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A Present Help

General Superintendent Young

BORN in the land of exile in an Eastern empire, he rose to a trusted place in the king's court. Then one day a few underground patriots from his own small and despised homeland reached him with the story of devastation, plunder, and oppression that had overtaken his beloved country, especially the capital city. The news floored him and brought mourning, copious tears, fasting, and a torrent of prayer. Before his God he placed his burden and desire. He acknowledged the sins and rebellion of his own nation and confessed that they were the true cause of the calamity and dissolution that had befallen them. Then he begged God for mercy, forgiveness, and restoration, and prayed for favor, especially with the king. For days this mood of depression and sadness possessed him as he went about his work.

Presently the king, observing the decided change in his heretofore pleasant cupbearer, asked the reason for this sadness. Thus cornered and thoroughly frightened, the young zealot confessed the whole story. When the king sensed that this exile

longed to do something himself about the broken walls of his capital city, he pressed his trusted servant further with, "For what dost thou make request?" Then came the patriot's short prayer for a quick answer, "So I prayed to the God of heaven." Presently to the king he outlined his needs: (1) a leave of absence; (2) letters of introduction; and (3) a letter of credit for materials. Immediately the king granted his desire and added a military escort besides.

Have you ever been in a corner when you were up against it, when the emergency of your need banished the niceties of formal worship? Have you ever called on God for help when the crisis came and your moments for reflection were reduced to split seconds? Have you ever tackled a job for God and His kingdom with an urgent sense of mission but with a feeling of frustration because there seemed to be no way through on the assignment? Do you need Him today—*now*? Then pray to Him this very moment, for the God of Nehemiah still lives and takes delight in handling cases thought impossible. *He is a present Help in time of need.*

"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 2:5).

TELEGRAMS

Honolulu—Hawaii District with 6 churches, 200 members, gave \$1,150.00 to the Thanksgiving offering. Honolulu First, with 100 members, gave \$750.00.—**CECL KNIPPERS**, District Superintendent.

Rochester, New York—Albany District on the march! Three churches organized since assembly. District Sunday-school record broken by Niagara Falls church with 455 present; Rochester Lake Avenue raised \$1,050.00 in Thanksgiving offering; Syracuse First Church paid all district budgets in full for year. New Sunday school started at Baldwinsville. Victory!—**RENARD D. SMITH**, District Superintendent.

WHY WE Should Support the Church

By J. Marvin Harrison*

WE SHOULD support the church, first of all, because it is the right thing to do. We believe that it is the duty of every citizen of any community to support the church wholeheartedly. None of us, regardless of how careless we may have become about the church, would be willing to live and rear our children in a town or community where the influence of the church is not felt. There are times when we may become so engrossed in the business of making money that we lose sight of the importance of the church for a while; then, when the tragic moment comes, we may be tempted to say, "Had the church not failed, this would not have happened." But such is not the case. It was not the church that failed, but some individual who failed the church.

Our institutions of correction are not being filled from homes where Dad and Mother go to Sunday school and church and take the children with them, but almost entirely from the homes where parents are careless about church attendance and the children are allowed to roam the streets instead of being in the house of God.

A certain criminal cost the government thousands of dollars in taxes, and finally met his death at the hands of the law. (No flowers grow on his grave because of the ground being trampled by the feet of the hundreds of people who visit it every year.) The father of the criminal said, "If I had not been too busy making money to take John to church, this would not have happened." If the church can reach our youth and save them

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from a life of crime, it will save the taxpayers thousands of dollars, and save mothers and fathers untold heartache. How can the church perform her mission in the world without the wholehearted support of the fathers and mothers of our town?

With our mouths we say we want the church, but if we fail to support the church with our time, our talents, and our means, then our actions are betraying us. Some people want the church if someone else will carry the load. Are we doing our part?

May God hasten the day when we will join in the fight against sin and the devil, no matter where the fight is being waged. At that time we will see our churches going forward with a conqueror's tread. Until we do that, we are not doing our best.

No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon (Luke 16:13).

1954

This is a new year
Blessed by God,
Sent to you,
Grasp it firmly;
You are its keeper.
Enjoy it;
Employ it
For God.

—MARGARET S. CONNELLY

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GLEANINGS

From the Office Editor's Desk

"May I try to tell you how much the October 21 issue of the **HERALD OF HOLINESS** helped me; so much that I would be glad to pay you for as large a number—up to 100—as you may be able to send me to mail and distribute among my friends, relatives, and neighbors. From Dr. Young's 'Smoking Lights,' Brother Wordsworth's 'Why I Believe in Sanctification,' Dr. Wiley's—our beloved college president—'The Nature of Entire Sanctification,' Helen E. Kelsen's 'Forgive,' to your heart-searching editorials, I found unusual blessing and help. After a year and a half of fiery trials, I surely was ready for the warnings, promises, and suggestions I found in every article and poem of this issue."—*A Nazarene Lady in Oklahoma.*

"... the **HERALD OF HOLINESS** has been sent to me by friends. Now I am sending for it myself and enclosing the \$1.50 for the 1954 subscription. Am very fond of the paper."—*A Lady in Massachusetts.*

"The **HERALD OF HOLINESS** is a wonderful thing to get each week—it is really a good friend of mine. I liked the lovely poem in the November 18 issue by Ruth Williams Crooks."—*A Lady in Massachusetts.*

"I wish to thank you for a very good paper [**HERALD OF HOLINESS**]. I look forward to its arrival and, as I am a shut-in, it fills a spot in my life."—*A Lady in California.*

"The **HERALD** is indeed a great paper and you deserve much credit and praise for its excellence."—*Retired Nazarene Elder in Tennessee.*

"Finished spot-reading the **HERALD OF HOLINESS**, including the 'Gleanings.' Very interesting letters and encouraging. Only a Nazarene a few months since moving here to a farm. We enjoy the **HERALD** from beginning to end, including the back cover also. The sermonettes by lay members are not 'over our heads'... Since being here we have established our family altar, which I don't know how we did without before."—*A New Nazarene in Wisconsin.*

To Leave Nothing Undone

By Thaine Sanford*

... he left nothing undone of all that the Lord commanded . . . (Josh. 11:15).

WHAT a glorious appraisal of a life; what a magnificent ending!

It is natural at the end of a given period—a day or a year—to reflect on those things which have just transpired. To note only accomplishments and achievement is, however, only a partial picture. To arrive at an accurate appraisal one must consider what could have been done. The comparison of the two will bring an incisive judgment.

The year just past has been a busy one. There has not been much idle time. Many and varied things have clamored for attention. But now as I look back I ask myself how many of those things were really important. How much did they contribute toward the ultimate objective of my life and the lives of those about me?

It is very easy to become absorbed in just *doing*—doing that which is entirely proper and wholesome, but while thus absorbed to leave undone those deeds which count most.

These few words of appraisal about Joshua say so much—that “he left nothing undone of all that the Lord commanded.” They probe my thinking; I want to reflect: Have I left undone some of the vital, primary matters of living?

Have I been negligent in my home? Have I been as appreciative of my loved ones as I should?

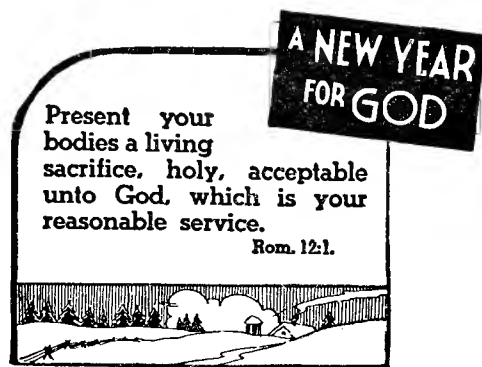
In my associations with people—friends, those with whom I work, the many folk whom I have met and with whom I have talked—have I been a positive influence? Has my life drawn them closer to God? Have I spoken words to those whom I may never meet here again that would point them to the One who can save and without whom they will be eternally lost? Oh, have I taken advantage of the many opportunities for service which have been mine this past year?

Let me look at myself. Am I better than I was a year ago? Has there been constant growing in grace and in spiritual stature? Is my grasp of the things of God clearer and stronger than heretofore? All this should be true, I believe. Is it? Have I prayed; have I searched the Word; have I been faithful to the means of grace? Have I omitted any of these weightier matters?

As I have pondered these questions, have you not formed your list, also? These are essentials to vital Christian living. Yet so often these are forced to give way to those things of lesser importance because of the rush of time and demand of activities.

I resolve that it will not be enough to be merely good—I must be always at my best. I shall not be satisfied with meager spiritual fare; God has a bountiful supply.

The Lord helping me, in the year ahead, 1954, I shall endeavor to leave nothing undone of those things God shows me—this is my New Year's resolution!



I Am Resolved—

By Robert L. Sawyer*

That Christ alone shall satisfy the longings of my soul. If with all my heart I desire the Lord, Him I shall find. The Psalmist cried, “One thing have I desired” (27:4) and that is the presence of God. He could say, The Lord is my Defense, my Protection, my never-failing Friend, my Teacher, my Source of Strength, my Light, and my Salvation. The highest goal, the peak of accomplishment is harmony with God—to feel, to work, to serve Him. This concentration will give to the Christian a wonderful peace of mind. No longer must there be a constant seeking for something new, for something never quite obtainable, for something within the grasp only suddenly to turn to ashes. All desires find their subordinate place in line with this supreme desire.

*All my life long I had panted . . .
Something that would satisfy; . . .
Hallelujah! I have found Him.*

That Christ alone shall captivate the searchings of my mind. From childhood to the grave, life consists in learning and wanting to know. The blind man whom Jesus healed could only answer to the inquisition, “One thing I know” (John 9:25), now I can see. Of the many fields of knowledge, there are great stores of facts that are relatively unimportant. In the realm of destruction and crime there is some very unnecessary knowledge, while in other realms we find no real basis for certainty; but one thing I must know as a Christian is that I am a child of God. By means of reason, of faith, and the witness of the Holy Spirit this experience becomes a reality for me. My boasting must be in the Lord. “I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day” (II Tim. 1:12).

That Christ alone shall motivate the adventures of my life. The Apostle Paul had one driv-

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ing purpose in his life, and that was to do the will of God. Life to him was a race to be run—forgetting the things behind and the crowds along the way, reaching and pressing toward the mark of the high calling in Jesus Christ. “This one thing I do” (Phil. 3:13). Some men are Jacks-of-all-trades; but all that a man can do well is one really big thing in life. The choice is up to the individual. Shall it be fame, fortune, money, or something else? Our lives can be like broad, sweeping rivers buoying commerce and excursion; or they can be like swamps that go nowhere, using up otherwise useful land, and breeding vermin and disease. There is only one life worth living. It can be realized only through satisfying the soul, gaining certainty and peace of mind, and concentrating all these resources in doing the work of the kingdom of God. I am resolved to give Christ pre-eminence.

CHECK YOUR TIME

By E. E. Wordworth*

See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil (Eph. 5:15, 16).

IN THE horse-and-buggy days dear old Grandfather never had to pay for time. He could drive to town, hitch his team to the hitching post, and spend as many hours as he wanted to without taking a penny from his purse to pay for time. No meter ticked out Grandfather's parking time, and no red indicator turned up on the hitching post with the word “Violation,” and no policeman left a “ticket” on the windshield, clamped under the arm of the wiper, calling for a fine to be paid at the traffic office.

But times have changed. Time does not wait for us to return with another coin. There's that resentful word “Violation.” Who invented parking meters anyway? Why did this town have to install them? Why did that cop come around right then—I was only five minutes (??) overtime. They are a public nuisance! Metered! Penalized! Fined! Me! Even me! Time is something one cannot see, hear, or feel. It can be measured and one can be penalized for its misuse.

Time is a gift from God to every man. What use are we making of it? (1) We should “walk circumspectly” with regard to God's will. (2) We should be wise in Christian knowledge and practice of divine truth. (3) We should “redeem the time” by buying up opportunities to serve Christ and humanity with a sacrificial devotion. (4) We should remember that these are evil days and demand haste, heroism, forthright principle, and Christlike love. It is time to seek the Lord. With the poet let us “take time to be holy.”

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Our Distinguishing Doctrine

By J. Kenneth Grider*

WHETHER or not entire sanctification is the cardinal doctrine of the Church of the Nazarene is debatable. Some affirm that this teaching is the cardinal one, the one most important of all, the chief one, the pre-eminent one. Others say that the cardinal doctrine among those agreed upon by us is that of redemption, which includes entire sanctification, along with conversion and glorification. Still others, who think less practically and more theoretically, might say that the doctrine of the Trinity, so basic in a prior way to entire sanctification and redemption, is the most important of all.

But whereas there is a difference of opinion about whether or not entire sanctification is the cardinal doctrine of the denomination, there is certainly general agreement that it is the *distinguishing* one. It is not so distinguishing, of course, that it sets us apart from all other groups, for a few other denominations also teach this work of grace; but more than any other single doctrine, this one distinguishes us from all non-holiness groups.

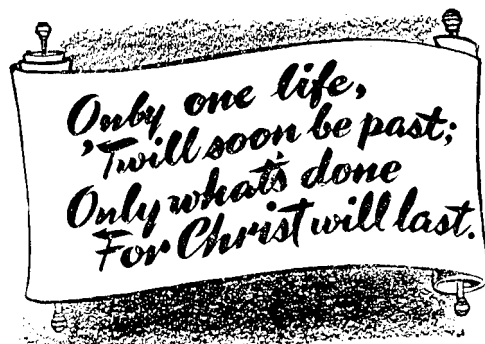
FROM PROTESTANT LIBERALISM

From present-day Protestant liberalism we are distinguished by a number of important doctrines. We affirm the inerrancy of scripture, whereas Protestant liberalism teaches its fallibility. We declare the sinful nature of unsanctified men, whereas, being closely allied to Humanism, Protestant liberalism denies inherited depravity, emphasizing the goodness of natural man. We preach that the finally impenitent will suffer eternally in hell, while Protestant liberals generally teach either that undeveloped persons will not live on after death or that they will, with the mature ones, enter into life eternal. Perhaps most conspicuous of all, we heartily accept the deity of Jesus Christ, whereas Protestant liberals deny it.

FROM FUNDAMENTAL CALVINISM

Some branches of Calvinism are liberal; but there is, currently, a strong fundamental segment of this general theological slant. This funda-

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mental segment agrees with us on all the points on which we have just been shown to be in disagreement with Protestant liberals. So the Nazarene doctrines mentioned distinguish us from Protestant liberalism, but not from fundamental Calvinism. Yet two or three of our beliefs, in particular, distinguish us from the emphasis in current fundamental Calvinism. We teach actual regeneration and real heart cleansing, whereas these Calvinists teach that our committed sins are only covered by Christ's blood and that until death our hearts cannot be purified from inherited depravity. We affirm, moreover, that the Christian life is lived in full obedience, without willful sin, while they hold that the Christian sins willfully, at least on occasion. We have found, further, that the believer may backslide; but fundamental Calvinists advocate the eternal, spiritual security of all who at some time believe.

FROM ROMAN CATHOLICISM

Roman Catholicism may be understood to be the third of the prominent nonholiness groups in our contemporary religious situation. Its hierarchy, making church tradition as well as scripture authoritative, would rather speak of the inadequacy and not the inerrancy of the Bible; but on this question, as well as on the others discussed in connection with Protestant liberalism, the hierarchy is in general agreement with us as opposed to the freethinking liberals. Romanism teaches that original sin is cleansed away in water baptism rather than at death, and it stresses "church security" rather than eternal security; but in general it is in agreement with fundamental Calvinism, and not with us, on the points discussed relative to that group. We are also distinguished from Catholicism on a number of important doctrines not mentioned in the statement about fundamental Calvinism. Perhaps the most important among these is our view that there is but one Mediator between God and man, the God-Man, Christ Jesus; whereas they have a vast system of mediation through saints, priests, and the pope. But this belief about Christ as Mediator is not distinctive with us; Protestant liberalism shares it at least in a vague manner, not being so definite since they do not affirm a vigorous Christology; and fundamental Calvinism teaches it with much the same content as what is intended by us.

From this brief, incomplete comparison of Nazarene doctrine with beliefs of the three prominent extraholiness groups of the contemporary church scene, it is evident that we hold a number of doctrines which are not distinctive since they are held by one or more of these three theological biases. The doctrine of entire sanctification, however, as subsequent to regeneration and yet for this life is not taught by any of these doctrinal groups; yet by us it is everywhere taught with emphasis, and experienced with rejoicing. More than any other doctrine, then, this one distinguishes the Church of the Nazarene from the nonholiness persuasions.



The Unalterable Record

By J. Fred Parker*

THERE is a finality about the passing record of life which is both sobering and challenging. This fact is perhaps most arresting at year's end, when, as it were, we "ring down the curtain" on the past and look toward the unfolding of the new year.

