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Let the Chimes Ring Out!

General Superintendent Benner

IT IS A stormy, day—dark, dreary, desolate. I sit writing in a hotel room, with the sounds of the city in my ears. The roar of traffic mingles with the moan of the wind. A kind of ominous restlessness pervades the atmosphere.

But through it all and above it all, I hear the music of chimes from the tower of a nearby church, pouring a flood of tone through the canyons of the city streets and over the great buildings. The reverberating notes of the chimes are ringing out the ageless melodies of the grand old hymns of the Christian faith. Just now I hear:

*Majestic sweetness sits enthroned
Upon the Saviour's brow;
His head with radiant glories crowned,
His lips with grace o'erflow.*

*He saw me plunged in deep distress,
And flew to my relief;*

*For me He bore the shameful cross,
And carried all my grief.*

My heart is moved as I sense the meaning of this music. Surely this is a symbol of the gospel message. In a world filled with storm, unrest, apprehension, and all the raucous noises of modern life, "the glorious gospel of Christ" still sounds forth as the hope of the world.

Jesus Christ has made full atonement for all sin. He is still the only source of salvation from sin and its eternal penalty. And through Him, in this day, we may "have life, and . . . have it more abundantly."

So let the chimes ring out! And as they pour forth their gladsome vibrations, my heart pours forth praise and gratitude to say:

*Since from His bounty I receive
Such proofs of love divine,
Had I a thousand hearts to give,
Lord, they should all be Thine.*

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; . . ." (Matt. 6:33).

TELEGRAMS

Pasadena, California—Organized new Cuyama church, June 26, with eleven adult members; Rev. Blaine Strauser, pastor. Lovely church building, and fine opportunity in new town.—W. SHELburnE BROWN, *Superintendent of Los Angeles District.*

Trenton, Ontario, Canada—Canada Central District closed largest assembly June 17, at district center, Pefferlaw, Ontario. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presided. Rev. H. Blair Ward, former pastor at Toronto and Hamilton, new district superintendent. Numerical and financial gains reported. Miss Mary Scott at missionary convention; Mrs. Florence Woods re-elected district president.—H. V. MUXWORTHY, *Reporter.*

Spencer, South Dakota—Sixteenth Annual South Dakota Assembly held in Mitchell brought great blessings to all. Rev. Crawford Vanderpool unanimously elected; ten-thousand-dollar increase in finances; substantial increase in all departments. Dr. G. B. Williamson at his best.—VEARL A. FISHER, *Reporter.*

NEWS IN BRIEF

Rev. and Mrs. C. P. Roberts will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on July 31, with a reception for family and friends at the home of their daughter, Mrs. O. W. Lyons, 3290 Fenton Street, Denver, Colorado. Until his retirement, Brother Roberts spent his entire married life in the ministry of the Church of the Nazarene. They are members of the Lakewood (Colorado) Church of the Nazarene.

Pastor Byron M. Carmony sends word: "Mr. and Mrs. John Knaack, members of the Church of the Nazarene, Chicago Heights, Illinois, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in special services in their church on Father's Day. The family were seated in a reserved section of the sanctuary. A fifty-dollar bill, gift from the church, was presented."

Rev. Dudley C. Hathaway has resigned pastor of the church in Johnson, Vermont, to accept the pastorate of the Cliftondale Church, Saugus, Massachusetts.

Pastor T. T. McCord sends word from Oskaloosa, Iowa—"First Church recently closed great indoor camp with Evangelist James Crabtree and the Keller-York Party. Scores sought and found victory at the altar. Brother

Crabtree was mightily used of God with his intellectual and fervent messages. The Keller-York Party cannot be excelled in their presenting the gospel in music and song. Large crowds came to hear them night after night. A packed house voted to call these workers back at the earliest time possible. Nazarenes and friends stood by in a marvelous way. We feel a new day has dawned for our church."

Rev. Leland Buckner has resigned as pastor of Kansas City Trinity Church of the Nazarene to accept a call to pastor the Auburndale Church in Topeka, Kansas.

Rev. Joe Williamson has been called to pastor the Kansas City Trinity Church.

Rev. Albert B. Schneider has resigned as pastor of First Church in Vincennes to accept the pastorate of First Church in Columbus, Indiana.

A PRAYER

By Lucy A. Slater

*O Jesus, Friend unfailing,
How dear Thou art to me!
Help me to be more worthy
Of Thy great love to me.
Help me still to trust Thee
Tho' rough may be life's way.
Knowing Thou wilt lead me
Along the narrow way.*

*O Jesus, Friend unfailing,
Wise Counselor, and Guide,
Help me to be more trustful
Whatever may betide.
Help me still to trust Thee
Tho' clouds may intervene,
Knowing Thou wilt lead me
Thro' all life's changing scene.*

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FOOD FOR OUR SOUL

By Katherine Bevis*

He hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God (Ps. 40:30).

MUSIC is food for the soul and it is all around you. Open the windows of your soul and feed it from the richness and the fullness of that which will enrich your life—music. The Psalmist knew that music could inspire a deep faith in God; therefore, he wanted to share with all about him the new song in his heart.

There are so many ways in which music has enriched the lives of people all over this land of ours. A tiny child is soothed into dreamland by his mother's soft lullaby. The song "Jesus Loves Me" is a fond remembrance of a child's first day in Sunday school. The happy songs of the church choir, the music of orchestras and great musicians, all have had a part in enriching our lives.

Music is the great universal language of mankind. Music is an expression of emotions. By making our lives more musical, we shall enrich not only our own lives, but also the lives of those about us.

It was Malene Morgan, alumnae director of Wesleyan College, at Macon, Georgia, said: "As members of the organization dedicated to live and work for God and country, for principles of justice, freedom, and democracy, we can find no better way to voice our conviction than to lift our voices in song." Music is a powerful influence, so let us sing songs of love to the Lord, to man, and even to ourselves.

Music brings peace from the bells that ring the sweet news from altar steps of love and prayer. Your radio, veiled in tones of musical rhapsody of the silver magic notes of soft whisp'ring breezes awaken us to the things above which are that which will give us happiness as our faith grows.

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HOLINESS Is the Key—

To the Secret of Personal Victory

By David J. Tarrant*

"How can I live a victorious life, always overcoming temptation, always sure of God's smile?" This question is without doubt one that exercises the minds of Christian people more than any other.

When a man is first converted, in the joy and thrill of new-found life in Christ, he thinks he needs nothing more than he has received in the divine act of regeneration. He is forgiven, born again, made a child of God; he has a new joy, a new peace, a new hope. What more could he possibly want? But the time comes when, for some reason he does not understand, he finds himself performing a wrong action or thinking a wrong thought. This is perplexing, unsettling, humiliating. His first reaction is, "Am I really saved at all—thinking like this, behaving like this?" He goes over the ground of his experience—repentance, faith in Christ alone, trust in His Word; and has to confess, "Yes, I am saved; for I have fulfilled the conditions God has laid down, and I am trusting His unailing promises."

"Then why do you fail?" asks Satan. And the bewildered man does not know the answer.

"I'll tell you why you failed," says the devil. "Your standard has been too high. God doesn't mean for anybody to be perfect. In fact, it just can't be done down here." And, sad to say, nine out of ten Christians believe this lie and settle down to a sinning religion. Oh, the shame of it! Sometimes in a conversation they say, "I must try to do better." And they seek to strengthen their defenses at their weak points. But before long the devil catches them off their guard, and the old besetting sin begins to creep in again. Then they say, "Well, what's the way out of this?" They hear Romans 7 read: "For that's my experience to the letter. 'O wretched man that I am!'"

If this is the experience of every reader, the first thing you need is an understanding of the cause of your spiritual malady. The cause is what Paul calls "sin that dwelleth within" (Rom. 7:17, 20) or "indwelling sin." Not a sin—just an inward principle. Let us call it "the indwelling sin principle." The other figures Paul uses to describe it are "the old man" (Rom. 6:6), "the body of sin" (Rom. 7:5), "the body of death" (Rom. 7:24), "the thing that breeds sin" (Rom. 7:5), "the corpse sometimes characterized as a criminal in Roman times—"

be rid of, but cannot; *the law of sin and death* (Rom. 8:2), because it is a downward drag, contrary to the law of the Spirit of Life; *the carnal mind* (Rom. 8:5-8; I Cor. 3:1-4), because it is an inward enmity against God. Here, then, is the cause of the trouble, the source of all pettiness, jealousy, quarreling in Christians, and of all variance in the Church. From such a plague, can there be any deliverance?

Believer, look into your own heart for the first ray of hope. Is it not true that you hunger and thirst after holiness? Then ask yourself, Who planted that longing there? Who but God himself? Now, what is the purpose of all the appetites and longings to which we are naturally subject? Is it not to cause us to seek and find something which is essential for our life and well-being? Why do we get hungry for food? Is it not to encourage us to eat, without which food we would die? Why, then, are we hungry for holiness? Is it not to encourage us to seek and find the "holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord" (Heb. 12:14)? Where do we turn to when hungry? We turn to the larder; and the Bible is God's larder, full of precious truths and wonderful promises.

A careful study of the following portions of scripture will reveal that God promises to every child of His: (1) a life of victory (see Rom. 6:14; 8:37; I Cor. 15:57; I John 2:1; Rev. 12:11); (2) a life of holiness (see Ezek. 36:25; I Thess. 4:8); and (3) the destruction of inbred sin (see Matt. 3:11-12; Rom. 6:6; 8:2; Col. 2:11). Is this not what you want? Is not your greatest longing for that old traitor within your heart to receive a deathblow, so that it can no longer act as Satan's "fifth column" within you? This is the true meaning of holiness.

The way into the experience of holiness is plainly revealed in God's Word. As the way into the first blessing, the blessing of justification, is the way of repentance and faith, so the way into the experience of sanctification, the second blessing, properly so called, is the way of full surrender and faith. Full surrender is the prerequisite, the necessary preparation of heart. It must be undertaken carefully and deliberately. But it will not by itself bring us into the blessing of heart holiness. The final entry must be made by faith alone—"I believe, I receive, through the merits of Calvary." May every Christian reader not only become a seeker for this supreme blessing of the faith-life, but enter triumphantly into the full realization of it!

Ye have dwelt long enough in this mount (Deut. 1:6).

Continuing to remain in the wilderness and on the wrong side of the Jordan was, is, and always will be the decision of the defeated.—EARLE F. WILDE.

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The Rainbow and the Promise

By Spencer Johnson*

THE RUMBLING drums of thunder rolled in the distance as they beat a retreat for the departing storm. The rain-washed earth glittered like a world of diamonds in response to the warm beams of the sun. The great Creator had painted in splendid hues the arch of the rainbow and had placed it over the neck of the dying storm. I gazed in rapture until it began to fade slowly away. My heart leaped within me as I thought of the goodness and faithfulness of God. I recalled His promise, "I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth. . . . And I will remember my covenant which is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh. And the bow shall be in the cloud; and I will look upon it, that I may remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is upon the earth" (Gen. 9:13, 15-16). The beautiful rainbow is gone but the covenant remains.

It has occurred to me that there is much like that in the spiritual life. There are times when the glorious blessing of His grace is so wonderful that we are blessed beyond control, and then there are times when the burdens are so heavy that the exuberance seems to recede, but the inner assurance of His blessed presence remains. The rainbow comes and goes but the promise abides. The rainbow is a blessed reminder, but God remembers and keeps His promise whether we see the rainbow or not. It has been a great source of comfort to me in life's dark and trying hours to know that God remembers!

He remembers that my sins are gone. He knows the day, the hour, and the place where I repented and confessed all. That night we entered into a covenant together. The agreement was that if I would make my restitutions, walk in the light, and obey Him, He would forgive all my sins and mention them no more. By His grace I have kept my part of the covenant and His Spirit witnesses right now to my heart that He has kept His.

He also remembers that blessed hour when, as a second work of grace, the Holy Ghost cleansed my heart from the last root of bitterness. We made another covenant that day. I gave Him my life and all that I had or ever hoped to have. He graciously accepted me, unworthy though I was, and He has taken up His abode in this temple of clay. I am still His for sacrifice or for service. What wonderful joy I have since He lives in this house of mine! He is Lord of the castle of my heart and I am His servant; to do His bidding is my chief delight.

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He remembers that I am ever ready to do His will. Whatever the path He may choose for me, I am ready to take. Any task He may assign, I will attempt to do with all my might. If a life of poverty and deprivation will redound more to His glory than a life of normal or average means, then I am ready to suffer need for His sake. Should estrangement of friends and loved ones result because of my obedience to Him, then I will gladly be reproached for Him who died for me. As I wait for His direction amid the tangled maze of affairs, it is wonderful to know that He remembers that I am ready to do His will when He sees fit to reveal it.

He also remembers never to leave nor forsake me. Friends and relatives may turn back, but He will stick closer than a brother. There have been times when it seemed that I fought alone and no one cared if I won or lost, but He remembered His promise and stood by in the battle and won for me the victory! Wealth and good fortune often have taken wings and left me, but He stayed and supplied my needs according to His riches in glory. Health and even life, someday, will go; but I am persuaded that He who has walked with me through this pilgrimage will remember and not forsake me then.

The rainbow of His promise and blessing is shining just now. Tomorrow the clouds and rain may come again, but His covenant will be the same. *He remembers!* Though the sky may be leaden and gray, I will rest upon His promise until the rainbow returns. Here the rainbow comes and goes, but I am going to a country where the rainbow never fades. "And, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne. And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne" (Rev. 4:2-3).

