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## The Regions Beyond— Copenhagen, Denmark

*General Superintendent Powers*

"The regions beyond" seemed to be a phrase that haunted the Apostle Paul. The spirit of the pioneer was in him; spiritual adventure in soul winning constantly challenged him. He never was satisfied with the *status quo*. Distant places constantly called to him to preach the gospel. The love of Christ constrained him to seek and find ways and means to take the message of salvation to those who had never heard. He always stood ready to support every sound, forward move that would give the gospel to nations unevangelized. With great faith and a commitment of all he was and all he possessed, he stood ready to respond to the leadership of the Spirit.

While a ship riding at anchor, or a camel train heading into some little-known land, or the line of distant blue hills might beckon some to commerce or some selfish pursuit, for the apostle they represented a possible opportunity to preach where the message had not been heard. Something of this spirit must characterize the Church of Jesus Christ today.

One year ago as we passed through the city of Copenhagen, Denmark, God laid the burden upon our hearts to take the message of full salvation through the Church of the Nazarene to this beautiful Scandinavian city.

The Board of General Superintendents and the Department of Home Missions have decided to enter the city immediately with a series of services, looking toward the permanent establishment of the work of the church there, the first Scandinavian city entered by the Church of the Nazarene. We have splendid workers in Rev. and Mrs. Orville H. Kleven. The work will be under the direct supervision of Rev. Jerry Johnson in West Germany.

Won't you join in prayer for the success of this project, and give generously in the Thanksgiving Offering and through your General Budget so that this first work of the Church of the Nazarene in Scandinavia may become firmly established?

## LATE NEWS

After pastoring Calvary Church in Joplin, Missouri, for five years, Rev. Jack C. Leatherman is now pastoring the church at Green Rock, Illinois.

After serving four years as pastor of the church in Brantford, Ontario, Rev. Ross R. Cribbis has resigned to accept the pastorate of the church in Oxford, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Hobza, active members of the Church of the Nazarene for over thirty-seven years, will be celebrating their golden wedding anniversary on Thanksgiving Day. Mr. Hobza was ordained by the late Dr. J. B. Chapman at the district assembly held at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, in 1932. He pastored churches in North Dakota, Minnesota, and Idaho, did evangelistic work, and in recent years has been taking an active part in First Church, Nampa. Their children are arranging for an open house in their honor, at the Fellowship Hall, on the evening of Thanksgiving Day. Rev. and Mrs. Hobza live at 915 Sixteenth Avenue, South, in Nampa, Idaho. They enjoy fairly good health and continue to live happy, productive lives.

Pastor Harold Runyan sends word from Charleston, West Virginia: "Grace Church, South Charleston, has had the greatest revival in the church's five-year history, with 100 souls bowing at our altar. New members were added to the church, with 240 present for the last Sunday morning service. We praise God for a revival in our day. The special workers were Rev. Ralph Sexton and the Harrison Trio."

Rev. R. D. Bredholt writes, "After seven years of serving our church in Benton Harbor, during which time God gave us a good ministry, we received a unanimous call to return to a former pastorate at the church in New Lothrop, Michigan."

*"Is the Lord Jesus Christ the sure Foundation of your life, or is He a Stone of Stumbling? What makes the difference? Peter tells us clearly (1 Peter 2: 7-8): it is our attitude toward Him and our response to His teaching. To those who believe on Him, He becomes precious; and to those who obey Him, He becomes 'the head of the corner.' He is, indeed, the inescapable Christ. Let us be wise and make the right response to the divine encounter."—Selected.*

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### A Soul-Winner's Prayer:

Our Heavenly Father, we come to Thee in the name of Jesus, the eternal Sower of salvation's seed.

Help us this day to be alert to every opportunity for witness that comes our way. Help us to perceive the door of spiritual hunger that is set ajar, be it ever so slightly, by the will of a needy heart. Give us wisdom that we may know how to grasp the handle and walk softly, but confidently, into the sin-cluttered life.

Teach us how to recognize the hidden tenderness behind a hardened exterior.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

The 1960 edition of the *Manual of the Church of the Nazarene* is now ready for distribution; and from the date of this issue of the *Herald of Holiness* all of its provisions are in effect in accordance with paragraph 603 of the 1956 edition of the *Manual*.

**BOARD OF GENERAL SUPERINTENDENTS**  
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Help us to know when to compel and when to lead softly. May we be enlightened to recognize each man's spiritual key, for we have learned that some spiritual opportunities become real only as we unlock them. Yet we confess that we do not know how to unlock except Thou grant that wisdom which is from above.

Impart to us this day the gift of humility, that we will shrink to lift up our supposed saintliness, and rather seek to glorify the lifted-up Lord of life. We would be so filled with the Spirit today that our demeanor and words will point to the Lamb of God.

Save us from being mere machine oilers, and make us soul-winning toilers. Help us to keep at bay the devil of discouragement by constant contemplation of the truth that some plant and some water, but God gives the increase. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.—NEIL E. HIGHTOWER, Pastor, College Park Church, Maryland.

### SHEKINAH GLORY

By F. W. DAVIS

*How blessed to live in the presence of God,  
And to feel His sweet Spirit each hour!  
He lightens our burdens, and blesses with peace,  
And fills us with glory and power.  
The thrill of His presence will banish the night,  
And drive all the shadows away,  
Till there's music and song down deep in our souls,  
And we're happy in Jesus each day.*

*Oh, thanks be to God, our Father and King,  
Who brightens our pathway of life!  
He foils all the powers of Satan and hell  
And eradicates evil and strife.  
To Him be the honor, all glory and praise,  
For the light and joy He has given.  
Someday we shall dwell in that city of God,  
Where the Lamb is the glory of heaven.*

# Windows in Heaven

By A. J. LOWN

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*Behold, if the Lord would make windows in heaven, might this thing be? (II Kings 7:2)*

"Windows in heaven"! Opened windows convey the thought of God's pent-up, prayed-down, poured-out, overflowing blessing. When God moves within an individual Christian in special measure, or upon His Church with outstanding presence and power, instinctively we sing:

*"The windows of heaven are open;  
The blessing is falling tonight.  
There's joy, joy, joy in my heart  
Since Jesus made everything right."*

Malachi, in his ringing challenge to a backslidden church, links this coveted experience of revival with the faithful, wholehearted tithing of God's people: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, . . . and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a [uncontainable] blessing" (Malachi 3:10).

We do not usually associate the windows of heaven with the daily needs of our tables and homes. Like the unbelieving lord who challenged Elisha in the besieged, famine-stricken city of Samaria, we are inclined to feel that God does not open supernatural windows to supply daily necessities. Manna came from heaven in days of old, but it does not fall upon the modern civilizations of which our lives are part.

The teaching of this dramatic and revolting Old Testament story is that God does not open windows in heaven; but He does open

## DOORS ON EARTH

This incident in the Syrian-Israel war could either be entitled "the failure of a peace policy" or "the success of a faith policy." The previous year, against the wishes of his king, Elisha had mercifully spared the captured, marauding Syrian assassins, feeding and freeing the men who had sought his death. This act of clemency, at first, seemed to be 100 per cent successful: "so the bands of Syria came no more into the land of Israel" (II Kings 6:23).

Then came the awakening. The discomfited enemy, as so often in the history of war, was carefully planning revenge even though evil had been rewarded with good. Gathering his hosts, the

Syrian king invaded and overran Israel, drawing his net so tightly around the capital of Samaria that the shortage of food in the besieged city caused two desperate women actually to make an inhuman cannibal pact to eat their children.

When the failure of the second partner to this terrible agreement caused this awful indication of the city's plight to reach the ears of the shocked king, he publicly demonstrated his abhorrence of this horrible thing and then named Elisha as the culprit who had brought such ills upon the land and people. Feeling that Elisha's peace policy had provoked the siege, or that his promises of divine help were futile, or both, the king resolved to kill the prophet and surrender the city. From the national hero of a year ago Elisha had become a scapegoat, with the king's messenger approaching his house to apprehend him for immediate execution.

In that hour, the darkest of the city's existence and of his own life, Elisha uttered this sublime prophecy:

"Tomorrow about this time," declared the fearless prophet, "shall a measure of fine flour be sold for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel, in the gate of Samaria" (II Kings 7:1). A madman's dream, surely! Abundance of food and at a price within the reach of all? The phantasy of a starving man! So it seemed, and one noble lord, a close friend of the king, did not hesitate to say so. "If the Lord would make windows in heaven [as if He would!], might this thing be?" (II Kings 7:2)

## GOD'S PROVISION COMES THROUGH A MAN OF FAITH

With death around and approaching, and the whole city shrouded in despair and unbelief, Elisha's faith reached the highest heights. Whilst a prince of this world openly scoffed at the thought that God would provide, Elisha reckoned upon the covenant of One

*Who never yet forsook at need  
The soul that trusted Him indeed.*

For faith, the darkest hour is often just before the dawn. When Abraham was ascending Mount Moriah he voiced his conviction that God would provide a lamb. But not until the knife was poised ready to enter his son's heart was the provided

sacrifice seen. So true is this to experience that George Muller and Hudson Taylor, among many others, regarded the time when encouragement and help were completely lacking as the moment they must expect God's provision. The man of faith meets the discouraging circumstance and prolonged testing with Elisha's conviction that God will supply his every need.

And this faith discovers and testifies that

GOD'S PROVISION COMES THROUGH SIMPLE  
YET SURPRISING CHANNELS

Samaria's need was food—immediately and in abundance. Not far away food was available, but in other hands, enemy hands. God's strategy was to make a channel between that supply and His people's need. It was an unlikely channel—a quartet of lepers!

In the night hours, by a miracle of suggestion and confusion the enemy's hold upon those abundant supplies was broken. By a gamble with death the fact of the enemy's flight was discovered by the lepers, these emaciated men preferring to be impaled upon an enemy sword rather than endure the last throes of starvation. Through these benighted souls the city was told that God's supply was available; Elisha's fantastic prophecy could be fulfilled.

There is no shortage of resources in the world of revenues in the Church. If men can find channels, the needs of the underfed millions will be met. If channels are at God's disposal, the needs of missionaries and mission fields will be met. It is simply a transfer from one hand to another. And in God's economy He takes the channel at hand, even lepers, landowners like Barnabas, widow women who out of poverty give golden gifts.