But the truth is that the record of every passing moment slips behind that curtain as fast as it is made. There is no retrieving of it, no matter how much we might long to. There is no reversing of the clock of time nor any opportunity to erase or alter the indelible record of the minutes consumed. Many, with regret, have longed for "the land of beginning again" but such a wish is always too late. There stands, unalterable, the story of their wasted hours, neglected opportunities, a thousand follies—"the gold of their days squandered on sickly aims and false ideals," as Darian Gray so effectively expressed it.

Vacillating Pilate in the judgment hall at the close of that shameful trial of Jesus coined a classic phrase that all of us might well ponder. His statement arose over a remonstrance by the Jews concerning the wording of the superscription on the cross. Pilate refused their plea with the words: "What I have written I have written." In truth, these words had a deeper significance than the scornful procurator realized, for he had written a sorry page into the record of Roman jurisprudence that night. But the fact remains that what we have written will stand unchanged, too. The familiar words from the Rubaiyat are strikingly true:

*The Moving Finger writes; and having writ,
Moves on: nor all thy Piety nor Wit
Shall lure it back to cancel half a line:
Nor all your tears wash out a word of it.*

Can anything be done about that record? Yes, in a measure, for there is promised forgiveness in Christ for all the sins that may be there. Through His pardoning grace those stains can be erased from the page. Thank God for that. But not all the record of life is a matter of our doing right or wrong. Much of it concerns

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whether we have been doing our best or have been satisfied with *secondary levels of achievement*, whether we have been approximating our ideal for the Christian life or not. How does the record look at that point? Remember, it is there to stay.

Sobering thought? Yes, but challenging, too. For does not the unfolding page of tomorrow urge us to endeavor to produce upon it a record less cluttered and sullied than that which has gone before? The past may be disappointing, but the future is bright with promise for the one who is determined to do better and is wise enough to profit by experience. Is not this what we mean when we refer to "growing in grace"? Did not Paul speak of pressing "*toward the mark*"?

One can hardly expect fully to escape regret. Experience will not likely confirm that all our decisions were the best. There will always be times when, upon retrospection, we may wish we had acted differently or spoken more wisely. Perfection of motive is possible through the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit but that does not guarantee perfection of action. The challenge lies in bringing the outward life into conformity with that of Christ. There can be no more lofty purpose in life.

So, as the book of 1954 unfolds, leaf by leaf, may God grant us wisdom and grace to make a record for which we will have no misgivings. May there be no indications of wavering from His divine will for our lives. May there be no blot of careless act or caustic word. On the contrary, may there be the liberal sprinkling of stars for deeds of mercy wrought and souls helped heavenward. What a treasurehouse of golden memory the book of 1954 will thus become!

KING-SIZE

By L. M. Hearn

*The king-size man need not be tall
To stand o'er the crowds like a stalwart Saul;
He need not boast of his breadth or girth,
Nor shout abroad of his weight or worth.
For the king-size man will show his size
In the kind of job that he daily tries.*

*The king-size man is not afraid
To tackle the best, to bear a blade,
Though he knows the frowning face of fear.
When the cause is right and the call comes clear,
And he sees for certain where duty lies,
Then the king-size man will show his size!*

*Lord, help me to know, in my lowly way,
The worth of soul that will win the day,
The bigness to do the task that's small,
The courage to rise from the hardest fall.
When friends all fail and daylight dies,
Help me, O God, to be king-size!*

Sins of Commission and Omission

By Ira E. Fowler*

(I would not permit the editorial here involved to be repeated except for the fact that every Christian needs often to face its truth.—S. S. WHITE)

WHILE I was in my study, praying and searching for a suitable scripture for our Wednesday night prayer meeting, God seemed to direct my mind to a stack of old copies of the HERALD. After leafing through a few copies, I came across an editorial by Dr. Stephen S. White, in October, 1949, on "Sins of Commission and Omission." Instantly, I knew that this was what God desired me to use for our prayer meeting service.

The reading of this editorial proved such a help and blessing to our church that I feel it would be a blessing to others. At the close of the reading, three souls came and knelt at the altar, and prayed through to victory. The service closed in true camp-meeting style. Our church is farther up the road because of this inspiring prayer meeting. Below is the editorial:

"Most of the questions which are sent to be answered in the 'Question Box' have to do with sins of commission rather than those of omission. They are of this type: Isn't it a sin to smoke, swear, buy on Sunday, wear rings, go to shows, listen to this or that on the radio, or indulge in this or that kind of game? I have received almost no questions such as these: Isn't it a sin to fail to pay your tithe, stay at home from prayer meeting, sleep on Sunday morning and not go to Sunday school, stay at home on Sunday night and not go to church, go day after day without reading the Bible, neglect to read religious literature, never ask anyone to come to Sunday school or church, never talk to anyone about salvation, never have family prayer, never give anything to or have any burden for the cause of home and foreign missions?"

"Religion consists in leaving various things undone. I have no inclination to deny this fact. There are many things today which certainly make us sinners if we do them. Nevertheless, a negative life will never get us into heaven. There are numerous things which we will have to do if we ever enter the gates of pearl. Good works—works which help to build the kingdom of God—are the major part of the Christian's responsibility.

"There will be plenty of people in hell who backslid because they did that which they should not have done. On the other hand, I believe that there will be many more there who failed because they did not do something which they should have done. Sins of omission are, as a rule, easier to fall into than sins of commission. Further, the devil has a way of making us think or feel that they are not serious.

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"The professing Christian who never does anything for God and His kingdom or is always finding excuses for not being positively active in behalf of the work of God will as surely go to hell because of sin as the person who lies, steals, drinks, or commits adultery. What about it, my brother or sister, are you just as eager to do what God wants you to do as a positive builder of His kingdom as you are to refrain from indulging in that which is known to be wrong?"

"It is time for you and me to ask God to turn His searchlight on. 'Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting' (Ps. 139:23-24). And as we pray this prayer, let us remember that we can be wicked in not doing, as well as in doing." (HERALD OF HOLINESS, October 17, 1949)

I Couldn't Sleep Monday Night

By H. W. Meadows*

I COULDN'T sleep Monday night. Yes, I was tired, completely worn out; it had been a hard day, but sleep wouldn't come to my eyes. I had just returned from the study, and had prepared for bed, and as I lay there sleep seemed far removed. Then a burden of prayer came on me and became so heavy that I just couldn't sleep. Now I'm glad I couldn't.

The story goes somewhat like this: I had met the young man almost a year ago, a clerk in a downtown dry-goods store. We had passed the time of day several times, but it had never been our privilege to converse at length. I had prayed for him often, "O God, help me to get to his heart . . . save him for Jesus' sake. Amen." A peculiar thing—I didn't even know the name of the person for whom I was praying. I prayed earnestly for an opportunity to speak to him about his soul.

Then the opportunity came. Five weeks ago a man who attends our services was hospitalized. Upon entering his room the day he was hospitalized, whom should I see sharing the room with him but this young man for whom I had prayed so often? That this opportunity was God-given none can deny!

Needless to say, I visited the hospital frequently, and during that week gave them good literature to read and voiced a prayer for them before leaving, assuring them that we would continue to pray for them. The day before his leaving the hospital, the young man said: "Reverend, you will never know the many rays of sunshine you have brought this week." There were tears in his eyes; he meant it. Immediately the prayer rose in my heart, "O Lord, we claim this man for Thee." I asked him if he would object to our visiting in his home and he responded with a hearty welcome.

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We visited them three times. The weeks sped by. Last Sunday morning he, his wife, and two small children were in our services. He raised his hand for prayer. Monday afternoon he helped me with some work in the study and, as we talked of spiritual things, he told me of his Christian mother and the fact that both he and his wife were backsliders of years' standing.

The prayer I prayed from 11:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. was this: "O Jesus, walk in beside that bed; awaken them; shake them over hell; show them Thy love in that You died to save them from hell; make them to realize that they can come back to Thee; make them so miserable that they will roll out of bed, fall on their knees, and come back to Thee this night. Amen." Over and over I prayed thus—then faith started to take hold. I expected the phone to ring any minute asking me to come over and pray with them, as they wanted to get right with God. At one o'clock the burden lifted, and I dropped off into peaceful slumber.

Here is the payoff: They were awakened; they became miserable; they rolled out of bed to pray; they repented; they met my Jesus; they were reclaimed that night. At quarter of one in the morning their names were written in the Lamb's Book of Life and the angels in heaven rejoiced.

Thursday morning he left for a distant city to seek employment. He will contact a local pastor there. We will try our best to help him along at this end of the line, and the other pastor will help him there. No, we will not get him as a member here, but another local church will.

His wife is rejoicing in her new-found joy and attends church regularly. But the thing that bothers me most is this—as we sat in their home after their conversion she said, "Reverend, for five years we have wanted to get back to God,

MY NEW YEAR FAITH

By Norman C. Schlichter

For me 'twill be a glad new year.

His promises are sure:

The love that binds me to himself

As certain is as pure.

Each day in all my glad new year

I'll praise His holy name,

And humbly bow in gratitude

To Him for suffering shame:

And for enduring the thorny cross

That I from sin be free,

And know the joy of being His

Own child eternally.

That all things which the year will bring

Will His true love fulfill,

This is the faith of all His own

Who fully trust His will.

but no one came after us; no one was interested until you came."

I wonder, as I now sit in my study, how many more there are at our very finger tips who can say the same thing, "No one comes after us; no one is interested in our souls."



Employment of Our Time

By Mont Hurst^{*}

AS MODERNISM crept into the large denominations and has now transfused its deadly virus in most of the big, modern church programs, the beauty of primitive holiness and testimony becomes more powerful and attractive to those who seek to live a plain life of genuine piety. The foundation upon which the early-day fashioners of Christian customs, habits, and daily living built is still the only genuine fortification against the pressures of groups that would eradicate the old landmarks and ridicule the application of those fundamentals in this so-called modern age in which we are living. The age in which one lives is not a consideration when it comes to pious living and plain practices as activated by the saints who found God's true way and proclaimed it with their preachments and customs.

The Wesleyans of over a century ago had a little book of discipline which contains all of the rules of conduct and practice. And it admonishes preachers and laity to live simply and be filled with holiness. It warns against waste of time and frivolous programs. In order to enlighten the preachers and exhorters and others it contains a question-and-answer department in which the question is asked, for the benefit of ministers, as to what general method of employment of our time we shall take. The answer is:

"We advise you as follows: 1. As often as possible, to rise at four; 2. From four to five in the morning, and from five to six in the evening, to meditate, pray, and read the Scriptures with notes, and the closely practical parts of what Mr. Wesley has published; 3. From six in the morning till twelve, (allowing an hour for breakfast) read, with much prayer, some of our best religious works."

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Another question was raised, "Why is it that the people under our care are not better?" The answer was: "Other reasons may concur, but the chief is, because we are not *more knowing* and *more holy*." These passages would seem to be the perfect answer to much of the ineffectiveness in many of our so-called Christian programs and preachments of today. But, thank God, there are still some who cleave to the old paths, to the primitive faith and simplicity of our forefathers, and who are as firmly entrenched in the ways of true holiness and pious living as to set a standard and be shining examples of determination that even wins the approval of those who are not Christians.

The denomination or group of believers who will not and cannot be swayed from their purpose to live plain, simple, holy lives is the body that honors God and He, in turn, honors them. America is what it is in its world leadership and matchless progress, even falling short of God's plan as it does, because of the fact that there are still some strong-willed believers who hew to the old lines in the face of scorn, ridicule, mockery, and political oppression. If ever these holy folk should waver or succumb to the ways of the worldly pleasures, lusts, and modernism (thank God, they never will!), this land of ours will crumble, as have all others who didn't have the stamina to stand firm in the pathway God marked out for them to walk in. The minority with righteousness as its garment can never be a group of men-pleasers but, on the other hand, it will definitely be a group of God-pleasers.

God's people have always been a peculiar people to those who are simply of the world. They have beliefs that are peculiar, practice customs and carry on work and daily activities in a peculiar way, and their mannerisms are peculiar to those of the world. But in this very peculiarity will be found their mark of distinctive identification and to proclaim to the world that they are here simply to be conditioned for another life in the place Jesus has been preparing now for nearly two thousand years. Jesus overcame the world, and His true followers are also its overcomers because they are set apart, truly a most peculiar people in the eyes of the world. They are *different*. They have erected impregnable safeguards against Sabbath breaking, evil speaking, unprofitable conversation, frivolity, gaudiness or gaiety of wearing apparel, extravagance, and failure to recognize the fact of God, the sacrifice of Christ, and the presence of the Holy Spirit. Allurements of the world are but accursed evils to them and holy living becomes more intensified day by day. In such people lies the hope of this nation, and without them it would wither away and perish from the foundation upon which the founding fathers built it.

A nation is no stronger than in its relation to Almighty God—and therein lies America's only danger. If this nation, as a whole, would only seek His face and do His will as the remnant of holy people are doing, there would be no limit

to the measure of its strength and the well-being of its people in every stratum of life. Countless forces are busily engaged in seeking ways and means to crucify the Son of Man afresh. But the simple, holy-living people still stand fast and guard our ramparts and hold back the fury of the prince of the power of evil; and God has seen to it that they are always equipped with the weapons that will hold the fort for Him. Their time, aside from working to provide life's necessities, is taken up with worship of Him and acting as vivid, living examples of true sanctification. The primitive practices and beliefs of God's obedient children cannot be stopped because they are strong fibers in God's pattern for life on earth. Whenever they become tainted with worldliness or modernism, they begin to lose their power. And when this occurs it becomes proof of the wrong employment of one's time. The holy, plain Christian is always employed in God's vineyard, thrusting in his sickle and striving to gather in the harvest, for the summer is past and the time for harvest is at hand. Zion's trumpet is now constantly blowing, calling for more laborers who would be profitably employed under an employer whose working conditions, benefits, and retirement plan far transcend any program ever devised by man.

POOR MAN'S BIBLE

By Bess A. Olson*

DURING the Middle Ages a book called *The Biblia Pauperum*—"Bible of the Poor"—was printed especially for poor people. It consisted of forty to fifty pages of pictures showing the leading events of salvation through Christ. A sentence explaining the pictures accompanied them. Few of that day, however, could read and those who could were unable to understand the message, for it was written in Latin!

How different is our day! The entire Bible has been printed in 197 languages. Some part of it has been published in 1,059 languages. The blind have it in Braille.

In America the whole Bible may be bought for a few pennies, or it may be had free. Bible societies throughout the world give away countless copies each year.

Today, rich or poor may have the gospel and, but for binding, texture of paper, or type of printing, the rich man's Bible is no different from "The Bible of the Poor."

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The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand. He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him (John 3:35-36).

The Rise and Fall of a Young Man

By John T. Donnelly*

(Judges 16:20)

SAMSON had a good start in life. Heredity favored him. If heredity were all that is required to make a great man, Samson would not have failed. He also had splendid teaching. As a youth he caught the true vision of life. He was taught that he had a great work to perform. A great work required a strong man, and to be a strong man one must be a clean man. This was the teaching to which he had been subjected by his parents. However, much depends upon the individual for carrying out the ideals that are set before him.

The explanation of Samson's decline and failure is to be found in the fact that he starved his soul. He was so engrossed in the appetites of his body that he ceased to dream the dreams and to see the visions that had inspired his youth. His early interest in the freedom of his people died away. He came to think more about his body than he did about his soul and the souls of those who looked to him for help and deliverance. His conception of a great life purpose was forgotten, and his vows—made earlier—no longer had any meaning or significance for him. His body and its appetites loomed larger and larger in his thinking, and his soul shriveled and died.

As C. S. Lewis says of the devil in *The Screwtape Letters*, as he refers to his effort to tempt the good man: "The great thing is to prevent his doing anything. As long as he does not convert it into action, it does not matter how much he thinks about this new repentance. Let the brute wallow in it . . . The more often he feels without acting, the less he will ever be able to act, and, in the long run, the less he will be able to feel." Talk without performance is evidence of lack of sincerity. "For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also" (Jas. 2:26).

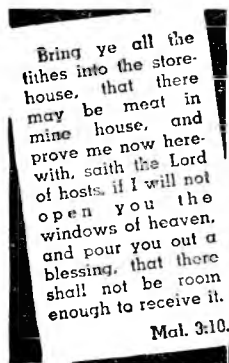
Here is Samson's story in brief: He went down to Gaza and later to Sorek, the chief cities of the Philistines. He knew his enemies dwelt there. But he craved excitement, desired novelty, and sought thrills. These impulses pushed aside the desire to fulfill a great life purpose. He found life in Gaza full of gaiety. Pleasures of the worst sort were plentiful and easy to obtain. Soon he was associated with the baser characters of the city. Sense of honor slipped away. Though his strength was ebbing he was not aware of it. When he felt himself in danger, he tried to call his moral forces together and release himself. In that attempt he failed, and he was shocked to learn that his strength had departed from him.

While Samson was associating with evil he no doubt thought he was having the time of his life. Perhaps he even laughed at himself for the puri-

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tanic sort of life he had lived in former days, supposing that he had missed a great deal of pleasure. But he had not begun to reap the fruits of his sowing. The time came when he did reap a bitter harvest. His so-called good times betrayed him and he came to the realization so aptly expressed by another erring strong man, King Saul, "Behold, I have played the fool" (I Sam. 26:21).

