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## A Gift and a Task

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**I**N THE tragedy of sin and evil that the human family brought upon itself, God seized the initiative when He gave His only begotten Son as our Deliverer. In this mystery of redemption, God is never at wit's end, nor do His methods connote desperation. God invaded our human need when the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. The Child of the Highest was born of a woman, according to the promise. Some stumble at this mystery and rationalize their doubts. But why should it seem impossible to us that God should enter our lives and begin a new moral order by His own Son?

Here is the basis for divine forgiveness and spiritual restoration. Moral likeness to God and a renewal of the divine image within us become our goal. His cross sheds a light undimmed that marks clear the path to all earnest pilgrims.

But what folly to presume that because God takes the initiative He also controls our destiny by a capricious, arbitrary will! Repeatedly He reveals that He has "no pleasure in

the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live."

Each man, one by one, must respond to the divine call, must make a personal surrender and commitment (Rev. 3:20). Even faith becomes both a gift and a task, for God cannot and will not believe for us any more than He will repent for us.

Then comes the high moment of deliverance, and after that, day-by-day obedience. Our daily living must show forth courage, knowledge, patience, and devotion to His divine purpose. In the lowliest places of service we learn the highest lessons of faith. Minding the leadings of the Holy Spirit, our constant Teacher, becomes now our chief business. Even brotherly kindness and love are best demonstrated among men who are in opposition. The poise that is born of the Spirit's indwelling becomes our answer to the daily pressures of life. Then our supreme business and chief joy is to invest our all in the moral venture of Calvary's cross in saving sinful men wherever they are found.

"Jesus saith . . . I am the way, the truth, and the life" (John 14:6).

## TELEGRAMS

*Santa Ana, California*—Southern California District Assembly now in session (June 3) with Dr. Samuel Young presiding. Dr. R. J. Plumb re-elected district superintendent on the first ballot, receiving 282 out of 284 ballots cast. Rev. Nicholas Hull, Rev. W. H. Burton, K. P. Siler, and Jack Morris elected as advisory board; \$64,559.00 total giving for missions; 484 or 8 per cent increase in membership; 1,066 or 11 per cent increase in average attendance in Sunday school; 5 new churches organized. Southern California forging ahead to great accomplishments.—L. I. WEAVER, Reporter.

*Pasadena, California*—Fourth Los Angeles District Assembly a high time of blessings; Dr. D. I. Vanderpool preached and presided wonderfully. Over one million dollars raised for all purposes; 448 net gain in membership. Rev. W. Shelburne Brown re-elected district superintendent with only one negative vote, and \$2,000.00 love offering given him; 675 net gain in average Sunday-school attendance. We are grateful for God's blessing.—REPORTER.

*Clearwater, Florida*—The fortieth assembly of the Florida District, under the efficient and Spirit-filled leadership of Dr. Hardy C. Powers, was one of victory. Dr. John L. Knight re-elected district superintendent for the ninth consecutive year. The Florida District has had a good year under the devoted leadership of Dr. John L. Knight, with the net increase of 381 in church membership, 436 increase per Sunday in Sunday-school attendance, 4 new churches organized during the year, and the General Budget overpaid \$5,000.00. The district is on a forward move under Superintendent Knight's leadership.—BERT DANIELS, Reporter.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

After four years as pastor of the church at Loudoun Valley, Rev. A. L. Lepley has resigned to accept a unanimous call to pastor the church at Floyd, Virginia.

Rev. Wm. McMahon has resigned as pastor of the church in Artesia, New Mexico, to accept a call to pastor the church in Lodi, California.

Rev. Raymond W. Hurn has resigned as pastor of First Church in Norman, Oklahoma, to accept a call to pastor the church in Medford, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Robertson will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on July 3. They have two sons and two daughters (Mrs. Eloise Reed and Mrs. Othniel Cunningham). The daughters and Mrs. Robertson are members of the Church of the Nazarene at Tullahoma, Tennessee, where Rev. A. A. Forsythe is the pastor. Mr. and Mrs. Robertson's home address is Estill Springs, Tennessee.

## Happiness Wantonly Sacrificed

By John T. Donnelly\*

THERE are countless instances of happiness thrown away for a trifle, perhaps but the puny gratification of a moment. It seems more hopelessly inexcusable than to cast aside a pearl and save the empty, useless oyster shell that enclosed the treasure.

Our happiness rarely dies a natural death. We slay it with our own hands. The weakest stimulant may keep it alive, the slightest injury may kill it; and yet selfishly, blindly, we still the heart of our own happiness.

Happiness is not produced by what we have but what we are; not in our possessions but in our attitude towards them. It is not absolute, requiring certain fixed conditions; it is relative. Happiness does not always require success, prosperity, or attainment. It is often the joy of hopeful struggle, consecration of purpose and energy to some good end. Real happiness ever has its root in unselfishness, its blossom in love of some kind. This love may be so fine and great and simple and so fill our lives that it leaves no room for pain, as light crowds out darkness. It may turn even our trials and

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troubles into sweetness, strength, and consolation. It may stand ever between us and the world as a sea wall keeps back the waves. It may become to us an angel of hope holding our hand with gentle pressure when the clouds hang low, sustaining us when the way of life seems hard.

This honest love may ever trust us; forgiving and forgetting may be its atmosphere. It may inspire us, recreate us, give wings to us when downcast, a new shield to faith and new heart to energy. We may have this great happiness all our own, firm in our grasp; yet for a mere trifle we may throw it away, or let it fall gradually from us, like pearls dropping one by one, silent and unnoted, from a broken necklace.

We let some weakness which we should master through self-control cheat us out of our happiness. We have held some penny of momentary satisfaction so close to our eyes that it eclipses the sun of our happiness. We have let a foolish jealousy that deadened our ears to explanation, that shut our eyes to the truth, and that stilled our tongue when it would speak the words of faith we could hardly keep back—expressive not of real love but of wounded pride—swallow up our happiness. We may let some other folly which comes from our false interpretation cheat us out of our happiness like one ignorant of the meaning of a document, signing away a fortune.

