after it. Underneath are these words: "Latest report on-cancer, heart trouble, blood pressure, arthritis, diabetes, tuberculosis." Then on page 54 it tells of the progress which has recently been made in treating these diseases. The word "Cures" is still written with a question mark, and yet advancement that is all but breath-taking has been achieved with reference to these death-dealing diseases. More than that, there is promise that something very unusual is just around the corner in these fields. It is surely heartening to read about what is being done by medical science today. There is hardly a day, and not a week, that passes without some new discovery being publicized. Money is being provided and experts are combining their efforts against many diseases, and they are being rewarded with more and more success.

But in spite of all that is being done in combating disease, we must admit that "the mortality rate still stands at one hundred per cent." People are still dying, in spite of all the breakthroughs which we are having in medical science. Also, not one single expert in this field has had the audacity even to suggest that it would not be long until we could prevent death. No, that is something of which we haven't even begun to dream. Our imagination reaches out through space to the moon and to Mars. There seems to be no limit to what men are ready to prophesy as to space travel, but such is not the case when it comes to death. This is a realm which they do not yet feel we have the least chance of conquering. It is still beyond our fondest hopes.

This means that sooner or later some disease will bring every human life to an end, in spite of all the progress which is being made. The writer of Hebrews rightly says, "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" (Hebrews 9:27). This is true for the writer of these words, and it will be true of all who may read them, unless Jesus should come in the near future.

As a church, we are celebrating our fiftieth anniversary this year; and it is wonderful to have a part in this jubilee. But the most of us will not be present for our one hundredth anniversary. But someone may say, "Why be a crepe hanger?" That is not my purpose. However, all of us should be willing to face the facts, for, after all, they are inescapable-"And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." What is the conclusion, then? Simply this. We should prepare at once for death and the judgment. We should prepare to meet God. We should prepare for the future. Wesley was not far wrong when he said that the chief purpose of this life is to get ready for the life to come. Of course, there are some who declare this is "other-worldliness." But after all, the Bible is quite an "other-worldly" Book, as well as a "this-worldly" Book. And, I might add, if we get ready to live here, we'll be ready to live there, and vice versa!



SCRIPTURE: N u m b c r s 13:17–14:45 (Printed: Numbers 13:30-33; 14:1-3, 19-24)

GOLDEN TEXT: To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness (Hebrews 3:7-8).

We know the story well. Moses had sent a spy from each tribe of Israel into Canaan to look over the land and report back. When the spies returned, the people were to decide whether they should possess the land immediately or wait until another time.

From their search of the land there was evident proof of its fruitfulness and desirability, a marked contrast to the heat of the wilderness sands. The report which came back, however, was most disturbing, for the majority were of fearful hearts. Just one look at the giants and they said, "We be not able to go up against the people; for they are stronger than we." Significantly, Caleb said, "Let us go up at once." Here was a man with another spirit, one who wholly followed the Lord. Now we see that God's people are tested at this point: between the doubts that defeat and the faith that achieves. Here is where the issues of your spiritual life must be settled, on the side of complete reliance upon God and His ability. 1. Facts alone are never the determining cause. Any doubter can recite facts to prove our inability; but it is the man of faith who says, "I can do all things through Christ." The secret is with the one who possesses "another spirit" and who wholly follows the Lord.

2. God's people will ever be tested at this point, their willingness to follow God's direction. It's always easy to hear the voice of the majority and to lose our identity with the crowd. But remember, you are a chosen one to rise above the level of mediocrity to the plateau of achieving faith.

3. This lesson also gives a warning.

**Western Ohio

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**Indianapolis Eastern Michigan

Michigan

**Illinois

Los Angeles

**Southwest Indiana

Akron

Northern California

**Southern California

**Northeastern Indiana

It is a short step from doubt to self-pity, and then to bitter complaining. The unbelieving Israelites listened to the evil report, wept in the night for the "good old days," and then let loose with criticism against their leaders, Moses and Aaron. With this God was most displeased.

⁴ 4. God always makes the difference. Rarely are God's people released from formidable circumstances. Yet if we trustingly obey and follow Him, we shall be led to the land that flows with milk and honey.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

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	March 1957	March 1958	Attendance Increase	Net Gain in Enrollment
**Oregon Pacific	8,028	8,576	548	1,572
(Kansas City)	* 5,081	5,325	244	
(Joplin)	* 4,273	4,397	124	433
**Pittsburgh	* 8,602	9,146	544	746
Tennessee	8,891	8,449	_442	
**Kansas	8,158	8,012	-146	1,373
Northwest	7,217	7,750	533	1,103
**New England	7,793	7,478	-315	702
Missouri	7,641			
**Iowa	6,746	6.844	98	1,009
Florida	8,366	9,130	764	
**Alabama	7,170	7.504	334	1,942
Chicago Central	6,212	6,650	438	778
Colorado	6,527	6,667	140	
Idaho-Oregon	5,988	6,411	423	
**Abilene	5,217	6.042	825	600
Northwest Indiana	6,256	6.046	_210	
**Southwest Oklahoma	6.054	5,981	-73	575
Eastern Kentucky	5,048	5,472	424	573
**Kentucky	6,020	5,869	-151	807
Northwest Oklahoma	5,673	5,498	-175	461
**Georgia	5,951	5,674	-277	812
Northwestern Illinois	5,641	6,086	445	
** Washington Pacific	* 8,605	6,830	-1.775	1,153
East Tennessee	5,946	5,415	-531	
**South Carolina	5,042	5,214	172	1,384
Dallas	5,043	4,769	-274	439
**Houston	3,780	3.615	-165	608
Canada West	4,879	4,801	_78	576
**Arizona	3,903	4,691	788	917
Albany	3,397	3,341	-56	250
**Northeast Oklahoma	4,227	4,186	_41	559
Louisiana	3,350	3,386	36	201
**South Arkansas	4,118	4,114	_4	1,169
San Antonio	3,672	3,765	93	554
**North Arkansas	3,605	3,730	125	5
North Carolina	3,892			
**New Mexico	3,186	3,653	467	822
Southeast Oklahoma	3,695	3,870	175	456
**Virginia	3,554	3,417	-137	353
Nebraska	2,801	2,516	-285	
**Mississippi	2,828	2,861	33	333
Rocky Mountain	2,522	2,590	68	263
**New York	* 2,148	2,521	373	586
Canada Central	1,912	2,324	412	543
**Wisconsin	2,434	2,532	98	380
Minnesota	2,331	2,492	161	364
**Canada Pacific	1,257	1,505	248	207
North Dakota	1,763	1,679	-84	59
**Nevada-Utah	962	948	_14	95
Maritime	967	909	_58	70
**Alaska	786	890	104	101
Australia	* 767	853	86	
**South Dakota	801	687	114	57
Hawaii	* 668			
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Thought "
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"Surprised by Joy"