(See the sequel to this story next week.)



Faith for Today

By Ivan A. Beals*

FAITH is common to all men. It is a necessity for human survival, and it is the requisite of any religion. Throughout the span of history, men have focused their faith in diverse things which they consider to be dependable and substantial crutches for the circumstances of life. Yet, in the confounding crises that cloud the brightness of his days, man has been searching for adequate remedies and solutions; his usual hovels of refuge are being swept away as the chaotic condition of the world plunges further to a point of self-annihilation. Meanwhile, humanity still searches frantically for more potent weapons of destruction.

Thus the violent struggle for power, vile conspiracies and agreements, political infamy, deception and intrigue in our social institutions, scandals among fellow citizens, and the brazen immorality spreading through the masses are the matured, rotten fruits of misplaced faith. Decency and love are choked out of the lives of many by greed and hate. Confusion stirred by rancor now saturates our realm of existence, and people wander blindly through the maze, clutching desperately to the shredded remainder of their faith in the supreme adequacy of things.

Yet there are those who sneer at a person who exercises faith in God, while at the same time these scoffers are able to discern their own flimsy idols succumbing to the maggots of impiety. Even so, because of the hardness of their hearts, they would rather gratify their beings with the pleasures of the world for a season than to embrace

the gospel of Jesus Christ. Although numbers have adopted the title of "Christian" as a cloak of dignity, yet many have rejected and discarded the embodiment of vital Christianity, substituting a social gospel instead. Only the convenient, the popular, and the pleasurable are incorporated in this scheme.

But God requires more than doing occasional good deeds for a friend or neighbor, more than having your name on the membership roll of some notable church, more than attending worship once or twice a Sunday, more than petty contributions to the church or the so-called "charities," more than mere respectability in society, and more than satisfying your own notions of goodness. For God commands Christians to be Christ-like: to be free from all sin; to have holy attitudes, holy motives, holy actions, and a loving concern for the many lost souls about them.

In spite of the Word of God, a number of men would have us believe that Jesus Christ, our Example, was an illegitimate child; that He became an abnormal young man, possessed with a deranged mind; that His death on the cross was as meaningless as the death of the two thieves; and that His supposed resurrection was a farce arranged by His demented followers. There are others who readily acknowledge that Jesus was the greatest man that ever lived, but they flatly deny that He is the Son of Deity.

However, these presumptuous assertions of finite men become buried in obscurity by "a great cloud of witnesses" that have accumulated since the dawn of time. No other person lived as Jesus lived; note the holiness of His character, His manner of love and truth, the uniqueness of His deeds, and His lasting influence of goodness on this sin-cursed world. Countless souls of all generations raise their voice as the sound of many waters, telling of the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ: that through Him the sick can be healed, the blind made to see, the deaf made to hear, the diseased cured, the deformed made whole, the lives of debauched wretches transformed; and to declare the boundless strength and stability that is the reward of faith in the Triune Godhead.

Thus every individual is forced to make a decision; he must either acclaim Jesus as the Son of the Living God or denounce the humble Galilean, accusing Him to be history's lowest reprobate. Those who choose to put their faith in God are blessed with invigorating hope, peace of soul, satisfaction for their security-seeking minds, and the strength of reciprocated love in the smallest details of living as well as the superhuman aid extended in times of hardship and distress. Because of God's love for us, and our returning His love, we as Christians have a foundation whereon to assert our faith and to affirm our hope of salvation and eternal life.

Faith in God is the only faith that has survived the robbery of thieves, the lies of deceivers, the venomous barbs of cynics, and the grim attempts of antagonists to blot it from the minds of men. The cross, the chopping block, boiling oil, fiery

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stakes, the mouths of ravenous beasts, the threat of being sawn asunder, and the plight of desolate exile have not curtailed the faith of saints. This faith has not been squelched by the ravagings of armies, the propagation of false religions; nor was it forsaken in time of trial, hardship, or at the danger of starvation.

Every device known to devil and man has been used in their efforts to exterminate it; but, lo, still manifesting itself on a higher plane, the Christian's faith in God is secure. No power but the individual's own will can destroy his faith in the uttermost redemption provided by Jesus Christ. Though men have been martyred, their faith in God has not died with them. It is being carried on by the men of God today, fully incorporated in their lives. The men, the women, the young, the old, the rich, the poor—all find adequacy in having faith in God. No other faith can cope with the challenges of today.

We may become disappointed in wealth, fame, leaders, governments, positions, religions, churches, friends, our families, and ourselves, but we will never have reason to be disappointed in God. In this age of uncertainty, in this day of skepticism, in this hour of need, men have a tested shelter of refuge—well tried by the strains of every dispensation. It was the faith of our fathers, but it is also the faith for today. "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith" (I John 5:4).

Has Sinai Ceased to Quake?

(Exodus 19:18)

By Daniel Stafford*

HAVE the thunders and lightnings of God all passed away? Have the mighty manifestations of God which brought fear to the hearts of all men ceased to be? Does Sinai cease to smoke with the mighty presence of God?

I know that there is no longer trembling among the people. Rare is the man that trembles at the judgments of God. Yet Moses explained to the people that it was for this express purpose that God came in such demonstration on the mount. In Exod. 20:20 we read, "And Moses said unto the people, Fear not: for God is come to prove you, and that his fear may be before your faces, that ye sin not." Seemingly, God felt that just the revelation of His love would not be enough to keep men obedient. He seemed to feel that men would have to have His fear before their faces if they were to refuse to sin.

Paul, in the third chapter of Romans, paints a dark picture of Jews and Gentiles under sin. He said they were unrighteous, did not understand, did not seek God, had gone out of the way, their throats were an open sepulchre, tongues were deceitful, the poison of asps under their lips,

their mouths full of cursing, and their feet swift to shed blood. He seemed to explain this plight by saying, "There is no fear of God before their eyes" (Rom. 3:18).

I ask this question more for thought than for an answer. Could the same reason that Paul gives be the reason why there seems to be such little conviction any more? Have we emphasized the love of God and failed to proclaim the wrath of God until we have reared a generation with no fear of God before their eyes?

Once, the judgment, eternal hell, the wrath of God, and the wages of sin were common stock with gospel preachers. You were sure to hear these grim truths in nearly every revival, and quite often at the regular services. Men had instilled within them a fear of God. In sinful men there was a point of restraint, the fear of God, and they would not do many things because of it. Anyone can see that this point of restraint is missing today; there seems to be no stopping place. Could it be because the fear of God is not before the people's faces? The hardest message that any evangelist has to preach these days is on hell. Let him actually tell of the horrors of that dreadful place, and his audience sit stunned. They seem to feel he is talking of fantasy instead of reality. They have heard so little on the subject that it is repulsive to them. The reaction is usually so bad that very few "hell-fire" preachers are in our ranks today. For a man really to preach on hell, the judgments of God, or the wrath of God, it takes a part of his life in each sermon.

Personally, I believe that Sinai still quakes. I believe that God is still as much against sin as He ever was. I believe that the fear of God must be kept before the faces of men before they will seek for the love of God in their hearts.

I want to preach on love, by all means. I want to try, in my limited way, to tell of a love that cannot be held in all the cradle of the ocean, cannot be told on all the scroll of the sky, and cannot be exhausted by the countless millions that have partaken of it. But I also must warn them that Sinai still quakes, and the reason for this quaking is so that the fear of God may be before their faces, that they sin not.

HILLTOP GLORY

By Eva G. Bryson

*Like feathery plumes they fringe the sky,
Or myriad hosts passing by,
Gracefully swaying with the breeze.
Can you not guess? Trees, just trees!*

*But more beautiful still with the setting sun,
Standing erect and silent, as one,
Praising God for His watchful care,
Wonderful trees of the hill, over there!*

*Nazarene Evangelist, Vivian, La.

I HAVE never been before and will never be again.

I come to you now, but will never come to you again. I will slip through your hands quickly. Almost before you know it, you will be face to face with 1955, that is, if you live long enough. You have no absolute guarantee that you will have any of 1955. In fact, you cannot be sure that I will all be yours. As much as I would like to, I, 1954, cannot promise that you will participate in all of my days. You cannot tell ahead of time how much of me you may have. You will have to take me breath by breath, and not all at once; and any breath or heartbeat may be the last. Boast not thyself of the next heartbeat, for who knoweth what a heartbeat may bring forth?

Each day I bring you will be new and different. There will be no possible way whereby you can predict exactly what any one of my days may bring you. Life is always full of surprises. This much, however, you can know: I shall bestow upon you plenty of variety. There will probably be joy and sorrow, victory and defeat, sunshine and rain, warmth and cold, friends and enemies, pleasure and pain, sickness and health, praise and blame, money and lack of it—all of these I shall likely give you. Certainly, I shall not bring to you a monotonous routine. There will be a constant change of scenes, and to be fair I must warn you that some of these scenes will not be to your liking.

But what I have just said does not mean that you are the victim of fate. It is true that you can't exactly predict or fully determine what I shall bring you, but you will have some part in fashioning what I pass on to you. You must feel a sense of responsibility, for you will surely help to make me what I am for you, and even to some extent what I am for some others. Also, with God's help you can be the creator of the attitude which you take toward all that I bring you; and this is what finally determines your character. Your reaction to me and to what comes to you through me is all-important. It is the stuff out of which men are finally made—their reaction toward the passing years.

Remember, also, that every year projects itself into the future. I, as 1954, will not end when I am gone. What 1955 is will to some extent be determined by what I am; and if there is no 1955, your life in the world to come will be influenced by me. This makes what I bring to you with your co-operation or the lack of it significant, not only for its own sake but also for the future. You should face me, then, with a genuine feeling of responsibility.

In addition, face me, 1954, with courage. I will not be all that you want, but with your help and effort all that I present to you can be transformed into a blessing. Every gift from me can be so met as to help you be more like you ought to be.

Face me with sincerity and honesty. Don't let hypocrisy defeat you. Take whatever comes

to you from my hand as a gift from God, and literally make the best of it. Don't try to camouflage it or camouflage your reaction to it. Meet it with a heart that is open and clear before God.

Finally, have faith—faith in your fellow man. The world is in a terrible mess, but bear in mind the fact that I will bring you in touch with many people who have not yet bowed their knees to Baal. The church in which you serve has some people in it who are not what they should be, but many of its members have not turned their backs on God. The good people in your church are in the majority. They would rather die than fail God! Have faith in men!

Have faith, above everything else, in God. He is the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords. He is righteous and holy. He is all-powerful. I shall place within your reach such a God, and because He is such a God He will at last win the battle against sin. Put your trust in Him and walk in His presence, and I can assure you that I shall bring you success and triumph in His kingdom of righteousness.

“Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen” (Eph. 3:20-21).

Rev. Norman Oke and Dr. J. George Taylorson

NO, I AM NOT just calling attention to these two men; I am writing about the Sunday-school lessons as presented in the HERALD. Rev. Norman Oke, director of the Christian Service Training department in the Church of the Nazarene, has written this material for 252 weeks. I told Mr. Oke, however, when he took over this task, that I planned to change the writers in this department from time to time. Therefore, beginning with this issue (the first Sunday-school lesson for 1954), another man assumes this responsibility. He will serve in this capacity throughout 1954.

I take this opportunity to thank Brother Oke for the efficient service rendered and the fine spirit manifested during the time he has written his weekly article for the HERALD OF HOLINESS. He has many gifts, and God is certainly using him. Therefore, I am not making the change because Mr. Oke's work has not been satisfactory, but rather because I believe there are advantages in passing this task around.

With this in mind, I have asked Dr. J. George Taylorson, pastor of the Bresee Avenue Church of the Nazarene in Pasadena, California, to write the Sunday-school lesson comments for the year

Stephen S. White

which is just beginning. His first article appears in this issue. I do not expect the writer of this brief article to discuss the whole lesson but, instead, to present one or two thoughts on the same. This will give our subscribers an opportunity not only to get some good reading material on the Sunday-school lesson each week but also to have before them the lesson subject and scripture references. I am sure that Dr. Taylorson will measure up to the high standard set by Mr. Oke. He is an outstanding pastor who is now serving one of our greatest churches.

Golden Wedding Anniversaries

IN THIS day of divorces, golden wedding anniversaries should be emphasized. This will highlight the fact that at least some people not only get married but they stay married. Yes, they even live together for fifty years!

Last summer while at Nampa, Idaho, I heard of an unusual golden wedding anniversary celebration. It had to do with Rev. and Mrs. Ira E. Hammer. Brother Hammer had been a holiness preacher for forty-seven years, and had held many positions of honor and responsibility in his work. Among these we may mention that he was one of the organizers of the Laymen's Holiness Association, a district superintendent in the Church of the Nazarene for six years, and field agent for at least two holiness colleges.

As a part of the celebration of this fiftieth wedding anniversary, their vows were renewed in the College Church of the Nazarene, Nampa, where Rev. Eugene Stowe officiated. It was an elaborate and fitting occasion. After the ceremony there was an open-house reception conducted by the five daughters of Brother and Sister Hammer; and in the evening, the sons and daughters of Brother and Sister Hammer, and their friends, had a five o'clock banquet in the Dewey Palace Hotel.

Such a celebration as we have briefly reviewed makes a fiftieth wedding anniversary outstanding in the minds of those who have lived together that long, and also in the lives and thought of their relatives and friends. Again I say, let's make much of golden wedding anniversaries in this day of divorces. Our churches should be alert to these possibilities.

As has been stated before, the *HERALD OF HOLINESS* is always ready to announce these occasions, or give a brief news item about them after they have been held. Naturally, with all the other matters we have to take care of, we can't give much space to any one golden wedding anniversary, but we are always glad to give a little space.

As a rule, I think it's better for those who are planning such an occasion to let us know about it ahead of time—quite a while ahead of time, several weeks—so we can get the announcement into the *HERALD OF HOLINESS* early enough for all of the friends everywhere to know about it. This makes it possible for those who cannot attend to send cards or gifts.

May God's richest blessings continue to rest upon Brother and Sister Hammer, and upon their relatives and friends; and may all of our churches see to it that those of their members or friends who arrive at this time in their married life are honored with an unusual celebration.

**Professor J. W. Beeson, Dr. M. A. Beeson
And Rev. R. M. Guy**

A GOOD many years ago I was a student in Drew Theological Seminary. While there, two of my best friends were Sam Rose and Barney Thompson. They were preparing for the ministry in the Methodist church, and both were graduates of Meridian Male College, an outstanding holiness school of that day. This institution was located at Meridian, Mississippi. In the same city there was also the Meridian Woman's College. Both of these schools were exponents of the Wesleyan doctrine of entire sanctification.

Why am I saying all of this now? Because of a resolution which has come into my hands recently. This resolution was passed by the 1953 Mississippi District Assembly of our church, which was held at Meridian, Mississippi. The purpose of this resolution was to give special recognition to the significant achievements of Professor J. W. Beeson of Atlanta, Georgia, Dr. M. A. Beeson of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Rev. R. M. Guy, deceased. The Beeson brothers were the founders and promoters of the Meridian Male and Meridian Woman's Colleges. They have been for many years outstanding leaders in the holiness movement. They are now near the age of ninety. Brother Guy once lived in Meridian and pastored a prominent church of one of the older denominations. However, after being sanctified wholly, he became a great evangelist and leader in the holiness movement in Louisiana and Texas. He was finally honored with a monument of striking proportions by the people of his native state, at Jasper, Alabama. Brother Guy died there while serving the combined Alabama-Mississippi District of the Church of the Nazarene, when there were only two or three Nazarene churches in Mississippi.

It was very fitting, indeed, for our Mississippi District Assembly to pass this resolution in honor of the work of these three men: Professor J. W. Beeson, Dr. M. A. Beeson, and Rev. R. M. Guy. Only eternity will reveal the immense influence that these men have had for God and holiness. Let me close by quoting a paragraph from this resolution:

"Be it resolved that the fortieth annual assembly of the Church of the Nazarene, now in session at Meridian, Mississippi, in Central Church of the Nazarene, wishes to place itself on record as desiring to make a long delayed recognition of the wonderful work of these pioneer leaders in the holiness move-

ment in this part of our beloved Southland. They made a great contribution to the cause of holiness in this particular section and over the nation. Therefore, we hereby express our heartfelt thanks, appreciation, and lasting gratitude to them for their abundant and effective labors. 'Honour to whom honour is due,' said the great Apostle Paul."

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY

L. J. Du Bois, Secretary

God's Gifts

AT THIS season of the year our minds are turned to gifts—those we give to and receive from our loved ones and friends, certainly, but also God's gifts to us. Chief of the gifts which God gave to mankind was that of His Son, the world's greatest Gift. Let us not allow this season to get by us without thinking of what this Gift means to each of us personally. But there is another gift which God has given—the gift of His written Word. "All scripture is given by inspiration of God," we read. Let us thank God also for this wonderful gift.

As I am writing, I am returning from the annual meeting of the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society, held in New York. My mind and heart are full of the many things I saw and heard there. May I share a few of my impressions with you?