And when it is all over, we may not have the moral courage to go back as we should. When later conscience holds in a bitter hour of realization and loneliness its sad post-mortem over the dead happiness, it may be a very poor satisfaction to know that we killed a love that we needed and that needed us, for such a trifle.

## FEAR NOT

By Mary Joy Dunlop

*When waters are deep,*

*Fear not!*

*When wild tempests sweep,*

*Fear not,*

*For waters can never o'erflow thee,*

*Tempests can never o'erthrow thee.*

*Fear not!*

*When clouds are around you,*

*Look up;*

*When sorrows surround you,*

*Look up!*

*Fear not, but know His way is best;*  
*He giveth strength with every test—*

*Look up!*

## I. Cape Verde Journeying

### General Superintendent Benner

**C**HRISTIAN missionaries in general, and Nazarene missionaries in particular, are a group apart. I always have had the highest admiration for them, but as I have increasing opportunity to be with them in their various fields of service, their devotion, consecration, sacrifice, and pure stamina generate a feeling akin to awe in my mind and heart.

My recent visit to our Nazarene work in the Cape Verde Islands certainly has done nothing to lessen this reaction. We may have other fields that are relatively isolated, but none more so than the Cape Verdes. Contact with the outside world by ship or plane is extremely limited, and inter-island travel is entirely by small boats, most of them dependent on sails, and a few with auxiliary motors. The speed varies from two to six miles per hour, depending on the wind and the condition of the motor—not to mention the "motorista," whose knowledge of motors frequently is problematical. Mail service to the various islands depends entirely on whether a boat is sailing. Thus there have been times when our missionaries have been without mail for as long as six weeks.

In another article I shall report more particularly on our churches and missionaries, but herein I shall tell of my journeys from island to island, trusting that this may convey something of the problems of the work, especially in the realm of supervision, as well as give an idea of the spirit of our workers and our people.

After a twelve-hour flight from Rome, via Lisbon, I landed on the island of Sal. There to greet me was Rev. Earl Mosteller, district superintendent, accompanied by Rev. Elton J. Wood. These brethren had sailed twenty hours—127 miles—from St. Vincent to meet me. We planned to sail for Praia, on San Tiago, at noon the next day, but with a typical Cape Verde disregard for schedules, it was 4:00 p.m. before sailors and others concerned could get under way. Then, after four hours, the motor stopped, so we slowed down to little more than two miles per hour. After nearly twenty hours of sailing we were sure we could not reach Praia by ship in time for the evening service. So we disembarked at a small coastal village, Pedra Badeja, about twenty miles from Praia, and providentially there was a truck there which was going to Praia, and what a ride! As part of a motley "cargo" which it is wisest not to describe we set out on the rough, mountainous road, going as fast as the tortuous trail would permit—jolting, careening, tooting the horn, while chickens, cattle, goats, donkeys, guineas, pigs, and people fled from before us in all directions!

A special welcome had been planned by Miss Lydia Wilke and the Praia Nazarenes, but our belated arrival spoiled the plan. However, a large group gathered in the patio of the mission house for a welcoming tea, at which time representation of the church organizations and pastors from other islands spoke most graciously of our visit and presented gifts. At the evening service the church was filled and the blessing of God was manifested. We remained for a service the following evening, which was closed with a blessed season of prayer about the altar.

We planned to embark for Brava at 10:00 p.m., but the heavy surf delayed us for two hours. After sailing fourteen hours, passing the island of Fogo in the morning, we arrived at Brava at 2:00 p.m. A small boat put out from the dock bearing Rev. Ernest Eades to give us a hearty greeting. As we pulled toward the dock, a group of about seventy-five Brava Nazarenes could be heard singing "Victory All the Time" and "Power in the Blood." A great shower of rose petals completed the typical Brava welcome. Then as we walked from the dock and turned into the streets of the village, there were the mission station wagon and two trucks gaily decorated with the flag of Portugal and two huge American flags. With flags flying, we began the ascent to Nova Sintra, the principal city, which is 1,650 feet above the harbor.

About one-half mile from the town square we met a large group of Nazarenes and friends, so we proceeded on foot in a veritable procession. This happened to be a day of special Roman Catholic celebration, and an image of some kind had been placed in the square or plaza. As our Nazarene procession moved toward our splendid new church, which faces the square, we met the Catholic procession moving toward their church. And we had no cause for embarrassment, for it was estimated that from five to six hundred people were in our Nazarene group. And our hearts rejoiced that in the midst of an island once almost wholly Catholic the day had come when hundreds would follow Nazarene leadership with heads up and faces aglow with the true light of Christ.

During our evening service an attempt was made to hold a competing service around the image in the square, but our church was filled, with chairs in the aisles, and scores were standing inside and outside the building. Again there were the gracious speeches of welcome, the gifts, spirited singing, a warm response to the message, and a blessed closing season of prayer.

*(To be continued)*

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*Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place (II Cor. 2:14).*

## GRATITUDE

By Alice Whitson Norton

*For little stars that shine at night,  
For sun and moon so warm and bright  
That spreads on earth a friendly light—  
I'm grateful, Lord.*

*For singing birds and whispering trees,  
For rippling rills and humming bees,  
For mountains high and roaring seas—  
I'm grateful, Lord.*

*For efforts that bring happiness,  
Combined with love and helpfulness,  
Untouched by greed or bitterness—  
I'm grateful, Lord.*

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### Studies in the Epistle to the Hebrews

By H. Orton Wiley\*

## XXX. The Worldly Sanctuary

CHAPTER nine of the Epistle to the Hebrews is the great atonement chapter of the New Testament, as chapter sixteen of Leviticus is the great atonement chapter of the Old Testament. The real distinction between the old and new covenants lies in this—the former was external and material, the latter internal and spiritual; the former was a covenant of works, the latter a covenant of faith. But while the new covenant is established upon better promises, and is put into effect by the Minister of the sanctuary, this Minister requires a greater and more perfect tabernacle in which the service is to be rendered, and the better sacrifice made. Hence the writer now turns to a consideration of the highest service rendered in the Tabernacle, that of the great Day of Atonement. From this viewpoint he presents Christ as serving in the greater and more perfect tabernacle, and as offering a better sacrifice. This great atonement chapter should be studied with the deepest reverence.

