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"I Guess I'd Better Kiss You"

Stephen S. White

AS I TOLD a boy, a recently made friend, good-by, he said, "I guess I'd better kiss you." I leaned over, and he placed a kiss upon my cheek. This expression of affection and friendship thrilled me; for boys do not wear their hearts on their sleeves.

Love and friendship are among the wonders of the world. They easily get our attention today, when there is so much hate. David and Jonathan loved each other with an undying devotion when it seemed that everything was against it.

The mother never tires of doing that which will make her children happy. The father may not say so much nor give so many special tokens of his devotion to his family, but his daily work is a monument to that love.

The love of father and mother remind us of the unsurpassing love of God. The Psalmist sings of this matchless love. Here are his words: "When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up" (Ps. 27:10); "Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear

him" (Ps. 103:13). Then there is that promise passage in Luke 11:11, 13 which compares our Heavenly Father with the earthly father. "If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?"

But this is not the whole story as to the love of God. John knew this love and tells about it in words that will never die: "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). Likewise, Paul declares: "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish" (Eph. 5:25-27).

June 11, 1951

"The Mid-Century Crusade for Souls"

"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature"

TELEGRAMS

Clackamas, Oregon—Dr. W. W. Hess declined superintendency of Oregon Pacific District; Rev. W. D. McGraw, Jr., elected. One million dollars of new buildings during past five years; \$10,400 pledged for home missions. General Superintendent Samuel Young highly esteemed.—FLETCHER GALLOWAY, Reporter.

Temple, Texas—Organized North Side Nazarene Mission church in Brownwood yesterday (May 27); Rev. Terry and First Church helped sponsor project. Glen Terry preached first week and sang during entire meeting. Property purchased and plans made to evangelize this needy field.—HADLEY HALL, Superintendent of San Antonio District.

Charlotte, North Carolina—Organized church at Durham, North Carolina, May 27; eleventh church organized since General Assembly. Howard Wall appointed pastor. Future looks promising for new work.—C. E. SHUMAKE, Superintendent of North Carolina District.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Evangelist B. D. Sutton died at Olivet, Illinois, on Friday, May 25; funeral on May 28 at Olivet.

Evangelists Jimmy and Fern Heasley are leaving the field to accept the pastorate of First Church in St. Petersburg, Florida.

Rev. Charles E. Higgins has resigned his position as youth and music director of Pasadena First Church, to accept the call to pastor the church in Lindsay, California.

The Daytona Beach, Florida, church, under the leadership of Rev. James Hudson, recent graduate of the Nazarene Theological Seminary, has voted to carry out the "10 per cent plan" for the 1951-52 fiscal year.

Rev. P. J. Bartram has resigned as pastor at Medford, Oregon, to accept a call to pastor First Church in Spokane, Washington.

Rev. Harold L. Gilliam, evangelist of Ridgefield, Washington, has accepted a call to pastor the church in Kellogg, Idaho.

After three and one-half years as pastor of the San Jacinto Church in Amarillo, Texas, Rev. J. V. Langford has resigned to accept the call to the church at Baldwin Park, California.

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You Promote the GOSPEL When You Promote the HERALD

For some time we have been listing the churches who achieved the honor rating among those who made or exceeded the 1950 goal for subscriptions to the HERALD OF HOLINESS. The list has been taken from our tabulations made at the close of the year. The following completes that list. We add a final "Thank You."

Church	Percentage
Shelby, Ohio	117
South Point, Ohio, Sunrise Chapel	293
Carpenter, Ohio, Union Ridge	68
Westerville, Ohio	104
Wheelersburg, Ohio	189
Willard, Ohio	120
Zanesville, Ohio, Linden	83
Greenfield, Ohio	100
Greenville, Ohio	73
Hamilton, Ohio, First	98
Hamilton, Ohio, Tuley Road	83
Findlay, Ohio	101
De Graff, Ohio	84
Fairborn, Ohio	115
Harrison, Ohio	85
Hillsboro, Ohio	78
Lakeview, Ohio, Indiana Lake	85
Cable, Ohio, Kennard	90
London, Ohio	73

OVER THE TOP!

Nearly every day we hear from churches who have gone "Over the Top" in their emphasis for subscriptions to the HERALD OF HOLINESS. The general goal toward which we are working is that each church should have a subscription list equal to or exceeding 60 per cent of its membership list. The following is a list of those churches and pastors who have recently reported reaching that objective: Connell, Washington, Edward L. Dowd; Laurens, South Carolina, Hugh Slater; Portsmouth, Ohio, M. C. Larimore; Claremore, Oklahoma, S. Moody Campbell; East Side Bartlesville, Oklahoma, L. E. Shaw; Cedar Hill, New Mexico, Wesley Stites; El Reno, Oklahoma, J. Louis Emmert; Douglas Road Church, Toledo, Ohio, M. G. Martini; Marshalltown, Iowa, Frank Cook; Stafford, Kansas, C. B. Dickerman; Maple Valley, Washington, Donald J. Beecher; Noble, Illinois, O. H. Walters; Port Orchard, Washington, Roy A. Green; Marysville, California, W. Hall Swaim; Winslow, Indiana, L. E. Schaffer; Lawton, Oklahoma, L. P. Roberts. Commendations to these pastors and their people!

THAINE F. SANFORD,
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A United Front!

By Melza H. Brown*

For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ. For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit (I Cor. 12:12-13).

THE spirit of division is not the spirit of Christ. Christ's great desire and burden for His disciples was that they should be one even as He was one with His Father. Christ has not changed, nor has His desire for His Church changed. He yet would have His people united in the power of the Holy Spirit in the great single task of evangelizing the world with His gospel.

The prayer which our Lord taught His disciples to pray began with the very thought of one family, "Our Father." God is not just my Father nor just your Father, but "our Father." I cannot honestly pray this prayer unless I accept the fact that all God's children are in this family. If you have been born again and know that God is your Heavenly Father, then you are in God's family; and when I pray, "Our Father," I must recognize that fact and include rather than exclude.

We need a nation-wide revival in America; a revival that will sweep across our country like a great prairie fire and burn in the heart of every Christian with holy zeal and spiritual enthusiasm for the spread of the gospel and the conversion of the unbelievers. However, one essential for such a revival is the freedom from selfishness in our praying for such a revival. We cannot pray for a revival and want the benefits for ourselves, nor for our individual churches or denominations. We need God as a nation, we need God as a human family, we need God in our world! We need to unite in prayer for God to come down to our help in this time of need. God is able to defend His cause and to answer prayer with the overthrow of the opposition; yet, when God's own people strive, the enemy is given his chance to infiltrate and defeat righteousness.

The Church of Jesus Christ is organized into denominational bodies for the carrying on of the task of evangelism, not for the task of criticizing one another. God can overlook denominational lines and fellowship the people who are born of His Spirit regardless of name or theological concept—then why can't I?

The unity of the Spirit does not demand agreement in everything, but it does demand agreement in purpose, and that purpose is to carry

out the Great Commission of the Lord Jesus Christ. With Communism on the march, uniting nations in a determined effort to defeat Christianity and destroy faith in God, surely we who do know God should be strong and present a united front in this one great task of bringing a revival of spiritual religion to our world.

I know we need a great Holy Ghost revival in America; I want to see the people of America brought to Christ. I thank God today for every indication of the Spirit's operation. I rejoice in every revival of the work of God regardless of where it takes place. God forbid that I ever should criticize the work of the Holy Spirit. I believe one of the reasons God has blessed in these large city-wide revival campaigns in many of our great cities during the past year has been the spirit of uniting in one purpose and effort to reach lost men for Christ.

I believe all Christians recognize the seriousness of the hour. Our world is in dire need. Armies and bombs will not save the world; rather, they will destroy the people. World leaders are groping for a way out of the dark situation. We believe in God—why do we not act like we talk, and as Christians, everywhere, go in for revival and prayer?

I know that I have certain convictions and standards that other Christians do not hold to, and I also know that other Christians hold to certain convictions and standards that I do not accept as binding on my conscience and life. Yet I want to abide in fellowship and in purpose with the body of Christ, for the body is one. Christ is not divided, and may God help us to magnify our agreements rather than our disagreements.

If we pray for a great spiritual revival and awakening for our city and God's Spirit breaks in on some other group and church, rather than our own particular denomination, God has answered prayer just as definitely as if He had begun with the group in which I hold membership and surely I should thank God for answered prayer.

But unity of the Spirit comes by the Spirit, and the Spirit of God is fire. The Christian cause never can be frozen together, but the Church of Jesus Christ can be melted to one-



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ness. The greater passion we have for souls and the more the fire burns within our hearts in spiritual fervor, the less we are concerned about denominational barriers or lines, and the greater is our concern for the onward march of vital, definite Christianity.

There are evidences of a spiritual awakening in America. We trust this is the time of harvest, and that Christ himself is thrusting in His sharp sickle, for truly the harvest of the earth is ripe. This is no time for doctrinal debates nor for theological discussions. This is harvest! May God help every Christian, regardless of denominational name, to unite in prayer and evangelistic effort to bring men and women to Christ and the belief of His saving gospel.

Let us truly pray, "Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven." A united front in prayer for a great spiritual revival would do more to defeat Satan and the forces of unbelief, and sooner accomplish the overthrow of Communism and its anti-Christian spirit, than all the debating of the world's national representatives or the program of arms for defense. The mightiest force in the world is still the power of prayer, and that prayer must be to "our Father"!

"Be Not Afraid, Only Believe"

(Mark 5:36)

By Marvin S. Cooper

*I experienced a storm on a cold northern lake,
My bark was far off shore—
The waves rolled high with power at will.
Apparently, there was no floor.*

*To a tiny light that appeared miles away,
Glimmering faithfully bright,
I drew a focus and rowed straight ahead
To outride the storm that night.*

*As I reached for the oars, I centered my faith
In the Christ of a stormy sea.
Like the thief on the cross, I prayed aloud,
"Dear Lord, remember me!"*

*Since that day to this, I've remembered the tug,
The heartthrob, and personal fear.
But why be alarmed, tho' the waters be troubled,
When Christ, our Pilot, is near?*

*Those who will trust, tho' the storm may rage,
Are definitely sure to receive.
So with faith in our Captain, who knows every
sea,
"Be not afraid, only believe!"*

His Pre-eminence

By James M. Miranda*

ONE of the most intriguing stories in the annals of history is the life story of a young man as found in the New Testament. He hadn't always served Christ. One day he was traveling along a dusty, Oriental road, with documents in his cloak to apprehend the early Christians. Little did he realize that this trip was to be recorded as one of the epochs of history. The atomic bomb of God was to break on an individual whose life was to be a constant source of strength, faith, courage, and vision to Christians of all ages. After he had served God for several years—later, he wrote to one of his early churches and penned these immortal words which we have taken for a theme, "That in all things he might have the pre-eminence."

These are not words to be passed by lightly, but they are imperative, and words that we must all live by, or else all will be in chaos and confusion. I am sure that every normal person wants to be successful; not one of us appreciates defeat. However trivial the game, we long to be victorious. If this is true in our ordinary contests, surely it is even more true in the larger business of living. We long to tread life's daily way with the gallant steps of a conqueror. This ambition is God-given; but we can be conquerors only when Christ is pre-eminent and has the throne room of our human personalities.

Psychologists speak of divided personalities. It is only by the surrender of self to God that our personalities become united, and hidden powers and talents are developed to make life the best. Then we are changed from egocentric persons to Christocentric persons. No longer is "I" the center, but now Christ is the center of our lives. One may see the obstacles ahead, but Napoleon said, "Obstacles are things to be overcome."

Look at the lives of the disciples! They were without social standing; they were without wealth; they did not have enough influence to avoid the whipping post nor the jail. But they had power enough to pray down the walls of the jail and turn the world upside down, because He was pre-eminent!

We all must make right choices in friendship. It is those choices which help to shape our lives. Our environment affects our character, and our character our destiny. Scientists assert that the smallest movement of the smallest planet affects every other form in the universe. Since this is so, surely it is even more true that every word we say, and the people with whom we associate, will affect our characters and our thoughts. It has been well said,

*Sow a Thought, and you reap an Act;
Sow an Act, and you reap a Habit;*

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*Sow a Habit, and you reap a Character;
Sow a Character, and you reap a Destiny.*

Therefore, if it is this serious, with whom shall we form our friendships? As William Cullen Bryant wrote in "To a Waterfowl"—

*He who, from zone to zone,
Guides through the boundless sky thy certain
flight,
In the long way that I must tread alone,
Will lead my steps aright.*

Not only in our friendships must Christ be pre-eminent, but also He must be pre-eminent in our education. Dr. Merton Rice, in his book, *Diagnosing Today*, says that the "trouble with this day is that it has policies without principles, wealth without work, pleasure without conscience, industry without morality, science without humanity, and worship without sacrifice."

In our education, we may say like one of God's saints: "It is not doctrine; it is not creed; it is a living Christ we need. Forms, doctrines, creeds, and ritual are but emptiness after all. Christ Jesus is the soul's sincere repose. These other things are leaves around the rose." But not only must we have an education; we must have a Christian education. Yet we must go even farther than that; we must have a Nazarene education, or one that places the emphasis on holiness.

Yes, there is only one way to be truly successful, and that is to let Christ have the pre-eminence. He can turn seeming defeat into glorious victory. When Moses came of age, he had to make a choice. On one hand were Egypt, riches, social prestige, fame, power, his name in history; he had the material world at his feet, and someday he would be king of all Egypt. On the other hand, to give God the pre-eminence, he would have to suffer affliction, persecution, heartache, toil, pain, obscurity. But he made his choice, not just for the moment, but for all eternity—"Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season . . ."