GOD'S PATCHWORK

By Mary Alice Holden

*My life is a patchwork of sorrow and joy,
Of cares that would vex me, of fears that annoy,
Of hopes God has given to bring out the hue
Of all darker patches, both ancient and new,*

*Of faith's azure beauty stitched near to my doubt,
A primary hue we could not do without.
Then love is the border that binds all the whole
And shows what the Lord has done for my soul.*

*God took the bright pieces that I had cut wrong
And made a "flower garden" to fill hearts with
song;*

*And now with an art that is holy and rich
He binds for His own His work stitch by stitch.*

ALASKA ALLUSIONS:

By J. Melton Thomas*

“Made to Take It!”

OUR HOME-COMING ship on a trip to the States was the S.S. “Baranof,” of the Alaska lines. She was not as big as the “Queen Mary,” nor as stately even as some of her sister ships; but she was our home-coming craft, and so we loved her.

On a Friday night we came upon troubled seas, and more than one passenger failed to appear at Saturday breakfast. Not one, however, feared for our safety, for we had confidence in our ship. She rose with the swells and climbed the crests. She threw the water to port and starboard as she plowed her way through the sea.

Saturday afternoon we were advised that a storm was brewing in the vicinity of Sitka, to which our ship was then headed. As I watched the approaching storm and observed our ship, it seemed to me that without waver our vessel raced into the gale. It was as if the storm were some mortal enemy with which she wished to engage battle.

The very eagerness with which our carrier moved forward was enough to give the passengers heart. I was proud of the “Baranof,” and my reaction was, “She was made to take it.”

The thought of another voyage kept crowding my mind during those moments, thoughts of pilgrims on the journey home. They were more anxious, I knew, to set foot on heaven’s shore than I could possibly be to disembark at Seattle. But they too must plow the waves of life, face into many a fierce storm, to find at last a peaceful harbor.

What of the ship on which they sailed? Were her records good? Did she have the reputation of making port? Could she brave the storms of life and bring her passengers to the promised land?

Travelers may well wish that any ship on which they sail will be as trustworthy as the old ship of “Zion” on which the pilgrim moves toward home. Many times has the S.S. “Zion,” of Grace Lines, made the run. Her Captain knows the shoals and the reefs, is adept at guiding the craft, knows the way in. This ship, too, *is made to take it!*

Many are floundering in life’s seas these days, frantically grabbing for some object on which they can ride out the gale. How frail are many of the things to which they finally turn! But look, neighbor, can’t you see the lights? Don’t you hear the whistle? Can’t you grab the line thrown out? The Captain, the crew, all the passengers of the old ship of “Zion” wish to assist you. It is a ship for your safety, made to take it.

“Get on board, lile chilén, get on board!”

*Pastor, Juneau, Alaska



The Last Prayer Meeting

By Mrs. Nettie Hudson*

THE WORLD has witnessed many great prayer meetings; some of which have been recorded, but many have not. It must have been a great prayer meeting when Jesus taught His disciples to pray: “Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. . . . Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.” It was a great prayer meeting when Jesus went into the Garden of Gethsemane and prayed (while He sweat, as it were, great drops of blood, while the sins of a lost world were crushing His heart, and the shadows of the Cross falling across His pathway), saying: “My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.”

It was a great prayer meeting recorded in the seventeenth chapter of St. John, when Jesus prayed for the sanctification of the Church. It was a great prayer meeting when the poor thief on the cross prayed, “Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom”; and Jesus answered him saying: “Today shalt thou be with me in paradise.” It was a great prayer meeting when Jesus looked down from the cross as the blood-thirsty soldiers gambled over His coat and the mob jeered, saying: “If thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross. . . . He saved others; himself he cannot save,” and Jesus in pity and with mercy prayed: “Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.” The world, in time or eternity, will not forget that prayer.

There have been great prayer meetings in modern history, in our generation. Many remember the sinking of the great ship “Titanic” on her maiden voyage. While she was going down, with the band playing “Nearer, My God, to Thee,” the people with jeweled hands raised toward heaven prayed to God for mercy, saying: “We are caught like rats in a trap.” During the great earthquake in San Francisco, years ago, the streets were lined for miles with people on their knees, calling upon God for mercy, while tall buildings crashed like eggshells about them. Few things in modern times have stirred our nation like the prayer meeting held by Colonel Rickenbacker and his crew of five men as they drifted twenty-seven days with little food and water; and

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God answered their prayer, sending a sea gull to light on the shoulder of Colonel Rickenbacker, saving them from death by starvation.

But the last prayer meeting, recorded in Rev. 6:15-17, is outstanding. Consider the crowd gathered there. It will not be the church crowd, usually found in the weekly prayer services in our churches. Oh, no! The day of churches will be over. God will lock the church doors, keep the keys, and tell His faithful ministers, who have pleaded with the people to prepare for this hour, that their work is finished and the Judgment is set. There will be no praying mothers to weep over wayward sons and daughters. Who will be there? "Kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man."

How strange to see those—few if any, had ever been known to pray—those who had little if anything to do with prayer meetings, gathered in this mass prayer meeting! What a difference now! Some among them had been church members and perchance church workers, for the Bible tells us that in this day some will say: "Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?" But the Father will say unto them, "Depart from me, ye that work iniquity."

Where will this prayer meeting be held? In some city church? Oh, no! The city churches and the country churches will be closed. It will be held in the dens and caves of the earth. These anxious people will not pray to God. It will be too late to pray to Him. They will pray to the rocks and to the mountains: "Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: for the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?" No preacher will be there, no Christians, no praying mothers, no songs, no Bibles.

There will be great emotion in that meeting. There will be feeling, the deepest of feeling. Men must have deep and terrible feelings to cry for rocks and mountains to fall on them and hide them from the face of God. What fear must possess them to inspire such prayer! No wonder the notorious gangster Dillenger said: "I want to die quick, so I will not have time to think of God."

Is there a door of hope of escape from this dark and dreadful hour? Yes! It is open now, but may soon be closed. "I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved" (John 10:9). "There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12). "Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out" (John 6:37). "As many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God" (John 1:12).

But time is running out. It may be later than we think!

It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God (Heb. 10:31).

To an Atheist:

How can you say there is no God?
He's in each living thing.
Each leaf unfolding, writes His name;
Each bird His praises sing!

He cameos the sky at dusk . . .
His love's become a part
Of me. How can you say, "No God"
When He lives within my heart!
—ILA R. MONDAY

THINK ON THIS—

Take Your Medicine!

By J. M. Yarbrough*

RELIGION is like medicine, like some healthful or life-restoring drug, which one must take in order for its benefit to be realized. Most physical maladies have been sufficiently studied and analyzed so that some remedy has been found. Either relief or a permanent cure is usually possible.

Sometimes the remedy is very unpalatable—the medicine is bitter or sour or in some other way offensive to the senses. The little child often must be forced to take the remedy in order to receive the benefit.

On the other hand, adults usually accept the prescription of the doctor and take it as advised. But what would be our reaction toward a person who is ill, yet after consulting the best physician available, snootily turns away from his advice and counsel, choosing rather to endure the pains and discomforts and consequences of illness than to take the prescribed medicine?

Yet as we look about us there are multitudes of persons who are ill in a spiritual sense, whose lives are out of balance, whose souls are depressed and uncertain, whose spirits are restless and unnerved, but who have been told plainly that God, His Church, and His method of salvation would make them well if only they would take the remedy faithfully and thoroughly.

Sometimes, under certain circumstances, there is a little effort made to take the prescription for a time; but as soon as a slight sign of improvement appears, the medicine is forgotten and the disease is allowed to resume its progress. And there are some people whom life has suddenly overtaken and, when about to be engulfed, they have turned to God and religion. But as soon as things have eased a little, they go right back to careless living.

For a real and lasting cure take the medicine as prescribed! For real and lasting peace, take Christ's salvation and let it transform your whole being and regenerate your nature, thus curing the soul!

*Pastor, Oak Lawn, Ill.

The Word of God IS Modern

By Elsie Brownell*

PSALMS, chapter four, verse four, could have been written December 18, 1954.

The first part of December, I had a serious heart attack; difficult breathing for several days and nights left me exhausted. After the attack I slept very little, only an hour or two a night, even though I was extremely weary.

In my weakened condition, after sleepless nights, the devil began to preach on my shoulder, telling me my faith didn't amount to much—that I couldn't even discipline and correct my own children, and I was certainly no help or inspiration to them. I was just a hindrance. We would all be better off if I were dead.

Then the old devil got behind me and began, first by invading my thoughts, then directing my thoughts, and finally dominating them. You're not sick, you're just lazy. Lying here you don't have to accept responsibility. This is just an easy way out. Are you really sick, or do you just think you are? You have taken too much for granted.

Satan hurried around and got on my other shoulder and said: "You can't serve God in this condition. You are weary. It is too hard on you to read God's Word. It taxes your strength too much to try to concentrate and pray. You poor thing!"

Then he got around in front of me and said: "Look, your God doesn't even hear you when you pray. Your prayers go no higher than your pillow. You have tried to live right and do right, but what thanks do you get? You've spent almost two years in bed; not many people come to see you now. You are forgotten." The devil had completed his vicious cycle.

In desperation I called a dear friend, who is a child of God, and told her I was feeling sorry for myself and just couldn't seem to pray; would she come down and have prayer with me?

While waiting for her to come, the same thoughts continued racing and crowding through my mind. Maybe if I read I wouldn't think—so I reached for my Bible and turned to the Psalms. They were easy reading and didn't require much concentration. I read Psalms one, two, three, and on into the fourth chapter to the fourth verse, which stood out in dark headline print, in my mind's eye.

"Stand in awe, sin not: commune with your own heart upon your *bed*, and be *still*" (Ps. 4:4). I read it a second time, and the third time applied it: Stand in reverence, don't sin by doubting God or His purpose, search your heart and meditate, God knows where you are, relax in the Lord. I closed my eyes and thanked God for scriptures and words of instruction so up to date.

*Yakima, Wash.

GOLGOTHA'S GIFTS

By L. M. Hearn

*Golgotha took man's treachery and hatred
And gave the greatest love time ever saw;
It is a love that cannot lose to evil,
Yet lifts above the bondage of the law.
From out of littleness that left religion
A dried and barren desert of despair,
Towered eternity's great Master,
Breathing new life into the blasted air.*

*From out the darkest night that ever shrouded,
From out the sharpest pain that ever chilled,
There shone a light that never can be clouded!
There swelled a song that never shall be stilled!
O heedless ones, will you not stop to listen?
O blinded ones, lift up your eyes and see
The wonder of the Crucified's compassion,
The "whosoever will" of Calvary!*

Commanded Prayers

By L. B. Mathews*

INTRODUCTORY

PRAYERS IS an instinct of the human heart. The dictionary defines instinct as "a natural impulse or propensity that incites animals (including man) to the actions that are essential to their existence and development"; again, as "a natural or acquired aptitude." This "natural impulse or propensity," this "natural aptitude," is universal in the human family.

Once an infidel was said to be arguing against the existence of God when a terrible storm arose and threatened to destroy the debaters and the building in which they were. Instantly the infidel dropped to his knees, and in terror cried, "O God, save us, save us!" Then realizing what he had done, he hesitated, and added, "That is, if there be a God." The first part of his prayer was a manifestation of the God-implanted "natural impulse," the "natural aptitude" of the heart. The last statement of his prayer was a manifestation of a deluded mind. Yes, prayer is an instinct of the heart.

But when one is born into the family of God this instinct to pray is quickened and given intelligent direction. "Ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father" (Rom. 8:15). The prayer now arises from the heart, not only as an instinct of the created responding to the Creator, but also as the confident trust of the child in its Parent. We have been born again; God is our Father; we are His children. What is more natural than for a frail and helpless child to turn for help to the strong and sufficient Father!

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This instinctive and Spirit-quicken cry to God is pleasing to the Heavenly Father. Hath He not said, "I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting" (I Tim. 2:8)? Again He says, "Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God" (Phil. 4:6).

But not only is prayer pleasing to God, a natural outflow of the Spirit-quicken heart, and a necessity to the maintenance of spiritual life and the success of spiritual activities, but also it is commanded of God. It is commanded not only in general terms, but also in specific terms. That is, God commands the Christian to pray for certain individuals, groups, institutions, and objectives. It is with these commands that we wish to deal in these articles.

I. PRAYER FOR RULERS

I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; for kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty (I Tim. 2:1-2).

The Bible recognizes three divine institutions on the earth. They are the home, the state, and the Church. The home was given of God to our first parents, Adam and Eve, in the Garden of Eden, while they were still innocent and holy; that is, before the temptation and fall of man into sin. The state or human government, was given of God immediately after the waters of the Flood had subsided and Noah and his sons had come forth from the ark, and following their offering of sacrifices to God. This was at least sixteen centuries after the fall of man. The New Testament Church had its beginning, as we know it today, on that Day of Pentecost when the 120 received the Holy Ghost.

The New Testament also recognizes three groups of people in the world: the Jew, the Gentile, and the Church of God (I Cor. 10:32). The Gentile, or unsaved world, refuses the yoke of Jewish law, or the freedom of Christian graces. Some of them (the Gentiles) may refuse to be subject to the laws of human government. But all (the Gentiles) are under human government through divine decree (Rom. 13:1). This is necessary in the present order of things. The Jew refuses grace and clings to the law of Moses. But is he thereby set free from the laws of the government under which he lives? By no means! He must still obey the laws of the government so long as they do not conflict with the moral law of his God. The Church is set free from the ceremonial law of Moses. She is not under law ((the Jewish ceremonial law) but under grace (Rom. 6:14). But she is under the laws of the governments under which she exists and must obey them so long as they do not conflict with the moral laws of God.