*Channels only, blessed Master,  
Let me feel Thy cleansing pow'r  
Flowing thro' me; Thou canst use me  
Every day and ev'ry hour.*

Always,

GOD'S PROVISION REQUIRES SHARING  
AND STEWARDSHIP

Not until the starving four had eaten their fill and secreted a hoard of treasures from the deserted enemy camp did their responsibility to the stricken city fully dawn upon them. "We do not well: this day is a day of good tidings, and we hold our peace: if we tarry till the morning light, some mischief will come upon us" (II Kings 7:9). Withholding the tidings of deliverance and provision, they would die at the hands of their own countrymen—a deserved death for the sin of selfishness.

We may pity and pardon those outcasts, overwhelmed with unexpected riches. It is questionable if even God will pardon once leprous sinners who having discovered and tasted the riches of grace, have no eagerness to tell, no longing to share, no sense of responsibility to the hungry in

soul and body, and no dominating, driving obligation to be God's channels in stewardship.

At the hour Elisha had foretold, City-Gate Market was open. By his faith, unlikely channels, and the stewardship of good tidings, with transport costs negligible, food was available at controlled prices. And, by strange irony and prophesied judgment, the lord who had scoffed at the prophecy and prospect was appointed to supervise the distribution—and was killed in the rush. Words of unbelief may have to be eaten. Pray God it may not also be that we see but not eat of the things once despised. Rather may we be channels than castaways through lack of faith, consecration, and stewardship.

## HOLINESS AND UNITY

By WALTER E. ISENHOUR

*If we would spread true holiness  
Through the earth today,  
And through the ranks of evil press  
Along the narrow way,  
We must unite our forces now  
And each one fill his place,  
And show our fellow men somehow  
We have true love and grace.*

*In unity we know there's strength,  
And this is what we need,  
If we would go our fullest length  
To scatter holy seed,  
And gather in a mighty throng  
Of priceless, precious souls,  
That we may sing redemption's song  
While glory ever rolls.*

*God's holy people should unite  
On ev'ry battlefield,  
Until the blessed gospel light  
Would carnal pride reveal;  
Then bring the lost, backslidden man  
Unto our Master's side,  
And show believers that they can  
Be fully sanctified!*

*So let us join both heart and hand,  
Lest we should suffer loss;  
And be a strong, united band  
As pilgrims of the Cross.  
Then preaching holiness that saves  
From wickedness and sin,  
We'll be an army of true braves  
That shall forever win!*

# WORK NOW—Rest Later!

By DONALD K. BALLARD, Pastor, McComb, Mississippi

I like the slogan of the Church of the Nazarene for this quadrennium, "Evangelism First." This expresses to a lost world our desire that men and women, boys and girls find Jesus Christ in a personal experience. All else shall come after soul winning.

It seems to me that the real meaning then of "Evangelism First" is that all Nazarenes around the world must *work now* and *rest later*. Note at least two scriptures which tell each of us the meaning of "Evangelism First." They relate to our labors in the Lord, and then speak of the rest God has planned for His children in the sweet by and by.

## I

*We are labourers together with God* (I Corinthians 3:9). This wonderful passage tells of pastor, people, and God working together to further a program of evangelism. It takes hard work to win souls to Christ, and the true Christian is always a worker and never a shinker. God's Word gives no comfort to lazy people, for in II Thessalonians 3:10 we read, "This we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat."

Yet in all of our work we must work *together* if we are going to get the job done for God. Every Christian must learn two things: he must learn to work and then he must learn to work with *others*. All around us we see the need of co-operation, especially in our churches. Working independently of each other will result only in confusion.

This could be illustrated by the little story of a certain pastor who was given a pair of trousers. They fit perfectly except they were two inches too long. His wife said she was too busy to cut the legs off, it being Saturday night and with so many others things to do. The preacher lay awake that night, sad because he would not have the trousers to wear the next day. He decided to get up and do the job himself, cutting two inches off the legs and pressing them neatly. Finally his wife, sleepless, decided also to do the job. Cutting two more inches off the trousers, she pressed them and retired again. A high school daughter and the mother-in-law took turns at showing Dad this favor. The rest of the story need not be told. Service? Yes! But in working independently, they bungled the job. We must *work together!*

Of course unless God is included in our labors, all is in vain. He *must* be our Partner in any

evangelistic program. Partnership with God! Isn't that a wonderful thought! Partnership with a God who has a storehouse of supplies that is never depleted, who will give without limit. The more we ask, the more He bestows. Certainly our Partner is a God of abundant resources, and as we work now, He works with us.

## II

*Our second scripture says, "There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God"* (Hebrews 4:9). Heaven one day will be our *haven of rest*. *First, we will rest from this sinful world*. "There shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life" (Revelation 21:27).

*Second, we will rest from all our mistakes and failures*. No matter how close we may live to God, many times we are compelled to seek out our secret place of prayer and on our knees, with our faces bathed in tears, confess our failures to God. But thank God, the day is coming in God's tomorrow when all of our tears will be wiped away with the divine hand of the Son of God. Our day of rest will come.

*Again, we will rest from our sorrows and physical sufferings*. "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither *sorrow*, nor *crying*, neither shall there be any more *pain*: for the former things are passed away" (Revelation 21:4). Recently I conducted graveside services for a little baby God needed in heaven. After the service I visited the young mother still in the hospital, and how touching were these words, "Preacher, to think I must go through all of this suffering and pain and still lose my baby"! I assured her that, through an experience with Christ, she could one day be reunited with her baby.

*Finally, we will rest from our labors*. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them" (Revelation 14:13).

"Evangelism First" means all out for souls. May God help us of the Church of the Nazarene to remember that soul winning is everybody's job, the Christian's supreme endeavor, and so we must work now with all of our might and rest later with Christ in eternity, and with those we have won in this life.

# A Certain Rich Man

By JAMES W. THARP

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Perhaps the story of the rich man and Lazarus is the most soul-stirring message ever given by the Master (Luke 16:19-31). For nineteen centuries men of God have drawn from its fathomless depths in warning depraved humanity to flee the wrath to come. In serious tones the veiled voice from eternity solemnly points the soul to an inevitable hour when time shall be no more, when the temporal shall give way to the eternal, and when every wrong shall be made right.

Someone has said, "The soul is fast asleep, if not dead, that is not stirred by the story of the rich man."

The lessons from this message are so many and momentous that we carefully select three thoughts concerning the rich man and present them with the prayer that the Spirit of God will melt the wax in our ears, lift the scales from our eyes, break the crust around our calloused hearts, and cause us to repent before the great day of His mercy is exhausted.

## I. HIS DELUSION

*There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day* (v. 19). The rich man is described as a worldly hero who lived the life of royal magnificence and boundless luxury. While he is not branded as a thief nor condemned as a robber, still this one brief verse of description reveals some glaring gaps in both his philosophy and life.

*His materialistic concept of life.* Whatever hunger his soul had once known for God and truth, it is now starved with the false substitution of material achievement and fine living. A passion for riches will ravish the soul. This wealthy lord reached for the present and the tangible while he ignored the future and the spiritual. His mind was occupied with the rise and fall of the stock market, and not with the promises and warnings from the Word of God. He deliberately mortgaged his soul for material gain, and that mortgage was foreclosed. "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" (Mark 8:36)

## II. HIS DEATH

*And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried* (v. 22). To Lazarus death was a relief carrying him from starvation to splendor, from poverty to protection. But the clock ticks on, and the purple and fine

linen begins to sag around the rich man's limbs. And then one day death slips in to claim him.

What a moment! He had been wise in worldly ways, but what folly to be caught so utterly unprepared at such a supreme moment! He had failed in reckoning with time. The rich man ran out of time. He never expected to want for anything, but how he would give all his wealth for just one more hour of time!

What an awakening! It is tragic that he waited until it was too late to wake up. While they were preparing his body for burial, the rich man's eyes were gazing into the haunting, horrifying realities of eternal punishment.

## III. HIS DOOM

*And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments* (v. 23). What a discovery! And so it is for all who go to hell.

"What is hell like?" someone asks. It can be answered in one word—and that word is plural—"torments"!

*Hell is a torment of raging flame.* Fire! Burning fire! A lake of fire! Blazing flames that burn, but do not consume. No water, no first aid. Against the rules of the universe!

*Hell is a torment of outer darkness.* Every twenty-four hours the greater light dawns to warm the earth and bathe it in celestial beauty. Its rays throw on the lights all over this great planet of humanity. Even when it goes down in the west the lesser light rides across the heavens to keep vigilance over the earth. So there is scarcely any real darkness known at all in the earth. But somewhere in the universe—I know not where—there is a place, an unknown point, maybe a planet, called "outer darkness." There the light rays of the sun never penetrate. It is to this region that countless multitudes have gone never to return. They have gone beyond the great gulf, where hope and happiness and light are unknown, a land of the second death, a region of outer darkness, where there are weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth!

*Hell is a torment of haunting memory.* When God says, "Remember," the secret spring of memory will be touched and man's past will come spinning back to haunt him in his world of torments. The thoughts of his worldly comforts, wasted opportunities, and spurned invitations will only drive him nearer the brink of insanity.

*Hell is a torment of inescapable confinement.* Hell is a place that is off limits to the rest of the universe. The rich man was told, "There is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence" (v. 26). The doom of the prisoner is forever sealed.

But, thank God, we do not have to live as did the rich man, nor do we have to die his death,

and thus suffer his doom. "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon" (Isaiah 55:6-7).

## The Highway of Holiness: Are You on It?

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*The believer traveling the road to heaven* will sooner or later hear of the highway of holiness, of which Isaiah speaks in chapter thirty-five.

Some are slower than others in finding this highway, and many never find it because they yield to the temptation to take one of Satan's short cuts, only to learn (often too late) that their chosen way does not lead to heaven at all!

Let us then outline the route that will take a Christian to this highway leading directly to the celestial city, keeping in mind the warning given us by the author of the Book of Hebrews (12:14) that we will never see the Lord unless we follow the highway of holiness.

*The initial step* is to realize and confess that our hearts are still carnally depraved and continually inclined to evil. We cannot hope to be cured of tuberculosis until we admit that we have it, and act accordingly. Nor can we expect to be cleansed of a corrupt nature until we face the fact that the sin nature remains in our hearts. We dare not deny the fact of indwelling sin, since John in his First Epistle bluntly tells us, "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us" (I John 1:8).

Even the Apostle Paul admits in the seventh chapter of Romans that there was a time in his life when he was often unable to do some good things he wanted to do, and at other times he did evil things which he did not intend to do. Paul here shows us an evil nature within which prevents a Christian from doing right, and often leads him to sin when he really does not want to.