*The worldly sanctuary* (9:1-5). Two contradictory views are held concerning the term "worldly" as here used. The first is that the term means "belonging to this world" rather than to the heavenly, and that the whole should be referred to the carnal or secular nature of the Tabernacle. The second seems more logical to me. It is that the writer is magnifying the service in the ancient Tabernacle, describing with great reverence and affection the ordered arrangements, and thus pausing for a moment to dwell upon the glories of the old covenant, that he may at a later time better contrast them with the supreme glories of the new covenant.

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Dr. Adam Clarke says, "I think nothing is plainer than that the Apostle is here speaking in praise of the sublimely emblematical service; and hence he proceeds to enumerate the various things contained in the first tabernacle which added vastly to its splendor and importance; such as the table of shewbread, the golden candlestick, the golden censer; the ark of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, in which was the golden pot that had the manna, Aaron's rod that budded, and the two tables which God had written with His own finger; hence I am led to believe that the 'kosmikos' is here taken in its proper natural setting, and signifies adorned, embellished, splendid, and hence the *cosmos* or world . . . The Jews believed that the tabernacle was an epitome of the world; and it is remarkable, when speaking of their city, that they express this sentiment by the same Greek word, in Hebrew letters, which the Apostle uses here."

*The futility of the Tabernacle service* (9:6-10). After the inventory of the Tabernacle furniture, the writer turns to a description of the service. This is divided into two parts by the two veils. "The priests went always into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the service of God. But into the second went the high priest alone once every year, not without blood, which he offered for himself, and for the . . . people." The first veil (or door of the Tabernacle) represents the veil of *actual sins*; the second represents the veil of *sin conditions*. Those who are converted pass through the veil of actual sins forgiven, into the presence of light and life and truth, represented by the golden candlestick, the table of shewbread, and the golden altar of incense.

But as with the priests of old, whose hearts must have burned to be so near and yet prohibited from entering into the fullness of the covenant, so converted men and women know that there is something deeper down and further back for them—the entering into the presence of God. The Holy Ghost tells us, however, that the holiest of all was not made manifest while as yet the first Tabernacle was standing. Thus with all the amplitude of preparation, the service of the old covenant was futile; it could never take away sin, and hence could never accomplish spiritual realities.

*The triumph of the more excellent ministry* (9:11-14). Christ being a High Priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, has entered within the veil into the holy of holies and thus obtained eternal redemption for us—redemption not only from our actual transgressions, but from the sin conditions of the heart, His blood being able to cleanse from all sin. Andrew Murray says that the first and second tabernacles are symbols of two degrees of the divine nearness, two stages of access to God's presence, two modes of fellowship with God, and two ways of serving Him. The one, to which the high priest had access only once a year, is the promise of what would one day be in Christ; the other, as the symbol of the service of God

at a distance with a veil between, without the full light of His countenance. The writer wants us to learn the difference between the two stages, and the way by which God leads us from the lower to the higher.

## London's Latter-Day Pentecost

By David J. Tarrant\*

**I** WAS there! I had the immense privilege of being present at the greatest evangelistic service in the history of the Christian Church. The number of persons present was 187,000, gathering in London's two largest stadia. The occasion, the closing day of the Greater London Crusade, May 22, 1954, a day long to be remembered; the preacher, Dr. Billy Graham, whose ministry has taken the largest city in the world by storm. Had London possessed a stadium with a capacity of a quarter of a million, it seems certain that it would have been filled; for all reservations for the White City and Wembley stadia were taken up weeks before the meeting was held; and as it was, thousands of West Country folk who had planned to attend were unable to come, owing to a railway strike.

Although held in two parts, the meeting deserves to be counted as one; for only the physical impossibility of containing the crowd in one place prompted its division. First then, at the White City, with an audience of 67,000, the great service moved through triumphant song and unctionized ministry of the Word to the point where, as the invitation was given, some 2,000 men and women, boys and girls, moved out into the center of the stadium in evidence of their desire to receive Jesus Christ as Saviour.

Meanwhile, in spite of drizzling rain, the great Empire Stadium at Wembley had been filling up to its capacity, and Dr. Graham and his team traveled the few intervening miles to greet the waiting host numbering 120,000. The opening part of this service was broadcast by the BBC to millions in Britain and across Europe; and then once again God's Spirit came down upon the mighty gathering, and thousands more—early press reports estimate the number as ten thousand—made their way to the foot of the Cross. In addition to this great company who gathered in the center of the arena, thousands more, unable to leave their places because of the density of the crowd, lifted their hands or waved their handkerchiefs to indicate that they too were seeking God. Truly, a nation born in a day!

The Greater London Crusade has been the finest thing that could ever have happened for the Church of the Nazarene in Britain, for it has brought to thousands of Christians from the more formal denominations a taste of real Nazarene religion! To give a few instances of this—the

singing at the Crusade meetings has been practically confined to the very type of hymn which every Nazarene knows by heart, yet which was virtually unknown to Baptists, Presbyterians, and Episcopalians over here prior to this campaign. Second, the giving of an invitation at the end of the sermon was just not done except among the Nazarenes and other small denominations; but now this practice has been invested with a holy significance, even in the minds of the most undemonstrative of British Christians. "Billy's" preaching, too, has been uncompromising. Although he has carefully avoided using what might be regarded by some as partisan terms, he has taken a clear stand for separation from the world, and for a definite inner renewing by the power of the Holy Ghost.