The foregoing truths leave all (Jew, Gentile, and Church of God) subject to human govern-

ment. But we cannot be subject without responsibilities. A part of the Christian's responsibility to human government is prayer for rulers, from the humblest magistrate to the highest earthly potentate (I Tim. 2:1-2). But someone may object that many of them are godless, heathen, and even rebellious against God. Even God, they object, can't win them to obedience. Perhaps not. But often in days gone by He has made the heathen, the godless, the rebellious rulers, the indifferent to God's claims upon them, to do His will when they didn't recognize their actions as such. He can do it *now!* (See Prov. 21:1.)

A sincere prayer from Christians in behalf of rulers will end more wars than all the armament races, settle more disputes than all the peace conferences, bring more prosperity than all the economic measures devised by men, and help make possible the continued propagation of the gospel. More praying for rulers will bring less confusion among our lawmaking and law-enforcing bodies, and bring us to be more united in righteousness.

More praying for rulers will stop most of the unholy criticism of those in authority and make us feel our responsibility to love all men, friend and foe. More praying for rulers will give us better governments under which to live and glorify God with our lives. Moreover, such praying will please our Heavenly Father, who instituted human governments and who commanded our prayers in their behalf.

Have you, have I, prayed for those in authority today? If not, let us begin *now!*

TRIUMPH

By Jean L. Phillips

When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee (Isa. 43:2).

"We shall go through, not under!"
I heard a dear saint say,
The deep and lashing waters
Of the dark and troubled day.

He leads us not around them.
He lifts us not above.
He, too, goes through, sustains us
With steady arms of love.

O rushing floods of testing,
O trials by waters deep,
There's One who knows your fury,
And He is strong to keep.

With Him we stem the flood tides.
With Him we overcome.
With Him we walk triumphant
Up to the heights of Home!

HOW TO BE HAPPY—

As a Millionaire or a Debtor

By Paul Martin*

MY CHURCH could use another millionaire, particularly if he were happy. His tithe, his love gifts, his sacrificial spirit would be of untold blessing—yes, we need more sanctified millionaires; but the field of evangelism in this instance is quite limited. Probably the support of the church will continue to come from happy wage earners, devoted farmers, earnest businessmen—who are fighting the battle of time payments, crop loans, budgeting the balance, and continually being amazed at what is withheld.

One sad chap has decided to make his creditors his pallbearers; they who have carried him this far might as well carry him to the end. A Nazarene pastor was heard to exclaim, "Well, my car is half paid for and half gone; looks like we'll come out even." And it is rather heartening news when a preacher does come out even!

But God has a way of financing His kingdom. Here's Dr. Paul Updike's outline on this subject: "God finances His kingdom, for God's ownership means our stewardship. God owns everything, and we are stewards of His time, His world, His things. Some unfaithful stewards were lost over their relationship to things: Adam, Saul, Achan, Ananias and Sapphira, and Israel robbed God. What shall I do? I will pay my vows and tithes, and give my offering and love gifts. For we are workers together, my Lord and I."

And the basis for happiness while handling this dangerous stuff is my heart attitude. "Therefore I love thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine gold" (Ps. 119:127). The blessings that come are of God, and I am asked to give faithful accounting for them. And that which I finally save for the eternal city is that which I invest in God's eternal work. And one can have a wrong spirit, and have nothing—only debts—in the mad rush of respectability—on the merry-go-round living beyond your means. Whoops, I'd better stop right there!

I remember with real blessing that God has had men of means in every area—who gave and are giving beyond my means, to say the least; and their sums with yielded hearts, and our gifts and tithes with happy hearts, keep God's work advancing. For no matter how difficult God's leading seems to be, there's joy, wonderful joy in obeying. A navy nurse said to a boy who had lost a limb in war at sea: "Too bad, Sailor, you lost your leg!" He smilingly replied, "No, Lieutenant, I traded it for a clear conscience!"

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. . . To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your heart (Ps. 95:7-8).

Outer Garments of Reality

By W. Everett Henry*

NO SCIENCE can more than describe the outer garments of reality." So wrote a man in a recent book on theology. Few, if any, would question the writer's statement, but many will not at once discover the rich significance of it.

The outer garments of reality which the sciences describe are beautiful to the eye. The outer garments of the sunrise and the sunset cover the mighty canvas of the skies with beauty such as constitutes the despair of all the artists. The falling snow which covers the dark blemishes of earth, the millions of diamonds which flash from ice-covered trees, the full-blooming days of spring, the flashing particles in ugly stones under certain kinds of light, the path of the sun over the ocean at sunrise and sunset—where is one to find a stopping place in listing the beauties our eyes behold in the outer garments of reality?

The outer garments of reality are also wonderful to the mind. Science finds in these outer garments of reality law and order everywhere. The elements of the material world react in certain ways and no others. Man cannot bend them to his will contrary to their nature. But as the physicist respects their laws, even the mighty power of the atom will serve him.

Slowly astronomers discovered that the Creator was the Mathematician par excellence, that the whole creation is so mathematically constructed that mathematicians from their computations are able to tell astronomers just where to direct their telescopes to find new planets, as with Neptune and Pluto.

God placed something in the birds and the denizens of the deep that makes them move with certainty over or through thousands of unknown miles of land and sea. The older plovers fly from the Canadian shore over the Atlantic to South America. The younger plovers go down the Mississippi flyway to the same winter habitat.

The salmon of the Pacific Northwest, after years somewhere in the depths of the Pacific, return to the streams where they were spawned. The eels of the west coast of Europe and of the east coast of North America all go to the deep waters of the Bahamas to beget their young. The tiny elvers make their way back to the waters from which their parents came. No American eel—104 to 110 vertebrae—goes to Europe; nor does any European eel—111 to 118 vertebrae—ever go to America.

Amazing facts, indeed, science has already laid before the mind as to the outer garments of

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reality. Are there still more wonderful facts to be discovered? One would be very foolish to say or think the record of such wonders has been closed.

The outer garments of reality are also glorious to the spirit. This fact is probably best seen in the realms of literature and music. The youthful Bryant struck off "Thanatopsis" and contributed a gem of poetry that has stirred the hearts of thousands. The aging Tennyson penned "Crossing the Bar" and gave sculptured expression to the desire of his fellows.

The soul of the young man Mozart overflowed with music which continues to thrill the thousands who listen to it. Verdi, old in fruitful years, but still full of melody, poured out the glorious scores of *Aida*, a masterpiece of harmony that never fails to elicit the hearty applause of the multitudes.

Then there are the simple melodies and words which the multitudes have gathered into their hearts for use on all sorts of occasions: "Nearer, my God, to Thee," floating over the waters from the helpless passengers of the doomed "Titanic," "God be with you till we meet again," rising from thousands of British throats as their young queen and her husband began their long tour of the commonwealths; the amazing singing of "Abide with Me" every year by the 100,000 people gathered in Wembley Stadium, London, for the Football Association's Cup Final.

Truly the outer garments of reality are beautiful to the eye, wonderful to the mind, and glorious to the spirit of man. And if the outer garments of reality are thus great and appealing, what is to be said of reality itself? Can the thing clothed by these outer garments be in any way less than its garments? What will the ultimate revelation of reality itself bring to the soul of those who shall be given eyes to behold it?

LOVED

By Chesley Roberts

*Loved! Then the way will not be drear,
For One we know is ever near,
Proving it to our hearts so clear
That we are loved!*

*Loved! When our sky is clouded o'er,
And days of sorrow press us sore;
Still we will trust Him evermore,
For we are loved!*

*Time that affects all things below
Can never change the love He'll show;
The heart of Christ with love will flow . . .
And we are loved!*

The Name NAZARENE

By Fred Reedy*

MUCH has been said about the names of denominations and Bible authority for these names. One modern denomination declares that its name is the one authorized by the New Testament and any other church name is heresy. Some have sought to establish their teaching upon the authority of their name. Roman Catholics have attempted to argue the universality of their church by emphasizing the word catholic. The Church of God, the Church of Christ, the Christian Church, and others have at times made this emphasis, and have sought to appeal to the public to join the true church—so-called because of the name it bears.

All such argument is an effort to copyright word definitions and grammatical phrases. To call a man by the name Christian does not make him a Christian. To call him a catholic, which means "universal," does not necessarily mean that he is a member of the universal Church. To say I belong to the Church of Christ does not make me Christlike. To join a church is affiliation with an organization. To become Christlike is to experience a spiritual transformation. To hold that God keeps the record of His members and therefore a church roll is a sin is dealing in the trivial. No church that keeps the roll attempts to match it with that great record of those whose names are written in heaven; but the roll has practical value for the purposes of the work and progress of the Church in the world.

The above statement should make it clear that the writer does not hold his or any other church to be the true church because of its name. However, the name *Nazarene* has more New Testament usage in designating the followers of Jesus Christ than any other. This name was promised to our Lord by the prophets of the Old Testament (Matt. 2:23). The term was Nazarite in the Old Testament. It means dedicated to God by a special vow. Samson was called a Nazarite because he was given to his parents by promise and God commanded that he should be a Nazarite. Those who became Nazarites were identified by their unshaven heads and by their rule never to touch a dead body. The latter rule seems to have been dropped in later years.

In the New Testament the term changed to Nazarene. Webster says: "A Nazarene is a native of Nazareth: applied to Jesus Christ, to any of his followers, and to any of the early Christians as a term of contempt: one of the sects of Jewish Christians of the early church." In Acts, St. Paul is identified by the orator Tertullus as the "ring-leader of the sect of the Nazarenes" (24:5). From these references we find sufficient justification for saying that the name Nazarene used to identify the followers of Jesus Christ, whether

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in contempt or not, was an accepted practice and is therefore fully justified and suitable in modern times. It should also fully satisfy any unprejudiced person that the name Nazarene is as Biblical as Catholic, Church of Christ, Christian, Church of God, Baptist, or any other.

The name Nazarene also means *humble*, and should suggest to every member of the Church of the Nazarene that he must be Christlike and humble in all manner of living. Nazarene is a beautiful name, and when we realize that it was the name by which our Lord was best known it should give every Nazarene justifiable pride in bearing it also.

The founding fathers of our beloved church were wise in their choice of a name. It is euphonically beautiful. It has a sacred history. It has a sacred meaning. It points to the earthly residence of our Lord and gathers about it all the sacred memories of His sinless life and glorious ministry among the people. It speaks of His humility and the shame He bore for us. It describes the commitment of His will to the will of His Heavenly Father and His vow of obedience even unto death—the death of the cross.

How good it is to be known as a Nazarene, for my Christ was a Nazarene; not because He commanded us to use the name, but because we are entitled to use it if we are truly His followers! Let us be sure we are worthy to bear the name Nazarene. Let us keep the Nazarite vow of complete consecration to the whole will of God. Let us “go down to Nazareth” in spirit, that we too may be called Nazarenes.

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FOREIGN MISSIONS

Camp Meetings in Guatemala

By James Hudson

THERE were real days of spiritual victory here in Guatemala during our annual camp meetings in Coban and Peten a few months ago.

In the eleven days in Coban there were sixty services, including daily classes on the Christian home, colporteur work, and the use of flannelgraph. There were also daily special services for children, daily holiness services, and evening evangelistic services. All the services were well attended, averaging some four hundred in the night services, with many seekers and victories, both at night and in the morning holiness services.

Immediately following this camp meeting, Brother Vaughters (who has since returned home on furlough) and I went to Peten, which is only accessible by plane—a flight of one and one-half hours.

We arrived Friday, and under an improvised tabernacle there was an attendance that first night of 480 by actual count. The crowds gradually increased until on Friday night of the last week there were more than 900 in attendance. Many stood during the services because of lack of benches. The rain and failure of electric lights didn't decrease the attendance or fervor of the people. There was never a barren altar service, and scores were in the fountain, many for the first time. One night, with the usual crowded conditions, the front benches were pushed together, closing the aisles, so that more people could be seated. People were crowded tightly on both sides of the front of the tabernacle, making it very difficult to get to the altar for prayer. At the close of the mes-

sage, without a hymn of invitation, it was a real thrill to see some twelve or fifteen men come down the aisle and without hesitation climb over the top of the front benches and kneel at an altar of prayer.

It was a real blessing, too, to see so many converts from other recent camp meetings who were still holding true.

In these two camp meetings, in Peten and Coban, over five thousand portions of the Word of God were sold in the markets and from house to house to unbelievers. In addition we sold Bibles, New Testaments, hymnals, and religious books to eager readers. Each meeting met its own expenses with freely given offerings.

Immediately after the Peten camp meeting, Brother Vaughters and I went back into the jungle almost a

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GUEST EDITORIALS

By M. LUNN, Manager, Nazarene Publishing House

"... But Christ Liveth in Me"

ONE OF the most significant statements ever recorded as falling from human lips is found in the writings of the Apostle Paul: "I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me." When we can take our place alongside Paul and repeat that testimony then, and only then, have we "lost our lives" in the sense that Jesus meant when He said: "He that loseth his life for my sake shall find it." Life is supposed to be the dearest possession we have. It is instinctive to cherish it. The law permits us to protect it even at the expense of another's. The natural disposition is to establish the center of our universe in our own selves—our aims, our wishes, our comfort, our future.

In the kingdom of Christ another law operates: give and you get, die and you live, lose yourself and you gain all of heaven. The requirements for Christian living are stringent. Paul knew this when he said, "I die daily." The true losing of life is the slaying of self, and that has to be done day by day as choices and alternatives present themselves.