While seeking to be sanctified, we must at the same time give ourselves, our lives, the future, and all we possess to God, to be used according to His will, literally offering our "bodies a living sacrifice," as Paul urged the Roman Christians to do. This is full consecration.

*The next thing* is to offer ourselves to the Holy Spirit for His sanctifying work. The Holy Spirit

performs a twofold operation: (1) cleansing, (2) filling. Peter attests (Acts 15:8-9) that his heart was purified at Pentecost, and at Pentecost we know that the cleansing fire preceded the 120 being filled with the Holy Ghost. Just as the Levitical high priest was first washed, then anointed, so the Holy Spirit cleanses, then fills, the human heart, comprehending the two phases in one experience.

*The last step* is to use faith in believing that the Holy Spirit sanctifies our natures as we have just prayed He would. And why not believe it? Jesus said, "If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it." The Holy Ghost speaking through Zacharias (Luke 1:75) says we are to live in holiness all the days of our lives. First Thessalonians 4:3 reveals sanctification as God's will for us!

Now that we are on this main highway, it only remains for us to see that we stay on it, walking in the light as the Holy Spirit shines it on our path from day to day, hour to hour, moment by moment, until we reach our heavenly home.

You can't miss it—if you follow *the highway of holiness*.

### THIS HOLY WAY

By MARIAN L. KNORR

*I took one look at Calvary  
And saw a crimson flow . . .  
I plunged into the fountain then  
And felt each burden go.  
A second look I took and knew  
That Blood had double power!  
The Holy Ghost upon me came,  
And cleansed me in that hour.*

*And since that day, the holy way  
Has been the path I tread . . .  
Thro' bitter trials, o'er endless miles,  
On manna I have fed.  
The inbred sin was routed and, oh,  
A wondrous change was wrought!  
I thank Him for the gracious peace  
Which long my soul had sought.*

*Many "friends" along the way  
Have mocked and tried to scorn.  
Still I will follow in the path  
He built with Cross and thorn.  
When loved ones fail and turn away,  
And skies are black and drear,  
A glad "Hosanna" I can sing—  
For Jesus hovers near!*

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## YOUR MOMENT OF TRUTH

By H. M. von STEIN

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Mountain people are different in the first place or they would not be in the mountains. They are not better, although a sense of superiority to the demands of the superficialities of a more closely knit society is natural. A mountain man is not likely to say, "I am pleased to meet you," unless he is. And if you need help he will not refer you to organized charity. He will help you, you can depend on that, and he expects the same from you.

Many people tell me they would like to live in these "beautiful, isolated surroundings." They mean they would like to occupy a neat cabin on a paved road, twenty miles from town, with electricity, and, of course, good TV reception. What they really visualize is a kind of abstraction in which they are insulated as completely as possible from the realities of their environment, as they are in town.

It has been said that man, in this generation, has unwillingly been born into a knowledge of himself and the world around him in a parturition far more terrible than even physical birth. And though it is his basic need to know truth, yet he resists it with all the resistance there is in him.

The peculiar part of all this is that man's knowledge of everything except himself has advanced far beyond expectation. And this is the most cogent demonstration we have of man's unwillingness to accept truth which he professes to seek. The fact is that, instead of seeking truth, man spends most of his life trying to find a way around it.

Nowhere is the result of this kind of confusion more evident than around an altar where people are trying to pray through. The act of "self-relinquishment" to the hand of divine guidance looms as a mystery insuperable. The reason for this is often because people—*most* people—have never met themselves.

The experience of this acquaintance in surroundings and under circumstances where body and soul cannot, any longer, avoid each other, are sometimes impossible to accept. Frequently look-outs find they can't "stand it" alone on a mountain peak.

It is life with a new dimension, all right. The sun rises beneath your doorstep, flooding the glassed-in shack on the tip of a finger of rock long before daylight will visit the ranger station in the canyon. At night the stars, not overhead where

they are supposed to be, but peering in over the footboard of your bed, remind you that it is true, what you read in the funny papers, the earth really is a fragment floating in an unimaginable nothingness called "space." When, in the night, ghostly veils of smoke from forest fires drift up from the canyons and the wind moans among the lichened rocks under a wan moon, the wild shrieks of coyotes in the forest far below are not needed to raise the hackles on the most urban crew-cut.

It is a question which of the three is the most nerve-shattering to the novice: the unearthly stillness, the terrible noise and force of the wind, or flashing rivers of blue fire when lightning comes.

There is a peculiar single circumstance noticeable in the lives of most of the great men of the Bible, of periods of personal isolation and solitude. Jesus was no exception.

But being isolated and alone for a period of time will not make you a better man. It will help you become acquainted with yourself. Mountain people understand all this and are acquainted with themselves, but it has not always made them better—often the contrary.

But if there is anything in this life which will move you to seek the cleansing love of a waiting God, the revelation of yourself, with none of the superficialities of "civilization" to insulate against the awfulness of reality, should do it.

This, for you, will be *your moment of truth!*

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## Pray for a Revival In Germany

By O. JOE OLSON\*

West Germany is enjoying material prosperity but is at a low ebb spiritually. While wages are low by American standards, work is plentiful. However, church attendance is down and few people apparently are mindful of the things of God.

These are among the impressions brought back by Mr. Carl Korb, maintenance supervisor for the last sixteen years at the international offices of the Church of the Nazarene in Kansas City, Missouri, from a recent visit to his German home land—his first since 1922.

"While I was glad to see my relatives," Mr. Korb said, "it was a shock to see spiritual conditions. In fact, it was depressing, but now I know how to pray better. And we all should pray that Germany might have a real revival."

Mr. Korb spent Sunday with Rev. and Mrs. Jerry Johnson, founders in 1958 and leaders of

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the Nazarene work in Frankfurt, Germany. In the church there Mr. Korb found spiritual life and warmth.

He said about sixty were present for Sunday school and worship services in the morning and evangelistic services at night, all conducted by Brother Johnson in German. Mrs. Johnson played the organ. About fifty attended chapel services in English, especially for servicemen, from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

"We all enjoyed the services," Mr. Korb said. "The singing was just like the singing in Nazarene churches in the United States."

Mr. Korb saw the progress made in construction of a new sanctuary for the Church of the Nazarene in Frankfurt, where the cornerstone was laid on October 8. Of modern architectural design, the building will have an auditorium for general services and facilities for Sunday school.

Mr. Korb also went to services in the church of his youth in his home town of Gumbweiler, where he found a handful of older people.

"I found that on the whole people in West Germany are living for themselves and their families," he said. "They like a 'good time,' and there is much drinking of beer and wine, although I saw hardly any drunkenness.

"People in Germany today have no faith. They don't believe in God. Germany must have a revival."

Mr. Korb was told that in the Frankfurt area, with about eight hundred thousand population, construction and industry are booming, with several jobs available for every man. His nephew, a carpenter, and family are living on his pay of eighty marks a week, or about twenty dollars in American money.

Mr. Korb spent several days visiting his sisters: Mrs. Carl Preis, Gumbweiler; and Mrs. John Schonleber, Bruhl, near Mannheim. He made the trip by commercial airlines, traveling by jet most of the way. On the return trip he left Frankfurt at 3:00 p.m. and was in New York City at 5:00 p.m. the same afternoon. He gained six hours, and during his flying time of eight hours covered about forty-five hundred miles.

Mr. Korb's wife, Mrs. Johanna T. Korb, died in Kansas City on January 6, 1959.

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### THY WILL—

*O God of truth, help me to know Thy will;  
O God of love, help me to love Thy will;  
God, ever-working, help me to do Thy will,  
Until—*

*Thy will becomes my will!*

—BELLE CHAPMAN MORRILL

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We have a beachhead in the heart of Europe! In 1958, Rev. and Mrs. Jerald D. Johnson were commissioned to open a new overseas Home Missions field for the Church of the Nazarene in West Germany. Now we have churches or missions in Frankfurt, Kaiserlautern, Hanau, and Wuppertal. The German people are being saved and sanctified—not only that, but God is calling young men into the ministry. Each of these churches has a Nazarene pastor—and the work is spreading on and on. Through a providential opening, services are now being conducted in Copenhagen, Denmark.

In the picture is a sign that reads, "The Church of the Nazarene will be constructed here." Behind the sign is the excavation for the building in Frankfurt. In the background is the parsonage that has been constructed with the offering provided by the N.Y.P.S. This now serves as parsonage, district office, and chapel for the Frankfurt congregation.

How may we help to continue the outreach of our church in Germany? By giving liberally in the Thanksgiving Offering for missions! These missionary dollars will help erect the church building in Frankfurt that will also house a Bible college to train young men and women to plant the Church of the Nazarene throughout Germany.

—General Stewardship Committee

## Revivals Are BIG Business

By EVANGELIST FORREST McCULLOUGH

"Almost all the religion in the world," said Charles G. Finney, "has been produced by revivals."

Without revivals all the other work of the Church is vain. Church history proves that churches which quit having revivals soon die regardless of how smooth their organization and efficient their methods. It is not enough for us to have a stated number of campaigns called revivals each year. We

must content ourselves with nothing less than a genuine, Holy Ghost, Heaven-sent revival.

Without revivals our colleges would soon be emptied of young people preparing to answer God's call for their lives. Without revivals our missionary cause would die for lack of support and personnel. Without revivals our Sunday schools, youth groups, and missionary societies would become meaningless. Without revivals the lost of our land would go to hell without anyone to point them to the Cross. We only have to look about us at others who have quit having revivals to see these truths illustrated.

*Revivals are big business, because:*

(1) Revivals defeat the devil and bring glory to God.

(2) Revivals awaken the church to its central purpose: soul winning.

(3) Revivals produce an atmosphere in which the salvation of sinners and the sanctification of believers becomes natural.

(4) Revivals bring about secondary effects as a by-product. We have been working on effects so long (attendance, finance, membership goals, new life to auxiliaries, etc.); we should now seek the *cause* that will bring about these desired effects.

In view of these facts *we should treat revivals like they are big business*. It is alarming that we will spend more time preparing for one Sunday school session than for an entire revival campaign. More time and energy is put on the Christmas program for many churches than on preparation for the most important time in its calendar—revival. More time is given to preparing for many N.Y.P.S. programs than in preparing for the all-important time of a revival service. Indeed we must not neglect other important matters, but we must not, we *cannot* lose sight of the most important of all.