For those hungry for deeper truth, there has been the supplementary ministry of Dr. Paul Rees, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, U.S.A., whose Bible readings have drawn large crowds of eager students. With such an honored servant of the Lord taking charge of the ministry to the Christians, it has been inevitable that the trend of the Crusade has been toward a return to old-fashioned holiness doctrine and experience.

The most thrilling feature of this campaign has been the way in which it has swept all opposition before it. Although the Church of the Nazarene, through the medium of its British Journal, the *Way*, gave support to this great Crusade before it was launched, none of the older denominations were prepared to state an opinion until evidence of the hand of God was clearly seen in the meetings. Then, one church leader after another ventured to state his approval, until, at the closing rally, the support of the entire Christian community in Britain was vouchsafed by the participation of the archbishop of Canterbury and the moderator of the Free Church Council. The Church of Scotland has this week invited Dr. Graham to conduct a "Tell Scotland" campaign next spring, a campaign which would have the official imprimatur of the Scottish established church upon it. No wonder the theme song of the closing rally was "To God be the glory, great things He hath done." We British Nazarenes thank God for His anointed servant, Billy Graham, and rejoice that the long-prayed-for revival seems now to be definitely on the way!

**If ye then be risen  
with Christ, seek those  
things which are above,  
where Christ sitteth  
on the right hand of  
God. Col. 3:1**

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# America Is YOU

By Thelma Blanche Little\*

**A**MERICA'S history is the history of her religion. It was the desire to spread the gospel that started Columbus on his voyage that began in prayer and ended when he knelt to plant a cross on American soil. The document signed on our first Independence Day means more to us than a day off with pay. In that declaration, the United States of America acknowledged God as Creator of heaven and earth; as the Father of mankind; as the moral Governor of the earth; and providential Guide, Protector, and Saviour of peoples. In these chaotic times of atheistic influences, it is profitable to consider our beginnings.

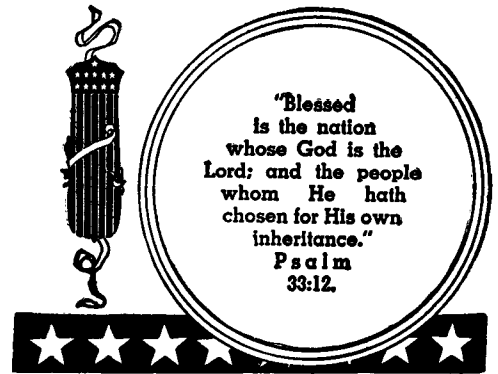
*God and American history walk side by side!*  
The emotion that constrained those early settlers to face the dim unknown was the desire for religious freedom.

*Truth forever on the scaffold,  
Wrong forever on the throne;  
Yet that scaffold sways the future,  
And behind the dim unknown  
Standeth God, within the shadows,  
Keeping watch above His own.*

It was the hand of Almighty God writing American history that raised up that courageous band to brave the ocean, face the hardship of the wilderness and the savagery of the Indians. It was a divinely implanted holy boldness that fought for the right at Lexington and Concord, "... where those embattled farmers stood, and fired the shot heard round the world." God's glory was the avowed purpose in the Mayflower Compact, which states, "We have undertaken . . . for the glory of God and advancement of the Christian faith." The confederation statement of the four colonies made later should thrill every twentieth century Christian, "Whereas we all came into these parts with one and the same end and aim, namely to advance the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ and to enjoy the liberties of the gospel." Praise God! What a religious heritage we have as Americans. All over the walls of our republic can be seen the handwriting of God. Great men in our national past have known the Lord Jesus Christ as personal Saviour and Lord. We've been in the past a God-loving, Bible-believing people. We reiterate that truly God and American history walk side by side. We wish the same could be said for:

*God and the American people.* How real is the faith that underlies our democracy? Comparatively recently, one of our major periodicals conducted an efficient religious survey which helps to answer our question. Ninety-five per cent of those interviewed from all localities and all walks of life admitted a belief in God. But

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the shocking revelation was that only 26 per cent thought of God in intimate relation to their own lives. Apparently, most Americans think of God as an impersonal abstract or intellect who designed the atom, controls nature and gravity, etc., but is not to be associated in any way with personal behavior. The fact is that we have never really explicitly repudiated God. We continue to testify to faith in Him on our pennies, but the indication of individual compulsion to obey God is so rare that its appearance must face the stigma of social ostracism. Only 25 per cent of the 91 per cent who admitted they tried to live a good life mentioned the hereafter or Bible teachings as the ethical basis for their efforts.

The striking fact of the survey was that nearly three-quarters of the American people do not consciously connect religion with their adult judgments of right and wrong. With church attendance at an all-time high, America annually invests over seven billion dollars for liquors and three billion for tobacco. Every year a million babes are born out of wedlock with another million destined to die before they ever reach birth. One-third of our adult population, every month that passes, will buy and read fifteen million sex magazines. Every third American marriage ends in divorce. Six out of every ten adults you meet on the street both smoke and drink.

Somewhere along the way of progress, Americans have lost great religious convictions and moral purposes. A nation survives on its morality, not its money. It prospers with Christ, not coin. God and American history inspires, while God and the American people burdens the soul, but—

*God and you* is the important unit, because *America is you!* The individual approach is the only approach. The answer isn't in legislation, but regeneration. Sin doesn't exist in administration buildings or legal machinery or denominational structure. Sin exists in human hearts, and it is there it must be purged. To enjoy personally, through a vital experience of salvation, that kind of religion that saves from all sin is to be well under way in any crusade for national spiritual reformation. Perhaps as individuals we cannot directly influence the empty religious professions of 150 million other Americans, but we can at least be sure that we have the kind of religion that did something about the sin in our own lives.