Paul had much to say about this phase of Christian experience, "The world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world." The world! Someone has said that worldliness is any attitude that does not count Christ supreme in any phase of life—social, business, political, private, public.

To be crucified to the world means the consecration of all activities, the dedication of all talents, the stewardship of all possessions, the commitment, the complete surrender of life itself.

History has its martyrs of science, exploration, duty, and religious convictions. But there are innumerable unknown and unsung martyrs of faith in the Book of God.

A Rare Combination

"Wise as serpents, and harmless as doves." What a rare combination! Harmless—no malice, no retaliation, no giving what is asked for, no striking back, no just deserts. Rather meekness, unending patience, all-conquering love, convincing Christlikeness. Why this distressing exploration of our everyday relationships? Because the test of our religious profession is how we react to pressure at home, among friends, in business. The fires of testing either refine and burn the dross out of our gold or they destroy our purpose to follow the lowly Nazarene.

"Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." The immediate source of this admo-

dition, the twelfth of Romans, has been designated as the most disturbing chapter in the Bible. It does probe into the nerve centers of our Christian experience. Do we squirm, wince, groan, retreat? It's so much easier to rationalize, extenuate, excuse, than it is to admit, confess, acknowledge our limitations, and plead for more grace, and power, and love. The latter course seems so difficult, so humiliating. *It is!*

A Layman's Reflections:

I AM A LAYMAN, one of a great number in the church who are more capable, more spiritual, more effective in soul winning than I'll ever be. There is one obligation however for which I alone am responsible; one from which there is no exemption nor deviation; one that is self-imposed, a realm in which even one-talent people can excel. It's *faithfulness*—a common word and in danger of being worn a bit thin through much use. Reduced to working terms it means loyalty to the leaders, the rules, the doctrines, and the program of the general church. Also it involves fidelity to the local church, its pastor, and its services.

Spirituality is a relative term; some project more of it than others. It is difficult (and highly dangerous) to judge anyone's spirituality. But *faithfulness*—that's something else. It's a recognizable quality that can be graded with reasonable accuracy. It is demonstrated by choices, decisions, involving what one does and doesn't do. Furthermore, if an individual's record in this department doesn't merit a passing grade he alone is to blame.

Faithfulness—it's an important word designating a vital character trait. It means more than being among those present at Sunday school, morning and evening worship, prayer meeting, revival services, board meetings (if a member), and meetings of committees to which one has been appointed. It denotes a willingness to serve where a need exists: a class to teach, singing in the choir, ushering, house-to-house calling, and any other task that has to be done. Some of the tasks may not be enjoyable, some may not be listed in one's qualifications, some may take time and strength that seemingly cannot be spared; but if there is an open door of service—there's that determination to be faithful. So get out your Bible, read Isa. 40:31, and undertake the assignment with thankfulness for the privilege of having a small part in the King's service.

Faithfulness assumes giving as the Lord has prospered. This involves "and offerings" after the tithe is paid. Can anyone feel easy with an interpretation of stewardship that doesn't include

all of himself? Faithfulness imposes another responsibility—inescapable and twofold—to the pastor and to each member of the church. I owe my pastor love, respect, co-operation, and attention which is demonstrated by obvious alertness in face and posture as he preaches. (Some of the dead-pan countenances and daydreaming, wool-gathering facial expressions seen in any church service must act like buckets of cold water on the glowing enthusiasm of the preacher.) Our pastor's welfare—his problems and responsibilities—should be a constant concern and a daily subject of prayer. And no faithful member can luxuriate in creature comforts while his pastor and family are suffering for want of the necessities and an occasional luxury.

The Bible sets a standard of brotherly love which implies cordiality and active interest in everything that touches the lives of our brethren in Christ. When we sing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," there should be a glow of response down where the emotions dwell. The bonds in Christ can be more real than the ties of blood relationships.

Does living up to these standards make one an ideal layman, an example of perfect attitudes and actions that could be displayed for exhibition purposes? Far from it. But it does keep me on the stretch and prevents, to some degree, drifting along in self-complacency, fussing about conditions in the general church, and lamenting any lack of progress locally. Maintaining these standards keeps me so busy that there is no time for criticizing the pastor and finding fault with others. Someone has said that one should live each day such a life and be such a person that if every life were like yours and every person such as you this earth would be God's paradise. That's reaching rather high, and I for one fail considerably even in approaching that lofty ideal. Nevertheless, I am going to keep praying for the Lord to search my heart, to try my spirit, and to make me the sort of layman who will help build the Kingdom, win souls for eternity, and make our pastor's life pleasanter and his work lighter.

OPINIONS

THOSE WHO are most like one's self can readily be understood. By so much as one differs from me, in that degree do we have difficulty in achieving understanding and sympathy.

The Church has within its ranks those who differ in methods or ways and means, yet are bound together in a blessed fellowship and unanimity of purpose that transcends these differences.

Prejudiced people have their minds made up and tightly closed against persuasion, new angles, different points of view. It is difficult to reach that type of person. He has a closed mind which is not unlike a pond with no outlet. You know what happens: green scum forms on the surface, odors unfragrant contaminate the air.

In this and the three successive issues of the *HERALD OF HOLINESS*, I present guest editorials by the following men: Dr. M. Lunn, manager of the Nazarene Publishing House; Dr. Harvey S. Galloway, superintendent of the Central Ohio District; Rev. Charles A. Garratt, treasurer of the Australian District and teacher in our Australian Bible College; and Dr. Cecil D. Ewell, pastor of the First Church of the Nazarene, Nashville, Tennessee. This plan provides a partial vacation for the editor and gives our readers a change.—STEPHEN S. WHITE, *Editor*.

The prejudiced individual usually is voluble in voicing his conclusions, and his conclusions are convictions, so don't condemn him too harshly. Don't be prejudiced against the prejudiced person.

Many good people are sources of concern to their pastors and obstacles to progress and unity.

May God help us to keep balanced psychologically, to keep our minds open, our opinions flexible, and to grow up mentally and spiritually, to be mature, exemplary, dependable Christians.

"Think on the Eternal Years"

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord" (I Cor. 15:58). Does the tempter sometimes suggest that your labor is in vain—unnoticed, unappreciated, unsuccessful? How shortsighted we are inclined to be! How human it is to crave recognition and approbation! We must frequently remind ourselves to "think on the eternal years."

The world is preoccupied with its own affairs; and when a man's work is justly applauded, the world has a short memory. We may as well make up our minds to work unknown and unacclaimed. If our work happens to be conspicuous we should labor with integrity, careless of praise or censure, knowing that our judgment is with God.

When our work is obscure (most of us are in this popular bracket) we should toil faithfully, confident that not one "cup of cold water" given in His name is unrewarded.

It is a life of glorious freedom to be diligent in our God-given assignment, careless and unconcerned whether we are seen or heard or praised of men, joyous in the confidence that we are known altogether to Him.

"Let us not be weary in well doing" reminds us of a letter our editor received from District Superintendent Lyle E. Eckley. (pardon the commercial; it's too good to go unnoticed!)

I just received a letter from our pastor at _____ First Church. A very wealthy elderly woman was drawing up her will before her attorney and requested him to call in Brother _____. She wanted to will \$250.00 to

the _____ Nazarene College ministerial student fund and also make a bequest of \$250.00 to the retired ministers' fund. She is a Lutheran and the one factor that influenced her to remember our church interests was the fact that she had subscribed to the HERALD OF HOLINESS for many years. This is a good example of the value of sending the HERALD to people even outside of our church. Brother

_____ had never met her or known of her until he was called into the attorney's office. Lord, help us never to underestimate the value of the printed page.

Rewards beyond our imagination to explore are coming in the by-and-by, but rewards worthy our best efforts may now be enjoyed while walking life's highway.

THE QUESTION BOX

Conducted by
STEPHEN S. WHITE

Q. I am reading the Old Testament through. Why is there so much about all of the sins of Judah and Israel and so much prophecy about their destruction? It isn't really interesting—especially since there is so much repetition. It looks as though it could have been written in much less space and more interestingly.

A. You are not the first person who has asked or wanted to ask such a question. Still, you must remember that God was doing His best to prepare a people through whom His Son was to come. It took line upon line and precept upon precept. Further, with all the repetition and emphasis upon backsliding and judgment which we have in the Old Testament, individuals and nations are still backsliding. Sinning and backsliding are dangerous business, and yet there are people on every hand who are not convinced of this fact. At least they do not act as if they believed it. Unlike most modern books of fiction the Bible was not written to please the readers, but to teach moral and spiritual lessons.

Q. Did Jesus forgive the woman who was taken in adultery (John 8:1-11)? Did he forgive the Samaritan woman who had five husbands and of whom Jesus said: "and he whom thou now hast is not thy husband (John 4:17-18)? If Jesus did forgive these two women, why does the Church of the Nazarene refuse to take divorced people into its membership?

A. In the first place, the Church of the Nazarene does not refuse membership to every person who is divorced, as your question seems to imply. In addition, the Church of the Nazarene is not alone in having regulations as to receiving those into its membership who have been divorced. Some of the largest and most influential Christian churches speak out very definitely against divorce. Also, they have rather stringent rules as to divorced persons coming into their membership. Now as to the two

instances to which you call attention. Nothing is said about divorce in connection with the woman taken in adultery, and we have no sure reason for believing that the woman at the well kept on living with the man Jesus declared was not her husband. In the light of these facts, I do not get the significance of your questions.

Q. What was the fixed custom as to a man accosting a woman during the time of Jesus? How many fixed customs did Jesus disregard in speaking to the Samaritan woman?

A. One writer in speaking of Jesus talking to the Samaritan woman says: "A Jewish rabbi would have avoided such a conversation." This indicates the custom of that day with reference to a Jewish leader talking to a woman in a public place and explains why the disciples were surprised when they came back and found Jesus conversing with the Samaritan woman (John 4:27). Added to this fact was the estrangement between the Samaritans and the Jews. They had no dealings with each other because the latter regarded the former as a mixed people, racially and religiously (John 4:9; Luke 9:52-53. Also, the parable of the Good Samaritan implies as much). As to your second question, I would have to answer, "I do not know."

Q. In 1954 I attended a Lutheran church service when there were perhaps a thousand people present. They took the offering very quickly. Don't you think that many of our churches could save time for other parts of the service by passing the plates for the offering much more quickly?

A. You are right. As little time as possible should be spent in actually taking up the offering. This can be done in an amazingly short time, even when there is a large crowd, if it is properly organized. In our Kansas City District camp meeting they take the offering, or pass the receptacles

for it, in almost less time than it takes me to tell about it. They have lots of helpers, and plenty of receptacles. No church should any longer take unnecessary time for passing the offering plates. Service time is God's time, and God's time is precious and should be conserved as much as possible, in the smaller as well as the larger churches.

Q. Please explain John 19:38-42. Does this wonderful act of Nicodemus mean that he was secretly a disciple of Jesus?

A. It would point in that direction, but would not absolutely prove that he was a disciple of Jesus. It might just indicate that he looked upon Jesus as a great leader, and not as his Lord and Master. Some questions such as this one we can speculate on but cannot be sure as to the answer until we get to heaven.

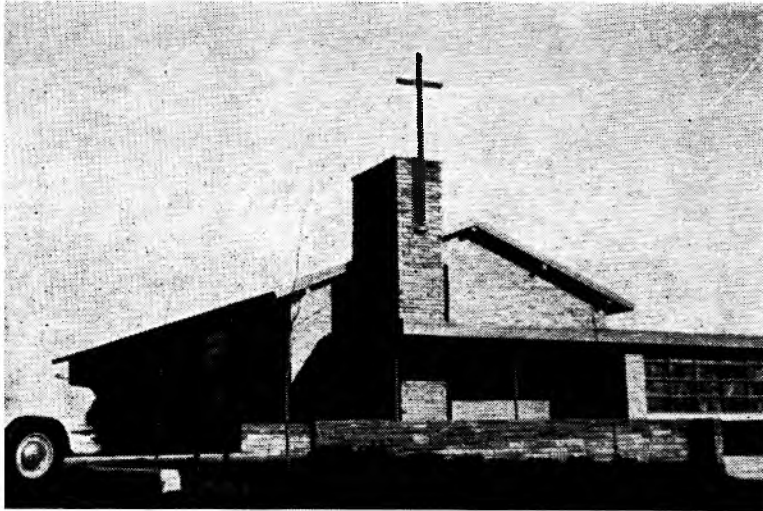
DEEPENING
The **CHURCH**
Through Prayer Groups
"Prayer Changes Things"

"We have three prayer groups now going in our church. Some of our young couples meet on Tuesday night at the church. A group of older folks have cottage prayer meetings in the homes of shut-ins through the Home Department. A Sunday night prayer group meets at the church at seven to pray for the evening service.

"Last month we had an altar service with nine seekers and good victories. and I believe our prayer groups helped to make this possible. We need to prevail in prayer if we are to have a real Pentecost and carry a burden for lost souls about us and around the world. I know God answers prayer."—MRS. E. M. KEPPEL, Superintendent, Home Department, Orlando Central Church, Florida.

HOME MISSIONS and EVANGELISM

Launching a New Church



ON MARCH 13 I had the privilege of bringing the message at the opening service of the Lakeview Park Chapel, a home missionary project of Oklahoma City First Church. The beautiful new building was well filled. The following Sunday, when it was raining, there were eighty-eight present for the first regular service.

Located in a newly developed residential suburb of Oklahoma City, this new home-mission church is an example of wonderful co-operation. First Church, under the aggressive leadership of its ministers, has fostered the project from the beginning, securing the property, choosing a building plan, overseeing the construction, arranging for the financing (with the large share of the cost borne by First Church), and encouraging its own members in the area of the new church to support the new work.