While at the Bible Society meeting I was impressed:

1. With the spirit of Christian fellowship and the unusual spiritual vision which drives the officers of the Society. They have a faith in the Word of God and a divine mission to get it to the world "without note or comment." I myself am always lifted spiritually when I attend.

2. With the fact that there is within the Advisory Council a larger number of representatives from Protestant denominations (fifty-three were represented at this meeting) working together to a common end than in any existing interdenominational organization. On this common ground of the Word of God, differences are minimized.

3. With the fact that the prime task of the Bible Society is to translate, publish, and distribute the Bible to make it available to all who do not now have it—the underprivileged, the remote tribes, the blind.

4. With the fact that the Bible Society is encouraging the people of the United States to read the Bible, through reading programs, radio, and television.

5. With the fact that the United Bible Societies are now printing all or part of the Word of God in 1,064 different languages and dialects, and that this process of reducing unwrit-

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON

By J. George Taylorson

Topic for January 3: God Revealed in Christ

Scripture: John 1: 20:30-31 (Printed, John 1:14-23, 29-36)

GOLDEN TEXT: *But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name (John 20:31).*

Can one explain the Man of Galilee short of the fact of the incarnation of God in Jesus Christ? There is no human analogy for this glorious mystery. How can there be? To confine the infinite in the little channel of human knowledge or experience would be only to destroy it. While we cannot comprehend God, we can enjoy Him through the gift of His Spirit.

The law of the Old Testament was God-given and God-preserved. With its power to wain men of evil it remained incomplete, in that it lacked the ability to make men good. Here lies the central message of the New Testament—the fulfillment of the law—the unveiling of God through His Son for the redemption of man.

How unsearchable are the judgments of God and how His ways are past finding out! The term incarnation is derived from a Latin word meaning "in the flesh." God takes on the form of man. This event will always lie far beyond the range of our understanding. He, by whom "all things were created," needing to be sustained by His earthly mother! He, who supports the universe and holds the stars in His hand, lying in the clean straw of Bethlehem's stable, for there was no other room for Him. The wisest of all stand humble and

ten dialects into written language, translating the Scriptures into the language, and teaching the people to read it is constantly going on. There are yet 1,000 languages to go before all in the world will have the Scriptures in their own tongues.

6. With the fact that the work of the United Bible Societies (of which the American and British and Foreign are carrying the heavy load) are worthy of our confidence and prayers and support.

breathless here when the Son of God, born of the Virgin Mary, becomes the God-Man. This is not the Divine absorbing the human; neither is it the human lessening the Divine. Perfect union of God with man; God, the eternal Word, was made flesh in order that we might become the sons of God.

Whatever else you miss in life, don't miss this wonder of wonders—God the Son, offering to poor, broken, sinful man the world's great exchange. "You give Me your sin and I will give you My purity. You give Me your weakness and I will give you My strength. You give Me your limited time and I will give you My limitless eternity. Give Me your emptiness and I will give you My fullness."

A mother, comforting her little daughter who was afraid of the dark, told her that God was near and that there was nothing to be afraid of. "I know, Mother, but I want someone with a face," the child cried. "Shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us." Here God in infinite love has revealed His face. We now know that back of our world is more than eternal purpose—there is a friendly Person. Yea, in Christ we have seen the Father and we like what we have seen. God revealed in Christ! Do you love Him?

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FOREIGN MISSIONS

Remiss Rehfeldt, Secretary

Report from Peru

WE HAVE just recently completed a wonderful assembly and session of council meetings. In the morning services we were blessed and strengthened by the wonderful messages on holiness given by Rev. Raul Villarcal, of Bolivia. Rev. Don Julca preached at the evening evangelistic services to capacity crowds with people standing. Nearly every night the altar and several rows of benches were filled with Peruvians seeking God. It was an inspiring sight. We count it a real privilege to minister to these people.

The church has made advances along all lines over the previous years. A beautiful spirit of harmony prevailed in the business meetings.

Our Sunday-school attendance the last Sunday morning of the assembly reached an encouraging high of 502.—
NORINE ROTH, Peru.

"Ham and Eggs"

One of our national pastors in Latin America went into a restaurant recently and ordered ham and eggs. The waitress reminded him that the day was Friday, and suggested that he must have forgotten. He replied that he ordered ham and eggs whenever he wanted them, regardless of the day.

The waitress was horrified. "If you want to sin that is all right," she exclaimed, "but I will not take any part in your sin."

"All right," he answered, "I'll just go to another restaurant."

She thought a moment and finally told him, "Wait just a little bit and I'll prepare it for you."

When the order of ham and eggs was brought, the national pastor bowed his head to give thanks. As he prayed someone slipped out of the kitchen and whispered in his ear, "Don't touch that food. Pay your bill and leave at once."

Startled, he sniffed the food and detected a strange sweet odor, like that of cyanide. He gladly paid his bill and left the restaurant, grateful for a protecting Providence who had sent the unknown friend to warn him, sparing his life to continue preaching the unsearchable riches of Christ.—
EDWARD WYMAN, Spanish Bible Institute, San Antonio, Texas.

British Honduras

I have enjoyed my first council meeting here in British Honduras, held in Benque Viejo, October 6-10.

We had our business sessions interspersed with times of wonderful fellowship. God was indeed gracious to grant that all the missionaries could gather together once again and plan the work for another year in this colony.

We started each day with a song, a devotional talk by one of the missionaries, and prayer. On Thursday, especially, God came down and

blessed us with His presence. It was good to realize that He was guiding and directing us through all the sessions. The last night we spent enjoying the combined slide pictures of some of the missionaries. Scenes of the homeland were interesting, of course, but all of us felt we understood the field of British Honduras better as we looked at the pictures of almost every place in this country where we have mission work.

Our goals and determinations are set for another year and we covet your prayers that this may be the best year we have ever known.—
LOIS SANTO, British Honduras.

THE QUESTION BOX

Conducted by Stephen S. White

Q. Is it not out of order for a good evangelistic sermon to be interspersed and sandwiched with comedy and funny jokes that cause laughter in the audience? I have seen this break the spell of solemnity and defeat the purpose of the sermon. Would appreciate your answer.

A. I have seen the day when I might have asked exactly the same question you have. However, I am not as ready now to lay down set rules along this line as I once was. I have found that there are so many different types of preachers and sermons that God at least seems to bless that I hesitate to fix too many limits in this connection. Some that in times past I am sure I would not have sanctioned, God has appeared to bless. When Bud Robinson was in his prime, he could keep a congregation laughing almost all of the time that he was preaching and then get more people to come to the altar than most evangelists could. Of course, there never has been more than one Bud Robinson. I might also add that most of my strictly evangelistic sermons are very serious, but I must confess that every once in a while they do not seem to achieve their purpose. Their failure certainly wasn't due to their lack of solemnity. Thus you see that I haven't given you much of an answer to your question. Nevertheless, I believe that it should be asked, and I am glad that you sent it in. All of us need to think about this question occasionally. Perhaps it will help those of us who may be tempted to fall into the trap of telling jokes in our sermons just for the sake of trying to be funny.

that Paul and the Holy Ghost did not put the chapter and verse divisions in the Bible. It was done about three centuries ago. Those who did it exceedingly marred the revelation by frequently putting the divisions in the wrong place."

A. He is correct in saying that Paul and the Holy Ghost did not put the chapter divisions in the Bible. But he is extreme in what he says about the result of the work of those who did it. No doubt they did their best, even though they failed in some instances to choose the most appropriate places for the divisions.

Q. What scripture or scriptures do you base the storehouse theory of tithing upon?

A. Storehouse tithing is most often connected with Mal. 3:10 (the whole passage, Mal. 3:8-12, should be read). The storehouse then was the Temple treasury, since the Temple was the center of their religion and worship at that time. If we carry over the duty of tithing from the Old Covenant to the New Covenant, which I believe Jesus definitely does in Matt. 23:23, latter part especially, I see no reason why we shouldn't carry over the idea of the church treasury as taking the place of the Temple treasury. The tithe ceases to be the tithe when the individual takes on the distribution of it—at least that is the way it seems to me. Besides, storehouse tithing is the only logical form of tithing. Suppose I should tell Uncle Sam that I would pay my income tax, but I would send it to the Canadian treasurer to be used by Canada. Canada is one of our very best allies in our fight against our common foe, communism. The money, if sent to Canada, will help out in the long run in our battle against

communism, just as it would if I gave it to Uncle Sam. No, my responsibility is to the United States, since I am a citizen of this nation, and my money should go into its treasury. Furthermore, the United States will see to it that I put it there. That is the thing which is both logical and fair.

Q. Isn't it a form of stealing not to pay one's bills, or debts?

A. Yes! And even some Nazarenes need to face this truth more than they do. No doubt there are times

when people can't pay, but they are few and far between with most of us. Besides, when those times come, we should face our creditor and tell him we can't, and when we plan to pay the debt. Any other course of action involves us in dishonesty; and dishonesty is sin.

Q. Isn't it a sin to disobey the laws of our country?

A. Yes! This is another place where too many of us need help. A person can lose his soul by being careless at this point.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

Decatur, Illinois—Eastside Church recently closed a Spirit-anointed revival with the Nichols Evangelistic Party. Brother and Sister Nichols preached, sang, and made calls. There were seekers at the altar every night; many new people were reached and there were some outstanding conversions. These are good days for the Eastside Church, which is only three years old. The Sunday-school average for October was 234. The buildings have been outgrown twice and now we are about to complete a new basement annex, 40 x 80 feet, to house our growing Sunday school. Plans are to go on up with a new church auditorium, for we are outgrowing our present facilities. A gain of 22 per cent in membership was reported at the last assembly. It has been a great privilege to labor with such a sacrificial and spiritual group of people. You cannot give too much credit to a congregation who will pray, fast, call, and build under the leadership of God, who has blessed such effort and given the increase.—Kenneth Owens, Pastor.

Melfort, Saskatchewan, Canada—We recently completed a splendid revival with Rev. Frank Wiggs, evangelist; truly he is an old-fashioned holiness preacher. Brother Wiggs came to us with the blessing of God on his own soul and spared not his time or physical strength to preach the Word. Morning services were held which were rich with Bible truths, and proved to be such a blessing that during the second week similar meetings were held each evening prior to the regular night services, for the benefit of those unable to attend the morning Bible class. The pastor and people prayed and worked together in a fine spirit of co-operation. God was faithful in answering prayer, and the Holy Ghost was present in our meetings with conviction. Many found Christ as their personal Saviour for the first time; believers were sanctified and many sought God for a fresh spiritual touch. During the revival a healing meeting was held. The spirit of revival was so constraining that Brother Wiggs consented to

stay for two extra nights, and then Brother A. E. Petersen of the neighboring Prince Albert church came to finish out the week. Again God was on the scene and the last week of meetings found our altar rich with seekers. We praise God for His faithfulness to us as a church.—S. M. Abel, Pastor.

Stratton, Ohio—Our church closed a revival Sunday, November 15, with our pastor, Rev. Frank A. Noel, Jr., as the evangelist, and Sammy and Rhea Childress as singers. We had a good revival, with a fine spirit in the church. The last Sunday we had 199 in Sunday school, which broke records in attendance. Brother Noel came in July as pastor, and since his coming the parsonage has been painted and a new bathroom built. A church bus was bought, which is proving a great blessing, since several of our people live in the country, and a number of new people can be reached.—Freda Shriver, Secretary.

New Castle, Indiana—First Church recently closed a gracious revival with Rev. Elbert Dodd, superintendent of the Louisiana District, as the evangelist. The services were well attended each evening and the Spirit-anointed messages of Brother Dodd proved a real blessing to the church. Many prayed through to definite victory; time alone will reveal the lasting effects of this godly ministry. On the last Sunday of the revival a large offering was received for the purchase of a much-needed bus for the Sunday school. We give God the praise for these victories and are looking forward to many more as we labor for Him in this field.—George Scutt, Pastor.

Pastor Harry H. Doerle writes from St. Clair, Missouri: "We came here last February and found the need great along all lines, but with the help of the Lord interest continually increased, with growing attendance in Sunday school and all Sunday services. In June Rev. Harold Thompson gave us a good meeting, with several converts. In October Rev. C. I. Deboard gave us a two-

week meeting, with Brother Jackson of Union preaching the first Sunday night, and the pastor the last Sunday of the revival. The interest was good and the church encouraged. Sister Deboard led the singing and sang special numbers, and was a great spiritual blessing to all. We felt the need for a week-end meeting during the Thanksgiving holidays, and were privileged to have Rev. Howard Doerle and his fine wife, Charlyne, for a four-day meeting. We had a nice family reunion on Thanksgiving Day, and then had service at night. God was with us from the beginning. Although the crowds were small for the week-night services, Sunday morning there were eighty-two in the Sunday school, which was turned into a preaching service for the young people. The Lord came and seventeen Juniors and young people prayed through to real victory. This service was followed by the morning worship service with the presence of God again felt in a mighty way. Sister Doerle was a great blessing in song, at the piano, and leading the song services. A good young people's meeting was held with Charlyne in charge. Our daughters from Maplewood were with us on Sunday also and were a blessing to the services. The closing service was a blessing to all, as God helped Brother Doerle preach a great message, and one young lady came forward for salvation. We thank God for His blessings. Our Sunday school has more than doubled this year and all available space has been used for classrooms. We are praying for the Lord to help us build an auditorium (we are now in a basement building)."

Arcadia, Florida—We recently closed one of the best revivals our church has ever had, with Evangelist G. K. McKay and wife, who were pastors of our church in 1938, and are greatly loved by the people. Brother McKay preached every message under the anointing of the Holy Spirit, and God used him in a great way to present the truth with unction and power. Backsliders were reclaimed—one person went to the altar during the song service and prayed through to real victory, went back to the altar a few nights later during the song service and was sanctified, and has been shouting the victory ever since. Others were saved and sanctified and the church was greatly helped. God's presence was real, and the meeting continued two days longer than had been planned. On one of these nights the Holy Spirit took over and the evangelist didn't get to preach. People testified and confessed, and one usher was so blessed that he walked around shouting and crying while the other usher took up the offering. Rev. and Mrs. R. T. Gore, our good pastors, are doing a fine work and are loved and appreciated. The Sunday school has had the largest average attendance in the history of the church. Pastor and people are encouraged.—Mrs. J. C. Baird, Reporter.

East Ridge Church, Chattanooga, Tennessee

In March of 1951, Rev. Victor Gray, superintendent of East Tennessee District, held a month's revival in the building pictured here. At the close of the revival, East Ridge Church of the Nazarene was organized with 54 charter members. On the first Sunday of the meeting, Brother Gray raised \$6,500.00 in pledges, and on the last Sunday, \$4,500.00 was pledged; in less than six months' time all but \$90.00 was paid. The building formerly was a night club, but became so notorious that the sheriff closed it. It is located in the East Ridge section of Chattanooga, on Highway 41. We own a full city block frontage, with plenty of room for advancement. The building is over 100 feet long, has 2 auditoriums, 6 classrooms, and was purchased for \$28,500.00. The church paid \$8,500.00 down, with the balance at \$2,000.00 per year, plus interest at 5 per cent. First Church and Pastor L. B. Hicks gave over \$6,000.00 toward the purchase of this property; they had much to do with the early success of this work. For the opening revival Brother Gray had a new Hammond organ and a new grand piano moved in; the new organization voted to keep them, and in less than one year both were paid for. The writer was called as the first pastor;



27 new members were added the first year, with an average of 95 in Sunday school, and a grand total raised for all purposes of \$15,750.00. At our recent assembly, which closed our second full year, gains were reported along all lines. It was an eleven-month year, and this new church paid \$1,088.00 for general interests, \$1,331.00 for district interests, and a grand total of \$14,010.00 raised. We have a present membership of 77. In reporting at three district assemblies, this new church has taken second place each time for money

raised. Upon our arrival the church purchased a beautiful, six-room parsonage, and furnished it throughout; paying us a salary of \$60.00 per week; at the end of the first year they gave us a \$10.00 raise, and another at the end of the second year. The church has been most kind to us, giving gifts from time to time. Our good district superintendent and family are members of our church, and are a great blessing to us. If you have friends in this vicinity, write us and we shall be glad to contact them.—C. Wesley Brough, Pastor.

St. Marys, Ohio—Rally day, October 11, was a great day for our church. With God's help and the fine co-operation of the people, our Sunday-school record was broken with 242 in Sunday school. October 14 in midweek prayer service we burned one of the notes that was made during the building program. Our new church is completed, with only one note of \$11,000.00 left. Last year's Sunday-school average was 121; from July through October this year our Sunday-school average is 144. We praise God for the increase. We certainly appreciate our good pastor, Rev. R. L. Ellis, his wife and daughter. They are God's leaders for our church. This year we gave them a three-year recall. We are now in the midst of an old-fashioned, Holy Ghost revival, with Dr. E. O. Chalfant as the evangelist. His ministry is a blessing to our people; he is an old-fashioned, holiness preacher. There is great liberty and freedom in the services; souls are being saved and sanctified.—Mrs. Fred Puschel, Secretary.

later date. The Holy Ghost sent mighty conviction upon hearts, and we thank our Heavenly Father for His visitations of blessing upon us.—L. P. Jack Durham, Pastor.