Monday:

Basic ponderings: gatherings being held on some college campuses for religious inquiry—I could wish they might employ C. S. Lewis' (and Wordsworth's) phrase: "Surprised by joy." A quicker route to understanding is the direct approach. A boy in his teens who had come to a prayer altar to meet God rose with tear-filled eyes and shining face: "I didn't know it would be like this!" It is the story of the entire Christian pilgrimage: "Surprised by joy." (Acts 3:7-8; Psalms 116:1; 16:11.)

Tuesday:

Basic assurances rather—as truth comes alive in your own experience. The sincere prayer, the upreach of desire and faith, then the "surprise of joy."

He lifted me from sinking sand-feet freed from the quicksands of doubt, discouragement, reasoning in circles.

My chains fell off, my heart was free;

I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

(Psalms 40:2-3; Acts 12:7-9.)

Wednesday: They had tried to tell you, but it scemed unreal, impossible. Now that sense of belonging, of "never-aloneness."

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound! . . .

I once was lost, but now am found; . . .

The Lord has promised good to me; His word my hope secures.

He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.

(Matthew 28:20b; Hebrews 13:5c)

Thursday:

Then you recognized the twist in your will that kept pulling you back when the Christ you loved said, "Follow me," and the stain of self-love that marred your best efforts for Him; but there came the thrill of the message, "Called unto holiness."

The deep rest of the cleansed heart: I know the Blood still reaches

Deeper than the stain has gone. And the wonder of the Holy Spirit's taking over:

Oh, boundless love divine! How shall this tongue of mine

To wondering mortals tell the matchless grace divine? . . . The Comforter has come!

e saiah 35:8; I Thessalonians 4:7; John CO17: Acts 16:8-9.)

we lay:

reas the days and weeks and months Tent by, with their varied demands and ver-new experiences, you found to your deep satisfaction the steadying sense of adequacy that could be expressed only in songs of praise:

- In every condition, in sickness and health.
- In poverty's vale or abounding in wealth;
- At home and abroad, on the land, on the sea,
- As thy days may demand shall thy strength ever be.

He safely leads my soul along; His loving-kindness, oh, how strong!

(Isaiah 58:11; Philippians 4:13; Isaiah 63:7; Psalms 63:3.)

Saturday:

Then there was the joy of service. Life came to have meaning you had never dreamed of, as you learned to share Christ's interests:

- Jesus, I my cross have taken, All to leave and follow Thee; . .
- Yet how rich is my condition-God and heav'n are still my own!
- His yoke is easy; His burden is light.

I've found it so, I've found it so.

- (Matthew 11:29-30; John 15:11; 17:13.) Sundau:
 - So the surprises of joy pyramided: I know not why God's wondrous grace

To me He hath made known; ...

I triumph still if Thou abide with me.

Triumph in joyous achievement for Him and with Him, each victory a fresh surprise of joy.

(Isaiah 35:10; II Timothy 1:12cd; Jude 24-25.)





United Clothing Appeal Launched

A dramatic plan to provide fifty million pounds of good used clothing in the next four years to aid in relieving the suffering of the world's cold and neglected population has recently been announced by Dr. R. Norris Wilson, executive director of Church World Service. Organized to appeal to the people of all Protestant denominations, the United Clothing Appeal has set for its 1958 goal ten million pounds.

Student Exchange Plan With Russians

Arrangements are now being made for an exchange of college students between Russia and the United States. This is the first such exchange since the 1930's. Under the new plan about forty United States students will make a tour of educational, religious, historical, cultural, and industrial centers this summer while about twenty Russian students will visit similar centers in the United States.

An Act of Moral Couraae

Kentucky Wesleyan College at Owensboro recently demonstrated evidence of its moral convictions by returning a \$1,000 check to the Keeneland Foundation, which is financed in part from profits from horse racing. The college

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also turned down its \$333 share of a \$2,500 gift from the Falls City Brewing Company to the Kentucky Independent College Association. The college trustees have taken action to reject any gift from gambling or liquor interests.

Canadians Join Fiaht Against Indecent Literature

Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish leaders in Montreal, Quebec, have joined forces to combat immoral and obscene literature which is flooding the city's newsstands. They have issued a united call for their constituents to join prayers and effort to combat this evil.