From the picture, it will be seen that this is no ordinary chapel that has been erected. The type of neighborhood necessitated an attractive, well-built church building. A plan for a first unit church building prepared by our Division of Church Extension was selected and adapted for the needs and location.

Oklahoma City is the hub at which four districts join together. The new Lakeview Park Chapel is in the Northwest Oklahoma District, and the district superintendent, Rev. J. T. Gasset, has appointed Rev. Frank Kemendo as the pastor for the new

church, which will be organized with a splendid beginning membership in a few weeks. Brother Kemendo is one of the outstanding young pastors on the Northwest Oklahoma District, now pastoring at Hooker. He is on the District Advisory Board and Mrs. Kemendo is district president of the N.F.M.S.

It is interesting to note that for April, the month following the opening of the Lakeview Park Chapel project, Oklahoma City First Church set a new Sunday-school average attendance record of 864, even though more than 50 of their own people were attending the Lakeview Park Chapel. This is another of the many illustrations showing that the Lord blesses the church that unselfishly seeks to build the Kingdom through home missions.

Much credit for this entire project is due to Rev. R. T. Williams, pastor of Oklahoma City First Church, whose vision for home missions, while strong on his home district, the Southwest Oklahoma District, has also embraced the whole of the growing greater Oklahoma City area. First Church has an ultimate goal of helping to plant a new church in each of the four districts included in this area.

June 5 Offering Progress

The church-wide offering for Church Extension on June 5 has been coming in daily since that time. The total amount received will be given by Dr. John Stockton, general church

ROY F. SMEE, Secretary

treasurer, in a subsequent issue of the *HERALD OF HOLINESS*. However, it will be of interest to know that on June 24 the offering amounted to \$32,652.97. This is a splendid and encouraging response and has been made possible by the whole-hearted co-operation of our churches. The larger amounts by the larger churches are appreciated, but the small amounts by our smaller churches have made possible this fine offering. A number of churches have written that the date was not convenient and that the offering will be taken in July, and this is appreciated.

The following list is of churches that have sent in large offerings, and their enthusiasm for this project is heartening. The figures include amounts received to June 22:

First Church,	
Chattanooga, Tenn.	\$1,000.00
Eugene, Oregon	444.38
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida ...	410.57
Muskegon, Michigan	337.18
Maryland Ave. Church,	
Dayton, Ohio	300.00

Rev. Roy A. Bettcher, pastor of Chattanooga First Church, wrote that his church had voted to send \$1,000.00 for the Church Extension offering, making about \$10,000.00 this year for general interests of the church. Their district giving is \$7,725.00, considerably above their budgets, and they are giving \$1,000.00 to Trevecca Nazarene College. This is a total giving for general and district interests of \$18,725.00 this year.

Just as thrilling to receive was the letter and postal money order for \$20.00 from the Friendship Church in Memphis, Tennessee, one of our Negro churches on the Gulf Central District. This is a home-mission church, with Mrs. Arthur Jackson, acting pastor. They are worshiping in a house at present, but they are real Nazarenes.

Teach me, and I will hold my tongue
(Job 6:24).

To refrain our tongues from becoming an instrument of evil speaking and expressing sinful thoughts, we must of necessity submit our minds to God, the great Teacher.—EARLE F. WILDE.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON



By J. GEORGE TAYLORSON

Topic for July 24: The Southern Kingdom Overthrown

Scripture: II Kings 24:20—25:21; Jer. 38:1—39:14 (Printed: II Kings 24:20; 25:1-12)

GOLDEN TEXT: *Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap* (Gal. 6:7).

When Nebuchadnezzar subdued Judah and captured Jerusalem, he first deported Jehoiachin with many other of the political leaders to Babylon, then selected Zedekiah to act as regent at Jerusalem. As would be expected, this puppet was more weak than wicked. There is the familiar picture of one who was personally attractive, likable, and well intentioned, but totally lacking in strength of personal convictions. There did seem to be a working relationship between this vassal of Babylon and the prophet Jeremiah, who treated him with deference.

Through the constant pressure of the time-serving false prophets and against the judgment of his true friend Jeremiah, he broke his vow to Nebuchadnezzar and led his people into a tragic siege which was characterized by pestilence, famine, and even cannibalism. Attempting to escape, Zedekiah was captured and forced to witness the murder of his sons, then had his own eyes put out,

to be imprisoned for the rest of his life. A tragic story of one whose soul had lost the power to see God and right, living out his days in physical and spiritual blindness!

How often have we witnessed this tragedy re-enacted in the lives of men from all stations of life! Not sensual, they could perhaps even be termed "good men" and well meaning; they know what is right and in a measure want to practice it, but they are completely lacking in moral stamina, courage, and loyalty of convictions. Few indeed are those who will turn from the clamoring crowd who shout that the road to success is expediency through the breaking of solemn pledges and departure from the rugged sense of right.

We must not miss the point in this historic fulfillment of God's moral law: "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." Adequate national defense is the part of wisdom. Rebellion against wrong is a valuable part of the Christian heritage. The difficulty, yes, the sin, lies in the neglect of God's Word and placing all trust in material defense.

The place they started was wrong. The defeat was not because their cause was in error but that they had so sinned against God in wrong personal and national living that defeat in their own souls assured national disaster. They had become slaves of lust, paving the way for the enslavement of body, mind, and soul.

Freedom of spirit is God's gift to every man; in this he receives his dignity. In the eyes of God, the worst evil is rebellion against Him, His way, and His love. This lesson affords a serious hour of soul searching for the individual, church, and nation. The worst thing that can befall us is not defeat by a foreign power, but the sure decay of our own souls—the burning out of our spiritual eyes, which leaves us imprisoned by our own selfishness, sin, and lust. As in the ancient case of Judah and Zedekiah, our real defenses are within and when they collapse our slavery is simply a matter of time. To so live that one becomes unworthy of freedom is indeed a catastrophe.

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Religious News and Comments

By A. K. BRACKEN

"Way of Life"

The *Scientific Temperance Journal* quotes J. Edgar Hoover as follows: "Three out of ten who start as light drinkers end up as drunkards." "There are more barmaids in America than there are college girls." "Our nation harbors three times as many criminals as college students." "Fifteen million sex magazines are printed monthly—read by one-third of the American people." (This as a tribute to that Sacred Cow, "freedom of speech and press," that we so devotedly worship. We outlaw some of our enemies—

others we protect with our lives.) "A major crime is committed in America every twenty-two seconds, an aggravated assault or rape every hour, a murder every fifteen minutes." "Only one out of twelve persons in our country attends church regularly."

"Billionaire Denomination"

Notes on the 98th session of the Southern Convention, which met in Miami, May 21, referred to Southern Baptists as a "Billionaire Denomination." It has passed the eight million mark in its membership; its property

is reported to total \$1,162,000,000.00; gifts to their churches amount to almost one million dollars daily, and sixty million dollars are spent each year for preachers. This denomination is growing faster than any other major denomination. In a ten-year period (1941-1951) the denomination had a gain of 1,702,228 members in their Sunday schools. Pastor Wayne Doheny of Birmingham says, "A Baptist church can fill with people any space, that it will provide, in from nine to eighteen months." The convention packed a Committee on Education with fifty per cent rural

preachers and secured denominational approval for two "Bible Institutes," which train preachers not qualified to meet Seminary entrance requirements.

Communist Collapse?

A Chinese-American minister, Dr. Peter Y. F. Shih, pastor of the Chinese Christian Church of New England in Boston, speaking to the nation-wide conference of Chinese Churches, recently convened in San Francisco, prophesied the collapse of the communist regime in China within twenty-five years. It conflicts with the basic values of Chinese culture. He said further that "Communist philosophy is in direct contradiction to our basic ideas of the dignity and freedom of the individual." He said that, basically, China is a family-centered nation which believes in moderation, patience, quietness, and filial piety. Communism is in conflict with all of these ideals. He further said that the American churches should start training their young people for service in the country when the hour arrives. "Moderation, patience, quietness, and filial piety!" Wonderful ideas and ideals! Is his prediction prophecy, or is it a prayer?

Religion Marching

Church membership is on the increase in the United States. Near 95 million persons belong to the country's 255 denominations. Donations and gifts to churches are near 2.5 billion dollars annually. President Eisenhower, himself a churchgoer, has prayer at the opening of cabinet meetings. Congress has provided a room for prayer and meditation. Churchmen are disturbed because this piety seems superficial, because it is lacking in self-surrender to God and in the sacrificial spirit of Christ and the apostles. We should all rejoice that religion is on the march and that many are disturbed at what is superficial in it.

BRIEFS:

On paper currency: Recently the House Committee on Banking and Currency voted unanimously to support a bill requiring that, "In God We Trust," shall appear on all paper currency.

Religious freedom: The Commission, writing a new constitution for Guatemala, took action to grant religious freedom for all churches and freedom of education for all public schools. Roman Catholic Archbishop Mariano Rossell y Arellano protested on the grounds that such action would make the government anti-Catholic rather than anticommunist.

Navajo New Testament: The complete manuscript for the Navajo New Testament was recently brought to the Bible Society by Mrs. Etta Dalton, a Navajo Indian. There are said to be almost 75,000 Navajos living in Arizona and New Mexico.

Bobby-soxers at revival: Censure is the tax a man pays for being eminent. All sorts of charges seem to be aimed at Billy Graham, as was also done in the case of Wesley, Moody, Billy Sunday, and many others who were successful in revivals of salvation. Among the latest was the wry note that "A lot of the young people at Wembly [for the opening night] were Bible bobby-soxers."



REMINDERS ON PRAYER

Reminders only. For most of us know more *about* prayer than we remember to know of prayer (in experience). Reminders, then, of Jesus' picture of prayer.

Monday:

Prayer is *secret*. It is essentially a heart understanding between two persons. The "closet" is the place, the mood, the attitude in which we can really meet God. It is the stripping off of thoughts and paring down of words—till we are speaking with God, listening to God, spirit facing Spirit. (Matt. 6:6.)

Tuesday:

Prayer is *sincere*; it is single-minded. It is not what we ask for, but what we wish for with all the heart. At least, that kind of prayer God pays attention to. (Mark 11:24; Matt. 6:22.)

Wednesday:

Prayer is *specific*; it knows what it asks and it knows when it is answered. Vague, expansive, benevolent feelings are pleasant; prayer is purposeful. (Matt. 7:7 ff.)

Thursday:

Prayer is *sensible*—sensible enough to meet conditions. It isn't wasting time on a guess—so. It knows God will not listen if we are cheating our brother. Basic to answered prayer is right ethical dealing with people. (Matt. 5:23-24.)

Friday:

Prayer is *unselfish*. It doesn't put the period after "My son John and his wife." Its deep cry is for the "friend in his journey," for "the lost, the last and the least"; its first petition, "Thy kingdom come." (Matt. 6:10; Luke 5:11 ff.)

Saturday:

Prayer is *undiscourageable*. It refuses to stop short of "as many as he needeth." For it has the promise (and it remembers Abraham's "ten righteous," and Elijah's "cloud the size of a man's hand"). (Luke 11:8.)

Sunday:

Prayer is *unlimited*. "Hitherto . . . nothing . . . ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full."

*Thou art coming to a King;
Large petitions with thee bring.*
(John 16:24.)

We know. Can we remember?

Foreign Missions

(Continued from page 11)

days' journey by canoe and by foot. There in a place called Saipui we found a modern miracle. Within the last year these people had built with their own hands a lovely chapel, eighteen by thirty feet, and the lay preacher presented to Brother Vaughters the names of twenty-six people who had been on probation for a year or more. Thus was organized our newest church in Guatemala. There were some seventy present on a Monday night, and the singing and testimony were something to behold. All this has been done without a cent of help financially from the missionaries, either for the building, or for the pastor's salary.

Pray that God will give us more and better-trained pastors, that the revival in Peten may be conserved, and that the roots of holiness may go deep into the spiritual life of the church here.

Some of you may ask, "Besides praying, what else can I do to help?"

I believe there is nothing that can ever surpass earnest intercessory prayer, faithfully practiced, as the work of the church in the homeland. But second to that effort, you can urge your local church to realize the minimum goal of giving 10 per cent of its total receipts, to world evangelism, through the recognized channels of the church.

This is our day—the needs were never greater, the opportunities never more plentiful. Everywhere there are open doors. As always, God is ready to use us. Thank God for a dedicated channel such as our beloved Zion, which God can use for His glory.

NEWS of the Churches



McKinney, Texas—Northside Church recently closed one of the best revivals in its 3½-year history. Night after night God came and honored His Word as it was delivered by the evangelist, Rev. Mrs. Thelma Steelman. She preached Bible holiness with the unction and power of the Holy Spirit. Beginning with the invitation on the first Sunday morning, God came and gave one or more seekers at the altar in each service following. New people were saved, believers were sanctified, and backsliders reclaimed. In answer to praying and fasting on the part of the church, God gave the victory. Five new members were added to the church, and our people are encouraged and built up in the faith.—Lawrence Gholsen, Pastor.

