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Thanksgiving and Praise

The tradition of an annual Thanksgiving Offering for General Budget and world missions in our church takes its immediate rise from the traditional Thanksgiving season in America. However, the true basis for our offering is deeper than this; it flows from the gratitude of redeemed lives. In truth, our Thanksgiving stems from our hearts' praise, "Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift." This is the compelling motive for all generous offerings.

The Christian gives to meet a need, but he also gives to share his own heart's overflow. This is what prompted the advices of Paul to the church at Corinth. His advices are pertinent today and fit the Thanksgiving Offering for world evangelism, scheduled for Sunday, November 22. Here they are in summary: (1) Give *generously*: "He which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully"; (2) Give *deliberately*: "Let every man do as he chooseth in his heart" (Wesley's translation); (3) Give *with enthusiasm*: "not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver."

We are not unmindful of the fact that our church has now given three great consecutive offerings for the General Budget which ran over the million-dollar mark each time. *Surely we can do it again on November 22 and increase the overflow!*

We must acknowledge with thanks that the General Budget receipts for the calendar year 1958 exceeded those of 1957 by some \$272,349. Also that our missionary specials received during 1958 exceeded those of 1957 by \$128,619. *But we have not done too much!* There will be new missionaries to send out in 1960—maybe forty or more. We need to further reinforce those who are already on the field with the necessary tools of buildings and equipment. Let us give largely to Him who gave His Son for us, and let's make it unanimous!

Samuel Young
For the Board of General Superintendents



LATE NEWS

Telegram . . .

Duncan, Oklahoma—The eleventh assembly of Southwest Oklahoma District has concluded. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool at his best, in both business sessions and preaching. The report of District Superintendent W. T. Johnson revealed gains in every way, with \$647,908 being raised for all purposes; over \$52,000 for General Budget and missionary specials. The wonderful spirit prevailed throughout the sessions; this being demonstrated in a marvelous way by the fine vote given Superintendent Johnson, not only for one year, but for an extended three-year call, and a generous love offering. In the closing service six fine men were ordained as elders—Charles Tryon, Harry Connally, Luther Hoover, Paul Stroud, Hollis Underwood, and Alvin Keswater. God is with us; Southwest Oklahoma marches on.—Bob Carroll, Reporter.

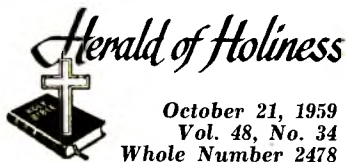
A total of \$69,574.18 has been received in the Seminary "Lift the Debt" campaign as of October 2. Five districts have paid their apportionments in full, and twenty-seven have paid more than 50 per cent of theirs. We appreciate the co-operation of all, and we urge that those who have not yet received an offering for the campaign will do so at your earliest convenience.

L. T. CORLETT, *President*

Rev. Robert L. Ellis has resigned as pastor of Goodwin Memorial Church in Anderson, Indiana, to accept a call to First Church in Burlington, Iowa.

Rev. W. I. Potect has resigned as pastor of the church at Hydro to accept the pastorate of the church at Cherokee, Oklahoma.

Pastor Jesse W. Brown sends word from Rock Island, Illinois: "Wonderful five-day holiness convention at First Church closed Sunday night, September 20, in great victory. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool and Dr. John L. Knight were the special workers, with the Jantz Trio providing the music, and District Superintendent Lyle E. Eckley in charge. It was sponsored by East Moline, Green Rock, Moline Community, and Rock Island churches, with Davenport and Bettendorf, Iowa, churches co-operating. Good holiness preaching, beautiful music, altars filled again and again. Wonderful spirit of co-operation, bills all paid, with all the churches being blessed and helped. Planning for another convention next year."



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Rev. Deane Hardy, pastor of the church in Bangor, Maine, has been elected president of the Bangor-Brewer Evangelical Ministers' Association. This group includes more than thirty churches in the Penobscot County area.

Rev. Clifford M. Carlson has resigned as pastor of the church at St. Cloud to accept a call to the church in Duluth, Minnesota.

God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved (John 3:17).

GOD'S PURPOSE

By EVELYN PICKERING

*You spared me for a purpose, Lord,
When lingering near death's door;
You saw the task I'd left undone,
The one I'd shirked before.*

*I'd failed to tell the sinner, Lord,
By spoken word or pen,
How Jesus left His home above
To die for sinful men.*

*I'd lived for self and pleasure, Lord,
So thoughtless and carefree,
Preparing not for future life—
Where I'd spend eternity.*

*But since I see Your purpose, Lord,
In sparing me that day,
I'm speaking through my life and pen
The words you'd have me say!*

When Will We Be Awakened?

By A. S. LONDON*

Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield in a recent address said that, if the present trend continues, about one million children will receive advertising circulars this year inviting them to purchase obscene literature.

When will we be awakened to the tremendous menace to morals posed by pornographic literature? It is poisoning the minds of millions of our young people, and actually undermining the moral fiber of our country.

In one eastern city a recent raid netted seventeen tons of this salacious stuff which was to be mailed to a list of 100,000 high school students. This business has now reached the staggering sum of a 500-million-dollar-a-year enterprise.

More than 15,000,000 dirty magazines and booklets are coming from the newsstands of our nation every thirty days. How long will the God-fearing, Christian men and women permit this kind of poison to be thrown into the laps of our American youth?

If a country is known by its literature, then God look in pity and have mercy upon us, is our prayer!

Poison booklets and suggestive pictures should not be tolerated in our drugstores, grocery stores, and on our newsstands. Public officials should take proper steps against them. Every Christian man and woman should join in a crusade against pornography, and support every decent effort against this vicious corruption.

*Sunday school evangelist, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

IS Holiness TOO HIGH?

"Do you mean that it is possible for an ordinary human to live a life called 'holy,' in this present world?"

An answer to this question depends entirely upon what authority you are willing to accept, upon which to base your conclusions. To a great many people the idea that an ordinary person can live a holy life is sinful. Many such people read their Bibles more frequently than some who profess holiness—and not all who make the profession are able to tell you what it is they believe.

For the ancient Israelites, who looked with their physical eyes upon the miracles being done by the finger of God, it should have been easy to grasp the great idea of His holiness. Yet they would not come near the mount, and made Moses put a veil over his face when he came from the presence of God. Instead of willingness to submit themselves and become partakers of the same blessing, as a nation, they tried to bring God down to the level of their ideas of what He ought to be, and made a calf of gold.

People have been trying to do this since the first revelation of God—trying to bring Him down to their idea of what He ought to be like. The world still worships the golden calf! Money is the measure of accomplishment, of worth, and to covet it is a mark of virtue. Covetousness, our Lord says, is idolatry. Money is power. But God says: "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit" (Zechariah 4:6).

What do *you* mean by a "holy" life?

Is it praying a lot and going to church every time the preacher says to? Is it not smoking, drinking liquor, chewing, dancing, and going to movies—that sort of thing? Is it not drinking coffee or eating pork? Is it asceticism? Or is it being married and raising a family? Or is it not killing bucks out of season?

Is being "holy" being poor? Or being extra clean? Is the person who gives a tithe or a double tithe "holy" and the one who does not "unholy"?

You can read your Bible all your life and still miss the meaning of holiness, but if you start asking yourself a lot of questions like the above before applying its teachings to your own life, you are certain to confuse yourself.

Life is often complicated. Holiness is not. A holy life is a Spirit-filled life. Holiness is a gift.

It is something you pray for and receive, but not something you can "go after" and "get," the way you do things in the business world. It is not a *thing*—it is a *new life*.

Holiness is two things to every man's understanding: the nature and the will—of God.

This sounds mysterious, but look: "The invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being *understood* by the things that are made, even his eternal power and godhead" (Romans 1:20). If you are unwilling to accept the truth that God did make man and the universe, there is no place for you to begin to understand anything.

Coming to the lookout tower on top of a mountain peak at sunrise, while the heavens declared the glory of God, suddenly I was made to feel the earth beneath me wheeling into the eastern abyss as the granite ramparts of the Siskiyou Mountains, westward, lifted majestically toward the sky! For one dizzy moment the world under my feet was a spinning ball, and I a child of "space"—of infinity. With a kind of dreadful awe I realized we are all children of "space"—have always been.

Men do not like the word infinity. *Space* has a more solid sound perhaps. Infinity, like holiness, is too high for this world.

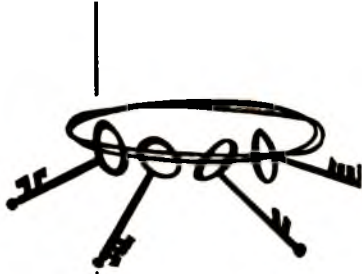
You have to be on the heights to feel the spinning of the earth, and no one can understand holiness who has not first climbed up out of the valley of darkness of sin.

Doing something for others feeds the fires of our own souls. We live when we give. Thank Offering, November 22.

If the idea of holiness makes you feel guilty and condemned, don't back off! This feeling is the beginning of what the Word of God calls *conviction*, and it is the threshold of the experience of contact with the nature of God.

You still think it's too high?

See Ephesians 1:4: "According as he hath chosen us [you and me] in him before the foundation of the world, that we [God, you, and I] should be holy and without blame before him in love." Read the whole thing! That's what it's there for, and it means just what it says.



You Have the Keys

By **OTTO STUCKI**

Superintendent of Mississippi District

And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven (Matthew 16:19).

A major sister denomination has recently conducted a survey to find out why new people attended their local churches. They asked several questions. Did you begin attending our church because we had a beautiful building? Were you

drawn to this church because of the excellent singing or music? Did you first start coming because the church was located near you? Were you attracted to our church because of the pastor's preaching? Were you influenced to attend our church by one or more of the members?

Every one of the above considerations was instrumental in getting new people started toward the local church. But the interesting thing is which consideration was most popular. Which reason ranks first in attracting people to a particular local church? The last shall be first. Yes, the last stated reason above was the most influential. The answers would be something like this: "I started attending your church because I knew Brother Friendly." Another family said, "We came because Mr. and Mrs. Interested invited us to come." Several families reported, "We were influenced by Mr. and Mrs. Consistent Christian, and so we started attending this church." One mother remarked, "Miss Love Wide-awake, the Sunday school teacher, took such an interest in our children, so now we all attend her church."

Now the secret is out. You, Nazarenes, have the keys to the Kingdom. People start attending your local church because they are influenced by those who belong to your church. New people come to worship because they know you, an active member. Yes, there are new visitors in your church because they like you. They come because they have confidence in your religion. New people come because they have been visited and invited and befriended by the members of the church. Nazarenes, you are the keys! Go out and meet new people. Make friends of several new families. Visit with them often enough so they gain confidence in your Christian experience and life. Get acquainted with them. Let them know you. Gain their confidence. Make friends of them. Bring them to church. Win them to Christ!