Three-fourths of Protestant Clerav Affirm Orthodox Faith

Seventy-four per cent of the Protestant ministers of America are conservative or fundamental in their beliefs according to a poll recently conducted for a national, interdenominational, religious news magazine. The survey was based upon ten questions including such items as belief in God as Creator, the bodily resurrection of Christ, verbal inspiration of the Bible, the Virgin Birth, and the Second Coming. Given opportunity to classify themselves in one of four categories, 39 per cent of the ministers call themselves conservative, 35 per cent fundamentalists, 14 per cent liberal, and 12 per cent neo-orthodox.



V. II. LEWIS, Secretary

Are We What We Can Be? By HAROLD GLAZE Pastor, East St. Louis First

The world about us is, day after day. tumbling into eternity. Will the Church of God with an eternal message in its keeping be satisfied to suffer going through the motions of religion void of any sense of urgency or passion for the lost? Will we paralyze our potential by a minimum outlay and die for the lack of daring? A famous actor declared, "You Christians state the truth as though it were fiction; we actors pronounce fiction as though it were truth." Perhaps the following questions will help us measure the program we have and indicate the program we ought to have.

1. Are we extensive enough to reach more? We must have plans and more plans, but to be effective they must include every last person in our vicinity that is unchurched or unsaved. The great sin of the church is to plan for less than every lost person about us. Whether we recognize it or not, they are our responsibility. The churches that made plans extensive enough to include everyone have been the most successful in reaching those precious souls. To perform its duty, the church cannot be of little vision, narrow interests, or lacking in soul passion and sense of responsibility.

2. Are we intensive enough to enlist more? To become larger, we must move to a larger pattern. Much is being said of the unemployment in our nation but a greater tragedy is the unemployment in our churches. Our members must be challenged until they all become workers. A growing church grows from the inside out. If we have enough workers, then our pattern of work must be enlarged. Do we possess that special passion that moved early Christianity to epidemic intensity? God does not accept the lukewarm, only the intensely heated.

3. Are we militant enough to challenge more? There is no way around it, our forces must be marshaled and directed to reach a common objective. Our supreme objective is to win men, women, boys, and girls to Christ and the church. Where there is little organization, there is little participation. If an army takes its objective, every man receives and fulfills his assignment. One may have to lie across barbed wire, while others use his back for a bridge. If not I, who is going to carry the fight to the enemy? We are under marching orders of the King; we must accept His will and do it. To have an almost military discipline is necessary for suc-"Barnabas and Paul, men that cess. have hazarded their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Acts 15:26). We must have a positive leadership that has the confidence of the people, and a loyal people willing to follow on to "Blood-bought" victory. We must impart to our churches a greater sense of loyalty and devotion. This will help generate in our "army" the morale that puts us on the victory side.

4. Are we spiritual enough to bless more? There is power in organization, co-operation, and sincere effort, but it is cold power unless set in motion by the Holy Spirit. Only a spiritual program will produce spiritual blessings. We must not let secondary things become the focal point of our business. We must have a grip on the person and work of Jesus Christ as a historical fact and present-day experience. It cannot be some of self and some of Christ, or even a little of self and a lot of Christ; it must be none of self and all of Christ. Only as we become spiritual enough to warm hearts, bless lives, and save souls will we be what we can be.

Remembered

Bu WILMA STOCKTON POTTER

I love to see a rainbow clear Go arching to the sky; Its message seems to say to me, "Your Father's standing by."

Tho' we may worry o'er the storm, Forget the rainbow's worth, Yet God in heaven, seeing all, Remembers us on earth.

(Genesis 9:12-16)



What is your interpretation of James 4:17?

which means that knowledge without action is sinful. If I know that I should do a thing and deliberately refuse to do it, I thereby become a sinner. Such a truth should cause us all to realize that living is serious business, and we must be as careful not to ignore that which we know we should do as we are to avoid that which we know that we should not do. In other words, we should not take the maxim that James gives us here lightly. On the other hand, we should not permit those who

This is a general principle, or maxim, are determined to prove that all Christians sin willfully every day to hound us with the fact that we failed to do this or that. They falsely claim that you as a Christian sinned today because they can mention certain good deeds which you did not do, as if a person could do all possible good deeds each day. They think they are expert logicians when they try to defend their right to sin every day in thought, word, and deed by attempting to prove that you do that.

If the carnal nature is the cause of man's sinning, and this nature is eradicated when one is baptized with the Holy Spirit, how is it possible for this carnal nature which is the result of the fall of man, after being eradicated by the Holy Ghost, to once again take over man's nature? Is it possible for a man to be infected with this nature a second time, and can we blame this nature on Adam?

There are really two questions involved in what is asked above. Often it comes to us in this form: "How can the carnal mind ever come back into the heart once it has been destroyed?" The persons who ask this question usually think of the carnal mind as a material thing or a psychical entity. This being the case, how can it come into existence once it has ceased to exist? They forget, however, that the carnal mind is not a material thing or psychical entity. It is not a reality in and of its own right. It is only a state, or condition, of the psychical, or inner, man. And just as a psychical complex or physical disease can come back, so the sin nature can again infect the person. I do not have fever now, but I have had it many times in my life. Also, I may have fever again if I in some way break the laws of health. Likewise, a person may be free from a mental defect and then by breaking the laws of mental health bring it back. A still more simple illustration of the same truth has been put in this way: A wire may have a kink in it and then have the kink taken out of it. But this does not at all mean that no other kink can ever come or be put into that wire. It may become kinked again, but, thank God,

it can again have the kink taken out of it.