Moses missed Pharaoh's roll of honor, but God put his name in the roll of life and listed him in God's "hall of fame" forever. At the glorious transfiguration of Christ, on a high mountain where His raiment became shining and as white as snow, Peter looked and saw Christ in the center, with Elijah on His right hand and Moses on His left hand—because Moses kept God pre-eminent!

Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake (I Peter 2:13).

To oppose established laws and rules and ordinances, enacted by those in authority in our country, is to become a lawbreaker and do much harm to the kingdom of God.—EARLE F. WILDE.

My Heavenly Father

By Donald S. Metz*

My earthly father died when I was just two years old. There is no recollection at all of even a single incident to cherish. I do recall how wistfully I watched my friends going with their fathers to ball games or to get a Christmas tree. When a boy would boast that his daddy was "the best daddy in the world," I could only stand by and wonder what it would be like to have a father.

But I do have a Heavenly Father! I stand in awe when I think of the mighty power of God. I bow in wonder when I contemplate the wisdom of God. I kneel reverently when I meditate on the holiness of God. But when I think of the *fatherhood* of God, I come trustingly as a little child and find peace and security in His presence.

My Heavenly Father has infinite compassion. He does not indulge me in my whims, but He is attentive to my wishes. He does not condone my errors, but He is concerned about my efforts to be holy. He does not prevent me from suffering, but He does provide grace for every test. My feet may stumble and my hands may grope, but the infinite compassion of my Heavenly Father is a beacon light to guide me to safety. My place may be lowly and my best efforts sometimes apparently futile, but with a perfect father's heart, God understands.

My Heavenly Father is strong. How the little tot likes to watch his father flex his muscles and display his strength! The Heavenly Father has infinite power: celestial power displayed in flashing lightning and reverberating thunder claps; creative power revealed in the blossoming of the bud and the shooting forth of the sprout; conservative power shown in His material bounties to man; scientific power in His eternal adjustment of the mechanism of an intricate universe; intellectual power proved by the timeless vindication of His moral principles. But the climax of His strength is the glory of the redemptive power of Calvary!

My Heavenly Father is rich! As a child, how eagerly I anticipated my weekly allotment of five cents every Saturday afternoon! With greater eagerness we expectantly wait to partake of the riches of God. Rich in wisdom, He freely imparts it to His children. Abundantly wealthy in peace and joy, He lavishes it upon His children. Possessing infinite holiness, He gladly makes it available to all. Landlord of constellations and galaxies, He offers eternal partnership to the lowliest.

Every year in various cities, contests are held to select "the father of the year." The man chosen is usually a person of rare and wonderful spirit. But the Heavenly Father is the "Father of the Ages!" Yes, *I have a Heavenly Father!*

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One Baccalaureate Sermon

By Norman C. Schlichter*

If any man thirst, let him
come unto me, and drink.

John 7:37.

BY THE time these words of mine meet the eyes of the readers all of this year's baccalaureate sermons will have been preached and, may I add, the criticisms of them also will probably be pretty well over.

I suppose no sermons ever get taken apart by their hearers more minutely than these annual sermons to college graduates. First, the graduates to whom they are directed feel, as newly-educated young people, a kind of new right to criticize their sermon. Second, college faculties generally feel that it is their duty to act as special judges of the sermons spoken especially to the students they have trained through three or four years. Third, the parents of Seniors also have a natural right to analyze the special sermonic message addressed to their offspring on the threshold of their more active lives.

As a former student at a number of institutions of such higher learning, and as a sometime member of the faculties of such institutions, I must confess that I have done my fair share of critically examining baccalaureate messages.

It was in line with my earlier life habit that I examined closely the words of Columbia University's chaplain, the Reverend James A. Pike, spoken to the women graduates of Columbia's Barnard College, in June of 1950.

I have read a number of sermons which this brilliant young preacher, an Episcopalian, has preached to the students of this great world-famed seat of learning in New York City, and they have showed him to be a man genuinely interested in the spiritual life of these same students. In some of these sermons there was more than just a hint of the true gospel. But in this sermon I could find no such hint even, and so I write of it with a sad heart.

This chaplain's analysis of our times from the spiritual point of view is clear-cut, and indeed terrible for Christians to contemplate. I do hope and pray that this part of his sermon made many of his young hearers tremble in their hearts and inmost minds.

He told them that "disintegration of present-day society is already taking place, and offers a greater threat than possible future destruction by atomic fission."

"All this has come about," he emphasized, "because our present-day culture has forsaken religion for false gods." He pointed out that we are seeing the resultant moral failure everywhere in our society.

He urged his young listeners to fight this deterioration of the soul and mind because they are "better equipped" than most of their fellows to do this. He urged them to continue their re-



ligious studies in higher departments of the University.

But now what saddens me about his message is that he did not point out that the only hope for both the individual and for us as a whole is not that vague, meaningless thing we speak of as religion, but the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ—Christianity.

The gospel that many of us love with all our hearts and minds, and that we trust to the utmost, was not preached in this baccalaureate discourse. I know that Mr. Pike professes to believe it. Oh, that he had had the courage and the loyalty to it to proclaim it from the high pulpit he occupies!

Another thought that saddens me deeply is his idea, as expressed, that his hearers by reason of their four Barnard years are equipped to fight atheism, paganism, and blasphemy now in the intellectual ascendancy everywhere in all English-speaking lands. Surely this cannot be, since there is almost no Christian approach to any subject in this college's entire curriculum. And where, in religious studies in the vast majority of our colleges and universities, will the Christian element, the only true religious element, be upheld?

I praise God that undoubtedly some of Barnard's graduates are equipped to fight for Christ and His Church as they go forward in their lives by reason of having a saving knowledge of their God; but this is the only way they ever will be equipped to fight against the scourge of hell as Mr. Pike depicted it.

My prayer is that every preacher who did not in his baccalaureate sermon this year preach Christ and Him crucified may humbly confess his error, and rise repentant to stand foursquare for this same Christ from now on. Oh, how He needs them in this day darkened by the threat made so clear in this Barnard sermon!

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The Grace of Patience

By Arthur Hedley*

The necessity to exercise the *grace of patience* comes to every believer at some time or other. Some are called to bear much physical suffering which limits their activities; some suffer much persecution because of their Christian faith, while others have their own peculiar trials in the family circle. It is when patience is needed most that we discover how *little* we possess. With most of us our capital of patience is very small and is quickly exhausted when life makes heavy demands upon it.

Some people are naturally patient, but possibly the majority of us would have to confess that we feel it difficult to be patient in suffering, and with those who are of a different disposition from ourselves. Yet the person who reveals a beautiful patience under the most adverse circumstances would be the first to admit that such patience is not the work of a day. Only after sad experience do we come to see the folly of impatience and of opposition to the will of God. Patience is the flower that grows silently, secretly, and slowly in the garden of the soul.

The Apostle Paul enjoined believers to "glory in tribulations" because "tribulation worketh patience" (Rom 5:3). When Paul wrote this, he was writing from personal experience. He had endured more sorrows and sufferings than any other man of his day (see II Cor. 11:23-33), and had discovered this fact, that it was the beneficent work of tribulation to produce patience. James almost reiterates the words of Paul when he says, "Count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience" (James 1:2-3).

Tribulation does not necessarily work patience, for in many cases it has produced an ever-increasing spirit of rebellion, murmuring, selfishness. Some sufferers make the lot of those who wait on them extremely difficult because they show an impatient and irritable spirit. Many unbelievers are querulous, obstinate, rebellious when afflicted, because they have no source of consolation outside of themselves.

If tribulation is to bear the fruit of patience in our lives it is essential that we should know Christ as our Saviour, abide in Him and in His Word, and daily seek grace to submit patiently to His will. It depends largely on *ourselves* whether tribulation produces a calm patience or an irritable temper. God will help us, but we must use the spiritual means at our disposal if we are to increase our store of patience.

We can aid tribulation in its beneficent task in many ways. Meditation on the calm, enduring patience of our *Saviour* will be a great source of inspiration to us when sorely tried. The New Testament writers used the example of Christ's

patience as an incentive to Christians patiently to endure the trials which beset them. In enjoining Christians to "run with patience" the race that was set before them, when the trials of the way tempted many to drop out, the writer of the Epistle to the Hebrews exhorted them to keep "looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith," to "consider him that endureth such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds" (Heb. 12:1-3). The memory of Christ's beautiful patience under great provocation will save us from that spirit of weariness and exhaustion which gives birth to impatience, hopelessness, and bitter complainings.

The Apostle Paul encouraged patience in those tried by their enemies, by reminding them of the patient and uncomplaining spirit of their Lord, "who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously" (I Peter 2:23). Remembrance of the patience of Christ shames us into silence when tempted to murmur in suffering. It forbids us to retaliate when provoked; it inspires us to be "patient toward all men" (I Thess. 5:14).

To those who seek the highest welfare of others and the glory of God, the thought that by patience in suffering, whether physical or mental, they *honor God* acts as a powerful incentive to maintain a sweet, uncomplaining spirit under the most adverse circumstances. Suffering patiently borne causes men and women to stand still and wonder. They are reminded of their own impatience, and noble thoughts and aspirations arise within them. Virtue seen in

Let Me Be Still

By Frances B. Erickson

Let me be still, dear Lord, and rest my soul in Thee;

Nor fret, nor murmur at the trials that come. Thou hast permitted them, and so I must believe They are Thy precious will—and, Lord, "Thy will be done."

Let me be still, dear Lord, and trust tho' it would seem

Prayer is a futile effort with a wound so deep; I have an Advocate in Thee before my Father's throne—

That Thou art praying for me makes my trust complete!

Let me "be still and know" that Thou art God, Who loves me with an everlasting love; and come what may,

Thou art my strength—Thy grace that saved will keep Though every mooring of my life be swept away!

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the believer often turns the thoughts of men Godward and heavenward. Many have been influenced for eternity as they have seen a loved one or friend bear affliction with a calm and cheerful patience. If we realized how we dishonor God and repel others from Him when we are impatient and irritable, we would make greater efforts to cultivate a sweet temper and a patient spirit.

We are exhorted by James to let "patience have her perfect work," that is, let it come to perfection, be a finished product, "that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing" (1:4). God wants to perfect the grace of patience within each one of us; and if we were more fully alive to the blessings which accompany patience, we would make a greater effort to bring this fruit of the Spirit to perfection. The more patience we possess, the more of God's peace will flow into the soul. Impatience is a great *disturber* of peace, and the cause of so much ineffectiveness in life and service.

If we would make progress in our spiritual life and in Christian service, we must seek through the aid of the Holy Spirit to be more patient. Let patience come to perfection; do not hinder its growth and rob yourself of its accompanying blessings by a perverse spirit, by opposition to the will of God. Nurture and foster it by prayer; by exercising a perfect self-control when tempted to be impatient; by remembering the example of Christ, and the honor you bring to His name and cause when you emulate His example.

May each of us make it his daily prayer that we may be "strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto *all patience* and longsuffering with joyfulness" (Col. 1:11).

Life's Outstanding Objective

By E. O. Chalfant*

Someone has rightly said we are called to belong to Christ. The great Christian emphasis is not getting to heaven, or just being holy; it is not even being useful. But this one said the emphasis is upon the great revelation that we are not our own, but that we are bought with a price—we belong to God. We must glorify God in our bodies and in our spirits, which are God's.

In the realization of divine ownership, we are sure of heaven. And we are sure of being useful, and sure of being holy. This unselfish life is the very essence of holiness. As the poet has said, "None of self, but all of Thee!"

As Paul said, "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me" (Gal. 2:20).

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Epistle to the Ephesians (VIII)

By H. Orton Wiley*

The Gospel of Your Salvation!

In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise (Ephesians 1:13).

THE gospel of salvation includes redemption from all sin: *first*, from actual sins for which we are responsible; *second*, from indwelling sin inherited from the race and for which we are not responsible. These two works of grace are clearly set forth in this one verse. For this reason Dr. Dale calls it "a golden passage so closely linked like a chain that it is difficult to break its continuity." Dr. Godet says that it is a strong statement which at once characterizes God's operations upon man, and His dwelling within man. He views the effacement of this distinction as a serious indictment against the modern Church. The first of these is justification; the other, sanctification. The one is what God does for us; the other, what God does in us. The failure to distinguish between these two has all along brought confusion into theological thought.

First, *in whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.* This is *justification*. The believer, having passed the brazen altar of sacrifice and the laver of cleansing in the courtyard, now enters through the first veil into the holy place. For him, Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life in actual experience. He is the Way through the veil of actual sins by forgiveness, the Truth from the flaming candlestick of gold, and the Life symbolized by the table of shewbread, which also carried with it the promise of an inheritance. He now stands at the golden altar of incense, the altar of prayer and praise which was before the second veil. This second veil is the veil of sin conditions, and it alone separates him from the fullness of the covenant.

Second, *in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise.* This is *entire sanctification*. Standing before the altar of prayer and praise, he now has boldness, or liberty, to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus. This is by a new and living way which He has consecrated for him through the veil, that is to say, His flesh; and, having an High Priest over the house of God, he is exhorted to draw near, having his heart sprinkled from an evil conscience, and his body washed with pure water. Time is not an element here. All that is essential is to recognize the presence of indwelling sin in his heart and to turn with confidence toward the remedy provided for its cleansing. Passing

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through the second veil, the believer stands in the holy of holies, where the Shekinah burns over the mercy seat. Here is the sprinkled Blood upon the mercy seat—the Blood that cleanses from all sin. Here he enters into the fullness of the New Covenant, and is sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise.

More Ambiguous Terms

By Carl Bangs*

Emotionalism—this word is sometimes used derisively to indict all evangelistic enterprise. When it is so used, the users fall under their own indictment, for they are indulging in propagandistic emotionalism. It is true that some evangelism has been guilty of a false emotionalism, but it is not true that all revivalism thus errs.