Oh, yes, we need better buildings. We need better locations in some places. Better music and singing always help. And, of course, better preaching is a must, too. Yes, all of these are good and needful, and we need to improve on them. But according to the survey the most important items

We Must Go On!

By **KATHRYN BLACKBURN PECK**

*Along the straight and narrow way
There is no stopping place
Where crosses may be laid aside,
No pausing in the race—
We must go on!*

*When fiercely burns the noonday sun,
And faintly prayers arise,
Take heart—a host encampeth near,
Though hidden from our eyes.
Pray, and go on!*

*When clouds obscure the light of day,
And human friendships fail,
Yield not to dark discouragement;
God's promises avail—
Look up! Go on!*

*When shattered lies each youthful dream,
And hopes have turned to dust,
Know surely joy will spring again—
Hope thou in God, and trust,
And still go on!*

*As we descend the sunset slope,
When time is ebbing fast,
Though steps grow weary, halting, slow,
Keep faith until the last—
We must go on!*

of every church are the people, the congregation, the members!

Church members, you have "the keys of the kingdom." There are keys of prayer and visitation. There are the keys of genuine interest and friendliness. Then there is the key of consistent Christian

living. And there are the keys of radiance, enthusiasm, and zeal for good works. Your car could well be the key to the Kingdom for that family that needs transportation to church.

Christ has entrusted to us the "keys of the kingdom." Let us use them!

Regardless of the services our churches may offer—

LET'S NOT FORGET THE GAS!

By KENNETH L. DODGE

Pastor, Grace Church, Toronto, Ontario

Some weeks ago I drove into a gasoline station that had just recently opened for business. The service rendered to my car free of charge was overwhelming. Several attendants were giving my automobile a thorough checkup. My windows (all of them—not just the windshield) were cleaned; the air in my tires was checked; oil, water, and battery were given inspection; and I had not had to ask for any of it. It was all done cheerfully and voluntarily.

I had turned on the ignition and started the motor and was about to leave the station when I suddenly realized that my main purpose for driving into the station had been overlooked in the maze of services offered. I had not received any gasoline—nor had I been asked if I wanted any.

It came to me that I had just experienced a parallel to what exists in many churches today. While we try to make people comfortable, afford them comfortable pews, air conditioning, carpeted floors, superior sound-systems, and worshipful atmospheres, we fail to supply them with the real need for which they came into the church in the first place.

I do not condemn the services I received at the service station. They are necessary to a degree and I sincerely appreciated the spirit in which they were given. However, I could, if I had had to, have gotten along without them. My car would still run—even if the windows were not as clean as they could be, my tires a little low (or high) on air, and my water, oil, and battery not altogether up to par. The one thing without which my car could not and would not operate, however, is gasoline. That was my primary reason for driving into the station.

Nor do I decry comfortable pews, air conditioning, carpets, sound-systems, and worshipful atmospheres. I only say that our churches must afford

people the opportunity to receive that for which they came into the church in the first place. Our services must be of such a nature that people are brought into *contact with God*, for that is the reason why they are in the services.

People come to church because they want to *see Jesus*. May we be faithful in revealing His love, His grace, His saving and sanctifying power, His cross, and the home He is preparing for us in heaven. Let the songs be sung to His glory, and not to display the talents of our choir; let the prayers be addressed to Him, and not to the congregation; let the sermon reveal the beauty of Jesus, and not the education and oratorical ability of the messenger.

May the Lord help us to keep one central fact ever before us: It is the task of the church to minister to men's spiritual needs; to tell them of a Saviour who went to Calvary and suffered and died there in their place. The church must proclaim the message of salvation from sin; must make heaven nearer, and hell more real. We *must not* become so absorbed in "services" that we forget our real purpose for existence, which is to tell this sin-cursed, lost, and dying world of a Saviour who loves us, died for us, and waits just outside the heart's door to enter in and save us from sin.

I have the Bible, the church, the godly care of a pastor, a Christian home, holiness literature, and the encouragement of my friends to help me on to the Eternal City. How much will I give in the Thanksgiving Offering to carry the message of Jesus to millions who never have had any of these?



TO SEEK GOD

By **GRACE WILSON**
Nazarene lay member in Colorado

How often when endeavoring to lead someone to the Saviour we receive an answer something like this, "I do intend to become a Christian sometime before I die, but I'm not ready just yet. I'm too busy earning a living and enjoying life. I have plenty of time. I'll just wait until I'm older!"

There are many valid answers to this line of reasoning. Here are a few: (1) Even one so young as a newborn baby has no promise of being alive tomorrow. The hazards of modern living make the dangers of procrastination imminent. (2) Even though one may seek and find the Lord in old age, the regret for having wasted precious years will always be present. (3) The wonderful life in fellowship with Christ is worth any sacrifice one might make. (4) The value of a Christian testimony and example while rearing a family will be determined only in eternity.

After enumerating these oft-repeated answers we will assume you are still determined to wait until you are older.

Please visit with me a group of older folk in the home where I work. This isn't a mental institution or even a nursing home—just a rest home where a composite group of older folk in varying degrees of health and activity reside.

Let's consider the probability of their finding a place of repentance and salvation should they still be living in a lost condition. (Thank God, this is a Christian home and most of the guests have been born again.)

First, there are the *senile*. Their mental powers are failing. To several the past and present are all one. People, even members of their own families, are just faces without real identity. They couldn't confess sins of which they have no memory to a God whose name they have forgotten.

Then there are the *deafened*. God's Word says, "Faith cometh by hearing, . . ." (Romans 10:17). Many of our people have partial to almost total loss of hearing.

You ask, What about lip reading or the sign language? In the first place, it is difficult to learn new skills when one is older. Usually loss of vision is also present, making lip reading or finger speech

well-nigh impossible. It is very difficult to discuss a subject as complex as the plan of salvation by these unnatural methods of communication.

May I interrupt with a recent experience poignantly illustrative of what I'm trying to say?

A precious little lady suffering from chronic leukemia, who had been a church and lodge member for years, realized that she was facing eternity unprepared. Her disease had impaired her hearing to the extent that a hearing aid was of little help.

One day, almost in desperation, she asked the faithful nurse what she should do to be saved. The nurse's efforts to help her were inadequate. Her impaired vision also made Bible reading too difficult for her weakened health. Thank God, a consecrated young minister from one of the local Nazarene churches was able after much prayer to break through the "sound barrier," and lead her to the Saviour just at the brink of eternity; but, oh, how dangerous! What if no one had been concerned? What if the minister had not been willing to go that "second mile" to reach her?

Have you thought of *pain*? Some of our staunchest Christians are in constant pain. Just to endure taxes all their powers. Even with the presence of Christ to sustain them, life is often almost unbearable. What of the torment if they were also faced with the necessity of preparing to meet their Maker under these circumstances?

The urge to get is human—to give is Christian. Be Christian. Thank Offering, November 22.

These are some of the situations facing all of us as we grow "older."

After considering them do you not feel that it would be far wiser to "remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them" (Ecclesiastes 12:1)?

The Grand Witness

By CHARLES CLAYTON LANGFORD

*Every ray of golden sun
Bursting in the early dawn
Tells of God whose power and might,
Dispels the darkness and the night
From the hearts of weary men,
Telling them to live again.*

*Every leaf upon the tree
Is a witness unto me
Of our Father up above,
Looking down in tender love
On the world of men He made,
Giving them a tender shade.*

*Nature then a witness makes
Of a God who undertakes
For the sheep who've lost their way
In this world of work-a-day.
May we learn this truth thou hast,
Evermore to hold it fast.*



It was my privilege to give in the Thanksgiving Offering last year. I once wrote to a friend who had given me some much-needed assistance, "There is no way to say thank you except to say, 'Thank you.'" Along with the note, however, I sent a gift. She didn't need the gift I was able to send, but it helped to show that the thank-you was sincere. How easy it is sometimes to say, "Thank You, Lord," without effort or sacrifice! How much He gives to us, just by walking with us day by day! The Thanksgiving Offering—what better way to say, "Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift"!

BEVERLY SHROLL
Moreland Church of the Nazarene
Portland, Oregon

I learned much about my people when I saw—

Kleenex at the Altar

By CHARLES McKINNEY

Pastor, Central Church, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Coming to Albuquerque to accept the pastorate of our Central Church was a pleasurable experience. The kind members had done about everything to make our coming comfortable. We were encouraged from the first minute to see the preparations that had been made for us. However, one of the most encouraging things I found was something no one had given much thought to—it was just there in its place, ready and waiting. In the church one of the first things I discovered was a box of Kleenex at the altar. This told me more about the church than anything else.

Kleenex at the altar told me of the "thoughtfulness" of my people. They cared about "little" things, that make such a difference in a church.

It also told me that they are people who believe in being "prepared." These people were "ready for God's business."

The Kleenex spoke of soul burden. Not much use for an altar, to say nothing of the Kleenex, unless there is a burden on the hearts of the church for the lost. This was proved to be effective in the first few days. On prayer meeting night several prayed earnestly and passionately for a young couple. On Sunday night they came, and the invitation brought them to the altar. It wasn't long until some thoughtful helper reached for the Kleenex, and preparation, thoughtfulness, and burden began paying off.

Kleenex at the altar told me that the altar was a much-used feature of our church. I knew that many of those I was preaching to had been there before. It had been a warm and wonderful place; they would soon be back—on the other side of the altar, close to the box of Kleenex.



THE DEVIL

Is

NOT A WINNER

The devil has never won a victory over Almighty God. Now we are sure someone is saying, But see how the devil is running so much of the world today. And we immediately concede that Satan is sitting triumphantly controlling many affairs of both men and nations. But these circumstances are not because God has been defeated. They are because men have yielded to the devil instead of holding true to the all-conquering Lord of heaven and earth.

From the time of his fall until now the devil has been fighting God without a victory in the final, and he never will win a full victory. He can make subtle plans to deceive man, or he can bluster and rave to frighten him. He can cover himself to look like an angel of light, or growl and roar like a lion. Whatever he does he need not, and will not, be a winner but a loser in the end. When God steps in, no matter what the devil or evil men have done, God wins, and so may His people. In the history of Israel as God's people there is no account of their losing even a minor battle with their foes when they trusted and obeyed the Lord.

In the very beginning of man's existence when Satan attempted to destroy all life—both spiritual and physical—in the man God had created holy, he found God had already provided the way of accomplishing his defeat. Though Satan was so shrewd and crafty, and his power was so great, there was coming a meek and lowly Lamb that would conquer him.