The second question involved in what you ask above is as follows: How can the Adamic nature come back once a person has been freed from it? It might be admitted, you say, that a sinful condition could return when the sanctified sin and backslide, but how could this state have any connection with Adam and his sin? Isn't the moral pollution which comes upon the nature of the sanctified-wholly person when he sins and falls just something which results from his own sin and cannot in any way be connected with Adam's sin? This, in a way, is a more difficult question to answer than the question which I have already dealt with. Nevertheless, I satisfy my own mind by thinking of it in this way: I am a part of the human family, and because of that I came under the law of sin which resulted from Adam's fall. When, as an entirely sanctified person, I fall again, I come once more under this law of sin which came upon the race because of Adam's sin. I am a human being as well as an individual person. I cannot escape either of these facts. This view is substantiated by the realism of Plato's philosophy.

Please explain the difference between joining the church and getting saved. I have heard quite a few people say that you must be spiritually saved before you can get to heaven.

John the Baptist and Jesus did not say anything about people joining the church. They said. "Repent," or, "Repent and be baptized," "Follow me," or, "Ye must be born again." Paul did not teach that joining the church would open the way to heaven. His teaching was that the sinner must be justified by faith; he must be forgiven and become a new creature in Christ Jesus. The whole thought of the New Testament is that all men have sinned and come short of the glory of God. Their only hope is not church membership, but forgiveness for their sins and a spiritual renewal within. This, and this only, prepares us for heaven. Nevertheless the Church is the greatest organized means of grace; and if we would keep saved and do the most for God, we should by all means unite with others in some church.



From the Navy:

"I'm a Nazarene service boy serving in the U.S. Navy. I thought I would write a few lines telling you how much I enjoy receiving all our church literature. From these papers I have read many articles which have been a blessing as well as an encouragement to me.

"Though many times tempted, it has been the grace of the Almighty God and the wonderful knowledge of the faithful people of God holding me up before the throne in prayer that has made it easy for me to choose the right. How some can turn their backs on such a wonderful Lord and the fellowship of God's people, I will never understand."-Tom Scorr.

A Chaplain Reports:

"Our work in this command has reached its first anniversary. It is amazing. 'What hath God wrought!' Our first Sunday in Key West we had 26 in our hospital chapel and 30 in our Sunday school. Last Sunday we had 274 in our chapel and 153 in our Sunday school. The work load is extremely heavy but God has enabled us to see some 'hand-picked fruit.' We are not at all expressing the feeling of having 'arrived' but humbly admit there is still much land to conquer and many Protestant pagans in this area are untouched by the power of Christ."-LEROY A. BEV-AN, CHC, USN.

Thanks from a Discharged Serviceman

"My return to the United States and release from the military service will be coming up soon. I would like to thank you for sending all the publications and letters that have come from your offices during my military career.

"I would also like to thank you for the many prayers of the church that have been rendered in the behalf of her servicemen."-BILL COLLINS.

From Germany

"God has certainly blessed my ministry during this last quarter. During January and February, I was concluding my tour at Fort Story, Virginia. During my stay I enjoyed a wonderful relationship with our Norfolk churches. Rev. Mcrwyn Gray, pastor of First Church, and his people went far beyond what we could ever have expected to make my family and me feel at home. Before we departed the church gave us a going-away party. I have located two Nazarene men here in Aschaffenburg, Germany, where I am now stationed. This promises to be a very fruitful tour." —CHAPLAIN WILLIAM A. MARTIN.

AZARENE SERVICEMEN'S COMMISSION Ponder W Gilliland DIRECTOR



New Address

Correspondence going to Rev. Don DcPasquale in Syria should now be addressed: Rev. Don DePasquale, Church of the Nazarene, P.O. Box 2302, Damascus, Syria, United Arab Republic.

British Honduras Assembly

Dr. D. I. Vanderpool brought the evangelistic messages and presided at the meetings of the twelfth annual District Assembly in British Honduras.

Every morning at five-thirty the prayers of the people could be heard, pleading for an outpouring of Cod's Spirit upon British Honduras.

One hight point of the assembly was the evening service of March 26, when five British Honduran pastors and their **REMISS REHFELDT**, Secretary

wives knelt at the altar as the men were ordained.

The next morning at six o'clock the church was full for the communion service. The newly ordained elders helped for the first time to serve the Lord's Supper. At nine o'clock all gathered at the riverside for the baptismal service. The presence of the Lord was felt as testimonies went up from the hearts of those who were baptized.

At three o'clock that afternoon people of the church and community, businessmen of the town, the district commissioner, a member of the Education Department of British Honduras, and students gathered for the dedication of the new dormitory of the Fitkin Memorial Bible College. That evening at seven-thirty, Dr. Vanderpool gave an inspiring address at the Bible school graduation, and four students received their certificates as graduates of the school.—LEONARD YORK, Reporter.

Prayer Request—Argentina

Upon our return from council meeting we found that Eleanor, our oldest daughter, had had scarlatina, and was continuing to lose weight after recovering from the disease. The doctor found that she has a bad case of diabetes, and will have to follow a diet and take insulin the rest of her life if God doesn't undertake.

We are praying that He will heal her if it is His will, and if not, that He will give us the grace and strength to carry on as He leads. Needless to say, our hearts are crushed, but we were never more determined to serve Him and the church than we are today.