Evangelist George P. Woodward writes: "Each year I send in an annual report to give praise to the Lord for the blessings and victories He has given. This past year was my twenty-sixth year in the full-time ministry, and God gave over 2,500 souls bowed at the altar seeking Him for a definite experience. Also, the manifestation of the Holy Spirit has made meetings real revivals. I began the year with Pastor Frank in Louisville, Kentucky, First Church, and closed with a grand revival at First Church, Charleston, West Virginia, with Rev. William Blue. In every revival God blessed and answered prayer. Some of the outstanding re-

vivals were at Portsmouth, Ohio, with Pastor Bernard Knox; Decatur, Illinois, with Rev. Fred Reedy; Muncie, Indiana, with Pastor C. Withrow; Newport, Kentucky, with Rev. Asa Sparks; and First Church, Richmond, Indiana, with Rev. Ross Lee, where we had 1,255 in Sunday school on Easter Sunday. The most thrilling time of all was in the young people's institute on the Kentucky District, where over 200 youth prayed through to definite victory. Surely God was there, and District Superintendent D. S. Somerville said it was the best they have had. So we praise the Lord for a glorious year in His service, and with confidence in Him we look forward to more victories."

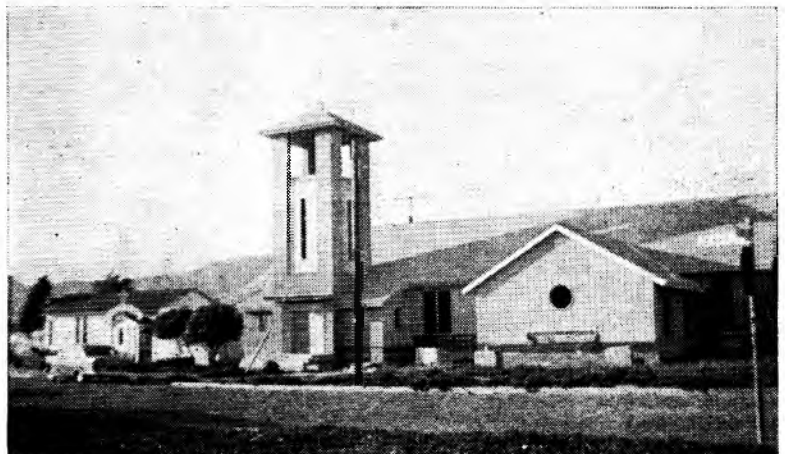
Evangelist Marvin S. Cooper reports: "We want to thank our friends who prayed for us during our serious illness some weeks ago. Truly, the Lord heard and answered prayer. We are now back at work and God is honoring our labors. At First Church, Richmond, Virginia, the Lord gave us a mighty manifestation of His grace. The people love and appreciate Pastor Walter Masters and his wife. More than thirty-five years ago we conducted our first meeting at Capitol Heights, Maryland, and have been going back for meetings across the years. We were with this fine people during the illness of their pastor, Rev. Roy Bowers. We were with Rev. Ann Mason and the fine people at Hosley Memorial Church, near Alexandria,

Virginia, for the anniversary service on May 30. We return to them for a revival in September. God gave us a real outpouring of His Spirit at Annapolis, Maryland, with Rev. John Maybury and his good people, when we were taken sick and had to be rushed to the hospital. Many souls found victory at the altar of prayer in these meetings. It has been necessary to rearrange our summer and fall slate and we have some open time. Write us, 1514 N. Wakefield Street, Arlington, Virginia."

Hillsdale, Michigan—As we close our ministry in this lovely city we are once more reminded that we have a wonderful God. Since coming here three years ago the Lord has helped us to make many improvements on the buildings. People, both in and out of the church, say it is in better spiritual condition than it has been in years. Although losing many of our people due to working conditions, the Lord has helped us to break all existing records in the Sunday school, setting a daily attendance record of 167, and an average attendance record of 87 for the year. Our General Budget is paid in full, and for the three years our church has been a "seven point" church in the missionary work. We thank God for missionary-minded people. These have been fruitful years, and Wife and I look forward to many more years in the ministry wherever the Lord may lead.—Loran Irby, Pastor.

In leaving Ventura to accept the call to our Lakewood Church in Long Beach, we leave a group of Nazarenes who have labored faithfully for the success of the church. In our five years as pastor, the membership has nearly doubled, and all departments of the church have increased with steady gains each year. Finances have increased miraculously so as to carry on our building program. Truly, God has blessed the Ventura church, for this past year \$21,500.00 was paid out for all purposes, with a membership of less than 100. Over the five-year period the church has raised nearly \$85,000.00. All budgets were paid in full or overpaid; the members have been faithful and liberal in their giving. The new sanctuary which is nearing completion has been a challenge to our faith; God has helped as the people had a mind to work. There is 5,000 square feet in the sanctuary, with an overflow room, which combined will seat over 400, and a comfortable pastor's study. The church has been built with donated labor except the arches and the con-

Ventura, California



crete floor; the stained-glass windows and brickwork are to be completed by the end of the month, completing the exterior. There is an indebtedness of only \$5,000.00 on the building, which is valued at \$75,000.00. As we

move to Long Beach, Lakewood Church, we'd be glad to contact any of your friends in the armed forces in that area; my new address, 5015 Lew Davis St., Long Beach 8, California.—Ben. C. Johnson.

Nazarene Theological Seminary

WORK is in progress on the grading of the Seminary grounds. The picture shows the machinery in operation in lowering the ground in front of the building, so that the grounds can be terraced to set the building in proper perspective. The grading will be completed by the first of July.

The parking lot has been enlarged but has not been curbed or asphalted. The driveway will be about 1,275 feet long and the estimated cost is about \$15,000.00. Also, over a block of city street must be paved and all the area seeded or sodded, to have the grounds in proper condition by the time of the General Assembly.

The ministers have responded well in providing money for the landscape work. A little over \$15,000.00 has been received at the present. It will take twice that amount to complete the work in the plainest and simplest manner. We wish to urge all ministers who have not sent their contributions to do so as soon as possible. The money is needed Now.

Also, we want to request all of our



people to pray that God will put it on the hearts of the people to give sufficient funds to complete the work of landscaping the grounds. God has answered prayer again and again for the needs of the Seminary, and I be-

lieve if all of us pray and obey God, the necessary funds will come in to seed and sod the grounds and have the grass growing by the time of the General Assembly next June.

LEWIS T. CORLETT, *President*

Caruthersville, Missouri— On May 29, First Church closed a very profitable revival with Evangelist E. J. Miller as the special worker. He is a man of God with a great Bible message, and he was much appreciated by our people. God honored Brother Miller's ministry among us with a good number of souls saved or sanctified, and a fine class of members added to the church on the last night of the meeting. As always, the church was good to their pastors during the meeting. We are now in our seventh year with these good folk.—Curtis F. Cook, Pastor.

Portland, Oregon—Rev. Bertrand F. Peterson, pastor for the last nine years of Highland Park Church, accepted a call to the church at Oregon City, effective May 29. On May 13 the pastor and his wife were honored with a reception — commemorating their twenty-fifth anniversary in the ministry, and the twenty-first anniversary of Brother Peterson as secretary of the Oregon Pacific District. Their daughter, Thelma, was also included in the reception. The new sanctuary was crowded with members, neighbors, relatives, and friends from far and near. Representatives of churches the pastor had served in North Dakota and in Oregon gave greetings. Notes of local appreciation were given by various ministers, including our own district superintendent, Rev. W. D. McGraw, Jr. An honored guest was the mayor of Portland, Mr. Fred L. Peterson, who emphasized the valuable work of the church in the life of the community. Valuable gifts of love and appreciation were given to the Petersons. During Brother Peterson's pastorate the church has been erected

and furnished throughout in the value in excess of \$100,000.00, also a new parsonage valued at \$15,000.00. During the past church year more money was raised for local expenses, and missions, than in any previous year; also more members have been received into the church during the current pastorate than in all the years preceding. When Brother Peterson came the membership was 95; today it is 145. Our new pastor is Rev. E. H. Edwards, who comes to us from Boise, Idaho.—J. Montgomery, Reporter.

Guthrie, Oklahoma—On Sunday night, May 29, we closed a fine revival with thirty-one people praying through to salvation, some reclaimed, some saved for the first time, and others sanctified wholly. Evangelist H. E. Darnell did some truly great preaching. We thank God for men who will preach the old-time religion in its purity, which stirs hearts and men come to the realization that the way of the old-time religion is the only way. Our people were greatly helped, including both church and Sunday school. Coming to the close of our assembly year this month, we have all budgets paid except a small amount on the General Budget, which will be paid, and the work shows a good gain. Our Sunday school shows a gain of better than 20 per cent this year in weekly attendance, and the N.F.M.S. has done excellent work. Also, we have added three fine Sunday-school rooms to the church at a cost of something like two thousand dollars, including nice chairs. Again we thank Evangelist Darnell for his work with us and pray God's best on him and his wife.—E. L. Looman and Wife, Pastors.

Pastor L. C. Miller of Montrose, California, writes: "It was my privilege recently to conduct evangelistic services at the C. Warren Jones Indian Training and Bible School near Albuquerque, New Mexico. It was an inspiring and deepening experience to be associated with the Pearsons, the Metzgers, the Wallings, and the wonderful group of Indian young people who make up the student body. I have never labored with a more responsive group, or in a more co-operative and spiritual atmosphere. The Spirit of God was graciously manifested in the services. The preparatory plans and prayers of Superintendent Pearson and other members of the faculty were owned and blessed of God. A hungering for God was evident from the first, resulting in fruitful altar services and victorious testimonies."

Evangelist George M. Gillespie writes: "For the past two and one-half years my wife and two sons have been with me, helping with the music and youth work in every one of my meetings. This has been made possible by slating all of our meetings during the school term within reasonable driving distance of one certain locality where the boys attend school. This coming school term they will attend Northwest Nazarene College high school at Nampa, and all of our meetings are slated in eastern Oregon and southern Idaho. We have a little time open in our slate for the spring of '56, and would be happy to slate this with any church within two hundred miles of Nampa. We are now slating for the fall of '56 and the spring of '57 in the midwestern section. Write me, P.O. Box 208, Auburn, Indiana."

WANTED AND NEEDED



Letters, pictures, documents, and publications, especially those connected with the beginnings of the CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE.

A full length history of the Church of the Nazarene has been authorized and is to be ready for our fiftieth anniversary year, 1958. Consequently, materials of historical significance, particularly those related to our founders, will greatly assist the committee in gathering facts for this important publication.

Dr. Timothy L. Smith, professor of history at Eastern Nazarene College and a member of the

General N.Y.P.S. Council, has been secured as special research assistant. Any information given to him as he carries on research for the committee will be greatly appreciated.

It is desirable, also, to expand the archives of the church, and all material of historical nature received will be housed in the vault of the new headquarters' building in Kansas City.

Send all materials to S. T. Ludwig, general secretary, 6401 The Paseo, Kansas City 10, Missouri.

THE COMMITTEE

Mendell Taylor, *Chairman*

S. T. Ludwig, *Secretary*

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Rev. Betty Wagner writes: "After five years of pastoring, Miss Helen Lavelly and I are re-entering the evangelistic field, and will be available after August 1. We shall be glad to slate with any of our churches, large or small. We carry the whole program of preaching, singing and music. Write us % General Delivery, Carrier Mills, Illinois."

Rev. R. L. Granger writes: "After twelve great years in the pastorate, I have resigned to re-enter the field of evangelism. I will be open for meetings after October 1, and will be glad to go anywhere for free will offerings; I will travel alone. At this writing I have time open after January 1 of '56. Write me, 238 La Vista, Concord, California."

Morrow, Ohio—Recently we closed a very successful revival with Evangelist George P. Woodward as the special worker. There were many seekers and a good spirit, with much conviction among the church members. God is blessing our church with a growing Sunday school. We broke our record of 252 with an attendance of 345 on Easter Sunday. We are now starting work on a new Sunday-school annex, and planning for a great year in the Lord.—Donna M. Walsh, Secretary.

Springfield, Missouri—First Church recently closed a revival meeting with Evangelist W. M. Tidwell—one of the best revivals the church ever has had. The Spirit-filled ministry and the Spirit-anointed messages of the evangelist helped to bring about the revival for which the church had been praying. More than sixty souls bowed at the altar of prayer, among them some fine young married couples who never had been saved. The church truly has been revived for which we praise God.—Dean Baldwin, Pastor.

Rev. R. Eugene Denney writes: "Evangelist R. F. Lindley held a good meeting with us in the Rosedale Church, Bakersfield, California, in May. He is a straightforward preacher of the gospel, and his preaching was good for our church. I have now completed my work as pastor of this church. I began preaching in a home in the community soon after the Sunday school was started by lay people in the spring of '53. During most of these two years the services were held in the Grange building. The church is now housed in a 25 x 60-foot chapel. The church reported twenty members at assembly, with an average of more than forty in the Sunday school for the past two years. We now plan to open a new work in Quincy, California, this fall. If you have friends or relatives in that area, please write me, 775 W. Orange, Arvin, California."

Langdale, Alabama—We closed one of the most effective and far-reaching revivals on June 5 of our four-year ministry here. The evangelist, Rev. Joel Danner, prayed, fasted, and preached with a burning passion for souls. We received a class of eighteen members into the church, many of them adults; and on the closing Sunday we had a baptismal service with twenty-two candidates.—L. L. Scales, Pastor.

Syracuse, Ohio—Our church has been blessed and benefited by a week of prayer services, followed by a one-week revival with Dr. J. Howard Sloan as the preacher. His messages and labors are still bringing forth fruit. He has a rich ministry because of his more than thirty years spent in the field of evangelism. We find it a pleasure to labor with the spiritual people here, and appreciate the work of the godly pastors and laymen who have preceded us.—M. C. Larimore, Pastor.

Petersburg, Indiana—Our church recently enjoyed a very profitable revival with Rev. and Mrs. R. V. Jackson as the special workers. Our pastor, Rev. Iretha Darnell, has been given a unanimous call for the third year. The church recently was re-decorated, with an added attraction of a beautifully lighted picture of the head of Christ. We thank God for His blessings.—Mrs. Roy Kellams, Secretary.