Jesus said, "Be of good cheer; I have overcome" (John 16:33). He was still living in the flesh when He said that. But He had overcome all the devil's temptations. He was not faltering because of what lay in the few more steps of His path to Calvary and on through the tomb, whereby He won for us the power to also be overcomers. The promise is sure that even while we are still living in the flesh we may be conquerors, yea, "more than conquer-

ors." I wonder if we really know what "more than conquerors" means. Are you feeling fearful? Read Romans 8:31-39 and carefully, prayerfully consider each wonderful statement regarding our Lord's delivering and keeping power. These verses are only a few of those that promise victory to the righteous. Read, believe, and feel your faith climb.

By EDITH CAREY

There is coming a day when our Lord will declare Satan has run loose long enough, and He will give him the final sentence to the "everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels" (Matthew 25:41). It is not strange that today Satan is raging in frustration since he knows his time is growing short and the day of his eternal doom is drawing nearer as the days pass by. But while he howls and works, let us always keep it in mind that our God is the omnipotent One. He still holds control of men and nations in spite of all the devil can do. Also if we want to share in God's victories we must obey all His commands. We must be certain we are leaving all the planning in the hands of the mighty Creator and Ruler of all things in heaven and earth.

"Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding. He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength" (Isaiah 40:28-29). "He ruleth by his power for ever; his eyes behold the nations: let not the rebellious exalt themselves" (Psalms 66:7).

THE PERFECT TIME

By ILA R. MONDAY

*If Time should close my world's last door tonight,
 Let no one say, "Too soon she left this earth,
 Her work unfinished . . ." Though a hoe may lie
 In garden midst . . . a half-laid fire on hearth . . .*

*If partly-written letter, or a line
 Half filled with clothes bespeaks too quick a
 death,
 Or threaded needle piercing stitching-frame,
 Should cause a dear one tears or sighing
 breath . . .*

*Fear not—God beckons at precision-time!
 And though some "work" may stand like un-
 reaped wheat,
 If I've not failed what He's required of me—
 When His voice calls, my work will be complete!*



**News
in
Picture**



BETHANY NAZARENE COLLEGE "Collegiate Quartet" WITH THEIR HOST, Dr. Orville W. Jenkins, pastor of First Church, Kansas City, toured the publishing house. The photographer caught them looking over an old foot-powered hand press which has been brass-plated as a symbol of the publishing house's mission: "The Full Gospel to the Whole World by the Printed Page." Left to right: Harrell Lucky, Dr. Jenkins, Miss Sandra Browning, pianist, Steve Brown, and Marshall Pryor. Danny Steele, not in the picture, is the other member of this popular quartet.

I couldn't meet these things at all—

If I Weren't Sanctified!

By **FLORA E. BRECK**

When the spirit needs strengthening—and the heart needs healing—a good many times *weak* Christians become cynical and "feel beaten." But other "*spiritual* Christians" look immediately to the Lord—just as spontaneously as they would look to the physician for *physical* well-being.

We used to know a woman "back East" who lived what some would term a drab existence. But—not she! When some new disappointment or problem presented itself, she thought *first* of divine help, and observers often would stand in wonder at the way she was able to manage under the most adverse of circumstances. A relative of ours once said to her, "Mrs. X, how in the world do you succeed in meeting these reverses—and keep on living in a cheerful spirit?"

Her eyes shone, and there was a heavenly light in her countenance. "I couldn't meet these things at all if I weren't *sanctified*," she answered without hesitation. We knew that even her family were not sympathetic with her religious activities,

and that it was a genuine case of *spiritual* victorious living with her. Even her health had been a big problem for months—when she was partially paralyzed. But she had held fast to the Word and had sought the Lord *continually* for help.

We marveled at her recovery, for she finally was able to use her arm. She explained, "Why, I couldn't even lift my hand this way except for the power of the Lord. How I have kept on praying—and *extra hard* some days!" And her friends realized that she knew for a certainty what it meant to trust the Lord *completely*.

She never missed attending prayer meeting, and attendants used to tell her, "Why, your prayers are as helpful as a sermon to hear!"

"Don't say that," she would respond. "Why, when I pray, I forget there's anybody in the whole room except the Lord and me." And we were assured that she "looked to the Lamb of God"—for *all!*

Whether sowing or reaping—

THE WAGES



And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together (John 4:36).

Those who spend their lives toiling for things of this world often fail of reward; but those who are laboring for Christ are always assured of good wages and of a glorious harvest. "The wages of sin is death"; and of toil, usually disappointment. But the wages of doing good are life, and the end is full of joy and eternal life. The work of the Christian is most always hard. The sowing is done in sweat and tears, but the reaping is done with joy. No doubt the Master himself found the sowing difficult, for He sowed alone with sorrow and grief.

But if we could pierce the veil and see what is going on in heaven I am sure we would see Jesus with an eternal smile on His blessed face, as He watches millions of the saved of the earth coming home to glory, all saved and purified through His sufferings. He has never regretted the price He paid for humanity's redemption, but rejoices and is satisfied with the wages He has received. So it is with all those who labor for Christ in helping to bring lost souls to their heavenly abode. The wages will compensate a thousand times for all the sacrifice, burden, and tears.

But there is another side to this beautiful illustration. Many a man sows a field with grain and ere the harvest comes he journeys to his long home; death has come and another reaps his harvest and enjoys the labors. One plants a vine-

There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love. We love him, because he first loved us (I John 4:18-19).

Will Be Abundant

By **CLYDE W. RATHER**

Pastor, Towne Avenue Church, Pomona, California

yard but others taste the fruits and benefit from his toil. But this lesson has a spiritual significance. Oftentimes the sower does not reap any harvest in this world. I have seen scores of wonderful Christians people who labored for Christ and the Kingdom all their lives but saw no results of their work. Then after a while others came and with almost no toil gathered abundance from the same fields.

One pastor preaches and prays and lies on his face for months and years trying to bring a church to revival, but sees little accomplished and few souls won to the Master. He dies or goes away to a new charge and a new man comes. Almost instantly the revival breaks out and multitudes are swept into the Kingdom, and the church comes into its own. One sowed, another reaps. But who would be willing to say that the sowing was not just as important as the reaping? For had not those precious Christians labored faithfully, others would not have been able to gather the increase into the fold. Had not the faithful pastor prayed and given of himself to the task, the second could not have gathered such a harvest.

Many a loving mother teaches her children the story of Jesus and His love and presses upon them always the claims of the Saviour. With prayers, tears, and faith she awaits the results, hoping to see her children accept Christ. Years chase each other in rapid succession and soon her eyes are closed forever in this world, and her children are still out of the fold. But soon however there comes a gentle reaper and they are all gathered into the garner.

And so it is with many a faithful Sunday school teacher or Christian worker. We need not then concern ourselves altogether about the reaping. We must sow everywhere the good seeds, and whether we reap the harvest or some other hand gathers it in, it will really make no difference: for the Lord says, "That both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together." Not in silver and gold will the wages be paid, but in life—life eternal!

I Saw a Mountain Burn

I saw a mountain burn! It was a clear, windy night in the great Northwest as the sun settled below the mountains. But to the east was a strange cloudy mass that glowed a strange golden color, flashing sometimes to a brilliant red.

Suddenly as the miles passed quickly and the sky grew more bright I realized that I was seeing a great forest fire. A mountain was burning! A startled, wide-eyed deer ran ahead of the raging flames. The sharp crackle of the pines urged him on. Ahead was only the mass of roaring machines that hoped to stop the blaze from jumping the wide asphalt highway. There was no place to go. Alone, frightened, homeless, with no one to help, the animal turned and ran headlong into the inferno.

It was just a fire—just an animal. But the sight charged my imagination until the strains of an old Negro spiritual stirred in my soul, "O my loving brother, when the world's on fire . . ."

When the old world crumbles beneath the destruction of a God who has called a halt to time—when the world reels down its pathway of the skies with no one to help, no one to save—then I "want God's bosom to be . . . [my] pillow." Nothing else will save. Nothing else will help.

I want Him now in saving and sanctifying power and grace so that I shall not fear the day when there is "no one to help" and "no arm to save." Even then I shall have a Saviour!—GERALD L. FOSBENNER, *Assistant Pastor, First Church, Spokane, Washington.*

A Little Look at Life

By MRS. W. M. FRANKLIN

"It's the only way out," said the daughter of a dear old soul who attended our church for a while a number of years ago. She was speaking to her brother who had come miles to see what disposition could be made of the one who had given him birth. She had been cared for by others for some time and the decision was to place her in the county home for the rest of her life. Not that she couldn't do some things for herself; not that she was mean, for the sweetness of Jesus showed plainly on her face, and she never failed to report at least twenty chapters read each week in the Book of God, which she loved sincerely.

The back of the lovely Alaskan sealskin coat Ellen was wearing did not show whether or not its owner was pleased at the decision, but the way she wore it showed firmness in decision. And Mother was left alone in the county home. No visits from children. They had no time to care for her, to cheer her, to visit with her.

A few months later the mother slipped away to be with Jesus. Do you suppose she ever said, "That's the way life is and kindness does not pay"? You see, Ellen had been left an orphan when both parents were tragically killed in an accident. The

heart of her neighbor was big enough to make room for Ellen too. Is all of life like that?

No! and again, no! when we look at life with the eye of love.



HOW TO WIN OVER WORRY*

JOHN EDMOND HAGGAI

(Zondervan, \$2.95)

For those who are interested in investing a solid sum of money, here is a book that is certainly substantial, solid, and practical. The author bluntly assumes the position that worry is essentially sin. He proceeds to discuss the cure and his prescription is basically this: praise plus poise plus prayer equals peace.

The arguments throughout are solidly supported with scripture, and this is one of the most dynamic and thorough studies of the subject of worry that has come from the press recently.

—NORMAN R. OKE, *Book Editor*

*May be ordered direct from Nazarene Publishing House, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri.



EDITORIALS.....

Meet a New Testament Giant

"I can do all things." What a statement! If it's really true, then we are face to face with a giant. But this does not mean that he was a physical giant. In fact, the man who said this was a "scrub" physically; he was no Samson; he was no Goliath. He was likely very small, stoop-shouldered, and sickly. Nevertheless, he said, "I can do all things." Who was this man? The Apostle Paul. He's the gentleman who declares, "I can do all things."

If one were to take these words by themselves, he would think that he was meeting a braggart, a fellow who thought of himself out of all proportion to what he really was. But this was not the case. He had a legitimate reason for saying what he did. This was neither his gifts nor his good fortune as a human being. He had "no confidence in the flesh," no faith in his humanity, although it was of the highest quality. He rightly proclaims: "Though I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more: . . ." (Philippians 3:4).