As individual Christians, our best way to cope with national moral disintegration is to do all we can just where we stand in the battle for righteousness, through our personal living, our local church, and our united church crusade for souls. The standard of New Testament Christianity is a precious heritage, impelling us to lift ourselves to the highest requirements of the faith. The only way to keep up the standard of my church is to keep up my own. The influence of a church is only as strong as its weakest saint.

We must keep on the offensive with the gospel that does change lives, and besides that there is no gospel. America needs more than church attendance. It needs church attendance where *the gospel is preached*. Churchianity without Christ is a curse rather than a cure. For every dollar put into home missions, the devil's crowd puts \$750.00 into sin! Let us rouse ourselves as individual units of a mass crusade to dot the land with pulpits where the truth goes out unafraid to warn, to rebuke, to entreat with all authority. Let us rise up and build altars where convicted, repentant sinners may flee from the wrath to come into the arms of a loving Saviour, who can and does free from all sin. •

As God-loving, Bible-believing, devil-defying Nazarenes, may our declaration of independence against the world, the flesh, and the devil be: ". . . as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

## Think on This: TREES

By J. M. Yarbrough\*

**I**T TAKES a great while for a tree to grow, especially certain species of trees; for example, the giant sequoia of California or the eucalyptus of Australia. Judged by the annual growth rings on some that have been cut down, many of these still standing may be assumed to be more than 3,000 years old.

That means that some saplings are still growing as trees that had sprouted when King David mounted the throne of ancient Israel. Perhaps some of the smaller ones had started pointing heavenward when Jesus Christ was born in Bethlehem of Judea.

But these trees have become grizzly and great only because they *continued growing*. When a tree stops growing it will soon topple to the earth and rot, or be sawed into lumber, or split into kindling.

Those trees that stand the winds and storms, the droughts and baking sun, are those whose roots are pushed deep and penetratingly into the surface of the earth. They go down far enough to anchor the giant trunk and find the water that the tree must have. They bring up the food that enables the tree to throw off the encroach-

ments of death and continue to produce new wood each year.

May we compare man's life here on earth to a tree? The wisest and most excellent of all books does. Then some good questions are: *Are you still growing?* Are you settling your soul's roots deep enough in moral and spiritual values that your life is ever preserved? As the Psalmist describes it, are you like a tree planted by the rivers of water? Or are you simply a stick stuck down? The outcome of your life, that is, its value when it is done, is to be measured by that which you are. *Think on this!*

## The Continual, Cleansing Fountain

By Barney Brumeloe\*

*In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness (Zech. 13:1).*

**I**N OUR zeal to reveal an experience of initial cleansing there lurks the danger of failure to emphasize the continual process of cleansing of sin. To actually cast one's self into the fountain is not the assurance that one will remain therein.

There must surely be a crisis experience in every sanctified heart wherein sin is purged and the soul is cleansed from all sin, but there remains the necessity of continually abiding in the cleansing stream which is conditioned by faith in and obedience to God and His will. If we keep on walking in the light as He is in the light, we shall continue to have cleansing from all sin.

As a lad, I spent many happy days on High Pine Creek in Randolph County, Alabama, catching white perch and bream. Between my home and the creek there was a beautiful, fast-flowing branch of water. One sunny day as I was passing that way my eyes were attracted to a beautiful white stone that lay out in the middle of the stream. Many weeks of continuous washing of that stone by the water had cleansed it from all stain and grime and dirt, and the rays of the sunlight upon it as it lay beneath the sparkling water made it a thing of beauty and something to desire.

Climbing down the embankment I waded out, picked up the stone, and was soon walking along the dusty road, admiring the clean and spotless treasure which I had plucked from the water. My attention was soon attracted elsewhere and I dropped the stone by the roadside and went on my way fishing.

Two weeks later I went back the same route and happened to look down at the same spot where I had dropped the stone; but as I looked at it this time there was nothing about it to make me desire it. The accumulation of grime, dirt, and dust of the road had changed the picture entirely. Yes, the stone was the same stone,

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the stream was the same stream, but what a difference in the stone now! I felt that if, two weeks earlier, the stone only had had the power to cry out, it would have said: "Please leave me in the stream, I had much rather stay here and remain clean and lovely." Then I am sure I never would have disturbed it.

Is this not the description of many who once had the experience of cleansing? many who, through allowing worldliness to creep in and the lowering of good standards, have failed to remain under the powerful, cleansing stream that flows as a mighty tide from Calvary? With the Apostle Paul, shall we not "die daily" and resolve that the continual cleansing of this greatest of all fountains shall daily be ours? It is possible—"If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin" (I John 1:7).

## An Airman Gets Aboard

By P. J. Bartram\*

*On March 29 of this year a B-36 Bomber crashed at Fairchild Air Force Base near Spokane, with a tragic loss of life. Among the dead was Airman First Class Willard Daniels of Minong, Wisconsin. Six weeks prior to his death Willard came to church. He found Christ that night at the altar of prayer. I urged him to write home immediately. His father is a minister in another denomination. He recently sent me a copy of Willard's letter and is glad to have it publicized as a challenge to others who need to come to spiritual decision. The father writes this footnote to the boy's letter:*

"This is a true copy of a letter written by Airman First Class Willard Daniels to his parents. Just forty-two days later he was one of seven airmen who died in the crash of a B-36 Bomber at Fairchild Air Force Base, Fairchild, Washington. The original is being lovingly preserved by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene H. Daniels, Minong, Wisconsin. This testimony is passed on with a prayer that it may inspire another hungry heart to make a decision for Christ before it is too late."

The following is the boy's letter to his parents the day after his conversion on Sunday, February 14, 1954.