Caruthersville, Missouri—The year closing the first of August was, perhaps, the best year in the history of the church. Our Sunday school set a new all-time high record, with an average of twenty-two per Sunday more than the year before. We received twenty-nine new members; only one church beat us in gaining new members—St. Louis Lafayette Park—on the Missouri District. It was our privilege to baptize thirty-two people and dedicate fifteen babies this past year. God has done great things for us. The evangelists of our last two revivals, Rev. Ellis Lewis and Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Peck, were a blessing to the church and much good was accomplished in both meetings. We appreciate the privilege of serving God under a great and godly man like Rev. E. D. Simpson, district superintendent.—Curtis F. Cook, Pastor.

Pastor Floyd E. Williams writes from Mineral City, Ohio: "Coming here September 15, 1946, we found the church in a fair condition, but many of the people were discouraged, with a debt hanging over their heads. God honored our efforts in preaching the old-fashioned gospel and gave us many souls. The church debt was liquidated by the next July. The people took on new heart and began to work, and God met with us and gave many new people to be added to the

church. I have had two three-year recalls, and am now starting on my eighth year, with almost a unanimous recall. The church has some of the finest people in Mineral City and surrounding communities. They are almost 100 per cent tithing people. We are believing God for even greater victories this year."

Payette, Idaho—We recently closed a good revival with Dr. S. T. Ludwig as evangelist. His messages were heart-searching, and a good number of seekers found the Lord in pardon and heart cleansing. The church has been stirred and strengthened, and the revival spirit carries on. The Lord has enabled us to make very substantial gains in attendance in all services, the Sunday school showing almost a 20 per cent gain over last year's average attendance. We are endeavoring to conserve our gains, and we look forward to better days under the leadership of the Holy Spirit.—Herbert E. Lilly, Pastor.

Houston, Texas—We thank and praise God for the wonderful revival at First Church with Dr. A. L. Parrott, October 28 to November 8. He preached the gospel without fear or favor, and ninety people bowed at the altar. Many people for whom we had been praying found victory, and we feel that much lasting good was accomplished. Dr. Parrott's preaching was acceptable to everyone who heard him. He is in the middle of the road, but without compromise along any line. Our people appreciated his ministry so much that he was slated for a

Auburn, Maine—On November 15 our church closed a successful week-end holiness convention, with Rev. Robert Emsley, of England. His ministry was valuable to all our people; his preaching is far above average and his messages on holiness definite, clear, and scriptural. This brief convention has given us a brighter outlook for the future. The services were well attended, and souls prayed through to definite victory. We thank the Lord for His presence with us during this campaign. Pray for us as we attempt to preach and promote second-blessing holiness.—James S. Shaw, Pastor.

Evangelists Carl and Ethel Prentice write that they will be in a meeting in Mountain Home, Arkansas, January 14 through 24, then have open dates, January 27 through February. Write them, P.O. Box 93, Bethany, Oklahoma.

North Little Rock, Arkansas—Grace Church was organized by District Superintendent W. L. French on August 23, with nineteen charter members. November 1 we closed our first revival with Rev. R. F. Lindley as evangelist. He is a wonderful evangelist and was mightily used of God. We had more than fifty seekers at our altar, most of them praying through to definite victory. God has blessed every one of our services in an unusual way. We appreciate the Christlike Spirit and co-operation of Brother McClung and his good people of First Church.—Bill Jetton, Pastor.

South San Gabriel, California—Wilmar Church recently had a very successful revival with Miss Leila Dell Miller as evangelist. She was at her best for God; the power of her messages, by the Spirit of God, filled our altar night after night. Robert and Jewel Turbeville, our local music director and organist, also added to the fine spirit of the meeting. Dozens of earnest-hearted seekers sought and found the Lord. Our faithful church people had a three-month siege of systematic prayer before the evangelist arrived. We have received a fine group into church membership. A prevailing revival spirit is still on the church, and special prayer meetings are still being held. People are praying through sometimes with no preaching at all; folks are finding Christ in the Sunday morning, evening, and Wednesday night services.—Elbie D. Green, Pastor.

Lexington, Kentucky—On November 22 we closed one of the greatest revivals in the history of First Church, with Rev. C. F. Wright, evangelist, and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Hayes, our ministers of music, as song evangelists. I have never before seen people work in a revival as they did in this one. The Sunday-school classes entered into a contest to see which could get the most out to each service; consequently, we had great crowds and wonderful altar services. Some fine businessmen came to the altar, were wonderfully saved, and joined the church on the last day of the revival. We are having the greatest year in the history of the church, and we give God the praise. Our Sunday school is growing, with a co-operative superintendent and some fine teachers. The opportunities at First Church are unlimited; we have a wonderful church board with a great vision for the future of the church. God has given us a beautiful stone church, nicely equipped with beautiful pulpit furniture, piano, and Hammond organ. God's glory is on the church, and people are finding God in the old-fashioned way. Our district superintendent, Dr. L. T.

Wells, and his family are members of our church, and they stand by us in every way. Mr. and Mrs. Warren Hayes, our minister of music, have done an outstanding job with the church choir, which broadcasts every Sunday morning, seven-thirty to eight o'clock, over WLEY. This broadcast has brought many new people to our services.—D. D. Lewis, Pastor.

Logan, West Virginia—The N.Y.P.S. sponsored our fall revival campaign, with the Groves Sisters, and our pastor, Rev. John R. Soloky. The revival was preceded by months of special prayer meetings conducted by the young people. We visited in the homes of those for whom we prayed; God blessed us with victory. Our church was filled to capacity night after night, and the Spirit of the Lord was manifested in each service. Many victories were won in altar services. The Groves Sisters thrilled our hearts with their fine singing and beautiful chalk pictures. Our pastor, who has been with us for six years, was anointed of the Lord as he delivered his timely messages. We feel that our church is moving forward under his leadership and the blessing of the Lord.—Freda Marushi, Reporter.

Dayton, Kentucky—We recently closed a wonderful revival with Rev. Roscoe Jenkins and Rev. Mrs. J. R. Marcum as special workers. The Lord really blessed the work of these good people, and many souls prayed through to victory.—R. Adams, Pastor.

Evangelist J. W. Henry reports: "I have been busy since our district assembly last May. We first went to Holtville, California, for a very fine, two-Sunday meeting with Rev. J. L. Wheeler. The seal of the Holy Ghost was upon the services and much real good was done. Brother Wheeler and wife are doing a fine job. From there we went to supply for Rev. T. C. Crawford, at First Church, Compton. We spent nine enjoyable weeks there and God helped in a wonderful way. We then went to Fortuna, with Rev. R. J. Nikkel and wife, fine young pastors. They had everything well in hand for the revival, and we closed with a great Spirit. A good number prayed through, one man over eighty years of age. Our next meeting was with Rev. Weldon Stone, our good pastor at Banning. We had a fine meeting here and the last Sunday Brother Stone took in twelve members. We then were called back to Holtville, for a three-Sunday meeting. The Holy Ghost met with us, and this church and people say that this was the best revival in the church for several years. We went on to Ceres on November 4, where Rev. Gertrude M. Knight is the good pastor; truly she has done a very outstanding job. With the aid of her people, outside friends, and a hard-working district superintendent, Dr. George Coulter, they have built a fine church building with plenty of ground to park cars. There we had a fine meeting, and on the last Sunday morn-

ing the Holy Ghost came down; there was but a fifteen-minute message, but the blessings of God filled the place. We have some open dates in January and February and one in April. Write us at 934 W. Hays Avenue, Banning, California."

Jackson, Tennessee—First Church closed a revival on Sunday, November 8, with Rev. Carl Brown, evangelist. There were good crowds every night. Brother Brown brought some really soul-stirring messages and old-time conviction settled down on the services, resulting in 42 seekers at the altar. On Monday night we had a healing service, and there were 17 at the altar, with some testimonies of definite healing. Several nights of the meeting we had the McDonald Brothers' Quartet doing most of the singing. Rev. Phillip G. Storey came to us as pastor in October, 1951, after our pastor, Rev. Robert Hertenstien, was killed in an auto accident en route to the district assembly. We have had an increase in average Sunday-school attendance from 69, two years ago, to 133; also an increase in church membership. There is a spirit of unity among our people, and the church is going forward. We gave the pastor a love offering at the close of the revival of over \$200.00. We are planning to start in the spring to add the upper story to the basement unit. Jackson First Church is on the move under the leadership of our good pastor, who last year was given a three-year call and a raise in salary.—Ben V. Elam, Reporter.

Pastor Frank W. May writes from Mt. Sterling, Kentucky: "After pastoring the church in Augusta, Kentucky, for two and one-half years, we felt led of the Lord to accept this call. God has blessed in a special way, and we have had a large number of seekers at the altar in our regular services. The Bryant-Stone Evangelistic Party gave us a good revival in the spring, and Rev. A. E. Kelly and A. C. Wakefield gave us a fine meeting this fall. We appreciate these evangelistic workers. We broke our Sunday-school record of 342, with 418 present in the fall Sunday-school rally. The people gave the largest Thanksgiving offering in the history of the church. The church is united, and co-operating with our program; we believe God has great things for us."

Evangelist Bernice L. Roedel reports: "During the past six years of full-time evangelism, it has been my privilege to work with many of our finest Nazarene pastors and people, as well as in some churches of sister denominations. Since the first of this year I conducted revivals at Mt. Vernon (Olive Chapel Methodist), Indiana; Boonville, Indiana, with Pastor T. R. Smiley, and Robert and Delores Hungate as singers; Shelburn, Indiana, with Pastor Earl Poorman; Albion (Free Methodist), Illinois, with Singers Maurice and Mary Dyson; Ladoga, Indiana, with Pastor A. R. Meyer;

Beardstown (Bethel-Franklin Methodist), Indiana; Dalton (Immanuel Methodist), Missouri, with Singer Violet Coulter; Brunswick, Missouri, with Pastor Lucille Riggs and Singer Violet Coulter; Mt. Vernon, Indiana, with Pastor Paul T. Byrns and Miss Coulter as singer; Streator, Illinois, with Pastor H. W. Morrow; and Clay City, Indiana, with Pastor E. F. Singhurse. In addition to these revivals, I have supervised vacation Bible schools at Mackey, Oatsville, and Columbus (First), Indiana, as well as conducting special or week-end services at Mackey, Roachdale, Mt. Vernon (Nazarene, Olive Chapel, and Welborne Methodist churches), Freetown, Kurtz, and Grandview, Indiana. My slate is rapidly filling for next year and I am working at my task with a greater joy than I have ever known before. My home address is 423 East Maple Street, Boonville, Indiana."

Pastor Albert B. Schneider writes from Vincennes, Indiana: "Due to a delay in building plans, First Church has purchased the properties next to the church to be used as a Sunday-school annex. The Sunday school had overcrowded the present building, hindering any further expansion unless additional property was acquired. Since it would be some time before money for a new church could be raised, the church voted the sale of the church lots at a profit of \$3,250.00, and the money was used to purchase the properties. A small three-room house will be moved from the premises, making way for the building of the new church at the present location. The present church will be remodeled into Sunday-school rooms. When completed the entire building will be of Bedford stone, with two buildings, one unit a 60 x 66-foot auditorium, and the Sunday-school part, 32 x 106 feet. The completed buildings will take care of at least 400 in Sunday school, and 400 in the sanctuary. Plans have been drawn and passed by the State Board of Construction, and as soon as sufficient money is in, construction will begin. We have a growing Sunday school, two excellent missionary societies, and an active young people's society. I am now in my fifth year and have received seventy members into the church since coming here. God has been good to us and I thank Him for the privilege of working in the Church of the Nazarene."

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma—Pennsylvania Avenue Church recently concluded a very fine evangelistic crusade under the direction of Rev. J. L. Woolman. The crusade had a threefold objective: to revive the church, to make a definite effort to reach all those not sanctified, and to reach the sinners and the unchurched. We feel in some measure that all three objectives were reached. The church was strengthened and challenged by Brother Woolman's strong Bible preaching. Many who were not satisfied in their experiences prayed through to definite victory. Folk outside the church were reached

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and, since the revival, are making a definite contribution to the church. This was Brother Woolman's second revival in his home church; the church appreciates his well-rounded ministry and strong appeal to the unsanctified and unsaved.—C. R. Thrasher, Pastor.

Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Ingle write from Blackwell, Oklahoma: "We still are on the firing line for God, holiness, and the Church of the Nazarene. This is our third year as pastors of First Church. The Lord is blessing and giving victory, and the people have been very nice to us. October 11 we closed a gracious revival with Rev. and Mrs. Carl H. Kruse, which was of great profit to the church. Sister Kruse is one of the best children's workers we have ever seen, and Brother Kruse brought some wonderfully inspiring messages. Their spirit and attitude are wonderful, and our people greatly appreciated them. Since we have been here we have had some very fine evangelists. Rev. Ellis Lewis, last spring, was used of the Lord in a very gracious way; Rev. Howard D. Burson did a wonderful job a year ago; and Paul Gray gave us a fine week in a youth revival last winter. Pray for us as we endeavor to win souls for the Master in this beautiful industrial city of some eleven thousand souls."

Evangelists Paul and Hallie Smith report: "We are now in our third year of evangelism and enjoying the blessing of the Lord daily. God has been very good to us, keeping us busy in the field for souls. Our meetings last year took us to the Kansas; Kansas City; Northeast, Northwest, and Southeast Oklahoma; Abilene; Houston; Washington-Philadelphia; West Virginia; and Northern California districts, and God gave us 749 seekers at the altar. These are difficult days in the evangelistic field and we are fighting hard battles, but God is helping us to be victorious. We recently closed a meeting at Compton, California, where Rev. Lowell Young is the most efficient pastor. He is God's aggressive man

for that church, and he backed the entire revival with an unlimited burden and passion for lost souls. God gave us exactly 100 souls at the altar. At this writing we are in a meeting with the Stockton Fremont Church, and God is giving us souls, some very hard cases. The new pastor, Rev. Robert Owen, has assumed his duties in a most capable way, and is wholeheartedly standing by the meeting; God is honoring his efforts. God's presence is very near in these trying times; we desire the prayers of all, that God will help us to make every moment count for the salvation of the lost. We praise God for all past victories, a present, up-to-date experience, and a bright outlook for the future."

Evangelist Joseph Bierce reports: "I am in my twenty-third meeting for this calendar year, and the Spirit of the Lord has been upon them. It has been a privilege to work with our pastors and people on twelve districts, ranging from Maine to Georgia, Alabama, and Wisconsin. I have some open dates in January and February. Anyone who may be interested may contact me at 913 Indiana St., Bicknell, Indiana."

Pastor Wayne M. Butchart writes from Reno, Nevada: "We are happy to report that God is raising up a wonderful group of people called Nazarenes in this 'biggest little city in the world.' Our hearts thrill to the challenge in this city of sin, as we press the battle for God and holiness. Our wonderful Lord is giving an increase along every line; He is sending faithful, consecrated lay workers to help carry the banner. Our Sunday school is running to capacity in our present facility, which is the west wing of our new building—including the young people's chapel. Work is progressing on the new sanctuary and the main part of the building, and to finish by Christmas is our goal. First Church joined in a union meeting this fall with the Sparks and Home Gardens churches. Evangelists Paul and Monica Martin were the workers, and God blessed in a gracious way, giving many

seekers and happy finders at the altar. On servicemen's Sundry we had twenty fine airmen from Stead Airbase in attendance. Most of these are regular and faithful to the church and have been a great blessing, helping in every phase of the work and doing much in the Crusade for Souls. We would be happy to contact any servicemen assigned to this base. Please pray with us that God will show forth His power in this place for His glory and the salvation of many."

Pastor N. Becton Cain writes from Houston, Texas: "In July we left Nacogdoches and came to pastor our Woodsdale Church in this great metropolitan area. We left some of the best people in God's kingdom, but found some wonderful Nazarenes here. We appreciate the good work done by our predecessor, Rev. Douglas F. Roach. In August we had a one-week revival with our district N.Y.P.S. president, Rev. Charles Oliver, as the evangelist and God gave us souls at the altar, resulting in an increase in church membership. Before the revival we moved into our new church building that Brother Roach began. In November we closed the greatest revival in the history of this church, according to some of the charter members, with Rev. and Mrs. Joe Chastain. We had forty-one seekers at the altar, and five adults joined the church. On the closing Sunday night of the meeting one of the new members gave the pastor a nearly new typewriter and others pledged an offering for a new desk. God is giving us seekers in our regular services, and for the first four months of this assembly year we averaged 121 in Sunday school. The N.Y.P.S., N.F.M.S., and Junior Society are showing progress, and boys' and girls' Caravans have been organized. For every bit of progress we thank God and our co-operative people. If you have friends in the north or west areas of Houston write me at P.O. Box 11022, Houston 16, Texas, and I will be glad to contact them."