Any religion which does not affect the emotions is less than Christian. The Bible refers often to religious emotion. Joy is mentioned one hundred ninety-three times. The joy of the Lord is the strength of the Christian. We are not afraid of a wholesome emotional life. It is strange that we should be criticized for this in a time when the emotional sources of personality disorders are being recognized so widely, and when mental hospitals are filled with patients with such disorders.

On the other hand, we must guard against that false emotionalism which overrides intellect and will. Religious emotion is not to be sought for its own sake. It is a consequence of a right relationship to God and a springboard for intelligent, obedient activity.

Formalism—the charge of formalism is usually directed at those who have elaborated their forms of worship but who have allowed the spiritual content to be lost. It is a mistake, however, to use this word as a means of rejecting all forms of worship. If there is content, there must be form. If the Holy Spirit is to work, there must be channels through which the work can be done.

It has been suggested that the form-content problem is much like the egg problem. An egg-shell without content is a disappointment. But so is an egg without a shell! Paul exhorted the Ephesians to be filled with the Spirit (5:18) and to worship with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs (5:19). They were to have the content of the Holy Spirit and the appropriate forms for the expression of this spiritual content.

It is interesting to note that even the most "informal" services have their pattern. I have been in places where the introit of the Nazarene liturgy was invariably, "Everybody get a song-book and turn to number twelve."

Our need is to have forms of worship which are rich enough to give expression to our spiritual life and flexible enough to allow for what has been called "the versatility of the Holy Ghost."

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"My Mother-in-law and I!"

By Bess A. Olson*

THE "mother-in-law story" has gone far enough! It is high time that someone arose to the defense, and I, for one, intend to do so.

Scripture supports my defense; for one of the most famous love stories in the Bible, the story of Ruth and Boaz, includes Naomi—Ruth's mother-in-law!

No longer young enough to glean in the fields, she kept house while her daughter-in-law followed the reapers. No doubt Naomi would have enjoyed gleaning in the companionship of her countrymen, the fellowship at the noon meal. But that work must be done by younger hands, so she busied herself with the humdrum duties of home. When Ruth returned from her day's work, how eagerly Naomi greeted her, "Where hast thou gleaned to day? and where wroughtest thou?"

How thoughtful she was for the future welfare of the young woman, seeing in Boaz, her own kinsman, a likely husband for Ruth! "My daughter, shall I not seek rest for thee, that it may be well with thee?"

What wise counsel she gave! "Sit still, my daughter, until thou know how the matter will fall."

And there are modern mothers-in-law like Naomi—I present my own.

How many, many times her willing hands have released me to "follow the reapers."

"Now, you run along," is her frequent urging, "I can't teach, but I can cook and wash dishes." And so I run along to feed hungry young souls the Bread of Life, while the dear one at home prepares the family dinner.

There is an evening prayer meeting; so in-

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LEAD ME, LORD!

By Margaret S. Connelly

*Lead me, Lord, to greater heights—
Keep me sincere, brave, and true.
Let no barrier come between
When each day I call to You.
Give me faith to follow on,
Hearing e'en Your least command.
Keep me mindful of Your love,
That I Your precepts understand!*

*Miraculous, Your mighty power
Over land and o'er the sea.
Stranger still that You should love
And desire the soul of me!
Help me, Lord, from day to day
To be worthy of Your care.
Lord, Thou art my every need—
Hear, today, my earnest prayer!*

viting, so important. But the children need their sleep!

"You go," Mother insists. "I just love to listen to the radio. The kiddies will sleep and I can go to bed early too."

And so it goes. Times too numerous to mention she has unselfishly stayed with the children, washed the dishes, cooked meals, ironed clothes, in order that I might teach a class or help in some other way. Together we serve the Master. And her delight in freeing me to glean in the field is as great as mine in giving out the Word of Life.

"But you have a very unusual mother-in-law," someone objects. "She is just special!"

Special? Indeed she is! But I don't think she is unusual. Older Christian mothers in homes are not unusual, though perhaps the idea of forming a partnership for service may be. It is a wonderful arrangement—one that I would like to recommend. For not only is help provided so that even mothers of young people may serve, but a prayer partner is gained. How encouraging it is to know that someone at home is hold-

ing up the work in prayer; someone is vitally interested in the results!

I have a friend who works in the same way with her mother. What a beautiful fellowship they share! Though always close, joint Christian service has provided a new and closer bond. The younger woman, so useful in many fields of Christian service, knows that her children are in loving, capable hands, while the mother is happy in knowing that she too has a part in the work.

Yes, Naomi kept house while Ruth gleaned, and one day her Moabite daughter-in-law became the bride of the wealthy Boaz. As the blessings of the marriage came to Ruth, they also fell upon Naomi, the loyal mother-in-law who had served behind the scenes.

The years are creeping up on my mother-in-law. Does she feel useless? Put on a shelf? Never! She is far too busy, and she also has the joy of knowing that her service is needed.

Someday our own "Boaz," the Lord Jesus, shall come, bringing blessings to all who have been faithful. Should there be fruit from any of my small efforts, I know that, as here together we have served, in that day together we shall share—my mother-in-law and I!

Home Missions and Evangelism

Roy F. Smee, Secretary

Touring Virginia

IT WAS my privilege recently to spend eight days touring the Virginia District with District Superintendent Littrell. This was a money-raising campaign. The district had never had pressure put on them for money in such a campaign before. But the response was most heartening. At the assembly the pastors and delegates had accepted minimum quotas for home missions amounting to \$5,000, to be raised during such tours. I covered the east half of the district, and in cash and thirty-day pledges over \$4,000 was given and subscribed.

The campaign was sparked by the splendid response in the first service at Glebe Road Church in Arlington, of which Rev. Fred Gibson is pastor, when the good people under the anointing of the Spirit gave over \$1,600. This same spirit was demonstrated in all the lesser places which we visited. There is no doubt that the other half of the district will bring the total far above the \$5,000 goal.

God bless the Virginia District with its energetic, wise, and devoted district superintendent. There is a new stir among the Virginia Nazarenes which makes sure the future of our work in that state.

Conference appeared in last week's column.

NEW CHURCHES

On April 29, Superintendent C. B. Cox organized a new church at Cortez on the Colorado District. This district has made some real progress in home missions this year.

Superintendent Victor E. Gray has organized the East Ridge Church in Chattanooga with a charter membership of forty-eight (and the charter not yet closed). A former night club building was purchased for \$28,000; \$10,000 was raised in two services for the down payment and to renovate the building. This is the nineteenth new church for the East Tennessee District this quadrennium.

Superintendent L. T. Wells has organized the Mount Zion church in Martin County with twelve charter members. The Kentucky District has fourteen new churches this quadrennium.

A new church was recently organized at Walkers Chapel, near Willow Springs, Missouri, by Superintendent E. D. Simpson. There were eighteen charter members. This is the sixth organization for the Missouri District.

Superintendent E. E. Zachary has organized churches at Lewiston Orchards, Idaho, (May 8) and Deer Park, Washington (May 13). The

Workers at the Southeast Zone Regional Conference on Visitation Evangelism at Nashville, Tennessee, April 25-27. Left to right, Rev. Alpin P. Bowes, Dr. Roy F. Smee, Dr. L. J. Du Bois, General Superintendent Samuel Young, Rev. W. E. Albea, Dr. S. T. Ludwig. Write-up of the



Northwest District has five new churches this year and seven for the quadrennium.

On Easter Sunday the Eastside Church was organized at Canton, Illinois, with nineteen charter members, by Superintendent Lyle E. Eckley. Rev. C. W. Snyder, who is pastoring the church, got this part of Canton on his heart and started services in a little chapel. The Sunday school now has nearly seventy-five in attendance. Money was raised on Easter Sunday for a lot and one has now been secured and paid for. They are planning to build this summer. The Northwestern Illinois District has ten new churches this quadrennium.

Superintendent Weaver W. Hess organized a new church with fifteen charter members at Donald, Oregon,

on April 8. It is the only holiness church in a rich farming area. The Sunday school is averaging between thirty and forty. Rev. George F. Taylor is the pastor. The Oregon-Pacific District has ten new churches this quadrennium. Services have just been started in another town where there will be a new church soon.

Superintendent E. C. Oney has organized a new church at Weaver, West Virginia, with twenty-four charter members. Rev. P. B. Sprecker has been appointed pastor. West Virginia has fourteen new churches this quadrennium.

Superintendent Otto Stucki has organized a new church at Childersburg, Alabama, with ten charter members. The Alabama District has nine new churches this quadrennium.

and when we think of His sacrifice, how can we measure ours? Offerings have formed a part of all religions in all ages.

The first instance that we have in the Bible was Cain and Abel (Genesis 4:3-4). Abel's offering was the result of sacrifice and was to the glory of God. Cain's was to his own glory; hence the terrible result. All true giving begins in the heart. There must be first the willing mind, and very poor people can be rich givers. Illustration: the widow's mite. Evidently God judges by what we have left after we have given, not by what we give. The Bible is full of instruction on this subject.

Kliptown Colored Church

We now have a fully organized Sunday school and a nicely running N.Y.P.S. in our Kliptown colored church. Mr. Albertus Pop and a fine staff of teachers take care of the teaching of our children. The enrollment is now over one hundred, and the regular attendance around seventy-five in the Sunday school. Mrs. Pop is the efficient president of the N.Y.P.S. God has given us a fine group of young men and women who want to live for Him and who love our church. Mr. and Mrs. Pop are experienced teachers, actively engaged in this vicinity. These and other of our friends are helping us to pray the fire down and to get the people out for God's blessings.—H. T. POTEET, Africa.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Remiss Rehfeldt, Secretary

Camp Meeting In the Blaauwberg

WE HAVE had our first camp meeting at Blaauwberg. The Esselstyns and Jenkins', as well as the Umfundisi Mgwenya and Umvangele Mamiane, were here to help us. Last year we had our church dedication, but this year our folk who live near the mission station as well as some from the outpost preaching points gathered in for a few days, as is our custom in Swaziland and other parts of our field. Almost all of the services were well attended. There were many heathen present.

The crowning day came on Sunday when, after the early morning prayer meeting and breakfast, we went up into the edge of the mountains for the baptismal service. It was a very hot, sultry day. The bell rang and we left the mission station by car and lorry and the greater number walking. However, we who did not start out walking could go by car only about two and one-half miles. The last two miles were mostly over mountain trails. I think one could not imagine a more beautiful spot for a baptismal service. The pool of water was surrounded by large boulders, trees, and bush of the mountains. Above the large rocks we could look up and see the peaks of the mountains beyond. Here on the rocky shore stood the nine candidates for baptism. These were our very first who had met the requirements of their probationary period. Umfundisi Mgwenya from

Acornhoek baptized them. Quite a congregation gathered at the pool in spite of the distance. There were heathen and others of our newly converted Christians present. It was good to hear the mountain stillness broken by our own Sotho hymns.—KATHYREN DIXON, Africa.

Unusual Success

We are sending in a list of subscribers for the *Other Sheep* from our Indian mission here. We were taking twenty-five in a bundle but decided to have a contest and get each to take his own paper. The contest began April 1 and ended the last of the month. We have only thirteen full members in the church and seven women who are active members of the W.F.M.S., but they really worked—as you can tell. One lady secured over seventy by asking everyone who came to her home, and those she saw in the stores and on the streets. Only a few of these are from folk other than our Indian people, and very few subscribed for friends—each paid for his own, and we are very happy to send in these 166 subscriptions.—MRS. SCRIVNER, Winslow, Arizona.

True Giving

The subject of Christian giving is important and should have serious consideration. A religion that does not touch the pocket is of little value. The Christian religion is one of love, and love always gives. Sacrifice is the law of love. The greatest illustration we have is Jesus on the cross,

Let's Hold the Ropes

At the farewell meeting for Jonathan Goforth before he went to China the following story was told. A young couple were bidding farewell to their home-country church as they were about to leave for an African field known as the "White Man's Grave." The husband said: "My wife and I have a strange dread in going. We feel as if we were going down into the pit. We are willing to take the risk and go if you, our home circle, will promise to hold the ropes." One and all promised.

Less than two years passed, when the wife and the little one God had given them succumbed to the dreaded fever. Soon the husband realized that his days, too, were numbered. Not waiting to send word home of his coming, he started back at once, and arrived at the time of the Wednesday prayer meeting.

He slipped in unnoticed, taking a back seat. At the close of the meeting he went forward, and awe came over the people, for death was written on his face. He said: "I am your

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Not Just Hypnotized

EDIT

Stephen

THERE are five essential elements in the doctrine of entire sanctification. Two of these have already been discussed in recent issues of the **HERALD OF HOLINESS** under the titles "Siblings, but Not Twins" and "You Must Take the Elevator." In these articles, I have emphasized the truths that entire sanctification always comes after conversion, and that this second blessing, like the first, is instantaneous. My purpose at present is to present the truth that in entire sanctification, inbred sin, the old Adamic nature, the carnal mind, is eradicated and not merely suppressed by the baptism with the Holy Spirit unto entire sanctification. God can do more for you than hypnotize the old man of sin—that something with which all human beings are born because they belong to a fallen race.

At first I call attention to the Bible teaching. Eradicate means to destroy or get rid of completely. The Bible terms indicate very definitely that this is

Sin Nature Crucified what is done when one is sanctified wholly. The sixth chapter of Romans certainly teaches that one can be freed from sin both as an act and as a nature. Anyone who doubts this in the least ought to read this whole chapter carefully. In the sixth and seventh verses there are these words: "Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin." Here we have the old man of sin crucified, the body of sin destroyed, the individual freed from sin. Thus a man is placed where, henceforth, he should not serve sin. Also, as the chapter brings out in more than one place, such a person is dead unto sin and no longer under its bondage, either from the standpoint of act or nature. It also emphasizes the fact that in such a state the person becomes the servant of righteousness. As a climax to the teaching of this chapter, I quote the eighteenth and the twenty-second verses, which sound forth a real note of triumph over sin: "Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness," and, "But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life."