Last year at this time Helen, the youngest, had polio and we urgently requested prayer for her. She walks now with scarcely any limp. God has surely done wonders for her. We believe He can do as much for Eleanor. The load seems pretty heavy sometimes, and we are not complaining, for God knows all the whys, but we would appreciate your prayers.—LESTER JOHNSTON, Argentina.

Timmy Stockwell Still Needs Prayer

We very much appreciated your requesting prayer in the *Herald* for our Timmy. You may be wondering how he is now. The two boys and I were up in the Johannesburg-Pretoria area for about ten weeks—a higher altitude than where we live. Timmy was very well while there, except for the discomfort that went with having his tonsils out.

However, we were home only one night when he began with a bad attack of asthma again, and for about ten days was very sick. He was well for a week then, but now has started up again.

He still needs your prayers, for the little fellow has had a rough time. We are praying that the Lord will make clear His will concerning the future, for it is clear that unless the Lord undertakes for him, we'll have to take him out of Gaza, as much as it would break our hearts to leave here.—MAR

JORIE STOCKWELL, Portuguese East Africa.

New Arrival

Anita Dalene Sievers arrived April 11, 1958, to bless the home of Rev. and Mrs. Dale Sievers, our missionaries to Nicaragua.

On Furlough

Miss Mary Harper, missionary to India, sailed from Bombay on April 8, for a year's furlough. Her home address is: c/o Rev. George Harper, Meade, Kansas.

Miss Harper's father has suffered failing health since January. Remember him in your prayers.

A Good Year

We have had a very wonderful year in the school. God's blessing has been upon us in a very special way; even class periods have turned into special sessions of prayer. Nine fine young people will be graduating in May and all will be returning to their own home districts.—WILLIAM VAUGHTERS, Spanish Bible Institute.

Missionary Available

Mr. Oliver Karker, missionary from Africa, is available in the northeast area for missionary services May 15–June 30.

NAZARENE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The Sheppard Lectures this year were given by General Superintendent G. B. Williamson, who gave four searching messages from Paul's second letter to Timothy. Seminary students and faculty rejoice together in the high vision set forth for the ministry of the gospel of full salvation in this day. None who heard these expositions of scriptures with their timely and vital application to present conditions could fail to profit by them.

Any pastor, zone, or district desiring his services in this area may contact him in care of Mr. Roy Shoff, R.R. 4, Salem, Ohio.

Since this is the busy time of the year for district superintendents and they are not always able to arrange for district tours, we are making Brother Karker's services available to individual pastors at this time. Contact him early to be sure of getting him.



Howell, Michigan-Sunday, March 23. was a red-letter day in the history of this church. The complete indebtedness on the present church and new parsonage was canceled by a cash offering of over \$1,800. Later, in the morning service, the congregation voted unanimously-134 votes-to begin immediate work on a new two-story church building; seating capacity will be around 450. Rev. George R. Schriber has completed the plans. The present church will be used for Sunday school facilities. The attendance was 331 in Sunday school with many seekers at the altar to give us an outstanding day.-W. ("BILL") E. VARIAN, Pastor.

Charleston, West Virginia-The Loudendale Church recently witnessed an unusual outpouring of the Holy Spirit in a revival with Evangelist Lillian Wilson. Our young people sponsored the meeting and carried a real burden for souls. Sister Wilson preached the rugged truth and was blessed of God. Careless church members repented in the old-time way, and others were converted. We thank God for our church, our pastor, Rev. George Sherry, and our young people and their president. Our prayer meeting attendance is good. our Sunday school is in the top ten of the district, and our people have a mind to pray and work .- MRS. FLORENCE PAT-RICK, Secretary.

The North Texarkana (Texas) Church recently enjoyed a wonderful revival with Evangelist H. F. Crews and wife. They are wonderful workers; he is a good preacher and they have a splendid musical program. A fine number of people were saved and sanctified, and ten new members were added to the church in the closing service, most of these on profession of faith; five of these were heads of homes. We had the best crowds the church has had in any revival. On the last Sunday morning we had thirty-six visitors or new people in the service, and we enrolled several of these in our Sunday school. We thank God for allowing Brother and Sister Crews to come our way.-GLENN W. BOUNDS, Pastor.

Albuquerque, New Mcxico-First Church has purchased an entire city block, 270 feet wide and 600 feet long, strategically situated as a site for future relocation and the building of a new church plant. Other significant developments since the first of January have been the purchase of a \$19,500 parsonage, and the recent engaging of Mr. Clinton Mayhew (currently of Walla Walla, Washington) as minister of music and pastoral assistant. We appreciate the unity and foresight of our laity. God has been wonderfully good to us during this historic Golden Anniversary year.-LAWRENCE T. HOLMAN, Pastor. Evangelist L. B. Mathews and wife write that they have an open date in June and also one in July. Any pastor or church desiring their services as preacher and singer, write them, 514 West 15th Street, Columbia, Tennessee.