Evangelist J. L. Woolman writes: "I have an open date in January following the evangelists' conference in Kansas City, and would like to slate it in that vicinity or between Kansas City and Michigan—I will be in Michigan the first two weeks of February."

Wheelersburg, Ohio—These are good days for us; the blessings of God are upon us, and since our assembly in July we have received thirteen into membership and the pastor has been given an increase in salary which almost triples the amount that he received upon his arrival. We have a fine people who are loyal to their church and believe in and support its general program. We enjoyed a good revival in September with Rev. Frank Roddy, whose ministry was blessed of God and enjoyed by all.

This was his second revival with us and he has been extended a call to return. Our church is now free of debt and we have a large sum in the treasury for the purchasing of new furniture.—W. W. Weddington, Pastor.

Rev. W. E. Boggs writes: "I am re-entering the evangelistic field and am open for calls immediately. Due to the health of Mrs. Boggs I will be traveling alone. During the four years prior to Mrs. Boggs's traveling with me, God gave some very wonderful revivals, as well as the eleven years we traveled together. I will be glad to go to any church for a free-will offering, doing only the preaching, and the local church can furnish the music, or I will work with any song evangelist or combination of song evangelists. Contact me, % the Publishing House."

St. Louis, Missouri—South Side Church recently closed a wonderful revival with Rev. J. A. McNatt as evangelist and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Crain as song evangelists. A goodly number of souls prayed through to definite victory. Every department in the church is increasing under the fine leadership of Rev. Odis James and wife, who have been here for the past eight years. Our goal for the current assembly year is at least 10 per cent for missions.—Frederick DeRuiter, Reporter.

Evangelist Guthrie H. Hughes reports: "After thirteen years as pastor, I am now in full-time evangelism. I recently closed a revival at the West Side Church in Indianapolis, Indiana. There were large crowds, with many praying through to victory. I appreciated the fine pastor, Rev. W. H. Johnson, and the fine music and singing of Boyce and Catherine Pierce. The need of revivals is great, but God still is faithful. Pray that God may use me as He sees fit."

Evangelist Marvin S. Cooper reports: "It is our pleasure to conduct a holiness convention at Winchester, Virginia, where Rev. B. C. Burns is our good pastor. God honored our efforts and a fine group were received into membership. We next went to Catlett, Virginia, with Pastor George Boggs, where God poured out His blessings upon the meeting; many earnest souls found victory, and a goodly number were received into the church. At Clare, Michigan, where Rev. Harold Smith is pastor, the Lord gave us tides of glory and the people rejoiced in holy fellowship. At Mancelona, Michigan, with Pastor Reo D. Miller, we found some of the finest people we have ever met; God honored our efforts and the faith of the pastor and the people with a splendid revival. At this writing we are at Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, where we came first in 1919. We are now in our eighty-sixth revival in the state of Michigan, and recently saw organized the fifteenth church

in which we conducted the revival leading to the organization. Rev. R. Lester Hale is the pastor in charge, and is succeeding under the blessing of God. The meeting gained such momentum that it was thought wise to continue another week and, according to outward evidence, this week is more fruitful than the last. I have an open date, February 2 to 14, that I will be glad to fill. Write me at 1514 N. Wakefield St., Arlington, Virginia."

Moberly, Missouri—We recently closed a wonderful revival with Evangelist Harold C. Thompson. God blessed the straightforward messages of this good man of God, and he endeared himself to our people. His ministry was often with tears, that God used to soften the hard hearts. The truth became effective, and forty-five seekers were at the altar. Miss Marjorie Granger did the singing for the meeting. A \$61.00 love offering was raised for the pastor, which was highly appreciated. We believe that God is helping our good people here. We always desire that our friends will remember us in prayer.—Charles C. Chaney, Pastor.

Pastor W. P. Colvin writes from Scott, Georgia: "Coming to the Mt. Olive Church a year ago at assembly time, we felt the need of a spiritual program, and organized an intercessory prayer band that meets at the church each Tuesday night and prays until we pray through. It is beginning to pay off—the Lord is saving and sanctifying people in the Sunday night services. Recently there were three at the altar who prayed through. On November 29 we had a full house; Brother Roy Thompson, one of the home boys, preached a brief message and the altar was lined with twelve or more, and all except two claimed help from the Lord. To God be all the glory. We have one of the very finest groups of young people that you will find anywhere. We need your prayers."

Evangelists C. C. Rinebarger and wife write: "We have been out of the field of evangelism for some time due to ill health, but the Lord has helped, and we plan to enter the field again. We would like to slate some meetings for the spring and fall of 1954. We carry the full program. You may address us, 10203 Driver Avenue, Overland, Missouri."

Northwest Oklahoma District N.Y.P.S. Thanksgiving Rally

Echoes of laughter could be heard and tear-filled eyes could be seen at the Thanksgiving Rally at Fairview, Oklahoma, November 27. A wonderful representation of the young people from every church on the district helped to make the rally a real success. Approximately three hundred young people enjoyed every feature of the planned program.

Mrs. Beulah Dutt, from India, gave a great challenge in her Spirit-filled

messages. An unusual quietness prevailed in the school auditorium as she enlightened the young people on their great privilege of serving Christ in a Christian nation. Mr. Christopher Dutt gave some startling statistics of India.

We were also happy to have the Freshman quartet from Bethany-Peniel College in the services during the day. They helped to add a bit of spice to the Talent Hour by presenting a comic skit.

During the afternoon the oratorical contest was held, featuring some excellent speeches on "By My Spirit, Speak." It was followed by an interesting reading contest entitled "Sound Your Buzzer," directed by Mrs. Charles Roberts. Next came a one-act play, "It Pays," presented by the young people of Vici church, portraying a typical problem faced by our Nazarene youth today. Mr. Dutt then presented some brief facts on India, after which an enjoyable Talent Hour featured the talent of our district young people. During this period a well-planned skit was presented by the youth of the Enid Maine Church.

The long awaited banquet was served in the American Legion building. Banquet arrangements were made by Rev. Danford Alger, and the excellent decorations made by the Fairview young people. The theme "Fishers of Men" was carried out. Melvin Riddle served as toastmaster, and the after-dinner program was presented by the Enid First Church young people.

To complete this day of fun, fellowship, and spiritual blessing, the evening service was crowned with many seekers.

MRS. MELVIN RIDDLE, Reporter

Casa Robles

With the passing of the summer months, Nazarenes and friends will be interested to know that time has moved on with sustained interest and progress at Casa Robles, the missionary home of the Church of the Nazarene at Temple City, California. We are happy to report again that the health of all the residents has continued good, and they constitute a happy group, deeply appreciative of what their beloved church is doing for them.

From June 1 to December 1 there were 27 groups or organizations and individual visitors at Casa Robles, totaling 933 visitors. Most of the groups came with potluck dinners or luncheons, which were served in the "Patio del Roble Grande," a beautiful patio under a large oak with 75-foot spread, located in the heart of the Casa Robles grounds. The missionaries are always invited to "sit in" with visitors, and often speak to the visiting groups.

The visitors came from ten foreign lands, twenty-three states of the United States, and included were eight district superintendents, three general superintendents, four Gen-

eral Board members, and four general officials of the Church of the Nazarene. Most of them expressed their opinion and appraisal of Casa Robles; apparently with one accord they all register approval and commend the church for this effort to pay a debt of gratitude to missionaries who have given most of their lives to foreign missions.

Among the many events of the six months mentioned, we should make note of the silver wedding anniversary celebrated with Harvey and Eugenia Coats, who spent so many years in Guatemala. The celebration had been planned to take place at the regular meeting of the Casa Robles chapter of the Temple City N.F.M.S., of which Mrs. Coats is chairman. The Coates announced that they would give at that time \$25.00 to a school in Guatemala, but friends and members took advantage of the time to have a fine banquet with many of the district N.F.M.S. officials and other distinguished guests present. Lovely tributes and gifts were made to the Coates; \$100.00 was handed to Rev. and Mrs. H. Kitagawa by a friend, and also a generous gift was given for a native's accordion in Peru. It proved to be a celebration after the Coates' hearts—these grand people who contributed so much to our Guatemalan missions.

A. E. SANNER, Superintendent

And he [Jesus] said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth (Luke 12:15).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTICE—Rev. O. L. Osborne is an ordained elder in good standing in our district, and is available for evangelistic meetings, week-end conventions, and rallies. He loves the Lord and the church, and carries a burden for lost souls. He may be contacted at 5746 West Taylor, Hollywood, Florida. John L. Knight, Superintendent of Florida District.

BORN to Rev. and Mrs. D. L. Leathers of Princeton, Indiana, a son, James Thomas, on November 27.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Virgil Hutcheson of San Anselmo, California, a daughter, Rebecca Lynn, on November 23.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Wesley B. Smith of Portland, Oregon, a son, Philip Douglas, on November 18.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd John of Gary, Indiana, a son, Floyd Albert, on November 11.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Carl E. Harr of Bellevue, Ohio, a son, Timothy Earle, on November 8.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Lyndon Walls of Rutland, Ohio, a son, Benny Dale, on November 1.

—to Rev. and Mrs. George D. Andrews of Vernon, Texas, a son, Mark Daniel, on October 31.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Lindon C. Payne of West Chazy, New York, a daughter, Marlynn Louise, on October 23.

—to Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Hammerstrom of Omaha, Nebraska, a daughter, Sharon Lynnette, on October 15.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a friend in Ohio that a man in Nebraska may see the light and walk in it;

by a lady in Oklahoma that God may help her to get victory over some matters that are troubling

her—she wants so much to live a victorious life for Christ;

by a lady in New York for her healing;
by a lady in Illinois for a much-desired adjustment of relations with a friend—she thanks God for answered prayer in other previous requests;
by two Christians in North Dakota in regard to a situation which has developed in the place of their employment—they will not compromise their convictions, and are being "put on the spot" to try to force them to conform to worldly plans—they want only God's will to be done in the entire matter.

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Assembly Schedule

Akron	April 28—May 2
Canada Central	May 12-14
Washington-Philadelphia	May 20-22
Florida	May 26-27
North American Indian	June 11
South Dakota	June 23-24
Canada West	July 6-9
Southwest Indiana	July 28-30
Kentucky	August 4-5
Wisconsin	August 11-13
Northwestern Illinois	August 18-19
Mississippi	September 1-3
Northeast Oklahoma	September 15-16
North Carolina	September 22-23
South Carolina	September 29-30

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Assembly Schedule

Idaho-Oregon	May 12-14
Oregon Pacific	May 19-20
Nevada-Utah	May 26-27
Northwest	June 16-18
North Dakota	June 23-24
Northeastern Indiana	July 7-9
Maritime	July 14-15
Pittsburgh	July 21-23
Missouri	August 4-6
Virginia	August 11-12
Dallas	August 18-20
Indianapolis	August 25-27
Southeast Oklahoma	September 22-23

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Assembly Schedule

Albany	May 5-6
Northern California	May 12-14
Washington Pacific	May 19-20
New Mexico	May 26-28
Southern California	June 2-4
Alabama	June 30- July 1
Central Ohio	July 14-16
Minnesota	July 21-22
Eastern Kentucky	July 28-29
Illinois	August 4-6
Houston	August 25-27
South Arkansas	September 8-9
North Arkansas	September 15-16
Georgia	September 29-30

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Assembly Schedule

San Antonio	May 5-6
Abilene	May 12-14
Arizona	May 19-20
Los Angeles	May 26-28
Nebraska	June 2-3
Rocky Mountain	June 10-11
West Virginia	July 2-3
Colorado	July 7-8
Eastern Michigan	July 21-23
Western Ohio	July 28-30
Kansas	August 4-6
Iowa	August 11-13
Louisiana	September 1-3

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Assembly Schedule

British Isles	June 23-25
New England	July 2-3
New York	July 14-16
Michigan	July 28-30
Northwest Oklahoma	August 4-5
East Tennessee	August 11-12
Chicago Central	August 18-20
Northwest Indiana	August 25-27
Tennessee	August 25-27
Kansas City	September 8-10
Southwest Oklahoma	September 15-17

EVANGELISTS' SLATES

Adams, Donald and Louise. Preacher and Singers, Box 325, Salem, Ill.

Akers, Ira R. and Mary B. Preacher and Young People's Worker, 2128 Brookline Ave., Dayton 10, Ohio

Anderson, G. R. Evangelist, Box 76, Lindsey, Ohio

Anderson, Gilbert and Sylvia. Preacher and Singers, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Aycock, Dell. Evangelistic Singer, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Bailey, Clayton. Box 579, Fort Dodge, Iowa

Baldwin, C. R. 1124 W. Texas, Durant, Okla.

Ball, Kenneth W. and Evelyn. Evangelist and Singers, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Balsmeier, A. F. and Leonora T. Preacher and Singer, P.O. Box 745, 719 1/2 E. Second St., Hutchinson, Kansas

Barkley, Arthur and Vada Lee. Preacher and Singers, 305 N.W. Main St., Bethany, Okla.
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) . Jan. 11 to 13
Arenzville (Bethel), Ill. Jan. 19 to 31

Bass, M. V. 18616 Riverview, Detroit 19, Mich.
North American Indian Dist. December
Gibsonburg, Ohio Jan. 29 to Feb. 7

Battin, Buford. 1509 Seventh St., Lubbock, Texas

Beckman, Alice; and Kime, Hazel. Evangelist and Singer, 3415 Elizabeth St., Denver, Colo.

Belew, P. P. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Berryhill, Noble E. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Bertolets, The Musical (Fred and Grace). Preacher and Musicians, 1349 Perkiomen Ave., Reading, Pa.
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) . Jan. 11 to 13
Cleveland (First), Ohio Jan. 17 to 24

Bierce, Jack. Song Evangelist, 19 Cedar Drive, Glen Burnie, Md.
Open Date Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Charleston (Davis Creek), W.Va.
. Jan. 13 to 24

Bierce, Joseph. R.R. 1, Bicknell, Indiana
Homer City, Pa. Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Royersford, Pa. Jan. 11 to 17

Bishop Joe. Box 47, Yukon, Okla.
Henessey, Okla. Dec. 30 to Jan. 10

Bouse, Fred. Evangelist, 420 East 12th St., Indianapolis, Ind.

Bowman, Russell. 2400 North 4th St., Columbus 2, Ohio
Rutland, Ohio Jan. 26 to Feb. 7
Fremont, Ohio Feb. 9 to 21

Brannon, George. 125 N. Wheeler, Bethony, Okla.
Mt. Pleasant, Iowa Jan. 1 to 10
Grandview, Wash. Jan. 14 to 24

Brannon, Wilbur. 2201 Morehouse Ave., Elkhart, Ind.
Evansville (Victory Chapel), Ind.
Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Midland (First), Mich. Jan. 13 to 24

Brinkman, George. Evangelist, 1330 Corbin Rd., Toledo 12, Ohio

Brockmuller, C. W. Evangelist, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
Open date Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) . Jan. 11 to 13

Brown, Curtis R. Song Evangelist, 912 Fifth St. N.W., Canton, Ohio

Brown, J. Russell. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
Herrington Kansas Jan. 13 to 17
Hollis, Okla. Jan. 19 to 24

Bryant, E. L. and Wife. 519 Wood St., Maysville, Ky.
Open dates for January and February

Burnem, Eddie and Ann. Box 1007, Ashland, Ky.
Albany, Ky. Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Charleston (First), W.Va. Jan. 13 to 24

Burson, H. D. 401 W. Clay St., Houston 6, Texas

Burton, C. C. P.O. Box 145, Somerset, Ky.

Bush Russell, and Wife. Evangelist and Musicians, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
Holidays Pennsylvania
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.)
Jan. 11 to 13

Byers, C. F., and Wife. Evangelist and Singers, Wood River, Neb.

Cameron, A. Alexander. 27 Ravine St., Mrs. Wilson Lane, Yonkers, N.Y.

Campbell, Ira L. Evangelist, 4120 N.W. 21st Terrace, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Cargill, A. L. and Myrtle. Box 256, Divide, Colo.
Salem (Brethren in Christ), Ore. Jan. 5 to 17

Carlton, W. E. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
Denver (Fruitdale), Colo. Jan. 3 to 10
Sikeston, Mo. Jan. 12 to 24

Carroll, Bob. 119 N. Flood St., Norman, Okla.
Carnegie, Okla. Jan. 3 to 10
Anadarko, Okla. Jan. 12 to 24

Carter, E. L. Kincaid, Ill.
Mt. Erie, Ill. Dec. 29 to Jan. 10
Clarinda, Iowa Jan. 14 to 24

Carter, Jack and Ruby. 609 N. Mueller St., Bethany, Okla.
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) . Jan. 11 to 13
Cheyenne, Okla. Jan. 18 to 24

Carter, W. A. Evangelist, 3808 W. Park St., Greenville, Texas
Carthage, Texas Jan. 20 to 31
Greenville, Texas Feb. 3 to 14

Chaiken, I. O. Evangelist, 471 S. Osborn, Kankakee, Ill.

Chapman, G. H. Evangelist, Box 434, Lexington, Okla.