The reason that so many revival efforts fail is just here: *we fail to recognize their importance*. Revivals don't just happen. We must rally ourselves to meet the conditions. We must have special prayer and fasting services, nights of prayer, chains of prayer, meetings in designated "prayer rooms" before service time in order to pray, all with one petition to God—*revival, revival!* Revival must become the heart cry of our private, family, and group prayers. We cannot, *we must not, WE WILL NOT BE DENIED*. We must come to feel so deeply about revivals that *we become desperate* to see God move and His cause revived.

## Beyond the Call of Duty

By DEAN WESSELS

Secretary, General Stewardship Committee

Having been born and reared in the state of Texas, I can remember that my earliest impression of history included the two slogans: "Remember San Jacinto" and "Remember the Alamo." We were taught that these two battle cries many times seemed to provide superhuman strength for those who were fighting for life and freedom.

In the Church of the Nazarene we have two great battle cries for this quadrennium: "Evangelism First" and "Try Christ's Way." These should be upon the heart and lips of every Nazarene. They should move us to action for Christ and His kingdom.

Our Pilgrim fathers came to these shores on the ship "Mayflower." They too seemed to have superhuman strength because they were fighting for freedom and for an ideal. In the midst of many hardships they paused to give thanks to God for His guidance and protection.

Today we realize that our world is in great turmoil. Each passing day brings new headlines of world unrest and impending

war. Many nations, including ours, are spending millions for armaments under the guise of peace. Yet the only real peace which can be found is through our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. It is your responsibility and mine to do all that we can for the cause of peace by spreading the glorious gospel of Christ and holiness around the world.

While most Nazarenes are not in the very front lines of battle, we must stand behind and support those who are, by paying the cost of battle. With the slogans "Evangelism First" and "Try Christ's Way" in our hearts, may we give thanks to God; may we sacrifice; may we go beyond the call of duty in the Thanksgiving Offering for world-wide evangelism.

A minimum of 1¼ million dollars must be raised on November 20. *Others are calling; Christ is depending upon us*. May we dig a little deeper and do a little more. In doing this, we shall receive a blessing from God also.

# FROM ONE GRAIN OF WHEAT

By **CLYDE GOLLIHER**

District Superintendent, Peru

A well-known strain of wheat was once developed from a single grain. The story of the Marquis strain of wheat begins several years ago when a man in Scotland filled his pockets with some wheat that had just arrived there from Poland. It looked like a good wheat—just the kind his friend in Canada would surely want—so he sent him a portion of it. Come next spring the Canadian friend planted the grains he had received. The plants began to grow, but did not live to maturity. All of them died but one, for they were a winter wheat and not meant for spring planting.

Not discouraged, the farmer took the grains from the one plant that survived and, planting them, finally developed the Red Fife strain of wheat. The hard Red Calcutta wheat was then crossed with the Red Fife. The results were discouraging—only one plant survived; just one grain matured. But from that one grain was finally developed the Marquis wheat—a wheat which was able to withstand the cold weather, which was able to assure the farmer a crop where before cold had caused a failure.

Just a grain of wheat—not very big! But it *can* be important. Little things in our lives might seem to be of small import, but they can become great and have far-reaching consequences. Satan would use even little things to trip us up. If he can he will take our thoughts and divert them. He will try to run them through shady lanes until he can shame us with them. If he can he will concentrate our attention long enough on certain wishes so that he can send us blindly in their pursuit. He would even have us to be so careless about words and feelings that we little realize what we have sown until the crop begins to grow.

God puts a premium on little things too. A cup of cold water, five loaves and two fishes, a shepherd boy—"Not much," you say? Perhaps not, but God has a place for even the little things. The teacher of the little Sunday school class who helps build a character, the one who behind the scenes helps keep the place of worship presentable and respectable, the prayer warrior who holds on in prayer until the stubborn will of an unsaved one is inclined to the Lord. God uses each one. Each will be rewarded.

Little grains of sand make a big shore. Little drops of water make a big river. Don't overlook the little things of life. They help develop the fiber and muscles of character that prepare one for the bigger things.

## DEAR CHILD OF GOD, DON'T WORRY SO!

By **ALICE HANSCH MORTENSON**

*Dear child of God, don't worry so!  
He knows the path your feet must go;  
He knows today—tomorrow too,  
And has a plan that's best for you.*

*Dear child of God, He knows your fears;  
He hears your cry and sees your tears  
In testings you don't understand.  
Just trust in Him. He'll hold your hand.*

*Dear child of God, look up and trust  
Your Father, who is kind and just.  
He has the power to prevail  
Against all wrong. He cannot fail!*

*On Him, dear heart, you must depend;  
He'll be your Refuge to the end,  
And then—while ceaseless ages flow.  
So, child of God, don't worry so!*

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## A HINDU'S PRAYER

**A little, outcast, homeless Hindu widow prayed this prayer: "Lord, Thou hast been so good to me these two years since I have been baptized. Thou knowest that four months ago when I left the mission here I was too weak to carry anything. Indeed, I could hardly walk. Yet Thou gavest me strength through harvest to pick and carry heavy loads of cotton. Thou didst help me to earn three large and eight small measures of grain. And Thou didst cause the enemies in my village to become friends and to give me food. Yes, even that high-caste widow was made by Thee to have pity and give me a place to sleep and to stow my things. Also, Thou didst cure me of leprosy, else I would be much disfigured by now. Please look after my dear boy wherever he is and bless my girl at the leper hospital. I'm so glad she has learned to read. Help me to learn to read, too, that I may spend all my time telling others about Thee. Now bless this little copper offering, which was all I had to bring today. In Jesus' name. Amen." Don't forget the THANKSGIVING OFFERING!**

—General Stewardship Committee

# EDITORIALS

By W. T. PURKISER

## **Crossless Christianity**

Crossless Christianity is in a sense a misnomer. Without the Cross, religion ceases to be Christian and becomes essentially pagan. But convention applies the name "Christian" to many variations from the truth, and we must take account of the way words are used.

There are two major kinds of crossless "Christianity." One is the theoretical form, the humanism and liberalism which would view the death of Christ as an unfortunate martyrdom of one who lived before his time. To such, salvation through the Blood becomes a laughingstock, a point of ridicule, the carry-over of a superstitious and overcredulous age.

There seems to be less of that sort of thing now than there was a generation ago. But there are still those who have "gone in the way of Cain" (Jude 11), who fail to see in Jesus Christ crucified and risen again the wisdom and power of God.

Of much greater prominence today is the second form of crossless Christianity, the practical sort. Here we see no lessening of loyalty to historic doctrines. The substitutionary atonement, the "fountain filled with Blood," the cross on church spire and coat lapel are precious symbols of a faith which has its roots deep in the gospel of the New Testament.

But here, alas, is a total absence of all that the Cross must mean in practical experience. As one has said, what men seek today is a Christ who bore the Cross that they might not have any, who suffered that they might be free from suffering.

This is not to be. Those who would be Christ's disciples must deny themselves and take up the cross and follow Him. This cross is not the bearing patiently or otherwise of petty annoyances and minor inconveniences. The cross is a means of death. Those who follow their Lord must be baptized with the baptism with which He is baptized, and must experience in Him a death of carnal self and a death to the world and all for which it stands.

There is also in the cross the principle of sacrifice. Here is a word we do not like. Sacrifice is never easy. It runs counter not only to the carnal but to the human as well. Every instinct of our humanity leads toward soft nests and light loads.

It is said that when the crusaders marched across Europe in the Middle Ages, each of them bore a cross. But it was a painted cross. The form was

there, but not the substance. Painted crosses we still have.

We have no use for those who banish the Cross from theology. Let us beware lest we commit an equal sacrilege in banishing the Cross from life. We conquer, not by the sign, but by the spirit, of the Cross.

## **"Give, Give, Give"**

A man complained to his pastor as he made a small gift to the work of the church, "It seems to me that all Christianity is, is 'Give, give, give!'"

The pastor replied, "Come to think of it, you're right. That is one of the best definitions of Christianity I have ever heard: 'Give, give, give.'"

"Why," the minister continued, "it all began with giving. God gave His Son to die on the Cross for us that we might have eternal life. God gave His Spirit to cleanse and fill our hearts and make us 'holy in all manner of living.' God gives His grace to keep us day by day. He gives us the supply of every need. Surely, Christianity is 'Give, give, give.'"

"But more than that," the preacher went on, "Christianity calls on us to give also. We are to give our hearts and lives to God in repentance and faith, to receive His forgiveness. We are to give ourselves in consecration as 'those alive from the dead' to receive His cleansing. We are to give our means to extend the cause beyond the areas where we can give personal service. Yes," the pastor said, "that is a good definition of the Christian religion: 'Give, give, give.'"

There is more truth than poetry here. None of us can outgive God. He is the Source of every good and perfect gift we have. All we can do must ever be the efforts of unprofitable servants.

But our giving can be in one of two possible moods. We may give grudgingly, from a sense of duty, and it will be better than not giving at all. But how much greater the blessing to give cheerfully, from a sense of love! If we may be pardoned for reading between the lines of I Corinthians 13:3, "And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing," there is real personal profit in the giving which flows from love—God's kind of love, which gives without thought of return in kind.

Let's face facts with regard to our Thanksgiving

Offering this year. Our denominational goal for General Budget and foreign missions specials is \$18 million for the quadrennium. This means \$4½ million each of the four years. The Stewardship Committee estimates that the needed portion of the first \$4½ million which should come in this Thanksgiving Offering is \$1,250,000, an increase of almost 25 per cent over the record of the past two years.

It strikes me that there is a certain urgency about this challenge we have never had before. In the rapidly changing national and international situation, it seems all too clear that what we do we must do quickly. Doors which were wide open even four years ago are now half closed. Others may open in their place, but the time is short and the hour is late.

*"And must I keep giving and giving again?"  
"Oh, no!" said the angel, piercing me through;  
"Just give till the Master stops giving to you."*

## Editorial Notes

Observers of human affairs are now talking about "The Population Bomb." This is the accelerating rate of the increase of the population of the world. In 1830, for the first time, earth's population reached one billion souls. By 1930, just a hundred years, the population of the globe had doubled. We are well on the way to the third billion, estimated for about 1965, with four billion by 1980.

This means it took several thousand years for humanity to total the first billion. The second billion was added in a century. The third is taking only thirty-five years, and the fourth about fifteen years.