There are three other scriptures which either directly or indirectly bring out the thought referred to above, where the old man is said to be crucified in order that the body of sin might be destroyed. These read as follows: "And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts" (Gal. 5:24). Flesh here has to do with the sin nature, and not merely the body, as the last of the verse—"affections and lusts"—indicates. Again, "But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord

Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world" (Gal. 6:14). "World," in this case—as is true often—refers to all that which is sinful, including the sin nature. And last in this connection I give you Galatians 2:19-20, with these significant words: "For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God. I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me."

I PASS by the scriptures which talk about the Christian being cleansed, or purged, of his sin nature, and consider only one other word—sanctify. Sanctify

Sanctified— has two meanings:
Freed from Sin Nature to consecrate, and to make morally clean, or free from sin. The last meaning is decidedly the more important in the New Testament. With this in mind, I shall quote a few of the more significant verses which have this word in them. The first one comes from Christ, and reads thus: "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth" (John 17:17). Along with this brief passage I give you three more from the epistles: "Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate" (Heb. 13:12); "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish" (Eph. 5:25-27). "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it" (I Thess. 5:23-24). All of these passages refer to the sanctification of believers, and not sinners; and they mean that these Christians can and should be made free from inbred sin. There is nothing in these verses to indicate that the sin nature with which every child of Adam's race is born is merely to be suppressed or counteracted.

PERMIT me now to state this truth more fully. It teaches us that the old man of sin is not just hypnotized, or temporarily put out of com-

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Truth Restated

mission, when the believer is sanctified wholly. He is not just overpowered for a time; he is destroyed, electrocuted, eradicated, banished, or extirpated. He is not just down; he is down and out. He is not just unconscious, asleep, or merely under the influence of an anesthetic for a little while; he is dead, thank God!

My un sanctified friend, you can get free from the carnal mind and not be afraid any longer lest you wake up the sleeping giant and be dragged into sin again. Or, to put the truth in another way, you can be liberated completely from the sinful Adamic nature and not have to spend most of your time wrestling with it instead of reaching others for your Master. As long as this principle of sin is in your heart, it will take a lot of your time to keep it down. It is ever ready to rise up and cause you trouble. However, you can have complete deliverance through the precious blood of Jesus Christ and the mighty work of the Holy Spirit. There is a better method of dealing with the old man of sin than hypnotism!

Seven Months of Hell

THE Philistines must have had a great celebration when they captured the ark of the covenant—for it symbolized Israel's God. I imagine they jumped up and down and shouted to one another, "It's all over; Israel's God has been taken." Little did they realize what a curse would fall upon them with the coming of the ark. A holy God and a heathen people made a dangerous combination for the latter. The Philistines kept the ark seven months, but there was so much hell and destruction among them that they were glad, indeed, to get rid of it at the end of that time.

FIRST, they brought the ark to Ashdod and placed it by their heathen god, Dagon. "And when they of Ashdod arose early on the morrow, behold,

Hell in Ashdod, Gath, and Ekron Dagon was fallen upon his face to the earth before the ark of the Lord" (I Sam. 5:3). They tenderly picked up their heathen god and left the ark by him another night. The next morning they found that Dagon had fallen down again. This time he broke his

crown. "The head of Dagon and both the palms of his hands were cut off . . . only the stump of Dagon was left to him" (I Sam. 5:4). The old heathen god could not stand in the presence of the holy God.

This was just the beginning of sorrows for the Philistines. Here is what happened next: "But the hand of the Lord was heavy upon them of Ashdod, and he destroyed them, and smote them with emerods, even Ashdod and the coasts thereof" (I Sam. 5:6). By this time the men of Ashdod had enough. They realized that the hand of the God of Israel was sore upon them and their god, Dagon. They arranged for the ark to be carried to Gath, but this city fared no better. The hand of the Lord was against it "with a very great destruction" (I Sam. 5:9).

The Gathites sent the ark to Ekron, and disease and destruction were throughout all of the city. "The hand of God was very heavy there. And the men that died not were smitten with the emerods: and the cry of the city went up to heaven" (I Sam. 5:11-12).

NEXT, the priests and the diviners of the Philistines came together to decide what to do with the ark. In order to find out whether the

Hell in Beth-shemesh God of Israel had really caused all of this trouble or it had just happened to them by chance, they planned the following. They took two young milk cows and hitched them to a cart, onto which they loaded the ark. Then they kept the calves of the two cows back and waited to see if the cows would go away from their calves and take the ark to Beth-shemesh. If the cows went against their nature and took the cart and ark to Beth-shemesh, the Philistines would know that all of the trouble had come from Israel's God. Otherwise, they would be sure that it was just a coincidence. The result was that the cows went away from their calves at once and carried the ark back to the Israelites at Beth-shemesh.

But the men of Beth-shemesh, though Israelites, were too careless with the ark. Those who were not ceremonially clean, or sanctified, looked into the ark; "And he smote the men of Beth-shemesh, because they had looked into the ark of the Lord, even he smote of the people fifty thousand and threescore and ten men: and the people lamented, because the Lord had smitten many of the people with a great slaughter. And the men of Beth-shemesh said, Who is able to stand before this holy Lord God? and to whom shall he go up from us? And they sent messengers to the inhabitants of Kirjath-jearim, saying, The Philistines have brought again the ark of the Lord; come ye down, and fetch it up to you" (I Sam. 6:19-21). "And the men of Kirjath-jearim came, and fetched up the ark of the Lord, and brought it into the house of Abinadab in the

hill, and sanctified Eleazar his son to keep the ark of the Lord" (I Sam. 7:1).

THUS the seven months of hell ended. The ark, which symbolized the holy God, now came into the hands of Eleazar, who was sanctified, or made ceremonially free from sin, in order to keep

The Seven Months End

the ark. When holiness and holiness come together, there is no hell, but rather heaven is there. Who is able to stand before this holy Lord God? He that is free from sin without and within. "Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in his holy place? He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully" (Psalms 24:3-4).

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON

By Norman R. Oke

Topic for June 24

Possibilities of Grace—Christian Service

Scripture: John 15:16; II Tim. 2:21; Acts 1:8; 2:46-47; 6:5, 8; 8:29, 35.

GOLDEN TEXT: *But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth (Acts 1:8).*

In writing to Timothy St. Paul gives us a fine formula for success in the Christian life, namely, **PIETY PLUS PREPAREDNESS**. We find this in II Timothy 2:21, *sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.*

Piety refers to one's inner heart relationship with God: but preparedness speaks of our training to make our spirituality effective in the lives of people around us. There are dividends for piety—peace, joy, and fellowship with God—and these are very enjoyable. But we were never meant to huddle in praise circles all the time. Piety is not enough in a world where dying people must see our piety in work clothes. We are, after all, *workers together with God*; and you can't be an effective workman without preparing and training yourself for the tasks that fall to your hands.

Preparedness is not automatic in the spiritual realm. Piety comes as a gift of divine grace; but preparedness is a matter of study and diligent effort. It is thought by some that if a person is stirred deeply enough and often enough and prayed up well enough he will be an effective workman in the Kingdom without any other training helps. But we do not apply that reasoning in any other field. Sincerity is never enough: there must be truth and proper meth-

ods and improvement in service. We must know how, and learning how requires study and research. Paul meant this when he urged Timothy to be *prepared unto every good work.*

Q. *Is holiness, or the second blessing, the special preparation for the Second Coming?*

A. I believe that this is what the Bible teaches. Unless a person is free from all sin he cannot participate in the Rapture or enter into heaven. This does not mean, however, that all who die in a regenerated state will go to hell, or be denied a place in the first resurrection and at the Rapture or entrance into heaven finally. It does mean that those who die in a regenerated state will be cleansed apart from their will and prepared for the Rapture and heaven. The same is true as to the regenerated who are still on the earth when Jesus comes. They will be so changed both in body and soul that they—like the regenerated who have been raised from the dead—will have not only a new body, but also a soul, or inner personality, free from all sin. Therefore, those who are just regenerated when Jesus comes will not participate in the Rapture as they are, but they will be there and have a part in it, having been changed in the twinkling of an eye (I Cor. 15:51-52), both in body and soul, or spirit. Along with this it must be remembered that those Christians

In fact, training for effective service is more necessary for those who profess a high state of grace than for any other. Our holy religion must be displayed creatively and appealingly or else our profession is discounted. People will more readily believe that our hearts are pure if our hands are skillful in the handling of the Word of God, and if our service in the church is well done. Bungling is not excusable even if done by a prayerful saint. Nazarenes should be the best workmen in spiritual things to be found in the community. Then our piety will be a more sought-after commodity. We have not improved on Paul's formula for success in the Christian life—**PIETY PLUS PREPAREDNESS**.

THE QUESTION BOX

Conducted by Stephen S. White

who deliberately reject entire sanctification forfeit their relation to God as regenerated.

Q. *There are those who seem to define sanctification as an experience which begins in regeneration and continues until all inbred sin is cleansed from the heart. Will you please explain this along with a statement of the position of the Church of the Nazarene?*

A. Sanctification in its most general sense is set over against justification. In this case sanctification refers to the work of grace in man as contrasted with justification, which is the work of grace for or outside of man. Thus, for the Church of the Nazarene, sanctification begins in the crisis of regeneration and ends (so far as definite instantaneous changes are concerned) in a second crisis which is called Christian perfection or entire sanctification. At the time of the second crisis inherited sin, inbred sin, the carnal mind, or the sin-nature, is destroyed. Soon after the sinner is regenerated he becomes conscious of conflict between the new life and the inherited sin-nature. As he walks in the light of God, he con-

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secretes his all and trusts God for deliverance from inbred sin through the baptism with the Holy Spirit. Thus the regenerated individual is sanctified wholly by a second crisis, and the battle between the new life and the body of sin ceases, for the latter has been eliminated. Entire sanctification does not mean that the individual who possesses it, outwardly keeps the perfect law of God in every respect, although his inner motive is holy and he has no other purpose but to do the will of God. In other words, the entirely sanctified man still makes mistakes, but he does not intentionally, or willfully, transgress the law of God.

Entire sanctification does not free the individual from the possibility of temptation and even backsliding as long as he is in this life. Temptation arises through his natural appetites as the suggestion comes to him to satisfy them illegitimately. The devil assaults him from without through this channel. Temptation can be overcome as the individual walks with God and directs his legitimate appetites into their proper, or normal, channels. As temptation is resisted and positive Christian activity is engaged in, he who has been sanctified wholly continues to advance in the Christian life.

Q. How are we to interpret Colossians 3:5-17?

A. The commentators divide the first seventeen verses of the third chapter of Colossians thus: Colossians 3:1-4 and then Colossians 3:5-17. Let us note the last section, vv. 5 to 17. This passage undoubtedly refers to the crisis of entire sanctification. It describes an experience which is far above regeneration, as is the case with Colossians 3:1-4. The first verse of the section, 5 to 17, is crucial. It tells about the destruction of the sin-nature. The word mortify is in the aorist tense and literally means to kill, or kill dead, immediately. This is to be brought about by putting off the old man with his deeds and putting on the new man, "which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him." Then from verses 12 to 17 we have a wonderful description of the experience and life of entire sanctification.

This passage, then, does not refer to the mortification, or killing, of the natural appetites which remain after the Christian is sanctified wholly, as some claim. It is a direct reference to the destruction of the old man of sin and his activities which takes place when one is entirely sanctified.

WE HAVE seen that we cannot do away with law in religion, either the laws of God or the laws of the church. However, an excessive or an unbalanced emphasis upon law will lead to legalism. This was the position of the Pharisees at the time Jesus made His appearance. It is characterized by a strict adherence to the letter and the code without reference to the spirit of the law, the purpose of the law, or the man for whom the law was made. In essence it states that the law is an end unto itself.

But this attitude is not confined alone to the day in which Jesus lived. There are those today who interpret religion in terms of strict adherence to laws, rules, codes, and ritual. They feel that, because the law of God is unbending, every approach man might make to God must be with the same rigid formality. With some this is manifest through a strict ceremonialism, with minute attention given to certain forms of worship. With others it is manifest through a severe ethical code, with exacting attention given to following both the rules and traditions, both convictions and opinions, to the last detail.

But somehow legalism does not fit into the Christian scheme. It is the pattern of Judaism and not the pattern of Pentecost. It just does not have the ability to satisfy the heart that is longing for fullness and completeness. It does not seem to be the definition of the kind of life which Jesus described as "abundant." There must be some way to harmonize an adherence to law and still find this more perfect way. And there is! Might each of us as young people find it.

News of Youth

The summer camp program will soon be in full swing. Over fifty of our districts have a full-scale program for young people during the summer. This will touch the lives of many thousands of our youth. Every pastor and every parent should plan definitely to get his young people to camp. It will be a soul-stirring experience for every one.

Prayer Tower Requests

June 17-23 Japan

Japan remains the most vital outpost of Christianity in the Orient. The battle of ideologies is on, and it

is a fight to the finish; it will be Christianity or Communism. Let us pray for our 6 missionaries, our 39 native preachers, the 28 churches, and 12 other preaching points, and that plans for the opening of the Bible school will materialize.