Springfield, Ohio—Rev. and Mrs. George M. Galloway were honored in a special service on May 22, on their seventh anniversary of service with First Church here. The featured speakers were Mr. George Haucke, a business man, and Rev. Clifford Stearns, president of the Ministerial Fellowship. Both Mr. and Mrs. Galloway are active in the church and civic life of the community. Also, the Erie Avenue Church of the Nazarene in Springfield, and the church in Bellefontaine, Ohio, were sponsored under the leadership of Brother Galloway. The church has extended a three-year call to this fine pastor and his wife who are so ably serving this church and community.—Marion Baker, Reporter.

Pittsburgh District

Annual N.Y.P.S. Convention

The Pittsburgh District N.Y.P.S. convention was held May 2 and 3 at our church in New Brighton, Pennsylvania. Dr. L. J. Du Bois was the guest speaker, and he was wonderful, as usual. His messages were timely and penetrating; they seemed to get to the heart of the problems of young people's spiritual lives as well as the problems of the young people's societies.

What made the convention a success? First, God was there. Second, the host pastor, Rev. Harold Brown, and his people were so kind and cooperative in caring for us. Third, the delegates, pastors, and local presidents came to enjoy the blessings of the convention, not to find fault. The reports of the zone chairmen, the local presidents, and the district officers were all so helpful and encouraging that we came away feeling God was going to give us a wonderful year. Last, but not least, much of the success of the convention was due to our district president, Rev. F. Franklyn Wise, who is humble and very capable. In appreciation for his time and efforts, District Superintendent R. F. Heinlein presented Brother Wise with a beautiful brief case from the pastors and presidents.

On the first evening of the convention, 210 persons enjoyed a banquet which was considered "tops"; the people who served the meal were most kind, and served an ample quantity. Rev. Stephen Nease, Eastern Nazarene College representative, was present to show a film, "The Difference," pertaining to the need of having an education in our own church colleges.

JUNE GREENWOOD, *District Secretary*

Nevada-Utah District Assembly

The annual assembly of the Nevada-Utah District was called to order on Wednesday, May 25, at our First Church in Reno, Nevada. Dr. Hardy C. Powers officiated with his usual efficiency and gracious spirit. The blessings of God were manifest from the very beginning of the assembly throughout.

Gains were reported along every line, pointing to the day when Nevada-Utah shall cease to be a home-mission district. Property values approach the \$400,000.00 mark with less than a 10 per cent indebtedness. This is an unusual figure in view of the fact that total district membership in this sparsely settled area is scarcely more than the membership of just one good-sized church in some areas of the country.

Our beloved district superintendent, Rev. Raymond B. Sherwood, was re-elected with only one negative vote. A love offering of nearly \$400.00 was raised for him in only a few minutes' time.

FRANKLIN P. BUTLER, Reporter

Arizona District Assembly

The thirty-fourth annual assembly for Arizona District met May 19 and 20 at Tucson First Church. Dr. G. B. Williamson presided with ease and grace. His messages on the Crusade for Souls stirred our hearts to do more in the field of personal soul winning and the establishing of churches on our district.

Rev. M. L. Mann, district superintendent for eleven years, was re-elected with only two dissenting votes. He has served the district well, and has done a very solid work in the field of home missions. Brother and Sister Mann were given a nice love offering by the assembly and the N.F.M.S. convention. The Manns are well loved by the people of the district because of their spirit, and their loyalty and devotion to Christ and the Church of the Nazarene.

Reports showed a net gain in membership this year of 189, with 300 people received on profession of faith; the district now has a total membership of 2,727. Also, \$439,909.00 was raised for all purposes, with \$34,195.00 for general interests. Arizona Nazarenes gave \$161.00 per capita. Sunday-school enrollment showed a good increase, bringing it to 5,245, an average attendance of 3,683. Four churches on the district gave 10 per cent or more to world-wide evangelism through the General Budget: Glendale, Peoria, Phoenix Eastside, and Phoenix First. The N.F.M.S. reported 996 members, of which 231 are men; while the N.Y.P.S. went over the 1,000 mark, reporting 1,025 members.

A new church was organized during the year in northwest Phoenix, under the leadership of Rev. Don Arey. Phoenix Orangewood Church already has made wonderful spiritual, numerical, and financial gains, and is in the process of erecting a beautiful

building which will accommodate more than 200 people in the first unit.

The Revolving Fund now totals \$15,365.00 and one of the goals for the coming year is to add \$10,000.00 to that fund and to start at least two new churches on the district.

At a very impressive service on Friday morning, Dr. Williamson ordained as elders Wayne T. Gash and Donald Owen.

Elected to the District Advisory Board were Rev. Reuben Welch, Rev. George Gardner, J. R. Porter, and M. S. Lydic. Rev. J. E. Moore, Jr., was re-elected as district church school board chairman.

HAROLD BUCKNER, Reporter

Annual Assembly Washington Pacific District

The annual assembly of the Washington Pacific District was held May 11 and 12 at First Church, Seattle, Washington, with Dr. Hardy C. Powers pre-

siding. The presence of God was greatly felt and manifested in every service of the assembly. Dr. Powers officiated with his usual grace and efficiency. His messages were anointed of God, and were a great blessing and help to all those present.

The high point of the assembly was the report and re-election by an overwhelming majority of our much loved and appreciated district superintendent, Dr. B. V. Seals. The churches of the district expressed their appreciation and love for Dr. and Mrs. Seals by raising a love offering of \$750.00 for them.

Rev. Roy Yeider served as the ideal host pastor.

The assembly closed with the ordination of Raymond Hudson and Melvin Laws, and consecration to the office of deaconess of Mrs. Helen Jones and Mrs. Irene Freeman.

The Washington Pacific District continues in its march of progress.

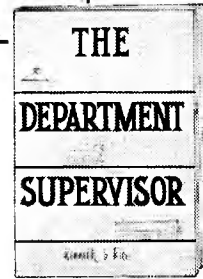
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Annual Young People's Convention Florida District

The sixteenth annual convention of the Florida District N.Y.P.S. convened at Winter Haven on May 24, at the First Presbyterian Church. Rev. C. R. Moore, our esteemed district president, presided in a gracious spirit. He reported that a new high had been reached in membership, with 1,366 recorded. Subscriptions to *Conquest* were raised from 107 to 376. Progress was also reported in the camps and other district activity. Brother Moore was re-elected to serve his tenth year as district president.

Other district officers elected were: Rev. Robert Spear, Jr., vice-president; Rev. Thomas E. Ream, secretary; Rev. Wm. Wineberg, treasurer; Rev. L. R. Rushton, teen-age supervisor; Mrs. Gordon Woods, sponsor of the boys' and girls' work; with Barbara Campbell and Johnny Carter as teen-age representatives.

Rev. Jack Eppes, executive secretary of the United Christian Action of Florida, spoke to the convention as to the liquor traffic especially among our youth. Miss Mary Scott, general secretary of the N.F.M.S., brought a challenging message to a combined session of the young people's and missionary conventions. Dr. John L. Knight, district superintendent, was on hand to give counsel and guidance.

THOMAS E. REAM, Reporter

DEATHS

MRS. IDA L. MURPHY, age eighty-five, died April 22, 1955, at the home of her son, Francis, in Miami, Florida. She was born in Brooklyn, New York, and was married to Frank A. Murphy. Sister Murphy served for many years as president of the W.F.M.S. in the New York District. She traveled considerably with Mrs. S. N. Fitkin in the early days of our missionary work. She was a tireless worker for our great program of world missions during her life, and even in her last days she kept in constant touch with all the missionary interests of the church. A chapel has been erected to her memory in Mogili, India, named the Ida Murphy Memorial Chapel. Six years ago she moved from Beacon, New York, to Miami, where she had since resided. Although not in too good health, she continued to spend many hours daily in prayer for the missionaries and the work of God around the world. She was a faithful and much loved member of Central Church of the Nazarene, Miami, where her prayers and testimony made a remarkable contribution. She is survived by a son, Francis, of Miami, and a sister, Mrs. Kate Osborn, of Long Island, New Jersey. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. Earle W. Vennum, assisted by Rev. J. L. Roby, in Central Church, Miami, with interment in Dade Memorial Cemetery.

LEE ROY DIFFEE was born in Bismark, Arkansas, October 27, 1889, and died in Little Rock, Arkansas, on April 4, 1955. In 1919 he was united in marriage to Miss Agnes White. They lived in Little Rock for twenty-three years, where he assisted his wife in serving First Church of the Nazarene for more than eighteen years. For the past three and one-half years they ministered to the church in Pine Bluff. He was a faithful and devoted companion and a true friend. He lived for others, a "Good Samaritan" in his field of labor. Brother Roy stood by and supported his companion who was called of God to the active ministry. He was known for his loyalty, devotion, and humble spirit. His testimony in his last illness was that he loved God with his whole heart. He is survived by his companion, Rev. Agnes White Diffie; his mother, Mrs. Sarah Jane Diffie of North Little Rock; also four sisters and two brothers. Funeral service was held in Little Rock First Church of the Nazarene, with Rev. W. L. French bringing the message. Rev. Ponder W. Gilliland, Rev. M. H. Kirkpatrick, Rev. G. A. Lankford, and Rev. Raymond McClung assisted in the service. Interment was in Roselawn Memorial Park in Little Rock.

MRS. ANNIE IRWIN, of Des Arc, Missouri, died March 19, 1955. She was the wife of Rev. J. W. Irwin, and daughter of Jesse B. and Susan Wallis. She is survived by a sister, Ollie Wallis, and other relatives who will miss her very much. She left a testimony that she was going to heaven. Funeral service was held in the Church of the Nazarene at Des Arc, in charge of her pastor, Rev. T. W. Faulkner, with interment in the Mountain View Cemetery, Des Arc.

MRS. MINNIE STANFORD, wife of Rev. David E. Stanford (deceased) died in her sleep at her home in San Jose, California, March 25, 1955. She was born, Minnie Ellen Dunn, in Clay City, Illinois, in 1873. She and her husband joined the Church of the Nazarene, becoming charter members at Greeley, Colorado. She served with her husband, who was an ordained elder in the ministry, as he pastored at Garfield, Wash., and in other places. Her kindness, cheer, and unselfish concern for others will be long remembered. She was a beloved member of First Church of the Nazarene, San Jose. She is survived by Margaret Stanford, her only daughter, of San Francisco.

CHARLES ERNEST HAVLIK was born April 11, 1888, in Kimball, South Dakota, and died January 28, 1955, in Eureka, Kansas. In 1940 Charles moved to Eureka, where he met and married Maybelle Cook in 1943. He was greatly interested in the work of God, and the people of the local church will always remember the many times he stood during the church services and told of his conversion and sanctification. Only eternity will reveal the true extent of his contribution to his community and his church. He is survived by his wife, Maybelle, of Eureka; his mother, Clara Havlik; also three brothers and five sisters. Funeral service was conducted by the Reverend Mr. Harper, with interment in the Greenwood Cemetery.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECOMMENDATIONS

I have been informed that Rev. Betty Wagner and Miss Helen Laveley are re-entering the evangelistic field. Sister Wagner has pastored several churches on our district with good success; she is a forceful and evangelistic preacher of holiness. The two have traveled together extensively in evangelistic work, and with the fine musical ability of Miss Laveley, they make a good team. They will be a blessing to any church. I trust that they shall be kept busy. Address them, % General Delivery, Carrier Mills, Illinois. W. S. Purinton, superintendent of Illinois District.

Rev. A. E. Peterson, pastor of our Prince Albert Church in Saskatchewan, is entering the evangelistic field in September. He is a fine, loyal, hard-working Nazarene minister, with a dynamic evangelistic message and a compassion for the souls of men. He has served as a pastor in the United States, eastern Canada, and Canada West, and is concluding a successful pastorate at Prince Albert. He is an ordained elder and has a good record as an evangelist. No church would make a mistake in calling him, and he is willing to go anywhere.—Edward Lawlor, superintendent of Canada West District.

This is to recommend Professor and Mrs. Kenneth Ashby as song evangelists. They have been song evangelists in a sister holiness church for several years. They have recently united with the Church of the Nazarene on our district. I can recommend them for revivals, conventions, or camp meetings. Let's keep them busy. Address them, 1111 Shannon Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana.—Luther Cantwell, superintendent of Indianapolis District.

BORN—to Rev. and Mrs. Eldon Shields of Seneca, Oregon, a son, Donald Ray, on June 23.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Paul M. Rodgers of Evanston, Illinois, a son, Stephen Mendell, on June 21.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Homer Shearer of Waco, Texas, a son, Thomas Nathan, on June 14.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Herbert L. Steele of Herrington, Kansas, a daughter, Michelle Renee, on June 9.

—to Bob and Vesta (McReynolds) Moore of Garden City, Kansas, a son, Robert Dean, on June 6.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Middendorf of Trevecca Nazarene College, Nashville, Tenn., a daughter, Deborah Kay, on May 20.

WEDDING BELLS

Evangelist Lum Jones of Ada, Oklahoma, and Mrs. Christine Lowman of Trenton, New Jersey, were united in marriage on June 15, with the son of the bridegroom, District Superintendent Glen Jones of Southeast Oklahoma District, performing the ceremony.