What this means, in simple terms, is just more people. In less than a generation, five times as many people as now live in the United States of America have been added to the world's throngs.

I need not remind the readers of the *Herald* that the vast majority of these are born outside the influence of Christianity. Rather than nearing completion, the missionary task of the Church is growing by leaps and bounds. The Church of the Nazarene can't evangelize all of these. But God have mercy on us if we fail, through selfishness and indifference, to reach those we can.

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Dr. Lyle E. Eckley recently led the pastors of the Northwestern Illinois District in a self-study on some of the major hindrances to greater and more rapid growth in our local churches. The pastors came up with some interesting suggestions, which could pretty well be matched the church over. A few of them were: (1) little burden on the part of the people for personal evangelism; (2) lack of prayer; (3) too many not grounded in faith; (4) general failure of spiritual victory;

(5) lack of unity in the church. May we not all search our hearts with the prayer, "Lord, is it I?"

## GUEST EDITORIAL

By GEORGE COULTER\*

## Thanks Be to God

Is there any relationship between thankfulness and spirituality?

God's Word seems to indicate that unthankfulness shows a lack of spiritual perception. The first chapter of Romans contains an awful indictment against humanity in its sinful state. In the midst of an almost unmentionable list of man's sinful attitudes and practices we read, "They glorified him not as God, neither were thankful" (v. 21).

How strange that we so often overlook *thankfulness* as a scriptural test of spirituality!

How easy to label certain externals as "spiritual" or "worldly"! The truly spiritual person is thankful!

Thankfulness is more than an easygoing optimism. It must be based on something more fundamental than external circumstances and conditions. The ancient Jews in captivity cried, "How can we sing the songs of Zion in a strange land?" Circumstances affected their song. But the Psalmist had moved up to a higher spiritual plane and was able to say, "I will bless the Lord at *all* times: his praise shall *continually* be in my mouth."

Thankfulness must spring from a higher source than the possession or enjoyment of material things. Mere possessions should never be the thermometer that determines the degree of thankfulness. Man can be thankful in a cottage, or in a hospital, or in rags! It's the attitude of the heart toward God and spiritual things that counts!

A truly spiritual church can make Thanksgiving something more than turkey and trimmings! Our thankfulness can be based on what God is. He is gracious and merciful. Our thankfulness can be based on the privilege of grace extended to us. Our thankfulness can be based on what He has done for us. "Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son" (Colossians 1:12-13).

A truly spiritual church will make Thanksgiving an opportunity for thankfulness of the heart to be expressed in generous giving. It's not merely because the heathen are naked, or sick, or ignorant, that we give in the Thanksgiving Offering. It's because we know God, therefore we give! It's because we love Him, therefore we share! It's because we delight in the Lord, therefore we sing! Thanks be to God!

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# "I Pray Thee, Open His Eyes"

By HONORATO REZA

Editor of Spanish Publications

Old-time traditions and pagan superstitions are not easily stamped out. They can get hold of a man's soul to the point of closing his eyes to progress and spiritual advancement.

Time and again during a recent visit to our Nazarene work in Peru, I was impressed with the words of Elisha in prayer for his servant Gehazi, as related in II Kings 6:13-23: "Open his eyes, that he may see."

One afternoon while in Chiclayo we decided to visit Motupe, a small town less than fifty miles away. The town itself is not large but it is well known to Peruvian people as the place where a certain virgin appeared. Actually the site where the apparition is supposed to have taken place is about three miles away on a nearby mountain. The virgin had appeared in a sort of cave, and yearly pilgrimages have been organized ever since for the purpose of worshipping her. The image of the virgin was brought to Motupe, but the site of the appearance is revered and worshiped also.

Nearly two weeks before the pilgrimage, and with great, costly ceremonies, the cross is taken to the mountain and placed there for the people to worship. Finally the day comes when the image is taken also for a week of celebration. People fight with each other for the privilege of carrying the cross. Bloody

melees have sometimes resulted because of the eagerness of someone forcing his way into carrying the virgin on his back.

All along the narrow trails leading to the site of the cave one can see vendors offering their wares, including fruit, candy, or ready-to-eat food, to the passer-by. Candles, miniature idols, crucifixes, and even certain small pieces of tree branches with a strange odor help to furnish someone a living wage during those days.

After coming to the place where the cave is located, we saw many signs of religious ignorance and confusion. The site was protected by a cement wall, two feet high, built in a semicircle. On one side a small chapel had been built and on the other was the cave. There must have been seventy-five people present that late afternoon, and about twenty of them were packed like sardines inside the cave, each with one or two lighted candles, with sober faces and hungry hearts. The odor of the candles was strong and the heat was apparent by the faces and clothes of those present. The ground was covered with about a three-inch layer of wax. Much money had been spent in getting candles, some of which were two to three inches in diameter and probably as much as three feet long.

Were all of these ignorant peasants who did not know any better? Perhaps some of them were, but most of those we saw were city folks, having borrowed money to make the trip in order to have the privilege of seeing the site and worshipping the virgin. Rev. Howard Grantz, who accompanied us on the trip, recognized one of the worshipers as the biggest automobile dealer in a town more than one hundred miles away. He looked so sober and engrossed in this type of worship that it was pitiful. How

man-made traditions can subject men's souls to strange whims and practices!

The day before, Mr. G. C. Avery, superintendent of a sister holiness denomination working in the city and a great friend of our church, had taken me to a small, hutlike place in Chiclayo, right across from our Nazarene boys' dormitory. What we saw left us dumfounded.

Inside the nine-by-twelve adobe room and in a sort of shelf about five feet high were five skulls and one leg bone for people to worship. All around the room were lighted candles and coins of money scattered here and there left by frequent worshipers. Upon close examination of the skulls, the writer found that money had been placed in the eye sockets of each of them and inside the jaw openings. A gruesome sight! Yet people in Cadillac cars from all parts of the country come to worship here, as they are able. Others come every day. There are times when one has to take his turn to enter, for there are so many seeking the type of help that is supposed to make them better men and women.

Oh, how much ignorance and superstitions! And to think that we have the message of full salvation that makes the difference. The Church of the Nazarene in the city and the more than fifty churches on the district are doing their best against tremendous odds. A clear message of salvation will open the eyes of many if backed by fervent prayers of those at home.

One cannot but feel a sense of inadequacy when considering the tremendous task facing the Church of the living God in Peru. In our heart there is a tremendous burden that our church would arise to the task now and do more, even to the point of sacrifice, for the sake of a lost world.



## Touring the Canada Atlantic District

In October, at the request of Dr. Smee and the invitation of the district superintendent, I spent one week on the Canada Atlantic District, touring the district and speaking at the Preachers' Meeting at Lutes Mountain, near Moncton, New Brunswick. During that time I saw all of the church properties on the district except three, and several prospective properties for future home mission opportunities.

The emphasis of the tour was "Evange-

ROY F. SMEE, *Secretary* lism First," particularly the goals for October to January in witnessing, seekers, and new members. Most of the churches were holding classes on the book *The Church Winning Souls*, and Canada Atlantic Nazarenes are seriously accepting the challenge of these goals. There was a warmhearted response in every church.

It has been six years since my last visit to a district gathering there. During this time there has been a definite strengthening of the district in pastoral personnel, financial support, and property. Every pastor was present for the

Preachers' Meeting with the exception of one who had to be away in the States. Some of them face difficult problems, but their morale was good and they had wonderful fellowship together.

District Superintendent Bruce Taylor has the love and respect of the pastors and people of the Maritime provinces. The district has not shown great gains in membership or new churches, but he has a vision for the future and is building wisely and solidly for the years ahead. Charts which he had prepared showed a steady increase in giving for district and general interests, with the larger percentage gain in giving for the general church.

The district has had a number of churches that were started years ago in rural areas with too sparse a population to provide adequate self-support. Four of these are now being served by the nearest pastor of a larger church. These pastors supervise the Sunday school and conduct a church service on Sunday afternoon. It makes a very heavy Sunday

schedule for the pastor and is particularly difficult in the severe winter weather, but it is providing a better quality of pastoral ministry than the congregation could otherwise support. May God bless these pastors in their sacrificial ministry.

The Moncton church is completing the superstructure on its basement building and completely remodeling the basement area. Although handicapped by a very limited lot area, the church is well located and will be the best church building on the district. This building will make a definite contribution to the Church of the Nazarene throughout the district. Pastor Ralph Montemuro and the Moncton Nazarenes have done well. The Elmsdale church on Prince Edward Island is completing some helpful alterations and additions to its building. At St. John, after many months of moves and discouragements, we have an attractive combined parsonage-chapel on one of the finest lots for a church in the city. Lutes Mountain church, near famed Magnetic Hill, is completing its basement and parsonage and saving for new pews.

There are excellent home mission opportunities on the district. In the St. John area, Lancaster and East St. John need the Church of the Nazarene. Fredericton, sixty-seven miles distant, is a good city where we have no work. The young Humphreys Church in Moncton must have a new building before it can adequately reach its community. In the Halifax-Dartmouth area we have a small church in Dartmouth and there are opportunities for Halifax.

In spite of problems, the churches of the Canada Atlantic District are gaining ground, are loyal to the church, and are

building for the future. Their warm hospitality made the visit a joy. I appreciated the kindnesses of and fellowship with Rev. and Mrs. Bruce Taylor and their family. This district is probably less known than any of our districts in North America and I have given a longer report in order to give more information and a better picture of our work there.—ALPIN P. BOWES.

### Opening in Newfoundland

Rev. and Mrs. Verbal Williams moved to St. John's, Newfoundland, in August to begin services for the Church of the Nazarene. Services are being held weekly in a rented hall, with some meetings also at Argentinia. This home mission opening is carried on under the supervision of the Canada Atlantic District, with financial support from the Department of Home Missions. This was approved by the General Board and a thorough exploration of possibilities conducted by Brother Williams and District Superintendent Bruce Taylor last spring.

Four hundred calls have been made by Pastor Williams in seeking out those interested in the Church of the Nazarene. He will be glad to receive names and addresses for contacts, including servicemen who are stationed there. His address is Box 404, St. John's, Newfoundland.

There are excellent opportunities for a holiness work in Newfoundland, but it will take some hard digging for the initial success. The prayers of our people are requested. One need is for property. Land in St. John's is some of the most expensive in Canada and lots that are available for purchase are difficult to find. But God has a way through these problems to a glorious success.