"DEAR MOM AND DAD:

"I guess you will be surprised to hear from me again so soon. I thought I would write and tell you what happened to me last night. I was sitting around the barracks, with nothing to do, and stewing about something, when my buddie asked me if I wanted to go to church with him. I said yes, as I had nothing to do. So we went. It was the Naza-

rene church. Well, everything was going as usual. They had a guest speaker from another church. He was a pretty good speaker. Well, at the close of the service, he called for people to come forward. Nobody went. Then the Rev. that preaches there all the time took over the service. We started to pray at the closing of the service. With heads bowed he asked for people to raise their hands for him to pray for. My hand went up. I didn't have any intentions of raising my hand. But up it went. My buddies looked at me, and the Rev. recognized my hand. A couple of other hands went up. Then he came down off the pulpit, and started walking up the aisle. I was in the back row. He came back to me and asked me if I would or wanted to come forward and kneel down in prayer. All this time I was thinking of that talk I had with you and it seemed that I could hear you saying that I shouldn't hesitate because of your being a preacher. Well, the next thing I knew I was walking down the aisle. Folks, I can't describe the feeling that I had when I reached the altar. All this time I was thinking—Boy, you better get aboard or you will be left behind. We prayed for quite a time. The next thing I knew, all my buddies were kneeling beside me. Then more and more people. When I stood up I was like a new man. I don't think I ever felt that way before in my life. It sure was a wonderful feeling. I feel like a new person. I think now that I have found Him truly, rather than taking it for granted as it has been in the past.

"Well, folks, I am feeling fine. I am still flying like mad. The weather is breaking up here so we are getting a lot of time in. Well, folks, I guess I will sign off now. Take care of yourselves, and write soon.

"Love and a Hug,

"WILL"

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## GREAT IS HIS GLORY!

By Jean Leathers Phillips

*For great is the glory of the Lord (Ps. 138:5).*

Great is the glory of the Lord always,  
By starlit night or sunny, smiling day,

By calm or storm, by height or depth of seas,  
On barren desert or amid tall forest trees;  
In mine of treasures or by strong-winged bird,  
In storm or silence where His voice is heard.

Greatest of all, His glory is made known  
When grace and forgiveness make a soul His  
own;

A fettered slave from bondage stricken free,  
Redeemed, recreated as none can but He;  
Made new, made joyful, clean, alive in Him,  
Great is His glory, naught can mar or dim!

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# The Ministry of the Shadow

By E. Drell Allen\*

**T**HE effectiveness of a Christian's influence and life often is better measured by his shadow than by his words and deeds. Many of the outstanding accomplishments of the Apostle Peter are remembered solely because they set off in such great contrasts the glaring failures of his life before Pentecost. Yet, almost unnoticed, we read over the passage that describes the sick and infirm, the rich on beds of plush and the poor on coarse straw couches, being brought to the side of the way "that at least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them" (Acts 5:15). What a tribute to the spiritual power exerted by the depth of a man's inner life!

Few of us will ever be able to lay specific claim to having led a Moody, a Wesley, or a Breesee to Christ. In fact, the biographies of the spiritual "greats" are singular in that many were unable to identify by name their spiritual benefactor. Many were but the fruit of the "shadow . . . passing by." A casual word spoken in season, not premeditated in the sense of being "planned," but coming forth merely as a matter of course from a heart filled with the love of Christ; or a kindly action, a calmness of spirit, displayed in a time of bitter stress, not the result of suppressed emotion, but the gentle outflow of a Christ-saturated life—these and other manifestations express the validity of the ministry of the shadow. Many Christians have suffered discouragement and anguish over their inability to "count" the number of souls which they have led to Christ; yet great will be their reward in heaven, as their crowns are studded with the priceless jewels of hitherto unknowns whose souls were bent heavenward by the "shadow . . . passing by."

A shadow is such a simple thing in its explanation—only the image cast by an object that crosses the path of a light. How strikingly significant when that light is Christ! Yet, unlike the ordinary shadow which borrows nothing from the object which it shadows, the Christian who is standing in the orb of the light of Christ throws a shadow that is at once in his own image and also the image of Christ, so that upon whomsoever the shadow falls, there is some witness of Christ, His love and salvation, which may be used of the Holy Spirit to lead that one to Christ.

It may be that your greatest ministry and service for Christ will be the "ministry of the shadow." To the preacher, Phillips Brooks is the example of grace and finesse in preaching, but to those who desired to memorialize his ministry to the whole of Boston, his life was characterized by a fitting work of sculpture in which Dr. Brooks was shown with a larger figure behind him, the figure of Christ: "For," said his parishioners, "wherever Mr. Brooks went, he brought Christ with him and no man who received a

chance smile or a kind word from him went away poorer; he had met a man who knew Christ." It was the "shadow . . . passing by."

# JESUS NEVER FAILS

*"He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee."*

Life with a Nazarene Evangelist

## The Earth Rocked and Reeled

By Paul Martin\*

**I** SUPPOSE I could be called a "city-wide evangelist." Actually, the campaign included several "cities"—Reno, Home Gardens, Sun Valley, and Sparks, Nevada. Here the air is clear, the mountains tall, the sun bright, and men need God, just as they do in your home town. What a list of churches co-operating—Reno First Nazarene, Home Gardens Nazarene, Sun Valley Nazarene, Sparks Nazarene!

Surprisingly enough, without the usual help of converted night-club entertainers, or retired world's record holders, or visiting Christian movie artists, God gave a revival. You see, we had the help of four friendly, hard-working, earnest pastors and their people who longed for souls. I've never worked with a finer band of soul winners—just ordinary men and women, common folk like you and me, who aren't looking for "a spectator's pass," but are willing to pay the price for a revival.

We had a full house every night! We arranged that—brought in chairs only when we needed them! How Nazarenes brought their friends to Christ! The soul winners were easily identified by the folk who accompanied them to the service. We actually had to move the front row of seats elsewhere to make room for the seekers around the altar. The offering and entertainment were wonderful.

During the last night while Brother Ketchum, Brother Hunter, and I faced the little, full house of hungry hearts Brother and Sister Butchart sang "Be Still and Know." Suddenly God took Nevada in His hands and rocked it gently. The quake rattled the church, frightened the natives, and left even some saints a bit pale around the "gills." But the Butcharts sang with faces smiling, Wayne's hand raised in a gesture of peace. Right then and there I decided that, as narrow as it seems, when the earth rocks and reels, and slips a bit at the seams, I'd rather be with a friendly band of Nazarenes than anywhere in the world.