Evangelist Ralph C. Gray and wife port: "These are good days for us in report: the field. Our slate for '57 took us from southern Florida to southern California in twenty-three good revivals. In recent weeks we have witnessed some of the best revivals of our entire ministry. At Stafford, Kansas, there was a great outpouring of the Spirit with real digging down and praying through; twenty-six seekers at the altar. This good spirit was repeated at Artesia, New Mexico, with thirty souls praying through; and at Flagstaff, Arizona, in a weck-end convention, God gave twelve seekers and a big Sunday school rally. Then to Cali-fornia, where at Costa Mesa more than thirty-five prayed through in the oldfashioned way, with eighteen at the altar on the closing Sunday night; and at Placerville with Pastor Bob Gray there were forty seekers, some in the day services. At this writing we are with Pastor John Randolph at Monahans, Texas, and God has blessed with seekers at each altar call. We praise God for His rich blessings and divine leadership. We love the Lord, the church, and lost souls." Lovington, New Mexico



The church building pictured here was dedicated last June, with Dr. D. I. Vanderpool officiating. The building is 43 x 93 feet, well located, with an education annex, 48 x 48 feet, attached. The annex was erected during the pastorates of Rev. Milton Harrington and Rev. C. D. Faulkner. Since we came three years ago, the old frame-and-stucco church building has been sold and moved, and the new sanctuary erected. God has a loyal, sacrificing people here. During the last assembly year, the membership of 77 gave more than \$20,000 for all purposes; one-half of this went toward the building program. The building is completely furnished with

Joplin District Preachers' Meeting

The newly organized Joplin District (organized last September from the old Kansas City District) held its first preachers' meeting, March 17 to 19, in Pittsburg, Kansas, under the capable leadership of Rev. Dean Baldwin, district superintendent.

Dr. Hardy C. Powers was the featured speaker. His messages encouraged the pastors and their wives in the work of building the kingdom of God in this fiftieth anniversary year.

Other men who spoke to the convention were Rev. Curtis Smith, for Bethany Nazarene College; Rev. Dean Wessels, for the Ministers Benevolent Fund; and Mr. Elvin Hicks, representing the Nazarene Publishing House.

Among the many visitors were Dr. and Mrs. Remiss Rehfeldt, foreign missions secretary and wife; Rev. and Mrs. John Anderson, missionaries from India; and Dr. I. C. Mathis, superintendent of the Northeast Oklahoma District.

Papers on the pastor's preparation for his work were presented by district pastors-Keith C. Taylor. Ross Hayslip. Loy Watson, Adam Hoffpauir, and J. J Steele.

This new district is making good progress and is united and back of Superintendent Balwin.—PAUL M. Sobowsky, Reporter.

solid oak pews and pulpit to match, seating comfortably 300 people. The sanctuary construction, with furniture, has been provided at an economical cost of \$33,000. A conservative valuation has been placed on the entire property now at \$65,000 by local bankers. We are thankful for good revivals during our three years here by Evangelists B. H. Wooton, F. M. Culbertson, Orville Kleven, Bob Womack, J. E. Williams, and A. L. Cargill; also District Superintendent Gunstream. I have now resigned as pastor and am conducting revival meetings and holiness conventions; write me c/o Nazarene Campgrounds, Capitan, New Mexico.-BERNARD W. CULBERTSON.

Pastor John E. Compton reports from Florence, Alabama: "About twenty months ago we accepted the call to pastor the newly organized Northside Church here. We started with eighteen charter members, in a remodeled dwelling house on a large lot; with a debt of \$13,000 for property and equipment. At present our debt is \$4,800, and we have several hundred dollars on hand in the building fund. The church board has authorized the beginning of the first unit of a three-unit building program which, when finally completed, will total about \$200,000. Present construction includes a future vouth auditorium, to be used now as a sanctuary. The present building will be used for Sunday school purposes until the second unit is constructed. We have ample room for all of this construction, plus parking space. We are well located, in a growing section of a growing city. In March we broke all previous attendance records in the pastor versus Sunday school superintendent contest, with thirty-three new people present. We have a most loyal and enthusiastic group of Nazarenes-they love God, the church, and their pastor."

Fort Worth, Texas—Charter members of the Arlington Heights Church are agreed that the revival meeting in February with Evangelist W. E. Boggs was the best in the six years of the church's history. Thirty-two people sought the Lord, and nineteen have been added to the church membership; nine of the new members were men, and thirteen came by profession of faith. Brother Boggs preached with the anointing of the Spirit and God blessed and used him. Other contributing factors to the revival were a strong, continuous visitation program and a prayer revival in January. Since coming here a little more than three years ago we have had the privilege of receiving ninety-four members into the church, for a net increase of forty-seven; the total membership at present is seventy-five. We thank God for our devoted laymen; they are aggressive, united, and very considerate of their pastor.--CHARLES B. DICKERMAN, Pastor.

Gulf Central District Assembly

More than forty-five delegates and visitors from an area covered by twentytwo districts met at the Providence Church in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. March 1 and 2, for the Gulf Central District Assembly.

This work had a very humble beginning five years ago under the leadership of Rev. Leon Chambers, district superintendent. With 3 preachers, and God, the task of evangelizing 13 states with more than 10,000,000 Negroes was begun in earnest. Today we have 5 elders, 6 licensed ministers, and 15 organized churches.

We thank God for a man like Leon Chambers and a general superintendent such as Dr. D. I. Vanderpool. Each year new churches are organized; this assembly year two churches were added. Rev. Leon Chambers resigned as district superintendent to accept a position on the faculty of Trevecca Nazarene College. Dr. Vanderpool appointed Warren A. Rogers, a man of our race, as our new district superintendent. He will be able to give personal attention to each local church. Warren A. Rogers is known throughout the whole church for his Christlike spirit and godly concern for people.

¹ Dr. Roy F. Smee brought a stirring message the second night of the assembly. The entire district knows what it means to have a man like Dr. Smee in our church, who is so concerned for our people.

Rev. Alpin Bowes preached to us on the opening night of the assembly. Surely his life measures up to the standards of Christianity that he preaches.