Jose Zito preached. I gave the invitation. Four adults and one boy came immediately. Following this altar service, while the people were leaving the church, Roma asked one of the ladies if she would like to have peace in her heart too. The two of them went to the altar and the woman prayed and cried and confessed and came through to victory. Well, glory! We are planning to organize the church about the first of November. Our goal is for fifteen members.

Just recently I had the privilege to help another man find the Lord. Dentons had worked with him before. He had no idea of what it meant to be saved. He said that his father had taken him to the Catholic church and later, when his father became a spiritualist, he took him to their meetings. But he had no religion of his own. The Lord helped me to show him from the Bible the way of salvation. He didn't know how to pray, so I prayed and then he prayed. We met at his house last Sunday afternoon for a meeting and will be there again tonight. Last time there were fifteen present.

It is wonderful the way God is helping us all here in Brazil. The blessings are falling upon us in Belo, and the Mostellers report that the church is moving ahead in Campinas.

The word from Sobradeanho is also bright. There were a couple of our young women in Brasilia last week. They came back with the report that the walls of the church are nearly all up and they will be putting the roof on soon. There were 120 present in the Dentons' home for the Wednesday prayer meeting.

Just tonight we had a wonderful service at Vila Oeste with about seventy-five present. They want us to come back next week. We set up our screen in the street and asked a man if we could plug into his electricity. He was very gracious in giving his consent. After the meeting I asked him his name. He told me it was "Jesus." You can imagine the strange feeling this gave us.—CHARLES GATES, *Brazil*.

### Off to a Good Start

Our San Antonio Bible School is off to a good start. Fifty students have enrolled, giving us the largest number we have had in the history of the school. We are filled to capacity and have a good number waiting to enter. A spirit of revival prevails as the students bring back stirring reports of their summer activities. We are thrilled with the wonderful group that the Lord has given us, and especially because all have come with the purpose to prepare themselves for the Lord's work.

We hope to be able to build our new kitchen and dining hall unit this school year, which will solve the problem of our present inadequate facilities.—WILLIAM VAUGHTERS, *Principal*.



### GEORGE COULTER, *Secretary*

way. It is a joy to hear the students with tears in their eyes testify that the Lord has saved and sanctified them and called them into His ministry. They have no other plan or desire in life except to serve the Lord by preaching holiness.—JOHN HALL, *Cuba*.

### From Brazil

The work in Belo Horizonte has been moving along wonderfully well. The attendance has been growing steadily. Last Sunday morning we had the highest number yet in Sunday school. There were thirty-eight present. Twenty-four were in prayer meeting the next week.

The Lord moved upon us in a wonderful way a week ago last Sunday night.

### Missionaries on the Move

Rev. and Mrs. Norman Salmons' thorough address previously printed contained an error in the street number. It should be: 72 Grayshott Road, London, S.W. 11, England.

Mrs. Wanda Knox and Geron and Jane Marie left San Francisco October 25 en route to New Guinea. Their address in New Guinea will be: Nazarene Mission, Banz, Western Highlands, Territory of New Guinea.

### Cuban Bible School

On September 13 we opened our Bible school for the first two years of study. The Lord has blessed in a wonderful

# the *Answer corner*

Conducted by W. T. PURKISER, Editor

**I feel as though I have crossed the deadline, although I attend church and really want to be saved. Can you help me?**

From what you say about your present state of mind, it seems clear to me that you *have not* crossed the deadline. If you will read carefully and prayerfully the following words from Commissioner Samuel L. Brengle of the Salvation Army, I believe they may help you to exercise saving faith in Christ:

"I have never yet talked with one who thought he had committed the unpardonable sin—and I have talked with many—who was not continually telling me of feelings. They were starving and destroying faith by dependence upon feelings instead of nurturing it on the assurances and promises of God's Word. They say, 'I felt the Spirit leave me.' The Word says, 'I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.' They say, 'I feel that God has cast me off forever.' The Word says, 'Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee.'

**I lost a seventeen-year-old grandson, my son's only boy. He left a good Christian testimony, and although sick twelve weeks, did not complain or ask, "Why?" Can you give me something that may help to relieve my terrible pain and heartache?**

Let me recommend Dr. Samuel Young's little book *When Trouble Comes* (Nazarene Publishing House, 25c). It will help you come to some measure of peace if you read it thoughtfully and prayerfully.

Of course it is only natural that you should sorrow in such a loss as this. God's man, Job, went through the hot fires of bereavement and loss, and could

**Does the Church of the Nazarene believe that it's wrong to buy on Sunday? I've heard older Christians say that it's all right if it's necessary. Shouldn't we as Nazarenes live up to the standards of our Lord even though we have to sacrifice a little, or am I too old-fashioned?**

Our General Rules forbid "profaning of the Lord's day, either by unnecessary labor, or business, or by the patronizing or reading of secular papers, or by holiday diversions" (*Manual*, paragraph 25). This would seem definitely to apply to unnecessary buying on Sunday.

Of course the word "necessary" is the crucial word here. There is a middle of the road between the bondage of the weak Christian (Romans 14: I Corinthians 8) and license in the name of Christian liberty. Certainly no one should buy on Sunday what he could have bought earlier in the week. On the other hand, there are conceivable situa-

"They are continually examining their feelings instead of committing themselves into the care of the Great Physician, and letting him handle their case. They look at some past failure by day and by night, instead of looking unto Jesus who waits to save. They weep and cry for mercy, but they won't take it when it is extended to them. They cast away hope, while He whispers, 'Hope thou in God.' They continually say, 'I felt.' 'I feel,' while He says, 'Believe'; 'Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved.' . . . They want salvation by feeling before they take it by faith.

"All the people I ever met who thought they had committed the unpardonable sin were full of contrition; they wept and prayed and condemned themselves, and had love for the Saviour, only they refused to believe that his mercies were still offered to them."

say of the Lord, "He knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold" (Job 23:10). He finally felt that he had come to a much better personal knowledge of God (Job 42:5). There are times when all we can do is trust the love of One who is too wise to make a mistake and too good to be unkind.

tions in which it might be necessary to buy medicine or food on the Lord's day.

And I don't think you are too old-fashioned. It seems to me it is better to give the Lord the benefit of the doubt in all matters of conscience such as this. A merchant in a very religious community, when questioned about keeping his store open on Sunday, said, "I couldn't afford to do it if it weren't for the church people who buy their groceries on the way home from church." Let's face it, the labor unions have done more to discourage Sunday business than many churches. This ought not to be.

# THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By ROBERT L. SAWYER

Topic for November 27:

## Be Strong in the Lord (Temperance)

SCRIPTURE: Psalms 46; Ephesians 6: 10-20 (Printed: Ephesians 6:10-20)

GOLDEN TEXT: *Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might* (Ephesians 6:10).

Life is not easy. It requires discipline and devotion to the task. We are engaged in a warfare, not against flesh and blood, but against the principalities and satanic forces of this world. We must fight the good fight of faith, be strong in the Lord, and do exploits for Him.

*The Warfare:* In this spiritual warfare we must clearly define the issues and follow the directions of our Leader, the Holy Spirit.

No evil of any kind should be allowed to go unfettered when we can do something about it. The problem of alcoholism in our day is a disturbing issue, as is also gambling, and drug addiction. We must place ourselves on the side of right. In every detail of our lives we must fight the good fight of faith against Satan.

*The Armor:* Paul's description of the Christians armor is fascinating and enlightening. Our strength lies in these resources and equipment. "Truth," "righteousness," "the gospel of peace," "faith," "salvation," and the "Word of God"—these are our armor for protection and the waging of offensive war against the forces of evil.

But these are so often spoken of without reading verse eighteen, "Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, . . ." The armor is important, but prayer is the motivating power and source of strength.

*The Victory:* Our strength and power are from God. We are clothed by Him, sent and enabled by Him. It is not our battle but His. We are ambassadors for Him.

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"As I have been separated from active duty, we will be subscribing to these periodicals through our local church. Thanks for this contribution to our lives while we were away from home."

—JAMES H. ALLEN

"In a few days now I will be returning to the States for separation from the army.

"Would like to say a big thank-you for sending me our official organ of the church during my twenty-three months in the service. I have often turned to it for inspiration and encouragement.

"My time in the service has not been lost time, for I feel I have drawn closer to the Lord as He has helped me overcome temptations and learn to depend more upon Him.

"I had the privilege of getting acquainted with our Nazarene chaplain. Major Van Vorce. His ministry and presence were a real blessing to me and other servicemen.

"You are doing a good work for our servicemen and may God continue to bless you for it."

—RAY BECKER

## The Navy

"I surely do appreciate all the fine reading material that you have been sending me. It is hard for a fellow to live a Christian life in the service, but through prayer from both family and friends and also the inspiration from the materials, I can honestly say that I'm walking with Christ today.

"I can't thank God enough for the guidance and protecting care over my life. I'm trusting in Him day by day, and want His will for my life, whatever it may be."

—NEWELL MONROE

## The Air Force

"I will soon be discharged from the air force, completing four years active service.

"I appreciate the faithful way you have kept in contact with me, and the *Herald of Holiness* and *Conquest* have been a great help to keep me thinking straight. I thank God for His faithful abiding presence in my heart, now stronger than it was four years ago.

"I can think of just two reasons why young people lose out spiritually in the service, either a lack of determination or being afraid to stand alone if need be. But actually we aren't alone. God is always near."

—ROBERT DENEKAS

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# News of the Churches

Evangelist Robert Emsley writes: "Due to a change in my slate I have two open dates for 1961, which I'd like to slate in the eastern part of the country. The dates are June 6 to 18 and September 6 to 10. Write me, 26 Maple Ridge Avenue, Buffalo 15, New York."

Evangelists Everett and Irene Kimball write: "Due to circumstances beyond our control we have an open date, December 7 to 18. We will be closing a meeting on the Northwestern Ohio District on December 4, and would like to slate this open time somewhere in Ohio. We carry the full program—music, singing, and preaching. Write us, P.O. Box 408, Pottersville, Michigan."

Long Beach, Mississippi—We came here last April and found a small group of people willing to work. With the co-operation of our fine district superintendent, Dr. Otto Stucki, we built a parsonage on a lot, 81 x 150 feet, next to the church. With the pastor acting as general contractor, we were able to save money. On September 8 we were able to move into our lovely, three-bedroom home. The house is valued at \$16,000 and was constructed at a cost of \$9,200. We give God the praise. If you have friends near here, write us and we'll be glad to contact them, or when driving this way we invite you to stop and worship with us.—L. L. MATHIS, Pastor.