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# Where Do You Get Strength?

By Esther Miller Payler\*

**W**HERE do you get the spiritual strength to live the Christian life? You must have a constant source of help to carry you through the shocks, wear, and tear of everyday living with its temptations and tasks.

A young minister who volunteered to act as chauffeur for Kagawa, the Japanese Christian leader, when he was visiting Washington several years ago, said that the first afternoon he took Kagawa around he was amazed at his schedule, and how such a seemingly frail, older man could carry it out. On the second day when he was asked to meet Kagawa at five o'clock in the morning to take him to the Tidal Basin, the minister found out part of the source of this man's strength of spirit. For over an hour he sat watching the sun, the play of light on the marble Jefferson Memorial, the bridges and distant Lincoln Memorial, and the reflection in the water, the rustle of the dawn breeze in the Japanese cherry trees. That is what he saw with his eyes, but what did Kagawa see with the eyes of the Spirit, as he sat quietly on the bench in this scene of serene beauty, with his Bible open on his knees?

A friend of mine who is active in a mission in the slums of a great city has a trunk in her room where she kneels every morning for at least ten or more minutes and prays and meditates and

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listens for God to answer her. She says she needs this time to keep her in tune with God and His wishes.

I know a busy mother who gets up ten minutes earlier than she would need to, so that she can read a chapter of the Bible and have a brief prayer before her day begins. She says the reminder of this quiet time keeps her sweet through the irritations of the day and the trials of a large family.

A businessman who has an important job of great responsibility has the habit of going into a neighboring church at his noon hour, and sitting there for a time each day following his lunch. He says his "appointment with God" comes before all other engagements and he always leaves this time free, regardless of the pressures of business, for he needs it. While he sits in the quiet of the church, he feels near to God and feels that his prayers are heard; he receives guidance to take him through difficult decisions. "I just let go, and God takes over," he expresses it. "No matter how tired I am when I go in, I come out refreshed and rested, all confusion gone."

A salesman who is active in church work says he always carries a pocket book of devotions with him. When he is waiting to see people, he reads and thinks about these, which gives him spiritual direction and stimulation.

A woman reads small scripture portions or books of the Bible on the bus going to and from work. She carries them in her purse. She keeps them open and, when the bus stops, she reads and then thinks about the passage until the next stop, and so does not hurt her eyes. In the course of years she has read through the Bible in more than one version this way, in time which would otherwise have been spent in aimless looking about or boredom. She teaches a large Bible class and says she does not know what she would do without this background of bus Bible reading.

A housewife has a Bible which she keeps in the kitchen. When she is stirring food at the stove, or watching the pressure cooker, she can read over passages of scripture or memorize verses she likes. When she irons, she has the Bible at the end of the board. With the minutes otherwise wasted in between tasks or while only her hands are busy, she fills her mind with the riches of the Bible and it overflows into her life, finding expression in many Christian deeds.

In one family there are devotions at the evening meal, which is the only time the members of the family are together. Before they had family worship, this family had difficulty and bickering, but since they have this regular family worship, there is a different spirit throughout the household. They find spiritual strength in this communion with God.

A retired insurance man was bored and thought he was sick, until someone suggested to him that he volunteer to read to a blind member of the congregation of the church of which he was a member. The man he read to was de-

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## Security

By Grace Marilyn Watkins

*Fret not thyself because of evildoers;  
Know ye not the Saviour sees thy plight?  
Tho' darkness, like a cloud, sweep 'round about thee,  
Rest in His love and fear ye not the night.*

*The smallest sparrow has His kind attention;  
He feeds them, sees them falter ere they fall.  
The lily of the field He clothes in splendor.  
Will He not hear and answer when you call?*

*Yea, though ye walk through valleys of death's shadow,  
God, ever-present, then shall be thy stay;  
For surely He who made stars, moon, and sunshine  
Can come and clear the threat'ning clouds away.*

*Then trust in Him, forget thy cares and worries;  
God knows and will supply your every need.  
Look up, and with new courage face the future;  
In mercy, He who knows thy way will lead.*

lighted. He wanted the Bible and devotional books read to him. The retired man found a whole new world of the Spirit opened to him through this reading and the blind man's faith and knowledge. The retired man says, "My friend is blind physically, but I am the one who was blind spiritually until I came in contact with him."

There are many chances during the day for even the busiest person to think of God and say a sentence prayer at least of gratitude, or an appeal for help. This contact with God, even if

brief, can be a source of never-ending spiritual renewal.

You need spiritual nourishment and renewal daily. There are many ways in which you can get it through prayer, meditation, Bible reading, or the wealth of devotional and religious books which your church publishing house has available. If you have these sources of spiritual strength you will not "weary in well doing." You will be an effective witness for Him who is the source of all spiritual strength, Jesus, the Saviour.

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# THE QUESTION BOX

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**Q.** *In Gen. 1:28 these words are found: "Be fruitful and multiply, and replenish the earth." Does replenish here mean to fill the earth with people that never existed before or does it have the same significance as in Gen. 9:1, where it must have to do with refilling the earth after the flood?*

**A.** If you will look in *Webster's New International Dictionary* (second edition unabridged) you will find that the first two meanings of replenish are fill and fill completely. In those two instances there is no reference to refilling and I would add that the thought of refilling is not intended in Gen. 1:28 or 9:1. In both cases the writer is only saying fill or fill completely the earth. The start was made in both places from nothing to something, that is, from a world that was uninhabited to one that was inhabited. Thus the word replenish in both references is nothing more nor less than a synonym for fill. I also might add that I believe you will find practically all commentators agreeing with this interpretation of replenish as found in these verses.