President Cunningham of our school at Institute. West Virginia, presented the courses taught and expressed his appreciation to Dr. Vanderpool for the fine support from the general church. We are urging our people to see that at least one person from each of our fifteen churches enrolls by next semester.

Membership on the district increased from 154 to 182. The total average Sunday school attendance for the year was 346, and giving for all purposes for the year amounted to \$12,533. We now have churches in 9 of the 13 states comprising the district, with property valued at \$79,500.—JOE EDWARDS, *Reporter*. Georgetown, Kentucky-Our church was especially blessed and encouraged by the one-week revival conducted by Brothers Billy Erickson and Jimmy Morris. Billy is a Bible preacher, proclaiming the Word with power, and limmy's wonderful ministry in song was much appreciated. The Holy Spirit has been and is at work in our midst and the spirit of the revival continues. After pastoring this church five and one-half years this time, with two years previously, I have resigned as of our assembly, July 1, to enter the evangelistic field. It has been a real privilege to work with the wonderful people here. We have been a "10 per cent" church for three years, and God has blessed the work of the N.F.M.S., both locally and on the district, under the leadership of Mrs. Clark. Our Sunday school is doing fine-second place on the district in attendance for most of the year. Our young people placed one thousand copies of the special anniversary Herald, with personal invitations to our March revival, in the homes of this town of five thousand population. We have en-joyed our work here and look forward to a spiritual ministry in the evangelistic field.-HUGH S. CLARK, Pastor.

Idaho-Oregon District

Dr. Hugh C. Benner was wonderfully used of God in his ministry to Idaho-Oregon Nazarenes, February 5 to 11.

A five-day area holiness convention was held in Nampa First Church the first week. Dr. Benner's clear, scriptural expositions of the doctrine of entire sanctification were enthusiastically received by capacity crowds. On Sunday night, February 9, more than two thou-sand people filled Nampa's Central Auditorium to overflowing in a great public witness to our cardinal doctrine. În addition, several thousand heard Dr. Benner's climactic message and challenge by way of radio station KFXD, which carried the entire service. In concluding the service and the convention, Dr. Benner called pastors, lay leaders, and college faculty members forward for a service of dedication. God's seal of approval was graciously upon this fitting climax.

The newly completed church building at Jerome, Idaho, was the scene of the district preachers' convention, which followed on Monday and Tuesday. Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Hurn were most gracious hosts in providing for the physical needs of the convention. District Su-perintendent I. F. Younger was in charge of the sessions, which featured promotion of district activities and the preaching of General Superintendent Benner. Again Dr. Benner won the hearts of all present with his practical and pointed messages, which challenged every minister to effective service during the Golden Anniversary year.

The blessing of the Lord characterized each service and left a touch of glory in each of our lives which will not soon be forgotten. We praise God for the excellent leadership of Dr. Benner and Brother Younger, and anticipate the best year in our history by the grace of God.-EUGENE STOWE, Reporter.

Evangelists Dave and Joy Erickson write: "Since entering the evangelistic field last January 12 we have conducted and slated more than twenty revivals. We carry the program of preaching and singing, and will be glad to travel anywhere the Lord may lead. We have some open time for summer and fall. and would appreciate your prayers. Write us, 3972 Christopher Street, Charleston Heights, South Carolina."

Hawaii District Assembly

The district of Hawaii, under the capable leadership of General Superintendent Hugh C. Benner and energetic local supervision of District Superintendent Cecil Knippers, was held March 20 and 21, in Honolulu First Church. with Rev. and Mrs. Harold Kiemel as the gracious hosts.

All departmental leaders retained their offices and presented realistic goals for the coming year.

Pastors' reports were indicative of good percentage gains in the various departmental functions of the local churches; the assembly received these reports with appreciation.

Our excellent young pastor at Hanapepe, Kauai, Rev. Paul Schmidt, was duly ordained to the ministry, with Dr. Berner conducting a most impressive ordination service. Rev. and Mrs. Paul Schmidt make a very wonderful pastoral team in our Hawaiian work.

The churches of the Hawaiian District, as in the past, will continue in the field of evangelism again this year. -ROBERT A. MORAN, Reporter.

Hanover, Pennsylvania-Trinity Church recently closed a glorious Lenten Crusade with Evangelist and Mrs. Edward Ferguson as special workers. Many souls found Christ under the Spirit-anointed ministry of the Fergusons. In spite of the severe snowstorm which crippled the East, services were held each night. The local church plans to have its twenty-fifth anniversary celebration in May. Rev. John L. Parry, pastor, was recently given a three-year call, having served here almost six years. The church is on the move for God.-Reporter.

Idaho-Oregon District

The Regional Sunday School Convention, recently held in the College Church in Nampa, Idaho, was exceptionally beneficial to our people and, in spite of some conflicting district projects, the crowds were exceptional.

Dr. A. F. Harper, Dr. Erwin G. Benson, and their co-workers were of great blessing and inspiration to our people in the great cause of church schools. Many of our teachers and Sunday school superintendents have asked for a return of these workers, so we have arranged for a return of the group for a similar emphasis on our own district. Our people have been enlightened and inspired for the cause of the Lord in church schools.

We are now averaging between four and six hundred per week above one year ago, and are expecting this Golden Anniversary year to be the greatest yet on the Idaho-Oregon District.--I. F. YOUNGER, District Superintendent.