June 24-30

The Lamplighters' League

This league is a vital part of the Mid-Century Crusade for Souls, encouraging our youth to deal with at least one individual a month about his soul and to memorize the scriptures systematically. Let us pray for the league in our own N.Y.P.S., or that one might be started, and for the movement as a whole. Let us pray that God will make us a soul-winning people.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

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missionary. My wife and child are buried in Africa and I have come home to die. This evening I listened anxiously, as you prayed, for some mention of your missionary, to see if you were keeping your promise, but in vain. You prayed for everything connected with yourselves and your home church, but you forgot your missionary. I see now why I am a failure as a missionary. It is because you have failed to hold the ropes."—Selected.

THE LIGHT

By Virginia Walmsley

*I'll tread no more the paths of sin
Which lead to endless night;
But ever fix my eyes above
Upon that holy Light:*

*The Light which guides the trusting
one
Into a blessed peace;
Which casts away the bonds of sin,
And gives a sweet release;*

*That Light which causes blinded eyes
To see anew His grace;
And turns to flesh the heart of stone,
Sin's sorrows to erase;*

*That Light which shines, though all is
dark,
To guide the weary one
Into the haven of His heart
When life's swift race is run!*

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

Granby, Missouri—Recently we had a very good revival with Rev. and Mrs. Carl H. Kruse as evangelist and children's worker. A wonderful spirit prevailed throughout the meeting, with a number of souls finding definite victory in God for the forgiveness of sins and heart purity. We had the best attendance this church ever has had, and finances came easily. The Spirit-filled messages of Brother Kruse were appreciated by all, and the flannelgraph stories by Sister Kruse were enjoyed by both the children and adults. We greatly appreciated the work of Brother and Sister Kruse, and the church was lifted up.—O. D. Curbow, Pastor.

Newman Grove, Nebraska—Recently we had a wonderful revival with Evangelist George H. Talbert and wife as special workers. It is reported that this was the best and most successful revival this church has had for many years. Our people loved and appreciated the Talberts, and the Lord blessed their ministry in sermon and song.—Russell A. Walborn, Pastor.

Rev. Merle P. Gray, missionary at Cache, Oklahoma, reports: "In May we had a God-sent revival with the Morton-Pollard Evangelistic Party. For a month they gave their services to the Eastern Zone of the North American Indian District. They were well received by the Indian people. Their singing is uplifting, and the preaching of Sister Morton is of the rugged type. A goodly number of the Comanche Indians of this mission sought God for saving, sanctifying, and healing power. To show their gratitude, the Indian people gave the evangelistic party beaded work, shawls, and handmade cradles. We greatly appreciated the ministry of these workers in singing, preaching, and working with the children."

Terre Haute, Indiana—Southside Church was organized August 21, 1949, by the district superintendent, with eighteen charter members. All these were members of Terre Haute First Church, and were transferred to the new church by mutual understanding and agreeable consent of the pastor and people. The organization was perfected on the closing day of a tent campaign conducted by Rev. D. F. Steininger and supported by the people of First Church. The tent meeting was glorious indeed, a result of harmonious Nazarenes expanding their borders in a home-mission enterprise to reach the lost. The new church called Brother Steininger as pastor, and a used church building was purchased at 2200 South Third Street. Later a building site was purchased near by on which a

new building is to be erected. The membership of the church is now seventy-five after twenty-one months of growth. The Sunday-school attendance for this present church year is ninety-one, and the average weekly finance for the year is \$141.14. The pastor is paid \$60 per week, and house rent furnished. The spiritual condition of the church is excellent, with the presence of God in all the services. The new building is to be 40 x 60 feet, with a Sunday-school annex 60x20 feet. A building fund is being steadily accumulated. The congregation is reluctant to change pastors at assembly time, but Brother Steininger is returning to the evangelistic field. The Southwest Indiana District, through its superintendent, takes great pleasure in recommending Brother Steininger's work to the entire church. He is God's anointed servant, and his work is of the highest order.—Leo C. Davis, District Superintendent.

Montpelier, Ohio—Our church has had a very good revival with Evangelists A. E. and Pauline Miller. Their rugged gospel preaching and the chalk talks and pictures of Sister Miller found their way to the hearts of needy souls. Many of our young folks in their early teens found the Lord. About forty-five sought the Lord, the church was lifted, and a nice love offering was given to the pastor and wife.—Orville W. Bowsher, Pastor.

Palo Alto, California—The first unit of our new church building is now under construction. It is of frame and plaster with exposed beams in the ceiling in the flat-roof area; the pitch roof is supported by three sets of laminated arches. There will be modern fold-doors between the chapel and the Sunday-school rooms on the side; when these doors are opened, it will give the church a seating capacity of about 230. The wing in the back of the church will be the present parsonage—to be converted to church purposes at a future date. The present structure is being built at approximately the center of the property, which is 237 feet along Middlefield Road, and 120 feet around the corner on Marion Avenue. One year ago in March the old church building was sold and the present property purchased in a new and fine residential district. Since last June the congregation has been worshiping in the Masonic Auditorium, one block from the old church. The breaking of ground on Easter Sunday afternoon, and the beginning of work that week was the culmination of approximately one year of working and waiting; the second stage now has begun—building the church.—Vernon E. Thomas, Pastor.

Sheffield, Alabama—In May our church had an eight-day revival with Evangelist P. E. Kuykendall. Some charter members said it was the greatest revival in the history of the church. Brother Kuykendall preached the old-fashioned holiness gospel with liberty and power, and the altar was filled with seekers at each call. Many found help from God, and twenty-five members were received into the church. The evangelist received the largest offering this church has ever given, the pastor's salary was raised ten dollars per week, and a love offering of forty-eight dollars was given to the pastor's wife. The closing Sunday of the meeting marked the second anniversary for Pastor Wallace Bell with this church. Under his leadership our Sunday school has grown from a yearly average of 74 to 150, church membership has increased from 48 to 116, and \$3,000 has been spent on church improvements. Pastor and church are united.—Clarice Sanderson, Reporter.

Vassar, Michigan—Recently we enjoyed the greatest revival in the history of this church. Night after night, God came in saving and sanctifying power, and there was a total of ninety-seven seekers. Many referred to it as an "indoor camp meeting." There were several cases of definite healing, and the church as a whole was deeply stirred and challenged to greater Christian service and living. The evangelist was Rev. Cletus Franklin; he is a great soul, a good preacher, prays much, and carries a burden for the lost. This was his second time with us and we want him to come again.—Wade W. Roberts, Pastor.

Pastor Arnold Pierce reports from Miami, Oklahoma: "Coming to this church a little over eighteen months ago, we found a group of loyal folks struggling under the load of a building program. During these months the Lord has blessed, and through the united efforts and prayers of faithful members and friends, great victories have been won. For the past several months we have enjoyed a new, modern, five-room parsonage, with attached garage, and two-room apartment over the garage (for the use of our evangelists). We are now starting construction of a new modern church, 42 x 80 feet, which will have seating capacity of 340 in the auditorium, and will include fifteen Sunday-school classrooms and pastor's study. We hope to be worshiping in the new building in July of this year. Also, God has blessed spiritually, and during these months we have had five successful revivals, with souls praying through to definite victory for regeneration and sanctification. The special workers were Rev. C. M. Whitley and wife, Rev. Lum Jones, Rev. and Mrs. Jack Carter, and two meetings conducted by Rev. Otto Willison; in his first meeting he was ac-

accompanied by his daughters, Maxine and Bobbie, who had charge of the music. The second meeting with Brother Willison will be long remembered—God met with us, the Spirit anointed the messages of the evangelist, and souls wept their way through to victory at the altar. In our regular Sunday services we have had times when the Holy Spirit took control, the saints shouted, and there was no place for preaching, but souls prayed through to old-time victory. The church has given us a three-year call."

Detroit, Michigan—Bethel church is enjoying some of the best days of its history under the leadership of our godly pastor, Rev. Kline F. Dickerson. In the eighteen months of his pastorate we have seen growth in every department. Our Sunday school has grown until we need more room for classes. Last fall, in a nine-week period, the Sunday-school classes made 3,141 calls—prospects and absentees. In December, in spite of extremely bad weather, we averaged forty-seven more per Sunday than last year. On Easter Sunday, we broke all established attendance records for Sunday school and church. Our Sunday evening services are well attended with a large increase in our youth groups. Our General Budget is overpaid; we have purchased a Baldwin organ, also a new brick parsonage near our new church. Best of all, God is giving salvation in almost every Sunday service. During these months we have had as special workers the Blackwood Brothers Quartet, the Rushing Family, Rev. Charles F. Ide, Dr. Erwin G. Benson, Bob and Madge Killion, Harold Bomgardner, and Dr. C. Warren Jones. Mrs. Dickerson is doing fine work with the choir. If you have friends in the Detroit metropolitan area you'd like to have contacted for the church, write our pastor at 6100 Lodewyck, Detroit 24.—D. C. Tolley, Secretary.

Pascagoula, Mississippi—Our church recently enjoyed a successful revival with Rev. Joseph Bierce as preacher and special singer. God greatly used Brother Bierce in bringing home the truth to the church and warning the lost. Several sought God at the altar, the church was blessed, teachers and officers were encouraged, and we have since seen advances on all lines. The church board gave Brother Bierce a call to return in '52. We are encouraged with new families moving in to work in the shipyard, among them some Nazarenes. Our Sunday school is growing, with attendance for three Sundays sixty-five or over. We feel we are now on the way "up." We look forward to finishing the interior of the Sunday-school wing before long. If you have friends moving here, write us at 944 E. Pascagoula Street.—James A. Todd, Pastor.

NOTICE

Pastors and Laymen

There are many individuals from Europe and Asia soliciting our people for money or merchandise. Quite a few agencies likewise are soliciting funds for relief purposes. It is never safe to send money or parcels to individuals in these countries unless you know them personally and are sure they receive them. Black market operations are extensive in these countries and in many instances are a planned business.

Relief work must be done, but it should go through reputable and recognized agencies who are equipped to handle these matters.

Such organizations as *American Friends Service Committee*, *C-A-R-E*, *C-R-O-P*, *Church World Service* are thoroughly reliable agencies. They are organized to distribute relief and see that it is delivered.

Any of our people who care to make contributions may send the money direct to our general treasurer, Mr. John Stockton. That way the church will get credit and it will be sent to the organization of the donor's choice.

S. T. LUDWIG,
General Church Secretary

Huntington, Indiana—First Church is being blessed with a year of victory, and we are reaching some new heights in all departments. With the March Sunday-school average of 446, we have a yearly average, to date, of 366. Our present crowded facilities will soon be alleviated in that the first unit of a \$75,000 Sunday-school annex is nearing completion. We have enjoyed some outstanding revivals this year with Evangelist C. H. Dobbins and wife and James and Rosemary Green as singers; Evangelist Roy Bettcher and Bob and Madge Killion as singers; and recently Evangelists Dick and Doris Littrell. We praise God for all His blessings, and the privilege of serving this fine, loyal people.—I. F. Younger, Pastor.

Kennard, Ohio—In May our church had a good revival with Evangelist R. M. Banning. The church was stirred and prayed much. God answered and gave victory with twenty-six seekers. Brother Banning preached the truth and God rewarded his efforts. This is a rural church with a real opportunity. On Mother's Day we had ninety-one in Sunday school. Harold E. Platter, Pastor.

Stockton, California—First Church has just closed a splendid year of activity with a report of gains in almost every phase of the work. The present church membership is 226, a net gain of 25; the Sunday-school average attendance (weekly) for the past year was 245. We paid \$2,400 to the General Budget, with the 10 per cent plan in operation throughout the year. The N.Y.P.S. pays \$40 each month to district home missions. We are most happy to report one hundred subscriptions for the *HERALD OF HOLINESS*, and 155 for the *Other Sheep*. God's blessings are upon the congregation, with many souls praying through to victory in the regular Sunday services. We are accepting a unanimous call of the congregation to return for the seventh year.—Floyd W. Hawkins, Pastor.

Richmond, Kentucky—The divine visitation upon our recent revival was marvelous indeed. The altar and front seats were filled with seekers time and again in the meeting; in one service the altar filled without preaching. Rev. Victor Gray, superintendent of East Tennessee District, was the evangelist, with Boyce and Catherine Pierce as the singers. We shall not soon forget this meeting. Our Easter offering was more than five times what it was last year.—Asa H. Sparks, Pastor.

Evangelist Lee L. Hamric reports: "God blessed and gave us a good revival at Bainbridge, Georgia, with Pastor Jim Pickrell. We had some most blessed altar services. Brother and Sister Pickrell have sacrificed much for the work there. We had some glorious services and victories in the meeting at New Smyrna Beach, Florida, with Pastor Charles Crauswell. Some fine young people prayed through to victory. Next to Bellflower, California, with Pastor Presson. God has blessed this work in a marvelous way since we were here five years ago. Happy to meet many of my old friends out here. I go next to Valdosta, Georgia, June 10 to 24 and have some open time after that which I'd be glad to slate in Florida or Georgia. Write me at my home address, 766 Sycamore St., Abilene, Texas."

Pastor W. E. Carlton reports from St. Louis, Missouri: "Through much fasting and prayer on the part of our good people, God has given North Side Church one of the best revivals in our ministry. We secured the services of Rev. Shaddix Sumner, pastor of our Wellston Church, for the first week. Feeling led to continue the meeting, the pastor preached the second week, during which there was not a barren service. In two services the Holy Spirit came upon the people in such a way as to give good altar services without any preaching. So wonderfully did the Spirit work that

some people could not sleep for conviction; restitutions were made, backsliders of long standing were brought in, and some were gloriously sanctified. We deeply appreciated the co-operation of the good pastor and people from Wellston church, also laymen from other churches. Since coming to this church one year ago in February, we have had good revivals with Rev. M. Hamilton, Rev. Glenn Griffith, and a short meeting with our own district superintendent, Rev. E. D. Simpson. We greatly appreciated the ministry of all these brethren. The church has received us royally, raised our salary twice, and recently gave us a unanimous three-year call. They have bought a good parsonage next door to the church, the Sunday school is having a substantial increase, and finances are better than ever—our people are becoming loyal tithers."