Evangelist J. T. Drye writes: "I will be working in Texas the first two weeks in January; then have an open date, January 18 to 29. I would be glad to slate this time anywhere in the Middle West or Southwest. Write me c/o our publishing house, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri."

Rev. C. B. McCaull writes: "After seventeen years in the pastorate I am entering the evangelistic field. I will emphasize personal visitation; also I am a chalk artist. I shall be glad to go anywhere the Lord may lead, for free-will offering and entertainment. Write me, 210 Phillips Street, Berryville, Arkansas."

## Nederland, Texas



The Nederland church was organized May 10, 1959, with fifteen charter members, by District Superintendent W. Raymond McClung, and the writer came as pastor in August of that year. We had no property and began our work under adverse circumstances. But God has helped, blessed, and wrought miracles. Our chapel-parsonage pictured here was completed in July, and dedicated on July 31 by Superintendent McClung. It consists of a chapel, 30 x 22 feet (later to become a bedroom and living room), and a three-bedroom, two-bath, and dining-room-and-kitchen parsonage, with a double carport; a total of 2,604 square feet under roof. It has central heat and central air-conditioning, and is located on a large lot. In October we had a

wonderful revival with Evangelist V. Dan Perryman. God came in blessing and conviction, giving thirty-nine seekers, with nine new members added to the church, eight of them by profession of faith. We set a new Sunday school record of seventy-five present, with an average of seventy in the night services. We greatly appreciated the ministry of Brother Perryman. Our membership has increased from fifteen to forty-two, and our Sunday school from an average of twenty-five in August of '59 to fifty-five for this assembly year (which began August 1). We have purchased more than an acre of ground, one block from our chapel-parsonage, on which to erect our new church.—**GEORGE MULLINS, Pastor.**

Milford, Ohio—On September 11 our church concluded a very fruitful revival with Evangelist E. C. Tarvin. God blessed the inspiring messages of Brother Tarvin and gave us many seekers, with the church revived and inspired to do more for the Kingdom. We had the largest average attendance in the history of this two-year-old church. We are now worshipping in our new building, and our people are working and making new contacts.—**RUTH ILES, Reporter.**

Evangelists Haven and Gladys Goodall report: "In October we had a revival with Pastor Emma French Smith and our Riverside Church in Los Angeles, California. God blessed and gave us souls. At this writing we are in a meeting with Pastor Ralph Shafer and First Church in Winfield, Kansas. We have an open date, December 14 through 25, also a January and February date we would be glad to slate anywhere the Lord may lead. Write us, 22330 Lanark Street, Canoga Park, California."

Pastor C. B. Carleton writes from Biloxi, Mississippi: "For the past eleven years I have pastored our First Church in McComb, where the Lord gave us a wonderful ministry. Under divine appointment we have come to pastor our First Church here in Biloxi. We have a wonderful people—dedicated, consecrated, and sacrificial. They are a people of vision, and have achieved miracles during the past few years under the able leadership of Rev. W. E. Latham and Rev. Jess Middendorf, building a beautiful plant which will care for over three hundred people in regular attendance. The people work together in harmony and unity. Our church is only three blocks from Keesler Air Force Base. We are doing our best to promote the quadrennial program, 'Try Christ's Way.' If you have friends here, write me (228 Porter Avenue), and we'll contact them for the church."

Drexel, Missouri—On Sunday, October 23, this church celebrated its fortieth anniversary. Rev. Charles Garrett was the special speaker. He started this church, and has conducted several revivals for it across the years. On Sunday afternoon a special singspiration was held with many friends and former members attending. There was exceptional attendance at each of the services, with more than eighty people present for the basket dinner served at noon.—**JIM CHRISTY, Pastor.**

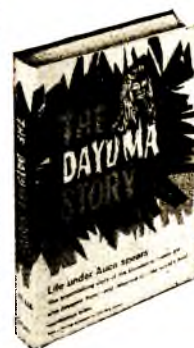
Los Angeles, California—The Riverside Drive Church recently closed a meeting with Evangelists Haven and Gladys Goodall. They lead the singing, sing specials, preach, use the "black-light pictures," and are very fine altar workers. We appreciated their ministry with us, the church enjoyed a fine revival, and the people have been revived.—**EMMA FRENCH SMITH, Pastor.**

Bowling Green, Kentucky—Our church recently closed what is agreed by all to be the greatest revival in its history. Evangelist Martin Stepp did an outstanding job of preaching, and carried a genuine burden for revival. God blessed and gave sixty-six seekers at the altar. On the Sunday following the close of the meeting, eleven new members were added to the church by profession of faith, eighteen were baptized, and there were seven seekers for God in the morning service. Six new lots have been bought in a new residential subdivision, and plans are to start a new church building next summer.—**ROY WELLS, Pastor.**

Evangelist George C. Sherry writes: "I have an open date, January 4 to 15, also open time in February. I'll be glad to go wherever the Lord may lead. Write me, 707 Long Avenue, Port St. Joe, Florida."

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has a seating capacity for three hundred. It is valued at more than \$45,000, and the indebtedness is \$24,000. The new sanctuary is connected with the first unit, which now serves for classrooms, offices, nursery, and an overflow area from the new. The total evaluation of the property is \$70,000. We are well situated to be of spiritual service to a great area. If you have friends in this area, write me (3315 Utab, Dallas). We praise the Lord for His blessings, and for a wonderful people with whom to work.—ELBERT LABENSKY, *Pastor*.

Minot, North Dakota—Mr. Earl N. Shearer, member of our First Church and assistant professor of geography at Minot State Teachers' College, recently returned from a five-and-one-half-week trip to the Soviet Union as an observer of the Soviet educational system. While in Moscow he attended the famed Moscow Baptist church. Mr. Shearer serves his church as a Sunday school teacher and also as a member of the church board and building committee. While on the trip he also visited a number of European countries.—RAY R. GLENN, *Pastor*.

Dr. Jarrette Aycock, superintendent of the Kansas City District, writes: "I thought some of our friends would like to know the results of the stroke which I suffered last April 27. At first I could not move either my left hand or foot, but God has wonderfully undertaken: I can now walk, type, and have recently driven my car over five hundred miles. Since our assembly in September, God has given a wonderful revival with many seeking Him, in our First Church, Kankakee, Illinois. At this writing (Oct 20) I am in the midst of a good meeting in Eureka, California; thus far we have not had a barren service. Mrs. Aycock has been with me in both meetings, leading the singing and doing the solo work. We thank God for your prayers, and for His answer."

Evangelist L. D. Sharp writes: "Recently we had a wonderful revival in our First Church in Richmond, Kentucky. Pastor Landreth and wife are much loved and appreciated by the people there. The pastor said we had the largest crowds during his ministry there, and about forty people sought the Lord for pardon and heart purity. It was a joy to have Brother John Whisler as the singer, for we helped to pray him through about eighteen years ago in a cottage prayer meeting."

### Northwestern Illinois N.Y.P.S. Teen-O-Rama

Approximately 175 people met at the Manville Campgrounds on October 15 to enjoy a teen-age district Teen-O-Rama. This special day for teen-agers was under the direction of the district teen-age supervisor, Rev. James E. Hazelwood, and the district N.Y.P.S. president, Rev. Riley Laymon.

The special speaker was Dr. J. F. Leist of Olivet Nazarene College. After hearing his challenging messages, many of the teen-agers went to the altar and found glorious victory in God.

Special music for the day was furnished by the Havana Quartet, along with other teen-agers participating in the day's activities.

As teen-agers, we appreciate our leaders and thank them for planning this Teen-O-Rama and trust it may be an annual event. God's wonderful presence was manifested throughout the day.

Future activities for the youth of Northwestern Illinois include a district teen-age banquet on December 29, a district teen-age rally in the spring, and the N.Y.P.S. Institute.—SUZETTE ALBRIGHT, *Reporter*.



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The college was ready for such a revival. Through the encouragement of Dr. A. B. Mackey, president, there had been prayer services by students and faculty. For the week preceding the revival, a number of students and faculty members had prayed through the noon hour. God answered by sending a revival.

The Holy Spirit is still moving, and we are expecting greater things. Our prayer is that God will start a revival here at Trevecca that will move throughout our zone.—LEON CHAMBERS, *Dean of Students.*

### New York District N.Y.P.S. Convention

The New York District N.Y.P.S. convention was held October 14 and 15 at Dover, New Jersey, where Rev. J. W. Patton and his people were the gracious hosts.

Mr. Paul Wells, regional representative, was the special speaker, and his Saturday morning message was especially helpful.

Rev. Herbert Rogers, district president felt that, due to increasing responsibilities in other areas, he should not serve another year; and Rev. George Wheatstone of Beacon, New York, was elected to succeed him. Other newly elected officers are: Rev. Roland Stanford, vice-president; Rev. Willis Scott, teen-age supervisor; Mrs. Charlotte Rogers, Junior Fellowship supervisor; and Miriam Collom and Glenn Goslaw, teen-age representatives on the council.

President Rogers awarded Honor Rating certificates to Flushing, Richmond Hill, and Kingston societies. Zone chairmen included reports of local progress as they interviewed local presidents regarding the year's work. A very encouraging number of new convention members, as well as visitors, were introduced to the convention.

President and Mrs. Rogers received a love offering in appreciation of their years of diligent and successful service.

The convention closed with a note of consecration as we sang together the N.Y.P.S. theme chorus, "HIS."—ROLAND STANFORD, *Reporter.*

*Character is gradually formed. It has been well described as "consolidated habits." Acts often repeated become habits. But action is the outcome of addition. Holiness deals with the inner condition, it fills the soul with love, joy, and peace. The result is right conduct, and right conduct has permanent effect upon the character.*—THOMAS COOK.

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To my small mind, nor that He still  
My life from every storm.  
Nor would I bargain Him in prayer:  
"Do this for me, dear Lord.  
I know you will, God, if You care,  
Pour out this rich reward."  
I would not sway the will divine  
Nor pleading, seek to turn  
Him to these finite ways of mine;  
For I have much to learn.  
Rather, today, my prayer shall be,  
"God, work Your perfect will through  
me."*

## MUSIC MEMOETTES

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If you do not know a Christian grace to sing before eating, we are presenting the words here which are sung to the tune of our familiar "Doxology" (page 131 in *Praise and Worship*).