Paul's basis for saying that he could do all things was not his blue blood, although he had plenty of it. If any man ever had a right to be proud of his ancestry, he did. He says of himself, "Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, . . ." (Philippians 3:5). He not only belonged to God's chosen people; he also came from one of the two elite or kingly tribes.

Paul did not say, "I can do all things," because of the high-class home in which he was reared, the social standing which it had. His father was a Roman citizen, and that was unusual for a Jew of that day. He came from a home that was probably far above the average.

Neither did Paul say, "I can do all things," because of his education. Very likely he had studied in the best schools that Tarsus had, and it was a university city. Along with this, he had gone to Jerusalem to finish his training under Gamaliel. He was the best educated man in the apostolic group, yet he wouldn't have dared to say, "I can do all things," because of his trained mind and all the formal education which he had received.

Neither did he say, "I can do all things," because of the religion which he had. He was a very religious man before he met Christ. Here's a description of his life then: ". . . as touching the law, a Pharisee." Yes, very orthodox in his beliefs, and "concerning zeal, persecuting the church." Along with these, religiously, he was "blameless" from the standpoint of the law. He was a good Jew; he stood at the head of the line; but yet he didn't say, "I can do all things," because "I was true for many years to the faith in which I was reared."

He didn't say, "I can do all things," because of the spectacular conversion which he had on the road to Damascus. Here Jesus struck him down at midday, and he faced right about, turned his back on Judaism, faced toward Jesus Christ and the morning, and started, when half of his life had been lived, to be a Christian. Perhaps no one who ever has become a Christian has had a more spectacular conversion than the Apostle Paul, and yet he didn't say, "I can do all things because I stand in a class by myself from the standpoint of my conversion. Jesus gave me special attention; He came to me in a way that He has never come to anyone else." No, it wasn't that which made him a spiritual giant.

It wasn't the fact that he became an apostle. Being in the church, even the Christian Church,

and holding a very high position wasn't enough to make a giant of him. He says, "I can do all things. I am a spiritual giant, but I am not a boaster, I am not a braggart. Why? Because I am what I am through Christ." "I can do all

• By *Stephen S. White*

things through Christ." The emphasis with Paul was on Christ. He used these other things, but they were not the cause of Paul's becoming the great man that he was. The one thing which made it possible for him to "do all things" was Jesus Christ. "I can do all things through Christ," and he adds, "through Christ which strengtheneth me." He begins with "I" in this sentence and ends with "me." No one can eliminate Paul from this statement. He's at the beginning and at the end of it. It wasn't Christ working alone; it was Christ working in and through Paul that made Paul a giant. "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

Meet a New Testament giant—Mr. Paul! He is a giant, we can't deny that. But he is a giant because Christ dwelt within and gave to him His marvelous help!

An Excellent Spirit Doesn't Guarantee a Safe Theology

Sometimes I meet people, especially young people, who say something like this: "But he has such a wonderful spirit, I could just feel his touch with God. What he teaches must be all right because he is such a pleasant man to deal with." But they forget that an excellent spirit in a man doesn't guarantee that his theology is safe. We can't accept what a man believes as to God and salvation merely on the basis of his admirable spirit. To advocate such a procedure is irrationality raised to the highest degree. Judging a man's theology by what he appears to be, as you deal with him, is "putting the cart before the horse." Theology is something that's based on thinking, on reason: it's a system of thought, and must be accepted on the basis of what is set forth by it, rather than by the spirit in which it is presented.

I have sat under many teachers in college, seminary, and university, and I certainly wouldn't be where I am in my thinking if I had come to my conclusions, finally, on the basis of the spirit of this or that man, rather than on the basis of what he actually taught. If a man doesn't believe in

the deity of Jesus Christ, but thinks He is only a man, and perhaps a sinful one, he isn't a safe theologian, however much he might know or however attractive his spirit might be. Some rather unusual devotional writers have combined a deep spiritual mysticism with pantheism, or the belief that God is everything; however, such persons could never get me to accept their mystical pantheism, for it is diametrically opposed to the teachings of the Bible and to the greatest Christians who have ever lived. I am not the final judge of certain persons, and I am glad that I am not, but this I know: I cannot let them be my intellectual guides, from the standpoint of the great eternal truths of the Bible, merely because they manifest a kind spirit. Too much is at stake in this world and the world to come for me to be so careless as to allow people who definitely are wrong in their thinking to be my guides theologically. I can't accept a man's theology solely on the basis of his unusual spirit.

An attractive spirit alone is never a sure sign that a man's religious beliefs are acceptable. I have lived long enough to meet a number of people who have been deceived by such procedure. A man's theology must be judged by the teachings of the Bible and not by some pleasant emotional response which he arouses in you. Nevertheless, I do not say that every person who has a beautiful spirit is to be mistrusted; I do affirm, though, anything which is grounded in the emotional life can never be my guide when it comes to that which is grounded in reason. That which is based on thinking demands thinking, and to base it on feeling rather than thinking is to—let me say again—rest upon an irrationality which is very dangerous indeed.

One of the most famous professors I ever met was also one of the most gracious men to fellowship with that I have ever known. He was imbued with the spirit of sociability and interest in mankind, genuinely so, yet he didn't believe in a personal God at all. Therefore I could not accept his underlying philosophy, or view of the universe, which was anything but Christian. His sincerity and extraordinary likableness did not prevent him from being a dangerous guide as to the ultimate things of life. An excellent spirit does not guarantee a trustworthy theology. You can't accept a man's theology on the basis of his fascinating spirit.

After saying what I have, I can't close this discussion without something else. While reason must be met with reason, and not reason with feeling, I must emphasize the fact that those of us who claim to be correct in our theology, and think

and feel that we are, must be careful about the kind of spirit we manifest. Otherwise our spirit may speak so loudly that nobody would accept our theory or philosophy of life. Paul says, "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 2:5); or, as some translate this, "Let this *spirit* be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus." What was this spirit or mind of Christ, which Paul exhorts us to have? It was the spirit of lowliness or humility. Let me go back and begin with verse four of this second chapter of Philippians, reading through verse eight:

"Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others. Let this

mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."

Right thinking, if it transforms our lives as it should, with God's help, gives us a noble spirit, a spirit of humility. Such a spirit will make our theology much more attractive. Orthodox theology and a genuine Christian experience have no better handmaiden than a humble spirit.

Nazarene Young People's Society and Nazarene Junior Society

PONDER W. GILLILAND
Executive Secretary

Selected to Serve as District N.Y.P.S. Presidents

The following have recently been elected or re-elected to serve as

DISTRICT N.Y.P.S. PRESIDENTS
Alabama—Rev. Elbert Watson
Colorado—Rev. Jim Hamilton
Dallas—Rev. Milton Parrish
Eastern Michigan—Rev. William Varian
East Tennessee—Rev. Douglas Reid
Georgia—Rev. Jack Dell
Houston—Rev. Harold Maiden
Indianapolis—Rev. Ken Jewell
Iowa—Rev. Forrest Whitlatch
Joplin—Rev. J. R. Smith
Kansas—Rev. Ed Houston, Jr.
Minnesota—Rev. John W. Bruce
Mississippi—Rev. Mickey G. Smith
Missouri—Rev. J. D. Cook
New York—Rev. Herbert Rogers
North Arkansas—Rev. Gene Hulsey
Northwest Indiana—Rev. Jim Snow
Northwest Oklahoma—Rev. Carl Powers
Southwest Indiana—Rev. Samuel Childress
Southwest Oklahoma—Rev. Bob Carroll
Tennessee—Rev. John A. Knight
Virginia—Rev. David Radcliffe
West Virginia—Rev. John Hancock
Wisconsin—Rev. Dwight P. Millikan

North Dakota District N.Y.P.S. Convention

The N.Y.P.S. Convention of the North Dakota District was held at the district campgrounds at Sawyer, North Dakota, June 24, 1959, with Rev. Claire Kern, district president, presiding. The convention was opened with a devotional message by Rev. Norman Pearson, pastor at Mohall.

There were reported 24 societies on the district with a total of 361 members, an increase of 18, of whom 73 are

associate. Four societies were rated superior and 5 were rated standard.

Balloting for district officers resulted in the following elections:

President—Rev. Claire Kern
Vice-president—Rev. Gordon Belzer
Secretary—Mrs. Gordon Belzer
Treasurer—Rev. Rudy Sauter



Foreign Missions

Thank You for Your Prayers

Mrs. Morgan and I wish to express our thanksgiving to God and to every Nazarene who has prayed for Sister Morgan in her time of physical need. She has Hodgkin's disease, diagnosed as incurable by the doctors, but not by the Great Physician. We have a feeling that God has already touched her body. Please keep praying that God may give the assurance of healing.

We wish also to thank the wonderful Nazarenes who have been so kind to us on our extended furlough, which was due to the slowness of the Italian visa to come through.

We are grateful, too, for the opportunity to work for a year in our Lebanon Bible School, while we are waiting for the Italian visa. It seems providential that we should secure this place of temporary service in a foreign land where there is an excellent American hospital, which Mrs. Morgan will need for the necessary, periodical X-ray checkups.

Teen-age Members at Large—Ilene Taplin and Melvin Carlson, Jr.

Junior Society Director—Mrs. David Figg

Rev. Gordon Belzer and Mrs. Claire Kern were elected delegates to the General Convention.

The N.Y.P.S. Institute was held the following week with Rev. James McGraw of Kansas City as the Institute speaker. His clear-cut, challenging messages helped many of our "Institooters" to find Christ in all His fullness and to become established Christians.

RAY R. GLENN, *Reporter*

REMISS REHFELDT, *Secretary*

Our address for the next year will be: P.O. Box 2328, Beirut, Lebanon. —EARL MORGAN, *Missionary*.

Big News

The big news here at E.L.M. Hospital is water! One well, just dug, is capable of producing 1,500 gallons an hour and another going down nearby shows promise of duplicating this figure. Praise the Lord!—JOHN SUTHERLAND, M.D., *Acornhoek, Africa*.

Urgent Prayer Request

We need the prayers of our people for help in finding a suitable location for the opening of our work here in Belo Horizonte. Never have I seen the devil oppose a beginning so strongly as here.

The first hall I was to rent, at the last minute was canceled because the priest insisted it be used for a social club. Before that he had not cared, until he heard that the Protestants were coming. Another hall was refused on the same basis.

I have now been dealing for another and it seemed that we were to have it until the report was given out by others that the Nazarenes were like the Pentecostals. Since then we have had very little encouragement and don't know whether we'll be able to get it or not.

I have been trying to locate in an area where there is no Protestant work, and feel that is what the Lord wants.