Bay City, Michigan—Closing one of the best years of my ministry in soul winning as a pastor. There have been 193 souls at the altar in the eleven months I have been here, having seen wonderful manifestations of the Holy Spirit in our services. The church is moving along beautifully in all departments. Have received a nice class into membership, all budgets are paid in full, and the General Budget on the 10 per cent basis is well overpaid. We have had a good call for another year. I'm serving a grand people and never have been treated better by any church.—E. Van Houghton, Pastor.

Evangelist A. G. Weiss reports: "The Lord gave us two wonderful meetings on the Akron District. At LaCroft Church we had forty-eight seekers, and many of the local people said it was one of the best meetings they had had in a long time. We were at Gardendale Church, Wednesday night through Sunday; in that short time, with no advertising, and the pastor working full time, the Lord gave us a wonderful time with ten seeking God in a definite way. Also, I greatly enjoyed hearing Mrs. Eva Gardner speak at First Church in East Liverpool, and attending the Akron District Assembly. I look forward to returning to Ohio for two meetings this fall. My home address, 212 E. Santa Fe, Olathe, Kansas."

Bluefield, West Virginia—Our revival in April was one of the most successful this church has had in recent years. Evangelist Earl Starnes did a splendid job in preaching, assisted by Mr. A. C. Wakefield as singer. There was good attendance, and on the first Sunday morning God gave more than thirty seekers at the altar, with about seventy-five finding God during the meeting. Truly this was an outstanding revival. A generous love offering was given to the pastor and wife. Rev. and Mrs. Paul

Fitch came to us shortly after Christmas of 1950, and have been very successful in their work here.—Reporter.

Greenville, Tennessee—In April we had a great meeting with Evangelist Charles Haden and wife as the special workers. Under the sound and Spirit-anointed preaching of Brother Haden, a good number sought the Lord for pardon or purity. Sister Haden is a fine singer, and was a great blessing in the meeting and at the parsonage. We have called these fine folks to return in '52. Finances came easily, with a nice love offering for the pastor. We are closing our fourth year with these good people, and truly God has blessed in a marvelous way.—R. C. Stinnett, Pastor.

Evangelists Ira and Naomi Fowler report: "Truly, the God of Elijah still lives, for we have seen the fire falling mightily in recent weeks. Our revival in Cumberland, Maryland, with Pastor Joseph Byers, was owned and blessed of the Lord in every way. Night after night the power of the Spirit came on the services, and from the first to the last souls sought and found God in pardon and heart purity—seventy-two in all. In Ryot, Pennsylvania, with Pastor J. Low, the church was packed to capacity, and many were reached for the Kingdom. Due to a couple of unexpected cancellations, we have two dates open for the fall. Our program is complete with preaching, singing, poems, and music; write us, Holywood, Maryland."

St. Petersburg, Florida—On November 2, 1946, Rev. and Mrs. Don Irwin came to pastor First Church, injecting new life into the small congregation. Various departments responded quickly, especially the Sunday school, and attendance at all services showed a rapid increase. In 1947, the old church was sold and ground broken for a new church on Ninth Avenue North at 13th Street. As soon as the basement was completed, services were conducted, while the main auditorium was being finished. God answered the prayers of this young pastor and united people, giving a good growth numerically and spiritually. In July of 1948 District Superintendent John L. Knight dedicated the building to God. His seal has been upon the church these five years, with scores converted, backsliders reclaimed, and believers sanctified at our altars. Also, it has been our privilege to co-operate with the district in establishing a home mission church in our city. Brother Irwin was given a good call for another year, but felt God leading him to accept the unanimous call to Central Church in Orlando. We are now in the closing of a revival with Mrs. Estelle Crutcher, evangelist. God is blessing and giving souls. Brother

Irwin has built well here, and there are ninety-three members to greet our new pastors, Rev. and Mrs. Jimmy Heasley.—Church Reporter.

Tiffin, Ohio—On May 6 we closed a good revival with Rev. Charles Lipker as evangelist, and the Musical Carlsens as musicians and singers. Brother Lipker preached with the anointing of God, and Harry and Esther Carlsen sang and played for the glory of God. We had the largest crowds in the history of the church, many new friends were made, and we greatly appreciated the clear and fundamental preaching of Brother Lipker. A number of souls bowed at the altar and prayed through for salvation and entire sanctification. The church is in good spiritual condition, and we have a fine people.—Cecil Hayes, Pastor.

Evangelists Ralph and Lillian Mickel report: "We desire to praise God for His many blessings upon us. During our three years and three months in the evangelistic field we have conducted sixty-three revivals, thirty-seven of which have been on the Washington-Philadelphia District (our home district). God has answered prayer and given revivals which have been rated by many of the churches as the best in their history. Our slate is full for the remainder of this year. Our home address is Alum Bank, Pennsylvania."

Greenville, South Carolina—First Church recently concluded ten days of special meetings with Rev. R. H. Gleason as evangelist. The church was helped by the preaching and teaching of Brother Gleason, and new contacts were made for the Sunday school. The church has a renewed determination to carry on in spite of many obstacles, and we have set a goal of one thousand dollars to be raised by July, so we may be able to finish the interior of the church and repair the parsonage.—Reporter.

Red Oak, Iowa—Mrs. King and I consider it a great pleasure to serve God and our church here. This is the town where Dr. P. F. Bresee pastored and had his greatest revival while still in the Methodist church. God still lives and has again made himself known in our recent revival with Rev. A. G. Parmenter as evangelist. Night after night Brother Parmenter preached with the unction of the Holy Spirit, and the altars were filled with families weeping and praying their way into the Kingdom. Seekers came with one purpose—to find the Lord. New converts shouted like old-time saints, and restitution became the order of the day. During this revival tide, District Superintendent Gene Phillips came and organized us into the Church of the Nazarene. God met with us and manifested His presence in our midst.—Charles L. King, Pastor.

First Church, East Liverpool, Ohio

In impressive ceremonies on May 13 the beautiful building pictured here was dedicated by Dr. Hardy C. Powers as the new house of worship for First Church in East Liverpool. The building fund was started during the pastorate of Rev. H. Dale Mitchell; lots were purchased downtown during the pastorate of Rev. E. W. Martin; and under the leadership of the present pastor, the building has been planned and erected. Erection began with the driving of concrete pilings for sure foundation in the fall of 1949; the cornerstone was laid in the spring of 1950; and the building was occupied by the congregation on April 22, 1951. This is a high point in God's leadership in this great church, for He has sealed the move with mighty outpourings of His Spirit in a wonderful undercurrent of blessing in all the services. Souls have been at the altar and tears have anointed the mercy seat. On dedication day, 950 were in the completely departmentized Sunday school. The building has auditoriums and classrooms for each of seven departments, a total of seven auditoriums, and twenty classrooms, besides a study and office for the church. Dr. Powers preached with anointing and blessing to the one thousand who attended the afternoon dedication ceremony, in which representatives of the city, the city ministers and church officials, and our district superintendent, Rev. O. L. Benedum (who pastored this church for sixteen years preceding his election to the superintendency), participated. The service was a marvel of liberty and blessing from God. The building is of brick and stone exterior, the basement interior of light green glazed tile; the wood work in the building is white oak beautifully stained in dull light oak. The ceiling of the sanctuary is of exposed beam construction, and the lighting is traditional chandelier with supplemental



hidden floodlights. In the tower is installed a carillon sound system playing bells. The cost of the building was just under the \$250,000 mark; the indebtedness, handled by a local bank, is well cared for in monthly payments the church can handle. Services at the church feature a splendid orchestra, an exceptional choir, Baldwin organ and piano, and other exceptional musical groups. Best of all, God is with us. In the

year just closed, the average Sunday-school attendance was 513 for the fifty-two Sundays. The Sunday-night-service attendance averaged just above 350. We raised above \$60,000 cash for all purposes, and we are a "10 per cent" church. In the spring, preceding Easter, we had a wonderful revival with Evangelist Sammy Sparks, and Mrs. Thelma Butts, singer, as special workers.—C. L. Rodda, Pastor.

Chaplain Everett D. Penrod (Maj.) USAF, writes: "Being suddenly recalled into the air force as a chaplain closed my three-year ministry in Redlands, California. I accepted the church in 1948 while still on active duty and resigned my commission to return to the civilian pastorate. This has been a most fruitful three years, and surely bore the mark of divine guidance. During these three years the church was in a continual building program: digging out and making a full basement, redecorating and designing the interior of the entire church, and finally building an annex 30 x 90 feet. The latter was not finished when I had to respond to the reserve call-up. Every department in the church has shown at least a 30 per cent increase; many new departments added, and a continual revival spirit upon the congregation. This is a united church, full of sincere people striving to do the will of God. To leave this good people was the hardest thing this preacher has

been called upon to do—even harder than going overseas during the last war. However, I know the hand of God is guiding me, and I shall give the chaplaincy the best I have and trust God to make me a blessing. I will be stationed at Mt. Home Air Force Base, Mt. Home, Idaho, and shall appreciate knowing of any Nazarene men being sent there."

Anderson, Indiana—Goodwin Memorial Church recently had the privilege of having District Superintendent W. E. Albea of Western Ohio as the evangelist in our revival meeting. His messages were of the old-fashioned, understandable, hard-hitting type, backed up with a spirit that won the hearts of the people. Several souls sought God at the altar, among them middle-aged people for whom loved ones had been praying for years. Miss Helen Quillin did fine work as song evangelist. She knows how to pray, carries the burden of

the meeting, is a good song leader and a very fine soloist. Under the leadership of these splendid workers, the church received a great lift, and the revival fires continue to burn.—Orville W. Rees, Pastor.

Wabash, Indiana—In May we had a very gracious revival with Evangelist Maurice E. Turner and wife as the special workers. God met with us from night to night through the good spiritual program that the Turners promote. They are sweet-spirited and carry a burden that brings results. We have received twenty new members so far this year. The Sunday-school department has enjoyed an increase in two years of fifty-eight per Sunday; and the church is going "over the top" in the missionary budget of \$700. On Sunday, May 13, the church gave the pastor a nearly unanimous call for another year, also gave him a ten-dollar-per-week increase in salary.—E. Leroy Stafford, Pastor.

Holly, Colorado—Recently we had a good revival with Rev. Thomas Hayes, evangelist, and Rev. and Mrs. Charles Little, musicians. This was our first revival since organization. Brother Hayes's soul-stirring, Spirit-anointed messages were a great blessing to the church, and resulted in men and women praying through at the altar to definite experiences of salvation and entire sanctification. Brother Hayes also brought a great message of tithing, and organized a tithing band; this will be a great help to this new work. We praise God for the victories won.—Woodrow Lamb, Pastor.

Evangelist Robert S. Bradley reports: "It has been my privilege to enjoy the blessings of God in services with pastors and people at West Main Street Church, Fort Wayne, where Brother Calvin Wheedon and people have purchased a fine parsonage and new church site; enjoyed a season of refreshing with Pastor Ray Shadowens at Berne, and at Ossian, Indiana, with Brother Small. Then to Hialeah, Florida, where Pastor John Maurice and people are completing a much-needed church auditorium; at Homestead with Brother E. D. Messer, who is doing a great work; at Hollywood, where Brother Leonard Mance is advancing in a new church recently completed; and the Lord blessed at Archer, Florida, where Brother J. V. Fredrick is pastor. Found very responsive audiences at First Church, Atlanta, Georgia, with Pastor Wendell Wellman, and at Science Hill, Kentucky, with Pastor L. Otis. Our life-size Lord's Supper picture gave us an attractive background for our cardinal doctrine of holiness as hidden in Jewish rituals of today and the origin and significance of the sacrament. Our

church school plan was received graciously everywhere. I'm now in Fort Wayne, and have some open dates; write me, 849 Columbia Avenue, Fort Wayne, Indiana."

Albany, New York—We have had one of the most gracious revivals of our ministry with Evangelists Paul and Helen Mayfield. God blessed and gave many seekers at the altar, and every department of the church has been revived. Many of the youth of our church seem to have gotten established in their experiences. The crowds during the revival amplified the necessity of a new church building. The architect is now drawing plans for a new church for Albany.—C. W. Lindeman, Pastor.

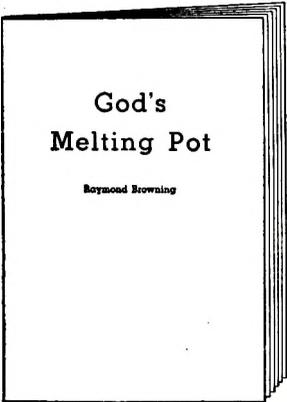
Pastor H. A. Casey reports from Winter Haven, Florida: "God has been good to us during our work here. We have more than doubled our membership, built a 30 x 60-foot Sunday-school annex, completely remodeled the sanctuary, and installed new pews and pulpit furniture. Much credit is due the good evangelists who have been with us in meetings. Evangelists Charles Haden, Clyde Rodgers, and Jimmie and Fern Heasley were especially used of the Lord in revivals here. Recently we returned from a trip to Europe and the Holy Land, and feel we never can be the same after visiting the "Upper Room" in Jerusalem. The service with Rev. del Rosso in Rome and with Brother Tink in London can never be forgotten. It is with regret that we leave our good people in Winter Haven, for they have stood by us in our joys and sorrows. We have accepted the call to our First Church in Miami. If you have boys in the armed forces there, write me and I'll be glad to contact them."