Chaffield, C. C. and Flora N. Preachers and Singers, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
Maysville, Ky. Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Jefferson, Ohio Jan. 13 to 24

Childress, Sammy and Rhea. Evangelistic Singers, Box 103, Owensville, Ind.

Chickenoft, Miss Susie. Song Evangelist, 546 Barham Ave., Santa Rosa, Calif.

Clark Eddie. 701 A Ave. E., Oskaloosa, Iowa
Astoria, Ill. (Youth Week) Jan. 18 to 24
Rockford (First), Ill. (Youth Week)
Jan. 27 to 31

Cole, Mrs. Dorothy Ayers. Evangelist, 441 Del Paso Blvd., North Sacramento, Calif.

Conway, L. W. 1043 Columbia St., Newport, Ky.
Charleston W.Va. Jan. 13 to 24

Cock, James V. Song Evangelist, Route 1, Harrisburg, Illinois
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.)
Jan. 11 to 13
St. Louis (Goodfellow), Mo. Jan. 17 to 24

Cooper, Marvin S. Evangelist, 1514 N. Wakefield St., Arlington, Va.

Cope, Jacob and Mildred. Preacher and Singers, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Corbett, C. T. Box 215, Kankakee, Ill.
Richland Center, Wis. Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Denver (East Side), Colo. Jan. 14 to 24

Crabtree, J. C. Evangelist, 1506 Amherst Rd., Springfield, Ohio
Grand Junction, Colo. Jan. 3 to 10
Decatur, Ill. Jan. 14 to 17

Crawford, J. H. and Maggie. Springdale, Ark.
Mattoon, Ill. Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Peoria (N. Side), Ill. Jan. 13 to 24

Crider, James and Janet. Singers and Musicians, 5509 S. Randolph St., Indianapolis, Ind.
Muncie (First), Ind. Jan. 19 to 31
Winchester, Ind. Apr. 7 to 18

Crites Evangelistic Party. Box 604, Owen Sound, Ontario

Critcher, Estelle. Evangelist, 7221 S.W. 5th St., Miami, Fla.
Reading, Pa. Jan. 20 to 31
Allentown, Pa. Feb. 3 to 14

Darity, Joe T. Song Evangelist, Box 142, Columbus, Ohio
Darnell, H. E. P.O. Box 929, Vivian, La.

Davidson, Otto, and Wife. Evangelist and Singers, 224 E. Ames St., Mt. Vernon, Ohio

Davis, C. W. and Florence. 920 N. Institute, Colorado Springs, Colo.
Ordway, Colo. Jan. 1 to 10
Coalinga, Calif. Jan. 15 to 25

Davis, Leland R. Song Evangelist, 2021 12th St., Akron, Ohio

Davis, Ray. Evangelist, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

DeBord, Clifton. Box 881, Ashland, Ky.

Dickerson, H. N. 2235 N. Alabama, Indianapolis 5, Ind.

Dixon, George and Charlotte. Preachers and Singers, 39 S. Prospect Ave., Patchogue, N.Y.
Berea, Ohio Jan. 1 to 10
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) . Jan. 11 to 13

Dobbins, C. H., and Wife. Evangelists and Musicians, 604 S. Wayne St., Alexandria, Ind.

Douglas, Wilson. 1905 10th Ave., Jasper, Ala.

Drayer, Fred E. Evangelist, Box 14, Hawthorn, Pa.

Dunn, T. P. 318 East 7th St., Hastings, Neb.
Los Angeles, Calif. Jan. 20 to 31
Long Beach (West Side), Calif. Feb. 3 to 14

Dyer, Esther M. Musical Evangelist, 1190 Brown's Court, Clearwater, Fla.

Eastman, H. T. and Verla May. Evangelist and Musicians, 2005 East 11th, Pueblo, Colo.
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.)
Jan. 11 to 13
E. Bakersfield, Calif. Jan. 27 to Feb. 7

Edwards, L. T. Evangelist, P.O. Box 110, Lowell, Oregon

Elsea, Cloyce. Evangelist, Box 18, Van Buren, Ohio

Emrick, Ross and Dorothy. Evangelist and Musicians, 600 Trumbull St., Bay City, Mich.
Springfield (First), Ill. Jan. 4 to 10
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) . Jan. 11 to 13

Estep, Alva O. and Gladys. Preacher and Singers, Box 238, Losantville, Ind.
Lake Wales, Fla. Jan. 6 to 17
Clearwater, Fla. Jan. 20 to 31

Lverist, Gerald W. Evangelist, P.O. Box 921, Texarkana, Texas

Felter, H. J. Box 86, Leesburg, N.J.

Ferguson, Edw. R. and Alma. Preacher and Singer, 920 21st St., Orlando, Fla.
Orlando, Fla. (Home) Jan. 1 to 10
Princeton, Fla. Jan. 13 to 24

Fettlers, Fred W. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
Home for holidays Dec. 15 to Jan. 26
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) . Jan. 11 to 13

Files, Gloria; Adams, Dorothy. Preacher and Singers, Wiley Ford, W.Va.

Finch, Miriam. Song Evangelist, Box 303, Shawmut, Alabama

Finch, Oscar J. Evangelist, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
Paradise, Kansas Jan. 14 to 17
Muncie (First), Ind. Jan. 19 to 31

Finger, Maurice and Naomi. Preacher and Singers, 529 East 4th St., Northampton, Pa.

Firestone, Orville. Evangelist, 1519 W. 47th St., Tulsa, Okla.

Fisher, C. Wm. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
Santa Ana, Calif. Jan. 3 to 10
Bakersfield (First), Calif. Jan. 13 to 24

Fitch, James S. Evangelist, 1382 Myrtle Ave., Cincinnati 6, Ohio
Cincinnati, Ohio Jan. 4 to 17
Nashville, Tenn. Jan. 19 to 31

Fouse, Fay A. Evangelist, 635 Western Ave., Winchester, Ind.
Montezuma, Ind. Jan. 12 to 24
Princeton, Ind. Jan. 26 to 31

Fowler, Thomas S. Evangelist, Hawthorn, Pa.
Annapolis, Md. Jan. 4 to 10

Fraleigh, Hazel M. 458 Moore Ave., New Castle, Pa.

Frodge, Harold C. Evangelist, Box 181, St. Paris, Ohio
Mt. Blanchard, Ohio Dec. 29 to Jan. 10
Ridge Farm, Ill. Jan. 11 to 17

Gardner, Earl and Pearl. Preachers and Singers, 302 W. Adams St., Muncie, Ind.
Cherry Grove, Mich. Jan. 31 to Feb. 7

Geeding, W. W. and Wilma. Preachers and Chalk Artist, 376 W. Pine St., Canton, Ill.

Geren, Ray N. Evangelist, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Gillespie, George M. 934 Harrison St., Elkhart, Ind.
Notus, Idaho Jan. 5 to 17
Unity, Ore. Jan. 19 to 31

Gillespie, Sherman and Elsie. Song Evangelists, Farmland, Ind.

Gilliam, Harold P. Evangelist, Route 1, Woodland, Wash.

Glover, E. M. Evangelist, Coffeyville, Kansas

Godfrey, Laura. Song Evangelist, 797 N. Wilson, Pasadena 7, Calif.
Upland, Calif. Jan. 27 to Feb. 7

Gordon, Maurice F. 2417 "C" St., Selma, Calif.
Home Dec. 23 to Jan. 1

Granger, Miss Marjorie. Song Evangelist, 4322 Manchester, St. Louis, Mo.

Gray, Paul. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Gray, Ralph C., and Wife. Evangelist and Singer, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
Downey (First), Calif. Jan. 6 to 17
Chico, Calif. Feb. 17 to 28

Green, James and Rose. Singers and Musicians, 1201 Bowler St., New Castle, Ind.

Greenlee, Helen. Evangelistic Singer, Route 2, Humston, Iowa
Iowa City, Iowa Dec. 30 to Jan. 3
Davenport, Iowa Jan. 14 to 24

Gretzinger, Harold W. 1391 Mar Vista, Pasadena, Calif.

Griffith, Glenn. 1304 Schley St., Nampa, Idaho

Groves Sisters. Singers and Chalk Artist, Bruceton Mills, W.Va.

Grubbs, R. D. Rt. 3, Box 220, Covington, Ky.

Gullett, Langley. Route 1, Oak Hill, Ohio

Haas, Wayne and June. Singers and Musicians, Route 1, Cory, Ind.
Morristown, Ind. Jan. 1 to 3
Mountain City (Tabernacle), Ind.
Jan. 5 to 17

Hail, C. B. Evangelist, 2104 Grange Hall Rd., U. S. Allen, Dayton 3, Ohio

Communion with God has been man's blessed privilege since the dawn of creation. Adam walked and talked with God in the cool of the evening. If Adam needed to talk with God, how much more do we, who are so far removed from the beginnings of things! So let us be people of prayer! Men must be constant in prayer. Would that men everywhere had the habit of prayer to enable them to cope with the tasks of life! With prayer comes strength that we do not find within.—IRA L. TRUE, Sr.

Hall, Miss Clarine. Song Evangelist, 819 Milburn Ave., Dayton 4, Ohio

Hall, Dave. Evangelist, 629 E. Kansas, McPherson, Kansas

Hamilton, Jack and Wilma. Box 172, Hays, Kansas

Hamric, Lee L. and Elsie. 221 N. Rosemont St., Dallas, Texas

Hankins, A. K., and Wife. Preacher and Singers, 210 1/2 S.E. 4th St., Evansville, Ind.

Harding, Mrs. Maridel. Evangelist, 803 N. Briggs, Hastings, Neb.

Harding, U. E., and Wife. Preacher and Singer, 332 Monterey Rd., South Pasadena, Calif.

Harley, C. H. Evangelist, Burbank, Ohio

Harmonettes, Iva Tate and Betty Brown. Singers and Musicians, 138 South Franklin Street, Delaware, Ohio

Harrington, Wm. N. Route 3, Box 666, Gainesville, Fla.

Cullman, Ala. Jan. 17 to 31
New Orleans, La. Feb. 3 to 14

Harris, Kenneth J. Singing Artist, 432 1/2 Frederick St., Huntington, Ind.

Wabash, Ind. Jan. 5 to 10
Saginaw (First), Mich. Jan. 12 to 24

Harrison, Ray W. Evangelist, 506 B St., Hillside Park, Milwaukee, Ore.

Methow (Evang. Meth.), Wash. Jan. 3 to 17
Canby, Ore. Jan. 19 to 29

Harrold, John W. Box 309, Red Key, Ind.

Hayes, Thomas. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Henbest, C. L. Box 345, Rogers, Ark.

Richmond, Ind. Dec. 31 to Jan. 10
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13

Henck, Nelson H. 714 Campbell St., Williamsport, Pa.

Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
Lancaster, Pa. Jan. 18 to 24

Hendrick, Doris V. Evangelist, 336 North St., Bad Axe, Mich.

Henrickson, G. W. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Henson, J. C. Bethany, Okla.

Heslop, Mrs. Norah. 1029 N. Concord, Indianapolis 22, Ind.

Higgins, Charles A. Evangelist, 1702 Pecos St., Las Cruces, New Mexico

Hodge, W. M. Evangelist, Science Hill, Kentucky

Hodgson, R. E. Evangelist, 110 N. Mueller, Bethany, Okla.

Hoke, J. O. and Helen (Peters). Evangelists and Singers, 525 W. Green, Virden, Illinois

Holsa Evangelistic Party. 5332 Summer Ave., Ashtabula, Ohio

Holstein, C. V. Evangelist, 432 W. Walnut St., Kalamazoo, Mich.

Hooker, H. H. Box 181, Gardendale, Ala.

Hoot, G. W. and Pearl Moser. Evangelist and Musicians, Winona Lake, Ind.

Highland, Mich. Jan. 5 to 17
St. Louis, Mich. Jan. 19 to 31

Huffman, H. B. Box 25, Onego, W.Va.

Lawton (First), Okla. Jan. 10 to 31
Corey, Ind. Feb. 2 to 28

Hughes, Guthrie H. Evangelist, Greenfield, Indiana

Hull, James L. Evangelist, Box 392, Salina, Kansas

Hungate, Robert and Delores. Singers and Musicians, Newburgh, Ind.

Iseberg Evangelistic Party. Artist-Evangelist and Singers, Box 388, New Cumberland, Pa.

Jackson, Bly. Song Evangelist, 40 Elizabeth St., Asheville, N.C.

Jackson, R. V. 308 N. Penfield St., Rantoul, Ill.

Elgin, Ill. Jan. 3 to 17
Bluford, Ill. Jan. 20 to 31

Jantz, Calvin and Marjorie. Singers and Musicians, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Mt. Blanchard, Ohio Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13

Jenkins, Gerald and Donna Lou. Singers, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
Midland, Mich. Jan. 15 to 24

Jerrett, Howard W. 630 W. Hazelhurst, Ferndale 20, Mich.

Johnson, Andrew. Wilmore, Kentucky

Johnson, Spencer. Box 11, Vivian, La.

Jones, A. K. 519 Commercial, Danville, Ill.

Jones, Claude W. Evangelist, 9 Elm Ave., Wollaston 70, Mass.

Wash.-Phil. Dist. Home Miss. Dec. 29 to Feb. 14

Jones, Lum, Ada, Okla.

Keith, Donald R. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Beardstown, Ill. Jan. 13 to 24

Framingham, Mass. Feb. 10 to 21

Keller York Party, The. Singers and Musicians, Box 256, Seelyville, Ind.

Ashland (First), Ky. Dec. 27 to Jan. 10
Huntington (First), W.Va. Jan. 13 to 24

Kely, Arthur E. 331 Whaley St., Columbia, S.C.

Langley, S.C. Dec. 29 to Jan. 10
New Burlington, Ohio Jan. 13 to 24

Kruse, Carl H., and Wife. Evangelist and Singer, 503 Redmond, Bethany, Okla.

Buffalo, Okla. Dec. 29 to Jan. 10
Muleshoe, Texas Jan. 19 to 31

Kuykendall, P. W. Box 978, Hendersonville, N.C.

Langford, J. V. Evangelist, 808 N. College St., Bethany, Okla.

Lanterman, R. S. 4405 48th Ave., Red Deer, Alberta

Latham, Joy and Mary E. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn. (S.S. Workshop) Jan. 18 to 23

Law, Dick and Lucille. Preachers and Singers, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Pahokee, Fla. Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Sebring, Fla. Jan. 13 to 24

Lee, Mason. 217 Division St., Huntington 2, W.Va.

Parkersburg, W.Va. Jan. 5 to 17
Hannibal, Mo. Jan. 19 to 31

Leverett Brothers. Preachers and Singers, 706 N. Broadway, Lamar, Mo.

Gorham, Ill. Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Belle, W.Va. Jan. 27 to Feb. 7

Lewis, Albert H. and Rachel. Preacher and Singers, 578 Richmond Ave., Buffalo, N.Y.

Lewis, Ellis. 206 N. Donald, Bethany, Okla.

Shafter, Calif. Jan. 6 to 17
Wasco, Calif. Jan. 20 to 31

Lewis, Howard T. Evangelist, 2420 Woodlyn Drive, Pasadena, Calif.

Lewis, Roy R. Route 1, Albany, Ind.

Home Dec. 14 to Jan. 10
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13

Lindley, R. F., and Wife. Evangelist and Singers, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Reserved Dec. 16 to 27

Lipker, Charles H. Route 4, Marion, Ohio

Wapakoneta, Ohio Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Decatur, Ind. Jan. 13 to 24

Little, H. C. 1338 Hunter Ave., Columbus, Ohio

Lust, Ronald J. Song Evangelist, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Lutz, Louis K. Evangelist, 4410 Acherman Blvd., Dayton 9, Ohio

MacAllen, L. J. and Mary E. Evangelists and Artist, 27 W. Falls St., New Castle, Pa.

Mackey Evangelistic Party, D. D. Preacher and Musicians, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Markham, Walter. 408 S. Cottage Ave., Porterville, Calif.

Martin, Paul. Evangelist, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Martin, Sammie. Evangelist, Box 24, % Trevecca Nazarene College, Nashville, Tenn.

Mathews, L. B. 2105 Natchez Trace, Nashville 12, Tennessee

Reserved December
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13

McCollum, Russel R., and Wife. Evangelists, 524 S. Knight, Wichita, Kansas

McDowell, Mrs. Doris. Evangelist, 948 Fifth St., Apt. H, Santa Monica, Calif.

Home Dec. 10 to Jan. 10
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13

McGuire, P. A. Evangelist, Box 14, Hammononton, Calif.

McKinley, Pauline. Song Evangelist, P.O. Box 201, Greensburg, Ind.

McNatt, J. A. Evangelist, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Home Dec. 9 to Jan. 20

McVay, Charles and Pauline. Song Evangelists, 343 W. 41st St., Tucson, Ariz.

Meadows, A. G. Evangelist, 228 S. Oak St., Kendallville, Ind.