If our Nazarenes at home will make this a matter of earnest and desperate prayer, I believe that God will open the doors and provide us with a suit-

able meeting place in the area where He wants us to begin our Nazarene work. Please pray.—RONALD DENTON, *Belo Horizonte, Brazil.*

Missionaries on the Move

Rev. and Mrs. William Sedat have returned to Guatemala for their third term of service. Their address is: San Juan Chamelco, A.V., Guatemala, Central America.

Miss Leona Youngblood is home on furlough from Portuguese East Africa. Her home address is: 2509 College Avenue, Caldwell, Idaho.

Rev. and Mrs. Earl Morgan will be serving at: P.O. Box 2328, Beirut, Lebanon, for one year, as they await their visas to Italy.

Rev. and Mrs. David Browning are home on furlough from British Guiana. Their home address is: 409 North Redmond St., Bethany, Oklahoma.

Rev. and Mrs. Darrell Spoon are in Mexico City in language study before going on to Guatemala for missionary service. Their address for the next year will be: Apartado 30170, Admon. 27, Mexico 7, D.F., Mexico.



GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY CRUSADE 1956-60

Department of Evangelism

V. H. LEWIS, Secretary

EVANGELISTIC HONOR ROLL

The following churches have been presented a certificate for "new Nazarenes" received into membership this assembly year. Each church listed has qualified according to the regulations of church membership for its group as follows:

GROUP	MEMBERSHIP	GAIN REQUIRED	GROUP	MEMBERSHIP	GAIN REQUIRED
I	1-24	5	IV	150-299	18
II	25-74	9	V	300-499	25
III	75-149	12	VI	500 & over	35

The Crusade for Souls Commission joins the entire church to express congratulations to these pastors and their churches!

Church Pastor Membership Gain

GEORGIA DISTRICT

Calhoun	S. P. Mingleorff	15	8
Douglas	G. Parmer	20	6
Adel	R. L. Merriman	23	23
Valdosta Southside	G. A. Fender	28	11
Macon Cross Keys	S. F. Carey	31	13
Graham Memorial	J. H. Frost	37	12
Columbus Grace	R. L. Pitts	45	10
La Grange	Wm. M. Farr	49	13
Fairview	W. J. Combs	55	13
Dalton First	B. Whetstone	59	9
Tennille	J. E. Lindsey	68	14
Albany	H. G. Snellgrove	70	14
Chattanooga Valley	R. E. Maner, Jr.	86	12
Barnesville	H. H. Gillespie	89	19
Macon First	J. O. Taylor	100	15
Columbus First	B. D. Radebaugh	109	13

INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT

Greenfield Grace	E. McFarland	17	10
Fairfield	C. B. West	20	10
College Corner	A. Gentry	24	8
Brooklyn	C. Wilson	34	18
Indpls. Fountain Square	D. Myrick	50	10
Indpls. Sumner Avenue	C. Dishon	50	10
Indpls. South Meridian	M. Cox	59	9
Laurel	W. Polston	62	17
Morristown	K. Jewell	78	13
Indpls. Winter Avenue	T. W. Stofer	142	31
Southport	J. D. Stafford	151	21
Indpls. East Side	E. Short	153	26
New Castle Broad St.	E. Childress	207	23

Church

Pastor

Membership Gain

KANSAS CITY DISTRICT

Cameron	R. Taylor	23	5
Kansas City Bethel Glen	C. Shaver	24	14
Kansas City Trinity	R. Crew	42	13
Kansas City Linden	N. Wiseman	46	12
Atchison	J. Jones	80	17
Richmond	L. Wyss	84	15
Kansas City Argentine	A. Hoffpauir	110	13
Kansas City Grace	M. Shrout	148	18
Lawrence	K. Meredith	157	22

LOUISIANA DISTRICT

De Ridder	W. E. Carruth	30	10
Lakeside	W. S. Waggoner	48	11
Natchitoches	J. R. Hall	53	9
Bossier City	R. Davis	64	12
West Monroe First	J. W. McClung	73	9
Ebenezer	G. A. Prichard	89	28
Shreveport Queensboro	L. Pryor	107	12
Baton Rouge First	H. T. Beyer, Jr.	113	12

NORTHWESTERN ILLINOIS DISTRICT

Dixon	R. Gibson	14	6
Lacon	R. Noland	19	11
North Pekin	D. G. Turner	30	13
Creve Coeur	J. Mongerson	45	10
Macomb	H. Fleshman	70	11
Rockford Parkside	R. J. Clack	83	24
Rock Island First	J. W. Brown	138	12

PITTSBURGH DISTRICT

Cairnbrook	E. Kelly	12	12
Saxonburg	E. Huston, Jr.	12	6
Portage	K. Kaminski	18	8
Ellwood City	M. H. Klink	19	14
West Newton	H. E. Knox	19	6
McKeesport	J. Christner	21	5
Aliquippa	G. Stover	24	11
Canonsburg	R. Hann	24	5
Arona	L. Sayre	25	5
Penns Manor	J. I. Fetterman	31	31
Indiana	O. Eller	32	11
Bunola	G. Eagle	50	14
Vanderbilt	R. Grimm	51	11
California	E. Altic	67	10
Somerset	G. Emmitt	74	11
Confluence	R. Huffman	100	42
Johnstown	G. P. Woodward	108	15
Sharpsville	H. B. Hall	109	26
Erie First	M. Minich, Jr.	140	15
New Brighton	C. E. Neiderhiser	150	33
Oil City	R. F. Lewis	157	20



Nazarene Ministers Benevolent Fund

DEAN WESSELS, *Secretary*

A minister in the South, who has given twenty-two years of service to our church and who, because of poor health, was forced to retire, wrote the following letter:

"I don't know how to begin to try to express my deep appreciation and sincere gratitude for the check the church is making possible. I feel so unworthy of any of it, but so grateful. It is one of the many 'exceeding abundantly above's' the Lord has sent my way.

"It has been a source of embarrassment and humiliation all the time since my physical condition forced me to retirement relationship so prematurely, but the Lord knows why and someday I'll either 'understand it better' or else forget all about it in the rapture of His wonderful presence.

"I owe my life and my all to God and to the Church of the Nazarene, to which He led me thirty-seven years ago. May God bless abundantly all who have helped to make possible this means of support for one so unworthy as I."

The 2 per cent N.M.B.F. budget which your church pays each year has provided the necessities of life for this minister, as well as bringing comfort and help to over 500 others who have little or no means of support.

Thought for the Day



by BERTHA MUNRO

The Habit of Faith

Monday:

Someone used the phrase the other day in opening a small gathering for prayer: "the habit of faith." "We know the habit of anxiety. We are faced with a difficult situation that we do not know how to cope with, and throughout the day whenever our minds are free for a moment, up pops the thought, and with it the worry." With the thought could come spontaneously a note of trust. Our privilege is to stay our hearts on God and "live by the

Servicemen's Corner



The Army Chaplaincy

"The Chaplain Corps has been linked with our army since the beginning of our nation's history. General George Washington issued the first call for American clergymen during the Revolutionary War. As the army of the United States has developed through successive intervals of war and peace, chaplains have increased in number and the significance of their contribution to national defense has become increasingly recognized.

"According to one source, at the height of World War II enrollment, the Chaplain Corps numbered 8,171. World War II chaplains were awarded 2,375 decorations: 18 received the Distinguished Service Cross; 157, the Silver Star; 106, the Legion of Merit; 26, the Soldier's Medal; 1,236, the Bronze Star. A total of 78 chaplains were killed in action; 4 died in Japanese prison camps; 264 were wounded in action. Also, in the Korean police action chaplains furthered their heritage of courage and sacrifice. One of our own Nazarene chaplains (Byron Lee) gave his life on the Korean battlefield.

"Now that hostilities have ceased and the occupational hazards of the military have decreased, chaplains no longer need share with their men the emergencies of battle. The chaplain's

basic program, however, changes little with the cessation of hostilities. The chaplain continues to arrange for and conduct religious services, provide moral counsel and religious ministrations, and encourage the growth of character and morale. The problem of maintaining high morale and morality are ever present, calling for the utmost ability in counseling and spiritual guidance from the chaplains. It is a challenge which must be met with industry and intelligence, courage and prayer, a deep devotion to God and a compassion to serve God and the Church regardless of the hazards involved. As your Nazarene chaplains, we earnestly solicit your prayers." —CHAPLAIN (MAJOR) CONLEY D. PATE, *Fort Carson, Colorado.*

From Korea

"Thank you for your publications. They have been an inspiration in this land of darkness. I have enjoyed reading them very much."—SP4 JACK WILSON.

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London W. Gilliland DIRECTOR

faith of the Son of God." (Galatians 2:20; Philippians 4:6-7.)

Tuesday:

You have prayed again and again and again for this person or that situation. The burden still weighs down as heavy as lead. Now the reminder comes: Did you really think God is deaf? The fact is that the moment you ask—really ask—He responds and begins to act. He has been responding all the time. (Daniel 10:10-13.)

Wednesday:

The program now? Don't stop talking to God about it, but change the tune. First, make sure you really ask; that is, sure that you *must* have God's action on the matter—you're not willing to leave it out of His hands. Then keep reminding Him that it is there, that you are expecting His solution. So it will not be hard to know the fellowship of faith. (Luke 11:5-11.)

Thursday:

But the situation is so difficult—the obstacles so overwhelming, the demands so vast—that "if the Lord would make windows in heaven," the needs could not be met. Then you are reminded that God does open windows in heaven and does the impossible by measures one could never have guessed and from sources one did not dream existed. Remember the overnight destruction of Sennacherib's hosts. They "melted like snow at the glance of the Lord" (II Kings 7:1-16.)

Friday:

Our cue is to keep *our* windows open: Noah's "upper window" through which he saw God "standing by"; Daniel's windows of faithful, persistent, unashamed prayer and witness. Then, bringing in every tittle of honest dealing with God and man, to watch for His opening windows. (Malachi 3:10.)

Saturday:

But keep on asking. Jesus said that asking much glorifies Him—for it gives Him opportunity to do much. The habit of faith will not only meet the crying needs we know we have, but open our eyes to needs in us and around us we had never seen before, with the urge to bring them to Jesus. Why not ask every day to see some spot that requires His attention? (John 16:23b-24.)

Sunday:

Ask. Then *use*. Ask in order to use, for God's purposes. Prayer is more than a pious or sentimental exercise—more even than communion with God, though it is blessedly that. Our asking is the divinely appointed, practical way of getting things done. One wise, good man dared say this: "Brother, do you know I cannot do without Him? And, brother, do you know He cannot do without me?"* (John 14:12-14.)

*Quoted by Watchman Nee in *The Normal Christian Life*.

the Question box

Conducted by STEPHEN S. WHITE, Editor

Please explain Matthew 23:9.