Evangelist Carmon G. Sloan reports: "After entering the evangelistic field March 1, I have been kept busy, for which I do praise the Lord. In the the meeting in Fairfax, Alabama, I served as the singer with Rev. H. H. Hooker as evangelist. The Lord wonderfully blessed, and Pastor J. W. Chambers and wife, with their more than twenty years of successful pastoral work, were a great blessing to me. At Selma, Alabama, in a five-day convention with Pastor E. J. Miller, God gave us a breaking through of a two-week revival. Then to Ensley Church in Birmingham with Rev. George Ball, where we had a real indoor camp meeting. At Doyle, Tennessee, a rural church, with Rev. S. T. Cashdollar, God gave a veritable Pentecost. Night after night the altar was lined with seekers, with a large class baptized and received into church membership. Had a very profitable five-day convention at Tullahoma, Tennessee, with Rev. A. A. Forsythe, and this also was a two-week revival result. I have an open date in June, one the first of September, and two this fall; will accept calls as either singer or evangelist, or both. Write me, P.O. Box 287, Paris, Tennessee."

Evangelists Edward R. Ferguson and wife write, "We have an open date, August 7 to 19, en route from Ontario, Canada, to a camp meeting in Meansville, Georgia; would be happy to slate this time with any church en route. Write us, Box 542, Port Huron, Michigan."

Carmi, Illinois—Our church has had a very fine revival with Evangelist Earl Starnes. God blessed and gave many good victories at the altar, with the church mightily stirred and blessed and determined to go forward. A generous love offering was given to the pastor. Brother Starnes is a man of God and a stirring evangelist. A return date is being arranged.—C. E. Fritsch, Pastor.

Annapolis, Maryland—Eastport Church recently enjoyed a wonderful revival with Evangelist R. E. Mortensen preaching forceful messages under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. God was present throughout these services, and the people enjoyed Brother Mortensen's old-fashioned gospel preaching. The services were well attended and souls found victory at the altar of prayer. There was a great manifestation of God's Spirit on the morning of the closing Sunday—folks forgot about dinner and praised the Lord until nearly two o'clock. Eastport has been and is making advancement for God under the able leadership of Pastor Wm. W. Restrict and his wonderful wife. They are completing their first year here, and the church has extended them a unanimous one-year recall, following by a three-year call. The spiritual condition of the church is high. If



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you have friends at the North Severn Naval and Marine Base near Annapolis, send names and addresses to our pastor at 711 Severn Ave., Eastport, Annapolis. He will be glad to be of any assistance possible.—George Shiflett, Reporter.

Sioux City, Iowa—First Church recently enjoyed one of the best meetings we have had for some time, with Rev. W. M. Tidwell and Rev. Oakley Ethington as the special workers. Brother Tidwell's preaching was of the highest order, and he preaches with the power and vigor of a much younger man. His morning Bible classes were very outstanding, and almost every evening service closed with seekers at the altar. No one could have worked harder and left a greater impression for the cause of holiness than did Brother Tidwell; we are thankful for his visit to our church. The singing and spirit of Brother Ethington were much appreciated. We are grateful to God for workers like these. Our church continues to advance. We are completing our Sunday-school annex, which will enable us to further enlarge our growing Sunday school. Our largest attendance for the year was 368, with an average in April of 242. The new annex will give us a chance to increase our Sunday school during the days we are raising money to build our new church; we have over \$20,000 in pledges toward the new church.—R. E. Hodgson, Pastor.

Orange, Texas—Our recent revival was one of the best this church has known in years. Rev. Holland B. London, the special worker, preached with the anointing of God upon him in every service. Many souls found God as Saviour and Sanctifier. We had the best attendance in any revival in this church for years. Surely God has been good to this church.—Reporter.

Rev. M. M. Snyder reports: "After spending nearly fourteen years in and around New Orleans, Louisiana, we took a leave for a sixty-day trip to our mission fields in British Honduras, Guatemala, and Nicaragua. While there the Central Church at El Dorado, Arkansas, called us as pastor, to help in the building of a church, educational center, and parsonage. We filled the pulpit for the first time on Sunday, February 26, 1950, using the Seventh Day Advent building. This little group of folks had purchased a lot for \$2,500 and had it paid down to \$1,250, with no improvements. After much hard work we dedicated the property out of debt, with a beautiful, brick-vener, seven-room parsonage, which we are using as the church auditorium and Sunday-school rooms while we build the church. Our men worked days and nights when off from their regular jobs, and the women assisted

in every way possible. The property now has a value of \$8,500 and is out of debt. On a recent Sunday, District Superintendent W. H. Johnson was with us to celebrate the third anniversary of the church, and preside at the ground-breaking ceremony for the new church edifice and educational center. We have a fine group of young people, a thriving W.F.M.S., and a good, growing Sunday school. This is a great company of faithful, loyal, tithing Nazarenes, always ready to go, to watch, and to pray. The recent home-going of our faithful pianist, singer, and assistant Sunday-school superintendent, Charles R. Smith, was a great shock to all of us; we are sure our loss is his gain."

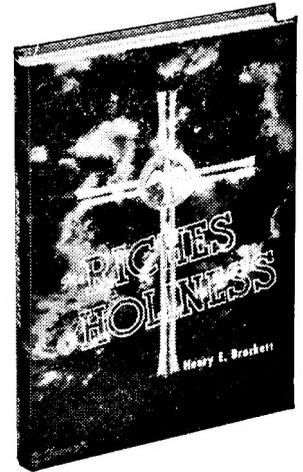
Salisbury, North Carolina—First Church recently had a most inspiring revival with Rev. Wm. Deal as the evangelist. He preached with the anointing of God in every service, and the church was greatly quickened and refreshed. Many souls sought and obtained definite help from God. We greatly appreciated the Spirit-filled ministry of Brother Deal, and thank God for sending him our way.—Mrs. E. Riddle, Reporter.

Halesburg Church, Vallonia, Indiana, recently had a revival with Evangelist J. L. Longnecker. The meeting was a real blessing to the church, with some saved and others sanctified. Brother Longnecker did some wonderful preaching under the anointing of the Holy Spirit. Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Baughman came to us last October, and we love and appreciate them. Brother Baughman is an excellent leader and preacher, and a man of God. We have redecorated our church and parsonage, and almost paid the debt on our classrooms.—Emma Wheeler, Secretary.

Canadian, Texas—Our church recently enjoyed a real reviving from God through His servant, Evangelist Herschel Murphy. All who came enjoyed the old-fashioned, uncompromising preaching of Brother Murphy. Souls were saved and the church helped and blessed.—H. C. Aten, Pastor.

Falls City, Nebraska—Since our coming to this church last November, God has graciously blessed. We have held two one-week preaching conventions in which God gave us good attendance, and helped us to preach with the anointing of the Spirit. Recently we were blessed by the ministry of Brother John Stockton, our general church treasurer, in a week-end convention. In May we had a good revival with Evangelist A. F. Balsmeier. His rich, rugged messages with his mellow spirit made the services something we shall all remember. Plans are now under way for the adding of a new unit to our building.—Joseph and Ruth Gray, Pastors.

Cheyenne, Wyoming—God is blessing First Church. During the past three months a revival spirit has prevailed, resulting in seventy-nine seekers during our regular services. According to charter members, the recent revival was the best in the history of the church. Evangelist Alva O. Estep preached the old rugged gospel with no uncertain sound, the Christians prayed and fasted, and conviction seized the unsaved. From the first service, seekers at the altar prayed through to definite experiences. Our young people, who comprise three-fourths of our congregation, took an active part in the revival, some of them praying until three o'clock in the morning. The scene-o-felt illustrations by Brother Estep were of interest to young and



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old alike, and Mrs. Estep blessed our hearts with her singing and faithfulness in prayer. The closing Sunday was a grand climax; in the Sunday-school hour in the young people's classroom a prayer meeting broke out and a young man was converted. The spirit continued, and in the morning worship service the congregation broke out in song and shouts—seven came seeking God. After a stirring message, we had another altar service, with more shouts of victory. A number of men from Warren Air Force Base found satisfaction in Christ during this revival. In the closing service we were privileged to have Dr. and Mrs. George Franklin from Northwest Indiana District with us; he spoke during the young people's hour.

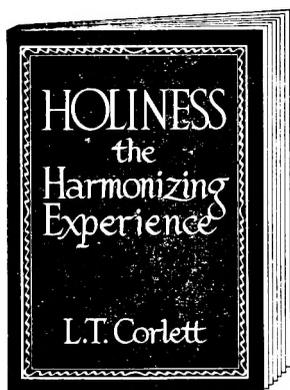
There were twenty-five seekers at the altar in the closing service; two hundred during the twelve days. A generous love offering was given to the pastor and wife. The Esteps endeared themselves to all, and we want them to return.—I. F. Rodeffer, Pastor.

Bedford, Pennsylvania—Under the leadership of Pastor Leonard Wright our church has had a profitable year. An unusual spirit prevailed throughout the church, with revival fires burning when our revival started on April 26. Rev. Ralph Mickel was the evangelist, with his wife and sons ably assisting in the music, which was greatly enjoyed by all. Brother Mickel has unusual ability, and his messages were informative, inspirational, and evangelistic. God gave victory and about thirty seekers prayed through. The closing Sunday was a glorious day—all Sunday-school attendance records broken, the church filled to capacity, and at night \$925 raised in cash and pledges toward the building program. Help us pray for the new church building we need so much.—Mrs. Andrew Conner, Reporter.

um each Sunday morning, eight to nine o'clock, over station WGRC, with reports of good reception four hundred miles away. Pastor and ministers of music given a good raise in salary with a month's vacation each year. Under leadership of organizer and pastor, Rev. D. D. Lewis, and ministers of music, Harry and Ruth Huff, and a praying, blessed people, a revival spirit prevails in the services. Only one Sunday in the last two years without souls praying through at the altar. We thank God for His blessings.—Reporter.

Pastor J. V. Langford writes: "We are completing three and one-half years of service as pastor of our San Jacinto Church in Amarillo, Texas. Substantial gains have been made along every line, and we have erected a Sunday-school building at a cost of \$40,000; it provides an auditorium seating 300, and thirty-two rooms, including four assembly rooms. Also, a parsonage has been purchased at a cost of \$10,000. Recently we enjoyed a good revival with Evangelist W. H. Snow. We deeply appreciate Brother Snow and his preaching. Our next field of labor will be with our church at Baldwin Park, California."

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Garden City, Kansas—The Lord is blessing here. Since our last report, we have been privileged to have for week-end conventions and special services Dr. G. B. Williamson, Dr. Samuel Young, Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt, and Dr. L. A. Reed. Our evangelists also have challenged us with soul-stirring messages. Recently we closed a meeting with Rev. Jack Hamilton as evangelist, and Miss Zelma Lister, our local director of music, as song evangelist. This was a blessed meeting. I'm sure I've never seen more fasting and praying on the part of young people. God honored prayer and gave a great time of salvation. During the month of April we received eighteen into church membership—representing nine new families. Within the last four years our membership has increased from 61 to 125, Sunday-school attendance from 80 to 205, and total property valuation from \$10,000 to over \$53,000. On Sunday, May 13, we accepted a good call for our fifth year with this church. If you have friends here, write us at 505 Elm Street.—George M. Lake, Pastor.

Louisville, Kentucky—Broadway Church is happy to report the most successful year in its nine years of history. We praise God for three great revivals, one of them with Dr. Howard Jerrett at his best and God's anointing power on him each night. All departments are going "over the top" spiritually, numerically and financially. For the last month our Sunday school averaged 638 per Sunday. Pastor recently moved into new \$20,000 parsonage. Great radio program broadcast from church auditori-

Grover City, California—We are completing our second year as pastor of this fine little church. We have had a good year, and all departments of the church show an increase. Our recent revival, with Evangelists Curtice Powell and James Miranda, of Pasadena College, was a time of blessing and salvation. God used these young men in a wonderful way as they sang and preached in the Spirit. It is a joy to serve this wonderful people, a beautiful spirit of unity prevails, and we are encouraged to press the battle for God and souls.—R. E. Bebout, Pastor.

Evangelist F. P. Cassidy reports: "The Lord has been graciously blessing our efforts to preach His unsearchable Word in the power of the Holy Ghost. Among our meetings since January 1, we have labored with Pastor Charles Bauerle at Mansfield, Illinois, where we conducted a three-week revival; with Rev. Mrs. V. Bailey at Laurel, and Rev. Russell Shalley at Garrett, Indiana; and then to Tipp City, Ohio, with Rev. T. E. Pendleton. I never have worked with a finer class of pastors nor had better co-operation than these gave me. We had nights of prayer, with both young and old praying through to definite victory. Time and again waves of glory swept over the congregation, and hungry hearts were anointed by the Spirit of God. All departments of the church received help, and some fine folks were received into full membership. At this writing I am enjoying another outpouring of God's grace at our Virginia

Avenue Church in Connersville, Indiana, with Rev. Marvin Cooper and wife. They have a fine class of people, especially young folks, and God is honoring with seekers at the altar. I have some open time in June that I'd like to fill in the Middle West. Write me, 814 Idlewild Court, Lexington, Kentucky."

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction" (Proverbs 1:7).

Nicaraguan District Assembly

The fifth annual district assembly of Nicaragua was held April 18 to 20 at Granada. The Sunday school, young people's and missionary conventions were held Monday afternoon and Tuesday; messages brought during these services were searching and challenging.

It was a privilege and a blessing to have Mrs. Louise Chapman as the special speaker during the assembly. How our hearts were warmed and stirred by her messages! Many souls bowed at the altar seeking God for pardon and heart purity.

Under the direction of Rev. Harold Stanfield, the business sessions went according to order. All the thirteen pastors were present to give their reports. It was encouraging to note that, beside their regular church services, the pastors are going to unevangelized places preaching and winning souls. We praise the Lord for the progress made.