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Be here and everywhere adored.  
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we  
May feast in paradise with Thee.*

This is not a new grace, for it has been sung by various denominations for over two hundred years. This was composed by Rev. John Cennick, an English clergyman of the eighteenth century. The author was born December 12, 1718, in Reading, England, of Quaker parents. He took up surveying for his profession and attended the Church of England. In later years he participated in the Wesleyan movement and entered the ministry in 1745, affiliating with the Moravian church. He died at the age of thirty-six. Mr. Cennick wrote a great number of hymns and published several hymnbooks. Beside this grace before meals he will be remembered for a grace after the meal—a fine practice still fol-



NOTE: For additional information on this timely emphasis, see page 23, September 28, 1960, issue of the *Herald of Holiness*.

lowed by many of the more formal denominations.

**GRACE AFTER MEAT**

*We bless Thee, Lord, for this our food,  
But more for Jesus' flesh and blood.  
May manna to our souls be given,  
The Living Bread sent down from heaven.*

John Wesley found these two graces so appropriate that he is said to have had them engraved on the top of his silver teapot. Perhaps the hymnwriter Cennick will be remembered most for

his hymn "Children of the Heavenly King."

"Be Present at Our Table, Lord" is very effective when sung as a group in a Sunday school social indoors or at a picnic out of doors. Why not try it?

*"As grace is needed it may be supplied. In no way can it be 'stored' in advance. How imperative, therefore, that we keep the spiritual channel open, that grace may flow freely and unhampered thus supplying our daily need! For we have the consoling promise, 'As thy days, so shall thy strength be.'"*—MARY SANDERS.

**Jesus, My Great Intercessor**

By **BECKY MUSE LANGFORD**

*Jesus, my great Intercessor,  
Now appearing 'fore the Throne,  
There presenting all my needs,  
Making them Thy very own!  
Knowing Satan's fierce temptations,  
Knowing all the way I trod,  
Thou alone in heaven art worthy  
To present my needs to God.*

*Jesus, my great Intercessor,  
All my hope is fixed on Thee;  
Thou, the spotless Lamb of God,  
'Tis Thy blood that makes me free.  
Separated from my Maker  
By rebellion and by sin,  
'Tis alone through Thy salvation  
That we're reconciled again.*

*Jesus, my great Intercessor,  
When in darkness and in sin  
I had never earned Thy favor,  
Thou didst freely take me in.  
Nothing have I now to offer:  
In Thy blood I rest my plea,  
While on earth and then in heaven,  
Where I shall appear with Thee!*

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**Deaths**

MRS. LAURA ELLEN LAMB was born in Owensboro, Kentucky, February 3, 1885, and died in Louisville, Kentucky, August 19, 1960. She was active in missionary work on the Kentucky District, and for many years was a faithful Sunday school teacher. For eleven years she served as president of the N.F.M.S. of Louisville Broadway Church of the Nazarene. She was preceded in death by her husband, George, in 1953. She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Cola Mae Hamilton, Mrs. Geneva Elder, and Mrs. Juanita Carmickle, a song evangelist; also a son, Forest R. Funeral service was held in Louisville with Rev. Oliver C. Huff officiating, assisted by Rev. D. D. Lewis, district superintendent, and Rev. Dennis Wyrick and Rev. Carter Green.

SAMUEL H. KALBFLEISCH was born in Kansas in 1885, and triumphantly called to his eternal home on July 19, 1960. In 1908 he was united in marriage to Jean Knapp. To this union were born three children: Henry, of Rosemead, California; Mary, whose husband is pastor of First Church of the Nazarene in Wichita, Kansas; and Ralph, of Klamath Falls, Oregon. Besides the three children he is survived by his wife, three brothers, and two sisters. He was a faithful servant of the Lord, faithfully served his church, and had the confidence of all.

DUANE C. VON EITZEN was born in Midland, Michigan, April 9, 1930, and was drowned on July 9, 1960, in Indian Lake, Vicksburg, Michigan, while trying to save his four-year-old son, who fell into the lake while they were fishing. His son was saved by his older brother, seven-year-old Timmy, and a cousin. Duane started attending the Midland Church of the Nazarene as a young boy, and while in the armed forces in Texas and California faithfully attended the Nazarene churches. He then came to Kalamazoo, Michigan. He was active in the Sunday school and with the young people of the church. He was married to Joan M. Fonner in 1951. He is survived by his wife, the two sons, Timothy and Thomas; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Von Eitzen; three brothers; and three sisters. Funeral service was conducted in Kalamazoo First Church of the Nazarene with the pastor, Rev. James E. Estelle, officiating.

WALTER M. BALDWIN was born August 21, 1893, at Adaville, and died September 11, 1960, at Sioux City, Iowa. In 1918 he was united in marriage to Malita Easton. In 1927 the Baldwins came to Sioux City, Iowa. He was a veteran of World War I. He had been a member of the Church of the Nazarene since 1940. He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Lillian Phippos and Mrs. Dorothy Bremmers; three brothers, Oscar, Lloyd, and Clarence; and one sister, Mrs. Allurta. Funeral service was in charge of Rev. Oren Baker, with burial in Memorial Cemetery.

## DR. W. E. ALBEA



When word reached me in a distant state of the home-going of Dr. W. E. Albea of Dayton, Ohio, on September 27, I felt the shock of it, although it was not entirely unexpected. I thought of his happy home life and Mrs. Albea, who had stood so faithfully and cheerfully at his side across a long, useful ministry. I thought of his children, who always were held so fondly in his heart and in his prayers.

I thought of the many years of pioneering service given to God and his church in the beginning years of the Church of the Nazarene. I thought of his fruitful ministry as a preacher of the gospel of Jesus Christ in its purity and power. I thought of his effectiveness as one of the most outstanding administrators to be found in the Church of the Nazarene, and the vital contribution that he had made to Kingdom-building tasks in various capacities across the years of his life. I remembered that the Church of the Nazarene owes much to W. E. Albea.

I could not forget the many churches that had enjoyed his ministry as pastor and evangelist, and the old Western Ohio District, which under his leadership and direction developed into one of the strongest districts in the history of the church. And as these thoughts passed through my mind, I thought how difficult it is to sum up such a life in a few words. The mere recitation of the statistics in his record are not sufficient.

It seemed to me that Van Dyke might have been thinking of some such man when he wrote, "The things a man must do if he would keep his record true: think without confusion—clearly; love his fellow man—sincerely; act from honest motives—purely; trust in God and heaven—securely." His keen insight into the Word of God, the spiritual needs of the people, and the administrative problems of the church, backed up by a quiet, tender, yet forceful spirit, made him a brother beloved

by all who were privileged to know him.

We shall miss him in the home, in the family, in the church, and among a host of friends. But we are inspired by his faithful life to seek earnestly to know and do the will of God throughout our lives so that, when the day is done for us, we may strike glad hands once again with our loved one and friend who, like God's man of old, "was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith; and much people was added unto the Lord."

—HARDY C. POWERS  
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Funeral service was conducted on September 29 in First Church of the Nazarene, Dayton, Ohio, with Dr. G. B. Williamson, general superintendent, officiating. Other ministers assisting in the service were the pastor, Dr. Donald E. Snow, Rev. G. B. Breese, Dr. L. T. Wells, and Dr. Harvey Galloway.

The service began with the organist playing "Near to the Heart of God." The pastor prayed the opening prayer. A preachers' quartet sang the song of assurance, "We'll say good-night here, but good morning up there." Rev. G. B. Breese read for the scripture lesson Psalms 23, the account of Christ at Lazarus' grave, and a portion of John 14.

Dr. L. T. Wells, former superintendent of the Kentucky District, spoke of the thirty-four years he had known Dr. Albea and summarized his feelings, and those of everyone, "We have lost a friend and a great man."

The preachers' quartet again sang a hymn of assurance, "Zion's Hill."

In his message Dr. Williamson said that Dr. Albea was much like Christ. He had compassion for all men but special warmth toward his friends.

Forty-three years of the seventy in the life of Dr. Albea were spent in the service of the Master, serving at Harris

Chapel, and Anderson, Indiana; Newport, Kentucky; First Church, Indianapolis, Indiana; and First Church, Columbus, Ohio; and the last seventeen years as superintendent of the Western Ohio District. Dr. Albea did not seek to save himself, but to serve. His final tribute could well be these words: He rests from his labors; his works do follow him.

Dr. Harvey Galloway, in the closing prayer, said: "Because he loved Him, he walked with Him; and because he walked with Him, his life has been one of beauty and glory."

A further service was held on Friday morning in Wilkinson, Indiana, the home area of Dr. Albea. Ministers assisting in this service were Rev. Fred Hawk, of Indianapolis First Church; Rev. G. B. Breese, of Dayton; Dr. J. W. Short; and Dr. Donald E. Snow, who officiated.

Dr. Albea, whose life was so fully given to the cause of Christ, has blessed thousands of people by his ministry in the past forty-three years.

The 108 ministers present at the funeral service in Dayton showed their sympathy and honor and supported the family, who feel so keenly his going. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. W. E. Albea; three daughters, Mrs. Anna F. Silver, Mrs. Mary R. Fowler, both of Indianapolis, and Mrs. Bernice Taylor, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; one sister, Mrs. Hazel Copeland, of Wilkinson, Indiana; and five grandchildren.

We sorrow not as those who have no hope, for we anticipate a day when the rewards will be given out to all of the faithful servants of God, and till the day dawns and the shadows flee we say, "Thy will be done."

Burial was in the McCrary Cemetery, Wilkinson, Indiana.

*We cannot get far off course on our Christian journey, so long as the mind—like an unerring compass—remains steadfastly stayed on Christ. We may rest assured the true course shall be ever forward and upward.*—MARY SANDERS.

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**BORN**—to Ray and Evelyn (Seal) White of Vancouver, Washington, twin girls, on October 18.

—to Chaplain and Mrs. Mark L. Smith (USAF) of Washington, D.C., a daughter, Beth Ann, on October 16.

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—to Rev. and Mrs. James C. Langford of Farmington, Arkansas, a daughter, Ellen Elaine, on October 5.

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—to Paul and Betty (Musk) Husarik of Nampa, Idaho, a son, Kelly Marsh, on September 18.

—to Denny and Betty (Cherry) Owens of Bethany, Oklahoma, a son, Douglas Wesley, on September 15.

—to Don and Lois (Cramer) Morgan of Des Moines, Iowa, a daughter, Lorri Ann, on September 8.

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