"And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven:"—these are the words of Matthew 23:9. In the study of this verse and those which form its context (1-12), I find two explanations which are significant. The first is that men are not to be allowed to take the place of God—our Master, Christ, and the Father. There can be no human mediator, or no mere man who can take the place of God in any other way. The second teaching of this verse is that we are not to call anyone father, master, or teacher, or allow ourselves to be called father, master, or teacher just for the

purpose of enhancing our own standing. This is the chief meaning, for the whole twelve verses present a lesson in humility. By all means we must steer away from calling others by titles or allowing ourselves to be called by them if our purpose is to exalt ourselves in the eyes of men. This is not a lesson in the use of titles; it is a lesson in humility. We are not to use titles in speaking to others selfishly or to get their favor and thereby gain a higher rating. Neither are we to seek to be called by titles because we hope to obtain a higher standing by so doing.

How can a person who has had the sin nature eradicated backslide? In other words, how can a man who has no sin nature within commit sin?

This question is often asked. It is difficult for some to understand how a saved and sanctified human being can be tempted and sin and backslide. But we must remember that the presence of the carnal mind, or inbred sin, is not essential to temptation. All that is necessary for temptation is free will and natural, legitimate (not sinful) desire. This was all that Adam had when he was first created. He was holy—free from sin without or within. Nevertheless, he was tempted and fell. He had free will, natural and legitimate desires, and the devil without. Further, when the devil and part of the angelic host fell, they did not have anything but free will and desires which were natural and legitimate. Once more I empha-

size the fact that only free will and desires which are natural and legitimate are necessary for man to sin. This places temptation and sinning in reach of man, even though he has been saved and sanctified wholly. James well describes the evolution of sin in him who is holy as follows: "But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust [strong desire], and enticed. Then when lust [strong desire] hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death" (James 1:14-15). In this connection let me recommend to all the book *Triumphant in Temptation*, by Oscar J. Finch. (It may be ordered from the Nazarene Publishing House; price, 75c.)

Did the Lord spare the whole city of Sodom for the sake of Lot?

No! He promised to save the city in answer to Abraham's intercessory prayer, provided there were ten righteous people there; but since even this number

could not be found, the city was destroyed. Of course God dragged Lot and his family out before the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah were destroyed.

What is the proper way to conduct a prayer and praise service?

No two persons will conduct such a meeting in exactly the same way. If all leaders did it the same way, we would soon get into a rut. God save us from ruts! On the other hand, all prayer and praise services should have prayers and testimonies and songs of praise. As a rule, they should have as many people as possible participating. You may have had in mind the regular midweek prayer meeting. In that case, it should be a people's meeting. This does not mean that the pastor has nothing to do with it. Generally he will lead, and after some songs and a

prayer or two, followed by a brief message from the Bible, he will open it for testimonies. Personally, I do not believe that the midweek prayer meeting should be another sermon, or even a time of Bible study if this is to take up the whole evening. It should be given over largely to prayer and praise interspersed with choruses and songs. This does not mean that the service will always follow exactly the same pattern. The midweek service can and should be one of the best services of the week.

The Sunday School Lesson

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Topic for
November 1:

Christian Fellowship in Action

SCRIPTURE: Acts 4:32-5:16 (Printed:
Acts 4:32-37; 5:12-16)

GOLDEN TEXT: *And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and one soul; neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common (Acts 4:32).*

The early Christians were so enthralled with Christ that they held material things with a loose grasp. They also loved each other so much that they wanted to divide everything they had with somebody else. Their activities revealed the following factors:

The System of Sharing: The type of stewardship they exemplified went so far that no one treated his possessions as his own. Instead, they "had all things common." They were willing to share to the limit of their possessions. They freely contributed all their assets to be divided among those less fortunate than themselves. They were sensitive to the

needs of others. They identified themselves with the privations of their fellow Christians, and refused to consume upon themselves what might be needed by someone else.

In the *Screwtape Letters*, C. S. Lewis showed that the most potent way to pull a person away from the Lord and into the clutches of Satan was to teach that person the "lie of ownership." When one gains the impression that he owns something outright, he soon gets his eyes on this, and selfishly protects it. He becomes so concerned about these material possessions that he loses sight of spiritual realities. Estrangement from the Lord follows.

An accepted practice in the modern period is to judge a person by the size of his contributions to the church. The Lord is not impressed with the amount that we give. He judges the measure of our giving by what we have left. In His eyes the widow that gave two mites made a larger contribution than those who brought many times that much. The difference was evaluated in terms of what each had left. Since she had given everything that she possessed, she received a special citation from the Lord.

If we care enough we will share to the limit.

The Showing of Signs: The group that gives also lives. The ultra-high potency of the early Christians was described in these words, "And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people." It is impossible to outgive the Lord. Generosity generates power to the extent that astonishing accomplishments take place. Many were attracted

by this display of signs. The Lord released enough power through these disciples that they terrorized the devil, blessed the people, and glorified the Lord.

Their efforts were multiplied. Believers were added to the church. A spirit of revival prevailed. The Lord was as generous with them as they had been with Him. Since they gave all. He in turn bestowed His benefits upon them without reservation.

The Significance of Shadows: The sick were brought into the streets that the shadow of Peter might touch them. This contact was sufficient to bring deliverance to all who were sick or vexed with an unclean spirit.

In reality, every person is casting a shadow in the form of influence. Everyone we touch by our influence will be either better or worse, helped or hindered, enriched or impoverished.

Every personality is radioactive. "For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself" (Romans 14:7). We are interrelated with others. What we say or do has a bearing on their thoughts and conduct.

It was said of a certain merchant, who was widely known both for his intelligent and frank piety and for his large benevolence, that all foul conversation ended the moment he entered any circle. Smut could not survive in his shadow.

How do our shadows affect the lives of others?

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NEWS of the Churches



Evangelist C. M. Whitley and wife write: "In September we had a fine revival in Omaha, Illinois; God gave us a wonderful meeting. We appreciated the fine pastor and his people. God has been good to us during 1959. We have some open time in the spring of 1960 and are willing to go as the Lord may lead. Write us, c/o our publishing house, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri."

Lindsay, California—Under the energetic and Spirit-anointed ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. Edward E. Mieras our church recently experienced a very precious revival. Our people gladly received and responded to Brother Mieras' loving and clear presentation of second-blessing holiness. A strong emphasis on house-to-house visitation helped our church.—CHARLES M. CROUCH, *Pastor*.

Pastor Robert E. Hollis reports: "In June we assumed responsibilities and

privileges of the pastorate of the Sulphur Springs (Texas) church on the Dallas District, where Rev. E. H. Hendrix had just completed over twelve years of very successful ministry. We believe it was by the guidance of the Holy Spirit that we were called to serve this united, co-operative, and spiritual people. The Lord's blessings have been most evident. Plans are made for immediate and near-future improvements of our property. The church continues to broadcast the entire Sunday evening service through the facilities of the local radio station. The pastor is to 'do the work of an evangelist' in October. We praise God for this wonderful church, our good district leadership, and the Church of the Nazarene!"

Georgetown, Kentucky—Sunday, September 13, was the closing day of one of the greatest revivals in the history of First Church. Evangelist C. B. Fugett was at his best, and many souls found

spiritual help. In September we had the best average in Sunday school since we came here. Georgetown First Church is on the move, and our people are united.—L. H. ROEBUCK, *Pastor*.

Kingston Springs, Tennessee—Recently we had the best revival during my eight years as pastor of this church. Rev. Edward C. York, as evangelist, preached with the anointing of the Holy Spirit on Bible repentance and holiness until people came to the altar and prayed through in the old-fashioned way. Ralph and Joan Dunmire did splendid work as evangelistic singers, also they carry a real burden for souls. Our people voted unanimously for all these workers to return for a community-wide revival next year. The crowds were never better, the membership was increased, and three people were baptized. God graciously helped in supplying the needed finances. We thank God for this faithful people who stand by the

entire program. We love God, the church, and our general and district leadership.—HORACE E. DUKE, *Pastor*.

Seminole, Texas—Evangelist Charles A. Higgins was with us for a revival in July. He had charge of the Wednesday night prayer meeting; then he and the pastor called on the people until the following Sunday morning, when the special services began. About three hundred doors were knocked on during the campaign. The Sunday school attendance increased both Sundays, and several people sought God at the altar. Brother Higgins is a good preacher and a hard worker; we appreciated his ministry with us so much.—LOUIS H. PEROT, *Pastor*.

Pastor Ralph Goodwin of Jackson, Georgia, writes that he just recently returned from a visit to Germany, where his oldest son, Ralph, Jr., is stationed in Hanau, near Frankfurt. Brother Goodwin was privileged to attend our newly established church and visit the Jerald Johnsons in Frankfurt. Brother Goodwin, his son, and two other young men stationed in Hanau (who had a fifteen-day leave) had a profitable tour in parts of Italy, Switzerland, Austria, and Germany. Ralph, Jr., is a charter member of our church in Frankfurt, Germany; he has fifteen more months to serve with the U.S. Army before returning to the States.

Evangelists Harry and Esther Carlsen report: "We left the United States on May 7 on the French liner 'Flandre,' and arrived in England in time to attend the assembly of the South British Isles District. God's presence was surely manifest as Dr. D. I. Vanderpool ministered from the Word. On May 20 we arrived in Norway, and during the summer months we ministered in Word and song to thousands of people in each of the Scandinavian countries. During September we ministered to the people of Finland. There is much opportunity in these countries for the preaching of the gospel. October through December we will be engaged in revivals in the British Isles. Please pray for us as we labor for the Master."

Tuscaloosa, Alabama—On September 6, Holten Heights Church celebrated its thirty-second anniversary, with Dr. Otto Stucki, a former pastor, as the guest speaker. Some 225 people attended the worship service to hear Dr. Stucki bring an inspiring message. On this day also we entered our new Sunday school annex, consisting of ten new classrooms and a 30 x 30-foot auditorium. This unit is valued at more than \$12,000. Last January we had Rev. Dallas Baggett with us as evangelist during Youth Week. Following that, revival tides rolled in upon us for twelve consecutive Sundays with hardly a barren altar. Pastor and people are united and thank God for His blessings.—BARNEY BRUMBELOE, *Pastor*.