Meadows, Miss Naomi F. Evangelist, 2510 Hudson Ave., Norwood 12, Ohio

Meredith, Dwight and Norma Jean. Song Evangelists and Musicians, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
Council Bluffs (First), Iowa Feb. 7 to 28

Messer, Haley. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.

Carmi, Ill. Dec. 27 to Jan. 10
Burbank, Calif. Jan. 21 to 31

Messer, L. C. and Ruth. Singers and Musicians, 236 "C" S. Michigan Ave., Glendora, Calif.

Reserved Dec. 7 to 31

Michael, Elmer E., 1406 Sixth Ave., Jasper, Ala.

Mickel, Ralph and Lillian. Evangelist and Singers, Alum Bank, Pa.

Pittsburgh (Bellevue), Pa. Jan. 13 to 24

Pitman, N.J. Jan. 27 to Feb. 7

Miller, A. E. and Pauline. Preachers and Chalk Artist, 307 S. Delaware St., Mt. Gilead, Ohio

Clearfield, Pa. Jan. 10 to 24

Port Allegany, Pa. Jan. 26 to Feb. 7

Miller, Basil W. 36 F. Loma Alta Drive, Altadena, Calif.

Miller, Leila Bell. % Trevecca Nazarene College, Nashville, Tenn.

Home Dec. 21 to Jan. 4
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13



SERVICEMEN'S CORNER

CHAPLAIN R. A. Berry writes: "During the month we visited Formosa, Okinawa, and Japan. While in Okinawa I had the privilege of visiting with the Crouch family again. Chaplain Crouch has his family there and they are living in lovely government quarters. Chaplain Crouch is enjoying his work and finds it very challenging. It was a real treat to see them again."

"Our last voyage was the finest in many respects thus far. We took nearly forty schoolteachers to Okinawa. They will be teaching the American children who are located there. On the ship many of them who are Christians were very helpful in connection with our services. Several of them are musicians."

"I am happy to report to you back home that I had the pleasure of meeting Rev. H. K. Sheets in our own Youth Fellowship here at K-55, Korea, a few Saturday nights ago. We had a splendid service with him and enjoyed his brief message and talk. Beside myself there are two or three other Nazarene boys among our group here."

"I am receiving the literature from you regularly and really appreciate it. After I finish with it I always pass it on. It's a great blessing to me. I'm so glad for the good Christian fellowship that we have here. We all take part and have a wonderful time in the Lord. We've had several boys to come to know the Lord as their personal Saviour since I've been here. One especially I'm thankful for. He was killed when his jeep was hit by a train just about two months after he was saved. He was truly on fire for the Lord."

"God is richly blessing and helping me in so many ways. I am happy to report that I was chosen Airman of the Month of June for our base and then went on and was made Airman of the Month for the entire 5th Air Force. To each board of officers and airmen I met, I held up the banner of Christ and let them know how I felt in my church and spiritual life. It pays! I do love the Lord and want to be a real soul winner for Him."

JOHN E. SKELTON

NAZARENE SERVICE MEN'S COMMISSION
Al DuBois DIRECTOR

December 23, 1953

- Miller, Nettie A. Nazarene College, Nashville, Tenn.
Columbus, Ga. Dec. 15 to 30
- Miller, W. F. 521 Victoria Ave., Westminster, W. Va.
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
Wagoner, Okla. Dec. 14 to 24
- Mitchell, Clint and Barbara. Preacher and Singers, Rt. 1, Box 70, Ava, Mo.
Mansfield, Mo. Jan. 17 to 31
Oswego, Kansas Feb. 24 to Mar. 7
- Mitchell, Lloyd and Addie. Song Evangelist and Musicians, Box 93, Ridgway, Pa.
- Moore, John E. Song Evangelist, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
Pasadena, Calif. Dec. 1 to 30
Pineville, La. (Dist. Conv.) Jan. 15 to 24
- Moore, Myrtle C.; Dake, Lorraine M. 16802 63rd Ave., Edmonton, Alberta
- Mooshian, C. Helen. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
- Murphy, B. W. 2952 4th Ave., Huntington 2, W. Va.
Open date Dec. 27 to Jan. 10
- Myers, J. T. 502 Lafayette St., Danville, Ill.
Greensburg, Ind. Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Robinson, Ill. Jan. 13 to 24
- Neely, B. F. 111 N. Beaver, Bethany, Okla.
- Nelson, Charles Ed. and Normadene. Preacher and Singers, 208 N. 5th, Rogers, Ark.
Letona (Pickins Chapel), Ark.
Jan. 26 to Feb. 7
Alma, Ark. Feb. 10 to 21
- Nelson, Wade L. Evangelist, 3005 S.W. 14th St., Oklahoma City, Okla.
- Nichols, Dorrance and Esther. Evangelist and Musicians, 849 Poplar St., Bloomsburg, Pa.
Martinsville (E.M.), Ind. Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Hametown, Ohio Jan. 13 to 24
- Norton, Joe. Box 143, Hamlin, Texas
- Nutter, C. S. P.O. Box 48, Parkersburg, W. Va.
- Parrott, A. L. Evangelist, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
- Patrone, D. E. 224 Liberty St., Painesville, Ohio
Albuquerque, N.M. (Home) Dec. 14 to 30
Mishawaka (First), Ind. Jan. 3 to 17
- Patterson, Walter, Route 3, Waurika, Oklahoma
- Patzsch, Eddie. Evangelist, 1747 Clark Ave., Wells-ville, Ohio
- Payne, L. M. 509 N.W. Main St., Bethany, Okla.
- Peck, W. A., and Wife. Evangelist and Singer, Nazarene College, Nashville 10, Tenn.
Malden, Mo. Jan. 3 to 10
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
- Pendry, C. E., and Wife. Evangelist and Singer, 768 N.W. 49th St., Miami 36, Fla.
- Phillips, Miss Lottie. Evangelist, Nazarene College, Nashville, Tenn.
- Phillips, Wm. H. Evangelist, Box 131, Apple River, Ill.
- Pierce, Boyce and Catherine. Singers and Musicians, 505 Columbus Ave., Danville, Ill.
Richmond (St. Paul), Ind. Dec. 31 to Jan. 10
Huntington (First), Ind. Jan. 20 to 31
- Pittenger, Twyla. Evangelist, R.D. 1, Shelby, Ohio
Bridgewater, Va. Jan. 25 to Feb. 8
- Plummer, Chester D. 515 N. Chester Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.
Winstow, Ind. Dec. 27 to Jan. 10
Plymouth, Ind. Jan. 14 to 24
- Prentice, Carl and Ethel. Evangelists, 400 N.W. Third, Bethany, Okla.
Broken Bow, Okla. Dec. 27 to Jan. 10
Mountain Home, Ark. Jan. 14 to 24
- Prosperi, Dominick, and Wife. Olivet Nazarene College, Box 302, Kanokco, Ill.
- Pults, Bertha. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
Olathe, Kans. Jan. 14 to 17
- Pumpelly, Paul. Evangelist, 1705 Henry St., Pineville, La.
- Purkhiser, H. G. 214 Grandview Ave. N.W., Canton 8, Ohio
Topeka, Kansas Jan. 3 to 10
Bradenton, Fla. Jan. 14 to 24
- Qualls, Paul M. Song Evangelist, 5487 Lake Jesamine Dr., Orlando, Fla.
- Quillin, Helen M. Song Evangelist, Box 155, Syracuse, Ohio
- Raker, W. C. Astoria, Ill.
- Raycroft, R. Newman. 109 E. Madison St., Goshen, Ind.
Daytona Beach, Fla. Dec. 31 to Jan. 10
Tampa (Sulphur Springs), Fla. Jan. 17 to 24
- Reasoner, Miss Eleonore. Song Evangelist, 1109 Maple Row, Elkhart, Ind.
- Reynolds, D. C. Indian Evangelist, 2619 Dewey Ave., Oklahoma City 4, Okla.
- Rice, Ralph. 444 N. Blaine, Bradley, Ill.
- Richards, Alvin and Annabelle. Preacher and Singers, Linden, Mich.
Home Dec. 21 to 31
Sparta, Mich. Jan. 19 to 31
- Richardson, Harold S. and Flossie. Preacher and Singers, R.R. 4, Muncie, Ind.
Reserved Dec. 14 to Jan. 10
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
- Ripper, Lorraine M.; Markey, Bernice. Preachers and Singers, 3917 West 29th Ave., Denver, Colo.
- Rist, Leonard. Evangelist, 2316 S. 7th St., Iron-ton, Ohio
- Robbins, James. 1817 F Street, Bedford, Indiana
Odin, Ind. Jan. 5 to 17
Corydon, Ind. Jan. 24 to 31
- Robinson, John. 1110 Adams Ave., Huntington, W. Va.
Griggsville, Ill. Jan. 10 to 17
Ashland (Grace), Ky. Jan. 19 to 31
- Rodgers, Clyde B. Artist-Evangelist, 505 Lester Ave., Nashville 10, Tenn.
- Roedel, Bernice L. Evangelist, 423 E. Maple St., Boonville, Ind.
Owensville, Ind. Jan. 17 to 31
Roachdale, Ind. Feb. 1 to 7
- Round, Ralph B. Evangelist, Dubois Route, River-ton, Wyoming
- Royce, C. E. Villa Nova, St. Marys, Ohio
- Runyan, Harold. Evangelist, 1086 Oakhurst Drive, Charleston, W. Va.
- Rushing Family. Singers and Musicians, King City, Mo.
Rushing-Drye Party. Preacher and Singers, P.O. Box 1, Coffeyville, Kansas
- Rushing, V. S., and Wife. Evangelist and Singers, 1980 Speigle St., Montgomery, Ala.
- Russell, Orlando. Song Evangelist, 608 N. Douglas, Malden, Missouri
Fort Smith (Central), Ark. Jan. 31 to Feb. 7
- Rutherford, Robert. Evangelist, 906 23rd St., Or-lando, Florida
- Scriber, George R. Evangelist, 4000 Riverside Drive, Columbus 12, Ohio
- Schultz, Walter C. Song Evangelist, 707 S. Chip-man St., Owosso, Mich.
- Scott, Earl P. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
- Scott, Wilbur. Rt. 1, Box 4, Georgetown, Ohio
- Sellick, R. T. Box 22, Oxford, N.S., Canada
- Seiz, Joseph W. 627 Juniper St., Walla Walla, Wash.
- Shank, R. A., and Wife. Box 377, Vicksburg, Mich.
- Sharp, L. D. Evangelist, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
- Shaw, L. E. Evangelist, 503 S. Ohio, Cherokee, Oklahoma
- Pampa, Texas Jan. 20 to 24
- Short, J. W. Evangelist, R.R. 3, Greenfield, Ind.
St. Louis (S. Side), Mo. Jan. 6 to 10
- Silvernail, Donald R. Nazarene Assembly Park, Vicksburg, Mich.
Ziegler, Ill. Dec. 31 to Jan. 10
Colling, Mich. Jan. 12 to 24
- Slack, D. F. Song Evangelist, Route 2, Vevay, Ind.
- Slater, Glenn and Vera. Preachers and Singers, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
- Slayton, Humbert M. 237 N. Fifth St., Etwood, Ind.
Smith, Bernie. Box 145, Harrisburg, Ill.
Marlow, Okla. Dec. 31 to Jan. 10
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
- Smith, Billy and Helen. Evangelist and Singers, 818 McKinley, Cambridge, Ohio
- Wellston, Ohio Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
- Lakeland, Fla. Jan. 11 to March
- Smith, Charles Hastings. 622 Center St., Conway, Arkansas
- Smith, Eugene and LaNora. Song Evangelists, Wimsboro, S.C.
- Smith, Paul and Hallie. Evangelist and Singers, 318 N.W. 5th, Bethany, Okla.
Kansas City (Bethel), Mo. Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
- Sneed, J. W. Evangelist, 1206 W. College, Guthrie, Okla.
- Snow, Ley. R.F.D. 1, Bedford, Indiana
- Willow Grove, Ind. Jan. 4 to 17
- Brooklyn, Ind. Jan. 18 to 31
- South, J. W. Evangelist, 2422 E. St. Vrain, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- Sparks, Sammy. 510 N. Pickaway St., Circleville, Ohio
- Stafford, Daniel. Box 254, Vivian, La.
- Stafford, J. D. P.O. Box 97, Vivian, La.
- Stanley, T. H. 1242 Collage Ave., Middletown, Ind.
- Starnes, Earl. 1317 Keller St., Evansville, Ind.
Miami (Grace), Fla. Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
Fairmont (First), W. Va. Jan. 13 to 24
- Steininger, D. F. Artist Evangelist, Box 522, Terre Haute, Ind.
- Stevenson, Edward and Lydia. Singers and Musicians, 154-B, Cuba, Ill.
- Strack, W. J. Box 215, New Lyme, Ohio
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
- Susner, Nick. Evangelist, 30 West 12th Ave., Denver, Colo.
- Talbert, George H., and Wife. Evangelist and Singers, P.O. Box 438, Abilene, Kansas
Home Dec. 10 to Jan. 10
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
- Tarvin, E. C. California, Ky.
- Taylor, E. E. 208 W. Martin, East Palestine, Ohio
- Taylor, Emmett E. and Jewell. Preachers and Singers, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
- Teare, Latan E. and Loura. Preacher and Singers, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
- Thomas, Fred. 2201 Morehouse Ave., Elkhart, Ind.
Greenville, Ohio Jan. 1 to 10
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
- Thompson, Harold C. P.O. Box 549, Blytheville, Ark.
- Toney, C. E. 945 Disston St., St. Petersburg, Fla.
- Turner, Roy, and Wife. Preacher and Singers, Rt. 1, Bradford, Ky.
- Van Slyke D. C. 508 16th Ave. S., Nampa, Idaho
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
- Wagner, Allen H. 404 N. Kentucky Ave., De Land, Fla.
Homestead, Fla. Jan. 5 to 17
Hartford City, Ind. Jan. 24 to 31
- Wakfield, A. C. Song Evangelist, 515 Woodland St., Nashville, Tenn.
Home Dec. 21 to Jan. 10
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
- Walker, Lawrence and Lavona. 223 Ray Ave. N.W., New Philadelphia, Ohio
- Wallin, Henry B. Evangelist, 1414 N. Hill Ave., Pasadena 7, Calif.
Portland (Moreland), Ore. Jan. 31 to Feb. 14
Oregon City, Ore. Feb. 17 to 28
- Ward, Lloyd and Gertrude. Preacher and Chalk Artist, 115 N. Meridian St., Portland, Ind.
Azusa, Calif. Jan. 20 to 31
Ridgecrest, Calif. Feb. 2 to 14
- Wentley, Charles W., and Wife. Evangelist and Singers, 312 Brad St., Waukesha, Wis.
- Weeks, James A. Evangelist, 841 S. River St., Franklin, Ohio
Mt. Sterling, Ohio Jan. 17 to 24
Mason, Mich. Jan. 26 to 31
- Whisler, John T. Blind Singer, 404 N. Francis St., Carthage, Mo.
Hemedale, Idaho Dec. 31 to Jan. 10
- White, C. M., and Wife. Preacher and Singer, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
- Wiggs, W. Frank. Evangelist, Corner E. Neffleton and Sycamore Ave., Jonesboro, Ark.
- Wilkinson Trio (Lloyd M., and Wife, and Daughter Margaret). Singers and Musicians, 1104 Pennsylvania, Columbus, Ind.
- Williams, J. F. P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
- Williams, Perry M. Evangelist, 808 North 30th St., Boise, Idaho
- Williams, Trifton D. Box 15, Siloam Springs, Ark.
- Willis, Harold J. and Mae. Preachers and Children's Worker, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
- Maryville, Mo. Jan. 17 to 24
Springfield (First), Mo. Jan. 25 to 31
- Williser, Otto R. 800 S. Oak, Holdenville, Okla.
- Wilson, Okla. Dec. 20 to Jan. 10
Columbus, Kansas Jan. 15 to 24
- Wilson, Matthew V. 108 Pearl St., Pottsville, Mich.
- Witland, C. B. R.D. 5, Mt. Vernon, Ohio
- Wood, Eugene. Evangelist, 212 S. Liggett St., Bakersfield, Calif.
- Woodward, George P. Artist-Evangelist, 201 N. Warren Ave., Columbus 4, Ohio
Kansas City, Mo. (Evang. Conf.) Jan. 11 to 13
Louisville, Ky. Jan. 14 to 24
- Wosman, J. J. 223 N. Hammond, Bethany, Okla.
- Wooten, D. H. Evangelist, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Mo.
Cotton, Calif. Dec. 30 to Jan. 10
El Centro, Calif. Jan. 13 to 24
- Wright, C. F. 412 Grand Blvd., Rosne, N.C.
- Wykoop, Ralph C. Preacher and Singer, 6120 S.E. Knapp, Portland 6, Ore.
Chicago, Ill. Dec. 21 to Jan. 24
- Yeatts, Lowell L. 325 W. Sixth St., Peru, Ind.
- Wabash, Ind. Jan. 5 to 17
- Summerside, P.E.I. Jan. 19 to 31
- Zachary, O. F. 504 S. Lake St., Aurora, Ill.