Snoqualmie, Washington-In March our church had a good revival with Evangelist G. Franklin Allee, God blessed and gave some marvelous vic-tories, with forty-three seekers at the altar, and souls saved and sanctified. A class of nine members was added to the church on the closing Sunday morning. A revival tide had been on in our services since the first of January and this was a glorious climax. Brother Allee's heart-searching messages stirred the entire church to move forward. We thank God for His presence and rich blessings and move on in this our "golden year."-MRS. M. S. HAUENSTEIN, Reporter,

Evangelist H. F. Crews and wife write that they have some open time in July and August. Any pastor or church interested may contact them c/o P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri.

Deaths

LJeatns SARAH SANDBERGER, charter member of the Church of the Nazarene, Osseo, Minnesota, died January 4, at the age of seventy-seven. She was converted at the age of filteen and served the Lord in the Osseo community all the rest of her life. During her recent illness she en-deavored to 'Wwin a family' through the 'Yamily Outreach Packet,'' although her only contacts were friends who visited her and those who cared for her in the rest home. She is survived by two brothers, Abraham and Isaac, of Osseo. Rev. Ed-ward J. Johnson, pattor of the Osseo church, officiated at the funeral service, and interment was made in the Fish Lake Cemetery nearby.

Was made in the Fish Lake Cemetery nearby. MRS. NOTTIE FRENCH, member of the Church of the Nazarene in Brownfield, Texas, died Au-gust 17, 1957. She was a wonderful Christian and a faithful church member. She was born in Coleman County in 1893. In 1911 she was married to Mr. Wade Ray. To this union was born a daughter, Mrs. Wade Brown, of Colorado. Mr. Ray lived only a short time, and in 1916, Mrs. Ray married H. P. French. To this union was born a son, Harold, now in California. Be-sides her husband, son, and daughter, she is sur-vived by two stepchildren: Dewey, of El Paso, Texas; and Mrs. Otto Cotton, of California; her mother, Mrs. J. J. Atkinson; two brothers and three sisters. Funeral service was in the Brown-field church, with sermon by a former pastor, Rev. John R. Ferguson, assisted by her pastor, Rev. Howard Smith. Howard Smith.

WILLIAM Z. WOOD, age seventy-nine, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, died December 29, 1957, in the hospital. He was a member of First Church of the Nazarene in Grand Rapids. He is survived by his wife, Nettie A.; two daughters, Mrs. Alberta Britton and Mrs. Iva Wood; also three stepdaugh-ters, Mrs. Ruth Wrigglesworth, Mrs. Marion Umi-autt, and Mrs. Evelyn Holland; three stepsons, Harlow Bowers, Sgt. Willard Bowers, and Russelt Bowers; and a brother, Bernard Wood. Funeral service was held in the church, by Rev. Denver Pease, with interment at Augusta, Michigan.

MRS. H. H. THOMPSON died at Hattiesburg, MRS. H. H. THOMPSON died at Hattiesburg, Mississippi, on January 5. She was the N.F.M.S. president for the Hattiesburg Bethel Church of the Nazarene. She is survived by her husband, H. H. Thompson, two daughters, and four grandchildren. Funeral service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. Roel Nabors, assisted by Rev. M. L. Turney and Rev. M. T. Truman.

MRS. C. C. BUTLER (Artie Humphries) was born April 4, 1880, in Jasper, Alabama, and died Janu-ary 2, while spending a few months with her dauph-ter and husband, Dr. and Mrs. H. K. Carrington, in Magnolia, Arkansas. In 1900 she was united in marriage to Rev. C. C. Butler, and together they pastored many of the smaller Nazarene churches in Walker County. Converted at the age of eleven, tater sanctified wholly, she lived a consistent Chris-tian life and manifested this experience of perfect love in words and deeds. She was a charter member of First Church of the Nazarene, Jasper, and also a consecrated deaconess. She shared the love and blessings of God with all who knew her, and died victoriously. She is survived by her children, Mrs. J. H. Powell, Mrs. H. K. Carrington, Guy, Mrs. Clayton Barclay, and Mrs. Charley Beckman; also two sisters, Mrs. Mae Stewart Powell and Mrs. R. Lawrence Richardson, Sr. Funeral service was held at Jasper First Church, with the pastor, Rev. MRS. C. C. BUTLER (Artie Humphries) was born

Paul J. Stewart, officiating, assisted by Dr. Paul Butler Carrington and Joe Frost.

MRS. IVA MAE MOON was born April 6, 1888, at Rock Mills, Alabama, and died January 9, at Shawmut, Alabama, following an illness of six years. She was converted early in life and later sanctified, and since 1945 had been a faithful member of the Shawmut Church of the Nazarene. She is survived by her husband, three daughters, and four sons (one of whom is Nazarene pastor of Brookhaven Church in Atlanta, Georgia). Funeral service was held at the Shawmut church, with the pastor, Rev. W. King, officiating. Buriał was in the Shawmut cemetery.

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WEDDING BELLS—A3/c Marvin L. Tombaugh of Salina, Kansas, and Virginia Beckner were united in marriage on April 6 at the Eureka Gardens Church of the Nazarene in Wichita, Kansas, with Rev. J. W. Youngman officiating.

BORN-to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sturtevant of Weiser, Idaho, a daughter, Connie Jo, on April 4.

----to Rev. and Mrs. (Ruth Lusby) Floyd Bigelow of Longmont, Colorado, a daughter, Mary Beth, in April.

-to Rev. and Mrs. R. Dale Fruehling of Circleville, Ohio, a son, Byron Dale, on March 26.

—to Mr. and Mrs. (Evangeline Lane) Ted Rypczynski of Olivet Nazarene College, Kankakee, Illinois, a daughter, Patti-Jo, on March 4.

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