Evangelist Dave Hall writes: "We have an open date, November 25 to December 6. We shall be glad to go anywhere God may lead for this time,

First Church, Port Huron, Michigan



Two and one-half years ago we came to this city, some 57 miles from Detroit. Our people were worshiping in a building near a cement factory. They loved God, but without money they saw no possible way to move. With God's help we sold the building and used the money to pay off a mortgage on the parsonage, and bought new lots for \$10,000. The new plans called for a \$100,000 church and, after much prayer, the bank gave us a loan. We rejoiced, and held our ground-breaking service with the mayor of the city, District Superintendent McGuire, and Pastor E. W. Martin of Detroit First Church. Our people, numbering 115 at that time, had begun a great undertaking. Our beautiful church stands as a tribute to the faith and pioneer spirit of this people. While building the church we worshiped in a gymnasium provided by the city; in spite of sub-zero weather, and temperature in the building at 55 degrees, our

people were loyal and a revival spirit prevailed. Our young men gave hours of work—many of them working 13 to 16 hours per day. The people of the city marvel at what God has helped the Nazarenes to do, and many of the businessmen have made personal contributions, some donating materials at cost. The building is the first unit of a \$250,000 construction; sanctuary is built on 11 lots and will seat about 500 people. The front window overlooking the city is done in cathedral glass with a neon-lighted cross, 27 feet high, which can be seen for almost 2 miles. On July 12, Dr. Hardy C. Powers and Dr. W. M. McGuire dedicated the beautiful sanctuary. A revival spirit prevails in our services. The church was designed by Brother George Schriber; the present building is valued at \$135,000 with a debt of \$55,000. We give God praise for His leadership and blessings.—U. B. GODMAN, *Pastor*.

Our party takes care of both the preaching and singing. Write us, 776 E. Simpson, McPherson, Kansas."

Pensacola, Florida—First Church recently enjoyed one of the best revivals of its history with Rev. C. H. Dooley as the evangelist and the Pierce Family as singers. The average attendance was better than 160 during the twelve days. Counting as they came, 106 people bowed at the altar seeking spiritual help from God. On Wednesday night following the revival the laymen affirmed in their testimonies that this was the greatest revival in every respect they could remember attending. A nice class was received into church membership on profession of faith. We praise God for this time of victory in our church.—GENE FULLER, *Pastor*.

Niles, Michigan—First Church recently enjoyed a Heaven-sent revival under the Spirit-filled messages of Evangelist Marvin S. Cooper. God blessed with many new converts and a reviving of the entire church, so that the spiritual con-

dition of the church is now at its highest tide. We appreciated having with us a man of God who was completely led of the Spirit.—FLOYD F. KANIFE, *Pastor*.

Southeast Oklahoma District

The eighth annual assembly and conventions of the Southeast Oklahoma District were held September 14 to 17 in First Church, Poteau, Oklahoma, with Rev. W. R. Butcher, host pastor.

The messages and leadership of Dr. Hardy C. Powers, presiding officer, were the source of many blessings and an inspiration to all.

In the conventions preceding the assembly Rev. Thomas Gilliam was re-elected district president of the N.Y.P.S., and Mrs. L. A. Richardson re-elected president of the district N.F.M.S. Rev. Eugene Hulsey was guest speaker for the N.Y.P.S., and Avinell McNabb, missionary nurse in Raleigh Fitkin Memorial Hospital in Africa, was greatly used of God to enlarge our vision and challenge our faith as she spoke in the missionary convention.

Rev. Glen Jones, our beloved district superintendent, gave a very comprehen-



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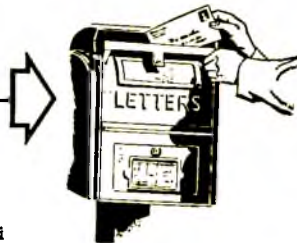
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sive report of our district work, after which he was re-elected for one year by a near-unanimous vote. Then upon recommendation of the district leaders he was presented for a three-year vote, which likewise was an overwhelming vote of confidence. The appreciation of the district was further expressed by a love offering in cash and pledges of over three hundred dollars for Rev. and Mrs. Jones.

Bethany Nazarene College was ably represented by President Roy H. Cantrell, who encouraged us to continue to support the college with our youth, prayers, finance, and co-operation.

Al and Grace Ramquist gave excellent service as the representatives of our Nazarene Publishing House. Mrs. Ramquist thrilled the missionary convention and the assembly with her readings.

There were six local churches awarded membership "Honor Roll" certificates for adding new Nazarenes to their rolls. Five local churches were awarded the "10 per cent" certificates.

In the closing service of the assembly Valla Tarr and Abe Christian were ordained as elders. We thank God for the spirit of unity, faith, and zeal on the Southeast Oklahoma District.—DAVID F. KRICK, *Reporter*.

Georgia District Assembly

The Georgia District Assembly convened in the beautiful, new, spacious church at Swainsboro.

Dr. Samuel Young, presiding officer, challenged and inspired our hearts repeatedly with his Spirit-filled messages.

Rev. Mack Anderson submitted his thirteenth report as district superintendent. It was received and a nice love offering given him. Brother Anderson received a one-year call, with 179 votes cast and only 1 negative; then he was given his second three-year call with only 5 negative votes. We love and appreciate Brother Anderson.

Every department showed nice gains; this year was one of the best ever. New churches were organized at Adel and Summerville, the building bought at Swainsboro, and will be ready to start another one soon.

In the ordination service Robert Breedlove and James Frost were given elder's orders.

Superintendent Mack Anderson challenged the district to have a genuine revival in every church; every church to go on the "10 per cent" plan; complete our Seminary debt apportionment; full support of Trevecca Nazarene College and the new library; every church go

all out for a 10 per cent gain across the board; and organize four new churches.

We thank God for the spirit of unity, faith, and zeal on the Georgia District.—HARRY L. HASTY, *Reporter*.

**Louisiana District
N.Y.P.S. Convention and Institute**

The annual N.Y.P.S. convention of the Louisiana District convened August 24 at the District Center, near Alexandria, followed by the Youth Institute. The special speaker for both occasions was Rev. Curtis Smith.

Following the presentation of his annual report Rev. Ray Atwood, district president, was re-elected by a splendid vote. Other officers elected were: Rev. Donald Peal, vice-president; and Mrs. Melba Sayes Simmons, secretary-treasurer.

Following the convention, four days of fellowship was enjoyed by all in the youth institute; it was an outstanding success. Under the able and Spirit-anointed preaching of Brother Smith, more than one hundred young people sought and found definite spiritual help from God. Some indicated, for the first time in their lives, a definite call to God's service, and all pledged their lives to Him for future service. The average attendance was approximately two hundred.

Among the high lights of the youth activities were the campfire services, in which a reverent spirit of worship prevailed. The Bethany Nazarene College Quartet made a great spiritual contribution to the worship; in every way they indicated the excellent deportment of Christian gentlemen. An outstanding boy and girl were chosen by ballot to be Mr. and Miss Louisiana Nazarene. The choices, based upon popularity, deportment, quality of spirit, and co-operation, were Miss Jerri Bueto and Mr. Teddy Boulet.

The institute ended with a high note of victory and success, and Louisiana youth look forward to another fine year of service to Christ and the church.—W. E. CARRUTH, *Reporter*.

Houston District Assembly

God's spirit of grace and courage were felt again and again in the Houston District Assembly, August 26 and 27, in Houston First Church. Dr. Samuel Young, presiding officer, through the anointing of God's Spirit, presented messages of lasting value and purpose.

Mr. Don Young represented the Nazarene Publishing House; Mrs. Roberts presented the work of Rest Cottage at Pilot Point, Texas; a nice offering was received for this work. Dr. Roy E. Cantrell gave a challenging report for Bethany Nazarene College, and the reports from the pastors all revealed a love for God and the work of His kingdom.

Nazarenes on the Houston District are united in vision and faith under the wise and capable leadership of Dr. Raymond McClung as district superintendent. The district's appreciation for the McClungs was again revealed through a wonderful love offering, and a general

Portales, New Mexico



On August 30 this church celebrated its fortieth anniversary. Dr. R. C. Gunstream, a former pastor and now district superintendent, was the special speaker. The presence of the Holy Spirit was real and hearts were blessed and stirred. New pews had been installed and were dedicated to the Master's use. All pre-

vious attendance records were broken. This past year the church joined the Evangelistic Honor Roll and had a better than 14 per cent increase in average Sunday school attendance—the present average is 124. We thank God for His blessings.—DAVID W. STRACK, *Pastor*.

feeling that he is God's man for this position.

The assembly climaxed with a gracious ordination service, at which time elder's orders were given to Harold Rains and Jerry L. Demetre.

Pastors and laymen of the Houston District are setting their goals high for the coming year, and praying for a mighty revival and the salvation of souls.—VERNON B. CURLISS, *Reporter*.

Indianapolis District Assembly

The seventeenth annual assembly of the Indianapolis District convened August 26 at the district campgrounds near Camby, Indiana. Dr. G. B. Williamson presided graciously over the business sessions. His preaching was particularly anointed of God and touched off the spirit of the assembly with messages on revival and evangelism.

Throughout the assembly the spiritual tide ran high, reaching its peak on Wednesday night when the entire service was so owned of the Lord and controlled by His Spirit that it climaxed in a spontaneous altar service before the special speaker, Rev. Harold Daniels, had opportunity to bring a message. Many testified that they never had witnessed such a scene during an assembly.

A high point was the report and re-election for the seventh year of Rev. Luther Cantwell as district superintendent. A love offering of \$1,215 was given as a token of appreciation. He reported progress in practically every area—numerically, financially, and spiritually. Church membership now stands at 6,067, and the Sunday school enrollment at 16,679. A total of \$92,657 given for general interests makes us a "10 per cent" district. There is an awakening to the importance of prayer among the local churches.

At the N.F.M.S. convention Mrs. Cantwell was re-elected district president. She reported that this was a "star" district. Rev. John Hall, missionary, inspired his listeners in the convention.

Rev. George Rice ably represented the Nazarene Publishing House. Olivet

Nazarene College was represented by Dr. Harold Reed, Rev. John Swearingen, Mr. J. Harlan Milby, and the Crusaders Quartet. The current building project of the school was presented, with an overwhelming response in pledges amounting to more than fifteen thousand dollars.

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Joplin District N.Y.P.S. Convention

The Joplin District N.Y.P.S. had a very fine convention, August 31, in First Church, Coffeyville, Kansas. President J. R. Smith was in charge, and all those present felt the spirit and enthusiasm in the convention.

This was the close of our second year as a new district and good gains were reported in every part of the work. The district president gave a good report of the year's activities, and he was re-elected with a nearly unanimous vote. Other officers elected were: Bob Leffel, vice-president; Malcolm Eudaley, secretary; Wayne Shurley, treasurer; Harold Morgan, teen-age supervisor; and Linda Sodowsky and Kent Hamilton, teen-age representatives.