Miss Thelma Ruth Porter and Mr. Edward Carter were united in marriage on June 4, at the Church of the Nazarene in Fayetteville, Tennessee, with Rev. Joseph T. Porter, father of the bride, officiating.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a subscriber in California for herself and the unsaved of her family—several are unsaved and truly need God; by a lady in Iowa for a family of friends who "need the Lord so bad"—she has sent them tracts and written, and they greatly need God's help, also for herself that she may be able to stay at her present job where the work is very exacting, and she is not strong physically;

by a young man in Michigan that God will open doors for work and arrange things so he may be able to work and complete his schooling in a holiness school;

by a lady in Iowa that God will undertake in the matter of a threatened lawsuit, and overrule, also save the troublemakers;

by a Nazarene mother in Alabama for a relative undergoing surgery that God may heal, also that an unsaved loved one will repent and be saved from making a serious mistake, for all her family, and that God may undertake in a matter of her own moving; by a Christian lady of another denomination in Michigan, who reads the "Herald" that God will work things out that she may be able to attend church, and be a soul winner for Him.

Nazarene Camp Meetings

July 14 to 24, Oregon Pacific District Camp, at 12625 S.E. 82nd Avenue, Portland, Oregon. Special workers: Rev. Harold L. Volk and Rev. Howard Sweeten, evangelists; Rev. and Mrs. Gilbert Rusford, song evangelists; prayer and praise, Rev. T. H. Stanley; Rev. James E. Kratz, children's worker. For information and reservations, write to Rev. B. Martin Gale, Rt. 1, Box 425, Clackamas, Oregon. Rev. W. D. McGraw, Jr., district superintendent.

July 22 to 31, Central Ohio District Camp, at Columbus Campgrounds, Cleveland Avenue at Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio. Workers: Dr. Edward Lawlor, Rev. Charles H. Lipker, evangelists; Professor Warnie Tippett, song evangelist; Dr. John Cotner, youth worker; Rev. H. C. Little, prayer director; Mrs. H. C. Little, children's worker. For information write, Rev. C. D. Westhafer, 214 W. South St., Wooster, Ohio. Dr. Harvey S. Galloway, district superintendent.

July 25 to 31, Florida District Camp, at old Suwannee Campgrounds, on U.S. Hi-way 41, three miles north of White Springs, Florida. Workers: Dr. I. C. Mathis, Dr. Ralph Earle, evangelists; Rev. and Mrs. Leon Cook, singers; Rev. C. R. Moore, youth director; and Mrs. Ben Martin, children's worker. Dr. John L. Knight, district superintendent. For information, write Rev. Don Newell, camp manager, 235 Avenue "F" S.W., Winter Haven, Florida.

July 25 through 31, Southern California District Camp, Costa Mesa, California. Special workers: Rev. C. B. Cox, Rev. Paul Martin, Rev. T. H. Stanley, and Professor Ronald Lush. For information write Rev. Clive Williams, Box 384, Costa Mesa, California. Dr. R. J. Plumb, district superintendent.

August 1 through 7, Minnesota Nazarene Camp, at the Mission Farms Campground, ten miles west of Minneapolis on Medicine Lake. Special workers: Dr. G. B. Williamson, Rev. J. E. Williams, Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Bedwell, and Dr. Guy Nees, preachers; Gerald and Donna Lou Jenkins and Rev. Philip Johnson, musicians; Evelyn and Lucile Manus, children's workers. For information write, Rev. Roy F. Stevens, district superintendent, 1401 Payne Ave., St. Paul Minnesota.

August 1 to 7, New Mexico District Camp, at Mountain Park Campground, Capitan, New Mexico. Dr. B. V. Seals, preacher. Rev. R. C. Gunstream, chairman of all sessions. For information write, F. R. Whitley, Mountain Park Campground, Capitan, New Mexico.

August 5 to 14, Southwest Oklahoma District Camp, at the campground, 3½ miles west of Anadarko, Oklahoma, on Hi-way 9. Special workers: Rev. Don Scarlett and Rev. Ray Hance, evangelists; Calvin and Marjorie Jantz, singers and musicians. For further information or reservations, write the district superintendent, Rev. W. T. Johnson, Box 249, Duncan, Oklahoma.

August 5 to 14, Washington-Philadelphia annual district camp meeting, at North East, Maryland. Workers: Rev. Paul Martin, Rev. Ted Martin, evangelists; Rev. Kenneth Pearsall, youth speaker; Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Gould, singers; Mrs. Grace Bertolet, organist. For information and reservations write the camp manager, Rev. Boyd M. Long, 305 Euclid Ave., Trenton, N.J.

August 8 to 14, Iowa District Camp, District Campground, Route 1, West Des Moines, Iowa. Dr. G. B. Williamson and Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt, evangelists; Professor Warnie Tippett and the Olivet Quartet, singers. Missionary convention, August 9, Dr. David Hynd, speaker. Children's workers, Misses Meadows and Reasoner. Rev. Gene E. Phillips, district superintendent.

August 12 through 19, Virginia District Camp, one mile west of Sprouses' Corner, or Intersection of Hi-ways 15 and 60. Mail address, Dillwyn, Virginia. Special workers: Rev. E. C. Martin, preacher; Rev. and Mrs. T. T. Liddell, singers; Rev. C. Wm. Ellwanger, Rev. V. W. Archer, and others. For information regarding rooms, etc., write Rev. W. O. Holloway, 919 E. Elliot St., Charlottesville, Virginia. Rev. V. W. Littrell, district superintendent.

August 15 to 21, Eastern Kentucky District Camp, campgrounds, Winchester, Kentucky. Workers: Rev. J. A. McNatt and Rev. Asa Sparks, preachers; Douglas Slack, song evangelist. For further information write the district superintendent, Rev. D. S. Somerville, 2717 Iroquois Ave., Ashland, Kentucky.

August 15 to 21, Northwest Indiana District Camp, to be held in conjunction with the district assembly. All services at the District Center, near San Pierre, Indiana. Special workers: Rev. Bernie Smith, evangelist; Norman and Connie Franklin, singers; Dr. David Hynd, missionary; Dr. Hardy C. Powers, general superintendent. For further information, write Rev. Harry McCubbin, R.R. 1, San Pierre, Indiana.

August 18 to 28, Idaho-Oregon District Camp, Inter-Mountain Nazarene Camp Tabernacle, corner of Idaho and Elder Streets, Nampa, Idaho. Special workers: Dr. Ralph Earle and Rev. Harold L. Volk, evangelists; Professor Ray Moore, singer; Miss Mary L. Scott, missionary speaker. Rev. I. F. Younger, district superintendent, Box 89, Nampa, Idaho.

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Assembly Schedule

Eastern Michigan	July 20 to 22
Eastern Kentucky	July 27 to 29
Missouri	August 3 to 5
Northwest Indiana	August 17 to 19
Tennessee	August 24 to 26
Louisiana	August 31 and September 1
Georgia	September 14 and 15
Southeast Oklahoma	September 21 and 22

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Western Ohio	July 27 to 29
Minnesota	August 1 to 3
Illinois	August 4 to 6
Iowa	August 10 to 12
Houston	August 24 and 25
Mississippi	August 31 and September 1
Kansas City	September 7 to 9
Northeast Oklahoma	September 28 and 29

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Southwest Indiana	July 28 and 29
Kansas	August 3 to 5
Wisconsin	August 10 to 12
Dallas	August 17 and 18

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Assembly Schedule

Pittsburgh	July 21 to 23
Northwest Oklahoma	July 28 and 29
East Tennessee	August 3 and 4
Chicago Central	August 10 to 12
Southwest Oklahoma	September 14 to 16
North Carolina	September 21 and 22
South Carolina	September 28 and 29

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Assembly Schedule

Central Ohio	July 20 to 22
Kentucky	August 3 and 4
Virginia	August 10 and 11
Northwestern Illinois	August 17 and 18
Indianapolis	August 24 to 26
South Arkansas	September 7 and 8
North Arkansas	September 14 and 15

District Assembly Information

CENTRAL OHIO—Assembly, July 20 to 22, at the District Campgrounds, Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio (may be reached by Greyhound bus to Morse Road). Send mail and other items relating to the assembly % Dr. Harvey S. Galloway, 2657 Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio. Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

EASTERN MICHIGAN—Assembly, July 20 to 22, at Flint First Church of the Nazarene, Lyon at West Wood St., Flint, Michigan. Rev. Leslie Parrott, the entertaining pastor; send mail and other items relating to the assembly % him, at 310 W. Wood St., Flint, Michigan. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

PITTSBURGH—Assembly, July 21 to 23, at the Alameda Campgrounds, P.O. Box 367, Butler, Pennsylvania (rail terminus is Butler, Pennsylvania). Rev. Wm. W. Filer, 201½ Fifth Avenue, Butler, is the entertaining pastor. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly % Rev. R. F. Heinlein, P.O. Box 367, Butler, Pennsylvania (Books or other supplies sent by rail should be delivered to the Alameda Camp, Alameda Park, Butler, Pennsylvania). Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

EASTERN KENTUCKY—Assembly, July 27 and 28, at Ashland First Church of the Nazarene, 22nd and Bath, Ashland, Kentucky. Rev. L. B. Hicks, entertaining pastor. Send mail and other items relating to assembly % Brother Hicks, 22nd and Bath, Ashland, Kentucky. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

WESTERN OHIO—Assembly, July 27 to 29, at the Nazarene Center, St. Marys, Ohio (may be reached by Nickel Plate and truck; state Hi-way 29). Rev. Robert L. Ellis, 316 N. Main Street, St. Marys, entertaining pastor. Send mail and other items relating to assembly % Dr. W. E. Albea, 4301 Midway Ave., Dayton 7, Ohio. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

NORTHWEST OKLAHOMA—Assembly, July 28 and 29, at Bethany First Church of the Nazarene, Main and Asbury, Bethany, Oklahoma. Dr. E. S. Phillips, entertaining pastor. Send mail and other items relating to assembly in care of him, P.O. Box 76, Bethany, Oklahoma. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

SOUTHWEST INDIANA—Assembly, July 28 and 29, at the Indiana University Auditorium, Indiana University Campus, Bloomington, Indiana. Entertaining pastor, Rev. C. G. Bohannon. Send mail and other items relating to assembly to him, 511 N. Grant St., Bloomington, Indiana. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

MINNESOTA—Assembly, August 1 to 3, at the Mission Farms Campground, 3401 Medicine Lake Blvd., Minneapolis, Minnesota. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly % Rev. Roy F. Stevens, Mission Farms, 3401 Medicine Lake Blvd., Minneapolis, Minnesota. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

EAST TENNESSEE—Assembly, August 3 and 4, at the District Center, Route 2, Louisville, Tennessee (call 3169-W from Knoxville or Maryville for instructions on how to reach District Center). Send mail and other items relating to assembly % Rev. Victor E. Gray, Route 2, Louisville, Tennessee. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

KENTUCKY—Assembly, August 3 and 4, at the Broadway Church of the Nazarene, 324 E. Broadway, Louisville, Kentucky. Rev. Dennis Wyrick, 2115 Bonnycastle Avenue, entertaining pastor. Send mail and other items relating to assembly % Brother Wyrick, at 324 E. Broadway, Louisville, Kentucky. Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

KANSAS—Assembly, August 3 to 5, at the District Center, 16th and Plum, Hutchinson, Kansas. Rev. Wilson R. Lanpher, entertaining pastor. Send mail and other items relating to assembly to Brother Lanpher, 500 N. Plum, Hutchinson, Kansas. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

MISSOURI—Assembly, August 3 to 5, at the Pine Crest Camp, Fredericktown, Missouri (five miles south of Fredericktown on old 67 Hi-way). Rev. A. G. Roach, 202 Saline Street, entertaining pastor. Send mail and other items relating to assembly % S. C. Venople, P.O. Box 349, Fredericktown, Missouri. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

ILLINOIS—Assembly, August 4 to 6, at the Nazarene Acres, Route 1, Mechanicsburg, Illinois (12 miles east of Springfield). Rev. G. H. Harmon, 924 W. Edwards St., entertaining pastor. Send mail and other items relating to assembly % Dr. W. S. Purinton, P.O. Box 72, Springfield, Illinois. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.



SERVICEMEN'S CORNER

"Thank you ever so much for the last letter you wrote me, also thanks for sending me the names of other men here on the base that you have on your mailing list. I am going to get in touch with all of them. I have been visiting the hospital each Wednesday night the last few weeks here on the base. There are only about twenty-five men in the hospital now. I feel that we as Nazarenes have a message that the world needs. Through the power of His love I am going to do all I can to spread this wonderful message. On this base we have what we call a Brotherhood. We have about ninety officers and airmen as members. They represent most of the men here that are interested in the chapel work. At the last meeting they elected me as their vice-president. I also thank God for that because it will make my work for the Lord so much easier. Now I represent a name that they all know something about. God is blessing; men are finding Christ here on this base."

—ALDOR S. PETERSON.

Chaplain Clifford Earle Keys, who is stationed at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, has reported that "good progress has been made for our Religious Emphasis Week. There were enough evangelistically minded chaplains here to push a real revival. We decided to have each major unit sponsor a different night. I was in charge of the music—had several choirs, including quartet from Trevecca for two nights. Lois was at the piano. I also had the music at our Post-Easter Sunrise Religious Emphasis Week; my unit was sponsor. I preached and the Lord helped us. We had 550 men present—had 12 men converted."

Chaplain William Wyland Huffman writes the following report:

"During the last month it was my privilege to have Rev. Cecil Ewell, pastor of Nashville Tennessee First Church of the Nazarene, visit my ship. He preached a wonderful message that was well accepted by the sailors and their dependents of my ship. Mr. Ewell is a Reserve chaplain in the navy and has just been promoted to commander. It was gratifying to have him aboard while he was here on a Reserve Seminar training period."

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