The five o'clock morning prayer meetings were times of blessing. A spirit of fellowship and unity prevailed throughout the week.

On Friday afternoon a large group gathered on the banks of Lake Nicaragua for the baptismal service. Among the twenty-nine candidates were an ex-priest and his wife whom the Lord had called out from the darkness of Catholicism.

We left the assembly with the feeling that it was good to have been there, and with a renewed purpose to do our best for Christ and His cause.

LESPEL HEFLIN, Reporter

Albany District Youth Convention

The young people of the Albany District met May 4 and 5 for their annual convention, in the spacious new church edifice in Niagara Falls, New York, with Rev. Paul S. Gilmore, host pastor.

The convention, under the able leadership of District President Anthony B. Sampson, who was re-elected on the first ballot, reached new heights of spiritual blessing. Rev. Wm. Summerscales of Toronto, an able speaker, thrilled the youth as he presented the challenge of the gospel of Jesus Christ to a fine youth group of 250. A sixteen-voice choir of Christian youth

from Buffalo First Church furnished the special music for the evening services.

The president reported a gain of 125 in membership, with 5 new societies organized. The Waverly home-mission project, supported for the past two years by the district N.Y.P.S., reported an average of 82 in Sunday school for April, with Rev. James Siglin doing outstanding work. The district youth pledged financial support this year to Potsdam, and District Superintendent Renard D. Smith announced the new pastors to be Rev. and Mrs. Roy Carnahan; he graduated this year from our Seminary.

Rev. Homer Smith was re-elected as first vice-president. Rev. Stanford E. Ernest, re-elected as second vice-president, will direct the institute this year, with Dr. Mel-Thomas Rothwell, professor of philosophy at Eastern Nazarene College, as the special worker. Rev. Paul Gilmore and Mr. Elmer Brigham were re-elected as secretary and treasurer respectively. Don Passenau and Philby Patch were elected as teen-age representatives to the district council.

The three societies winning the scholarships to Eastern Nazarene College, based on membership increase, were: first, Saratoga Springs; second, Valois; and third, Syracuse. Reading awards were presented to, first, Margaretville; second, Ogdensburg; and third, Gouverneur.

New York state presents a great challenge to the Albany District youth, and prayer is requested for God's special anointing.

STANFORD E. ERNEST, Reporter

N.Y.P.S. Convention Oregon Pacific District

April 5 and 6 undoubtedly will go down in the history of our district young people's society as days of special merit in determining the future of the organization. Last year's convention, held in conjunction with the White Branch Camp and institute, ordered the new district council to study the advisability of having a separate convention in the spring. The council voted unanimously to hold the convention April 5 and 6. The wonderful representation of both delegates and friends, together with the beautiful spirit of fellowship and blessing that pervaded every session, gave rise to unanimous acclaim of the new venture and the resultant vote for its continuance.

The host church in Corvallis and its pastor, Rev. Marvin Sporleder, provided very efficiently for the nearly one hundred and fifty delegates.

Rev. Lawrence H. Bone, district president, presided graciously over all the sessions. The high regard in which "Larry" is held by the young people of the district was evidenced by their fine vote of re-election on Friday morning. This was especially significant in view of the fact that

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SERVICEMEN'S CORNER

WE HAVE just received word from Rev. J. Lowell George that he has returned to the chaplaincy. He is with the air force located at Moody Air Force Base, Valdosta, Georgia.

We wish to share with you some letters we have received from our servicemen and chaplains.

"I was very happy to receive your letter. I do not have too much spare time, but God will give me time to read these papers. I am trusting in Him. I have found the Nazarenes wherever I have gone, and they are all standing true to God."—CHARLES I. LUCAS, U.S.S. Van Valkenburgh.

"We sure have a wonderful church at Columbia, South Carolina, and Brother Cloer is a wonderful man of God. I sure did enjoy being with them. They were all so nice. I am at Ft. Benning, Georgia, now. I have found a church here. Thank God, we can find good Christian people everywhere we go. I thank God for each and every one of my Christian friends, and their prayers. I have been a Christian since 1949, and I am going through with Jesus. We have lots of trials and temptations here in the army. But we sure can live a Christian life here. The Lord will see us through. He's a Saviour to be proud of."—JACK C. THOMAS, Ft. Benning, Georgia.

"I conduct services at the gun positions each Sunday for those men restricted and alerted for duty, which usually means most of them are on pass or attend church here on the base where they are quartered. However, these small groups have proved to be encouraging because of the freedom and informality of spirit and opportunity. During many of these services we have had opportunity to pray with men who would have felt restrained at the chapel. We had one young man who could not seem to stop drinking. He came to my office for help and we prayed together. He prayed and wept for some time and since has not tasted whisky.

"I visited Pfc. Caniel Fearn at 172 Station Hospital last week. I appreciated the fact you wrote to me about him. While there I visited 1st Lt. Tondra Border. These are two fine Christian young men we can be more than proud of. In fact, they were a spiritual encouragement to me."

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it carried in the face of Brother Bone's request that he be relieved of the duties of the district office.

Dr. L. T. Corlett, president of our own Northwest Nazarene College, was the special speaker. His knowledge of the problems of youth, as well as his wide experience in dealing with them, sounded a practical note that was a great blessing to our young people.

More than two hundred young people were in attendance at the banquet held in the Benton Hotel on Thursday evening. Rev. W. D. McGraw, new pastor at Portland Central Church, was the special speaker.

The influence of our good district superintendent and wife, Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Hess, added a necessary touch. Sunday, April 8, being the Hesses thirty-first wedding anniversary, a fellowship luncheon was arranged in their honor following the Thursday evening service.

ROBERT HEMPEL, District Secretary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTICE—For five years Rev. Leo Baldwin has been in charge of the work of establishing the Church of the Nazarene in the Territory of Hawaii. Commendable progress has been made. In consideration for his son's health, Brother Baldwin now feels he must return to the mainland. He is arriving early in June, and expects to live in Santa Cruz, California. He will be available for revivals and conventions. He is a good preacher and will do acceptable work anywhere. Address him c/o 2923 Troost Ave., P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 10, Mo.—G. B. Williamson, General Superintendent.

RECOMMENDATION—I am glad to recommend to our people Evangelist Charles E. Nelson and wife. They are good, sincere workers. Address them, Rogers, Arkansas.—W. H. Johnson, Superintendent of Arkansas District.

WEDDING BELLS—Miss Marilyn Will of Azusa and Mr. James Browning of Glendora, California, were united in marriage on February 21, in the Glendora Church of the Nazarene, with the pastor, Rev. Dick Martin, officiating.

BORN—to Professor and Mrs. James V. Cook of St. Louis, Missouri, twin boys, Alan Bryan and Alvin Bryan, on May 19.

—to Professor and Mrs. George C. Moore of Olivet Nazarene College, Kankakee, Illinois, a daughter, Melinda Lou, on May 22.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Noble V. Hunt of Farnam, Nebraska, a daughter, Marsha Lynn, on May 23.

—to Mr. and Mrs. James C. Hollingsed, Jr., of Chicago Heights, Ill., a son, James Clinton III, on May 21.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Loren Leober of Connell, Wash., a daughter, Lorna Joy, on May 11.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Nutt of Kankakee, Ill., a son, Randall Bruce, on April 25.

—to Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Bowers of Little Rock, Ark., a daughter, Rebecca Lou, on May 11.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bible of Reading, Ohio, a daughter, Carol Lynn, on May 22.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a Christian friend in Georgia for "our son, that he will be saved to God, and from a very unsavory love affair which can only bring damnation to his soul"; by a mother in Oklahoma for her son and his wife, who are backsliders, and another son and wife, who are not saved—she believes God is able;

by a lady in Florida for a friend in a mental hospital who seems to have lost all faith in God, that the Lord may undertake in a special way.

Nazarene Camp Meetings

June 26 through July 4, Louisiana District N.Y. P.S. encampment and camp meeting; on U.S. 71 Hi-way, five miles north of Alexandria, La. Workers: Dr. T. M. Anderson, Rev. Bona Fleming and Leon Cook. Write Rev. Elbert Dodd, district superintendent, 1611 Henry St., Pineville, La.

June 28 through July 8, New York District Camp, at the district campgrounds, Beacon, N.Y. Workers: Dr. D. I. Vanderpool, Rev. T. E. Martin, Rev. J. H. Parker, preachers; Rev. and Mrs. Gilbert Rushford, singers and musicians. Dr. O. J. Finch, district superintendent.

July 6 through 15, Canada West District Camp, Red Deer, Alberta, Canada. Workers: Dr. C. B. Strang, Rev. Paul and Monica Martin, Rev. Norman Oke, Professor Ray H. Moore, Rev. George Hansford, and Miss Jean Darling, missionary. Dr. Edward Lawlor, district superintendent. For information write the camp secretary, Rev. Weldon Bull, 12702 123rd St., Edmonton, Alberta.

July 20 to 29, Fifth annual Central Ohio District Camp, on campgrounds in North Columbus, Ohio, on Morse Road between Cleveland Avenue and the Three "C" Hi-way. Workers: Dr. Hardy C. Powers, Dr. Ralph Earle, Rev. Harold Volk, evangelists; Rev. W. W. Tink, song evangelist; Rev. and Mrs. Wm. O. Blue, youth workers; and Mrs. H. C. Little, children's worker. Dr. Harvey S. Galloway, district superintendent, service director. For information, write Rev. C. D. Westhafer, secretary, 319 Elm St., Ironton, Ohio.

District Assembly Information

NEW ENGLAND—Assembly, June 19 to 22, at Eastern Nazarene College Church, 37 E. Elm Avenue, Wollaston, Mass. Entertaining pastor: Dr. J. Glenn Gould, 29 Dunbarton Road, Wollaston 70, Mass. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

SOUTH DAKOTA—Assembly, June 20 and 21, at Mitchell Church, corner Ninth and Lawlor, Mitchell, South Dakota. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Edgar A. Kincaid, 114 East Ninth, Mitchell. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN—Assembly, June 20 to 22, at Billings First Church, Third Avenue North at 33rd Street, Billings, Montana. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Murray J. Pallett, 444 Yellowstone Avenue, Billings. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

MINNESOTA—Assembly, June 27 and 28, at First Church of the Nazarene, 12th Street and 7th Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Wm. F. Clay, 5005 Columbus Avenue. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

NEVADA-UTAH—Assembly, June 27 and 28, at Lee's Canyon, Clark County Recreational Park, Las Vegas, Nevada. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Robert Lundgren, P.O. Box 1192, Las Vegas. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool, presiding.

NORTH DAKOTA—Assembly, June 27 and 28, at Nazarene Campgrounds, Sawyer, North Dakota. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Michael Varro, Box 202, Sawyer. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

CANADA-WEST—Assembly, July 3 to 6, at Red Deer Church of the Nazarene, corner 48th Street and 50th Avenue, Red Deer, Alberta, Canada. Pastor: Rev. A. R. Gongwer, 4806—50th Street, Red Deer, Alberta. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

COLORADO—Assembly, July 4 and 5, on campgrounds, 1761 Dover Street, Lakewood, Colorado. Entertaining pastor: Rev. J. B. Miller, 503 Delaware, Denver. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

NEW YORK—Assembly, July 4 to 6, at the New York District Campgrounds, Groveville Park, Beacon, N.Y. Entertaining pastor: Rev. James L. Collum, 73 W. Center Street, Beacon. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

ALABAMA—Assembly, July 10 to 12, at the District Campground, Millport, Alabama. Rev. H. E. Benson, Route 1, Millport, will be the entertaining pastor. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

NORTHEASTERN INDIANA—Assembly, July 11 to 13, at district campground, Marion, Indiana (in northeastern part of city). Entertaining pastor: Rev. J. R. Shadowens, 1016 West Fifth Street, Marion. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

MARITIME—Assembly, July 11 and 12, at the Moncton Church of the Nazarene, corner of Pine and York Streets, Moncton, N.B. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Roy T. Sellick, 406 High Street, Moncton. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

MICHIGAN—Assembly, July 11 to 13, at the district campgrounds, Indian Lake, Vicksburg, Mich. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

CENTRAL OHIO—Assembly, July 17 to 20, at the Nazarene Campgrounds, Columbus, Ohio. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Miles A. Simmons, 481 Arden Road, Columbus 2, Ohio. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

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New England	June 20 to 22
West Virginia	July 5 to 7
Alabama	July 11 to 13
Central Ohio	July 18 to 20
Illinois	August 1 to 3
Missouri	August 8 to 10
Northwest Indiana	August 15 to 17
Western Ohio	August 22 to 24
Chicago Central	August 29 to 30
East Tennessee	September 5 and 6
Tennessee	September 12 to 14
Eastern Oklahoma	September 19 to 21

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Rocky Mountain	June 20 to 22
North Dakota	June 27 and 28
Canada West	July 4 to 6
Northeastern Indiana	July 11 to 13
Nebraska	July 18 to 20
Kansas	August 1 to 3
Iowa	August 8 to 10
Northwest Oklahoma	August 15 to 17
San Antonio	August 22 to 24
Kansas City	September 5 to 7
Abilene	September 12 to 14
Arkansas	September 19 to 21

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Colorado	July 4 to 6
Michigan	July 11 to 13
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Kentucky	August 8 and 9
Northwestern Illinois	August 15 and 16
Southwest Indiana	August 22 to 24
Indianapolis	August 29 to 31
Louisiana	September 5 to 7
Southwest Oklahoma	September 19 to 21

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Virginia	August 8 and 9
Wisconsin	August 16 and 17
Dallas	August 22 to 24
Houston	August 29 to 31
North Carolina	September 26 and 27
South Carolina	October 3 and 4
Georgia	October 10 and 11
Mississippi	October 17 and 18