During the convention loving cups were presented to the first and second place winners of the oratorical contest which was held at the youth institute during the summer. Miss Elaine Colvin of Fort Scott was the first place winner, with John Nienhuser of Pittsburg receiving the second place award. Another event worthy of note during the day was the demonstration of a portable organ which had been purchased by the Junior Society for use in home mission services.

The young people accepted the challenge to help build a new church at Pleasanton, Kansas, during the year by giving at least one thousand dollars toward erection of the new building.

During the afternoon session, Rev. George Rice, Nazarene Publishing House representative, spoke to the group about the motto for the year, "Witnessing to Win." Dr. H. T. Reza, editor of our Spanish publications, spoke on the same subject in the evening service. The messages of these men moved all those present with a desire to see more won for Christ. Joplin District young people are encouraged and give God praise for the accomplishments of the past year.—
BILL LAKEY, *Reporter.*

In the ordination service those receiving elder's orders were: Jerry Lee Short, Laston L. Dennis, C. Robert Moore, and Richard Hawn.—MARY BANE, *Reporter.*

Central Ohio District Camp Meeting

The Central Ohio District camp meeting, held at the district campground, Columbus, was blessed of God from the opening service, July 17, to the closing on July 26. Scores of people found God in saving and sanctifying power in the evangelistic services, and the Christian people were blessed and strengthened in the day services.

Each of the workers served the camp in an outstanding way—Dr. B. V. Seals and Dr. J. S. Logan, evangelists; Professor Ray Moore, singer; Rev. H. C. Litle, prayer director; Dr. John Cotner and the Crusaders Quartet, youth workers; and Mrs. H. C. Litle, children's worker.

Dr. Harvey S. Galloway, our beloved district superintendent, was the tireless co-ordinator of the camp, and his faithful presence in the services was much appreciated. He very ably raised the necessary finances, which contributed much to the smooth running of the very large camp.

A new Youth Activity Building and new playground equipment contributed to the entertainment between services of the many children staying on the grounds. The new fence and improved parking lot were a great asset, and

adequately cared for the many cars parked on the grounds.

Attendance was at an all-time high, with the tabernacle packed out at the evening services and all day Sunday. This has necessitated immediate plans for a new and larger tabernacle. With several new permanent, masonry-constructed dormitories built within the past ten years, we were able to accommodate great crowds throughout the camp.

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Hawaii District Youth Camp

The annual youth camp of the Hawaii District was held August 24 to 29 at a rented campground near Waianac, Oahu. There were 118 in attendance, including the workers, and God's presence was manifest from the beginning to the close.

Rev. H. W. Meadows served as director, and Solomon Kekoa as assistant. The messages brought by the various pastors resulted in great altar services, and nearly every young person returned home with a Christian experience. The daily programs were well organized, and Occidental and Oriental mingled together in harmony and Christian fellowship.

We have served five months as superintendent of the work here, and we are in love with the Islands, but especially with the people who come from so many different nations. Our ten churches are moving forward, but the need is so great. Remember Hawaii in your prayers.—W. S. PURINTON, *District Superintendent.*

Roanoke, Virginia—Beginning our third year with our good people at First Church, we praise God for His blessings upon us in revivals with Evangelists J. C. Dobson, Jim Crabtree, and Fred Thomas. Thirty new church members received, 24 of them by profession of faith; 92 new Sunday school members enrolled, and a 10 per cent gain in N.Y.P.S. The Sunday school enjoyed a good average of 300, and we raised for all purposes better than \$25,000. God has been good to us and our trust is in Him for our new church year.—RALPH SCHURMAN, *Pastor*.

Deaths

REV. WILLIAM DAVID MCGRAW

William David McGraw was born August 21, 1870, and died at his home in Temple, Texas, September 2, 1959. He joined the Church of the Nazarene at the Pilot Point (Texas) General Assembly in 1908, as an ordained elder, and pioneered in the organizing of five churches since 1920—Houston, Texas, First; Porterville, California, First; Beaumont, Texas, First; Jefferson, Texas; and New Orleans, Louisiana, First. Four other churches were served by him—Lake Charles, Louisiana, First; Plainview, Raymondville, and Temple First, Texas. His trip to Palestine and other Bible lands in 1928 became subject matter for a book he published two years later. Converted in 1893, he soon received a call to preach. Many are those who have been touched by his ministry and godly example. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Lee Huffman McGraw; two sons, R. K. and Joseph H.; and a daughter, Faye Carlos. He is survived by his wife, Cleo Elder McGraw, of Temple; four sons: C. G., of Hyattsville, Maryland; Rev. W. D. McGraw, Jr., superintendent of Oregon Pacific District; Rev. James P. McGraw, professor in Nazarene Theological Seminary; and D. W., of Oklahoma City; also two daughters: Mrs. Alline Swann, professor in Northwest Nazarene College, Nampa, Idaho; and Dr. Doralee Lewis, optometrist, Hyattsville, Maryland. Funeral service was held in Temple, with Rev. James Hester, district superintendent, and Rev. Don Sanders officiating. Burial was in Magnolia Cemetery, Beaumont, Texas.

AFTERGLOW

Your steps upon earth's stilted steeps,
High on these mounded mortal hills,
Were jagged, rugged, pioneering
To help to heal the human ills.

No easy task you'd ever ask;
You reached for aching human hearts
And in this fight for God and right
You tugged hearts toward celestial parts.

Now in a blaze of afterglow
We contemplate your pain-pushed way;
It shines now more—and even more
Unto your endless perfect day.
—L. Alline (McGraw) Swann

REV. MARY JO KILGORE

Mary Jo Kilgore was born January 20, 1884, at Denison, Texas, and died September 28, 1959, at Hemet, California. She was confined to her bed during the last months of her life, but never failed to be a source of blessing to those who visited her. She was a loyal supporter of her church and her pastor. She began her ministry in 1908 as an evangelist in the states of Texas and Oklahoma; she also pastored at Pilot Point, Texas, in 1909. Her influence was felt in the early days of the Church of the Nazarene. Her active ministry extended over a period of more than forty years, and covered many of the southern and southwestern states. During this time she served as pastor, evangelist, college professor, and district superintendent's wife. In 1931 she served as pastor of the church in Hemet, California, and then after a number of years as pastor and evangelist in the Southwest she returned to Hemet, where she and her husband retired from the active ministry. Her husband, Rev. Bishop Marvin Kilgore, died in June of 1958. She is survived by her children—Louis C., John Paul, Bishop Marvin, Jr., Mrs. Bird Brown, Mrs. Josephine Wetherbie, Mrs. Lorena Brewer, and Mrs. Jewell Foster. Funeral service was held at the Hemet church, with her pastor, Rev. Paul W. Urschel, officiating, assisted by Rev. D. W. Simpson and Rev. T. M. Scott. Interment was in the San Jacinto Hemet Valley Cemetery.

REV. CHARLES A. GOLDBERG

Charles A. Goldberg went to be with the Lord on August 21, at Manchester, Connecticut, where he had lived for several years since retiring. He

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was ordained to the ministry by Dr. P. F. Bresee in 1904, at the age of seventeen. He served as pastor of the Manchester church from 1913 to 1920; also served other churches in New England as well as on the New York District. He participated in the various activities of the church, teaching in the Sunday school and conducting prayer meetings when called upon. He attended the services of the church faithfully to the end, and sanctioned the gospel with hearty Amens. Although his voice is no longer heard, his influence lingers. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lulu C. Goldberg, and one son, Marvin. Funeral service was held in the Manchester church, with the pastor, Rev. C. E. Winslow, officiating, assisted by Dr. Everett S. Phillips of Bethany, Oklahoma, and Rev. C. F. Austin, retired elder, of Manchester.

Announcements RECOMMENDATIONS

Rev. and Mrs. Marcellus Crider, who have been serving as pastors at Bedford First Church, are now available for the work of full-time evangelism. The Criders are most efficient workers and they are well known among us. Their pastoral experience will make them the more helpful to our churches in the work of evangelism. They are prepared to take care of both preaching and singing in their revival work. Already ten meetings have been scheduled with them by the pastors. With pleasure we recommend them. Address them, 511 Montgomery Street, Shelbyville, Indiana.—Leo C. Davis, Superintendent of Southwest Indiana District.

Rev. H. B. Garvin has resigned as pastor of our church at Augusta, Kentucky, to enter the field of full-time evangelism. Brother Garvin has been a very successful pastor, and also has had experience in the field of evangelism. His rich experience will be a blessing to both pastor and people. He is a man of prayer and carries a burden for lost souls. I heartily recommend him to our people everywhere. Write him, Station "C," P.O. Box 10071, Charleston, West Virginia.—D. S. Somerville, Superintendent of Eastern Kentucky District.

Rev. Elsie Martin, 208 E. Market Street, Spencer, Indiana, is an elder on our district, and has a very fine record of Christian living and faithful service in the church. She is now making known to us that she is available for revival meetings and the field of evangelism. Her pastoral experiences will certainly make her the more useful in this phase of the work. While no longer a pastor, there is no reason why Miss Martin cannot continue on among the churches in revival meeting work and be a real blessing to the churches and pastors she serves.—Leo C. Davis, Superintendent of Southwest Indiana District.

WEDDING BELLS—Miss Donna Dee Witcher and Mr. Duane Gardner were united in marriage on August 23 in the Church of the Nazarene at Delta, Colorado, with Rev. M. G. Carpenter officiating.

BORN—to Rev. Francis M. and Betty (Powers) Runyon, of Wakeeney, Kansas, a daughter, Joanna Marie, September 22.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Dwight Kellar of Ionia, Michigan, a son, Dwight David, on September 21.

—to Dr. and Mrs. Charles F. Springer of Lexington, Alabama, a daughter, Nancy Ellen, on September 17.

—to Harold and Sarah Jane (Holdren) Evenrude of Glasgow, Montana, a daughter, Vivian Laurena, on September 16.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Howard Doerle of Zanesville, Ohio, a daughter, Kimberly Dawn, on September 15.

—to Chester and Mary Alyce Galloway of Nampa, Idaho, a daughter, Janice Lynn, on September 15.

—to Rev. Dale and Freda (Hawk) Martin of Bartow, Florida, a daughter, Marcia Diane, on September 10.

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—to Mr. Ernest and Frances (Cypert) Thorensen of Arlington, Virginia, a daughter, Janet Carol, on August 26.

—to Mr. Ed. and Barbara (Thompson) Davis of Grand Rapids, Michigan, a daughter, Melinda Sue, on August 24.

—to James and Elva Kelley of Columbus, Ohio, a daughter, Donna Jean, on August 24.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Noah Sullivan of Charleston, West Virginia, a son, David Paul, on July 20.

ADOPTED—by Mr. Ramon and Nadene (Ripper) Richards of Joliet, Illinois, a girl, Brenda Joyce.

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