**Q.** *A writer in a local paper argues against women preachers. This woman asks for scriptures on the other side if anyone has any to give. Will you please answer her contention?*

**A.** In I Cor. 11:5 Paul indirectly sanctions the right of women to pray and prophesy or preach by telling her that she is to do this only under certain conditions. He gives her just as much right to do these things as he does the men in verse 4 except that the conditions are different. I give Paul more credit for his unusual intelligence than to believe that he meant to deny to women in I Cor. 14:34-35 what he had granted to them in I Cor. 11:5. In I Cor. 14:34-35 he prohibits women from interrupting the preacher by asking questions. You may ask why he didn't do the same as to the men. The answer is that

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he would have if they had been doing it as much as the women. In Acts 21:8-9 we read about Philip the evangelist, who had four daughters that prophesied, and please remember always that the major meaning of prophesy in the New Testament is preach. Also, read Acts 2:17-18 and you will find that Joel's prophecy foretold the fact that their daughters and handmaidens would prophesy as well as the men. It should be added that, while women fulfill their highest role in the home, they are not today shut out from any profession or calling. Further, some of the greatest preachers that the Christian Church has ever had have been women. Anyway, when one starts to disprove the right of women to preach by the Bible, he doesn't have a very easy assignment.

**Q.** *Did the resurrection body of Jesus Christ contain blood since He had shed His blood on the cross? Also, I Cor. 15:50 tells us that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God and He ascended to the Father with that body.*

**A.** Jesus' resurrection body was a spiritual body and not material. However, no one knows exactly what its real nature was. Our body no doubt will be like His—that is, our glorified body. I would certainly hold that our resurrected body will not contain material blood such as it does now. I would also believe the same as to Jesus' body.

**Q.** *Will you please explain Heb. 12:16-17?*

**A.** Adam Clarke has this to say of verse 17: "Nothing spoken here by the Apostle, nor in the history in Genesis to which he refers, concerns the eternal state of either of the two

brothers. The use made of the transaction by the Apostle is of great importance: Take heed lest, by apostatizing from the Gospel, ye forfeit all right and title to the heavenly birthright, and never again be able to retrieve it; because they who reject the Gospel reject the only means of salvation." Clarke also says that repentance here is not to be taken in a theological sense, as implying contrition for sin, but merely as change of mind or purpose. Besides, it does not refer to Esau but rather to his father. Isaac from a human standpoint would like to have reversed the situation but he refused to do it, for he knew that this was not in God's plan.

**Q.** *Are undesirable personality traits curbed or removed in sanctification?*

**A.** I would prefer to say that they are removed rather than curbed.

**Q.** *When in the sanctified life does the removal of undesirable personality traits begin?*

**A.** Without doubt at the time when a person is sanctified.

(More on this in the next Question Box)

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## LOVE, DIVINE

By Nona Keen Duffy

*Love Divine, express through me  
Radiant truth that makes me free.*

*Link my thinking with Thy mind;*

*Let me keep Thy love enshrined.*

*Lead me in Thy paths of right.*

*Fill me with illumined light.*

*Let Thy holy will be mine;*

*Ever let my heart be Thine.*

*Make Thy life through me to flow;*

*Let Thy wisdom in me show.*

*May Thy Word be made more clear*

*That dissolves all hate and fear.*

*Love Divine, abide in me;*

*Keep my vision stayed on Thee!*

## Adamic Perfection Versus Christian Perfection

# Editorials

**A**DAM was created perfect and placed in a perfect environment. In this state he could have kept the law of God within and without in its fullness. Legal perfection could have been complete in quantity as well as in quality, and this could have been true of him throughout his entire life if he had not disobeyed God. Of course his perfect mental and physical condition and the perfection of the environment with which he was surrounded did not prevent him from using his will to choose against God; he was a free moral agent. On the other hand, he could have chosen to keep the law of God, as we have already indicated, internally and externally, and could have manifested a perfection that was qualitatively and quantitatively complete on the finite level. Thus, if Adam had lived as high and holy as he could have, he would have fulfilled the law and have been wholly delivered from sin, objectively as well as subjectively.

The situation is very different from the standpoint of Christian perfection. The foundation for Christian perfection is grace and faith. In this realm perfect obedience is obtainable only insofar as a person whose mind and body have been marred by sin can reach this goal. This means he cannot keep the law of God completely from the objective viewpoint; he can, however, be perfect in motive, or intention. He can always *will to do* the right thing, though his broken-down judgment and other types of infirmities may prevent him from realizing his will in a perfect way externally. In other words, a person who has Christian perfection can't keep the perfect law of God fully; he will not willfully transgress, but he will mistakenly break it. Therefore, he will possess a perfection which is relative and subjective.

From the standpoint of Adam's standard before his fall, the fully sanctified person is imperfect because of his infirmities. He will not keep the law absolutely; therefore, he will not be free from sin in this sense. This makes it necessary for even those who are sanctified wholly, or those who have been made perfect in love, to depend every moment on the merit of the blood of Jesus. As someone has said, even the sanctified make enough mistakes, day by day, in living for Christ to lose their souls if it were not for the blood of Jesus.

But we must not stop here; this does not give us the whole picture. The fully sanctified is perfect from the standpoint of motive; subjectively he is free from sin. There is no intention to transgress the law of God; he has but a single aim, and that to do the will of God. His whole inner life is dominated by this purpose. In other words, he has been perfected in love; he loves God and his neighbor supremely; he is fully freed from

sin as a willful transgression of a known law of God. When he has been delivered from deliberate sinning, then he has been freed from all guilt—even the guilt which attaches to our failure to live up to the Adamic standard of perfection.

Christian perfection can be maintained, when it has been obtained, only through moment-by-moment dependence upon the merit of the blood of Jesus Christ. Perfect love, or entire sanctification, is not something that we can get and keep without constant faith in the sanctifying grace of Jesus Christ. God looks upon the inner man, the heart, and not upon the outer man. He does not judge us from the objective standpoint; He judges us from the relative and subjective standpoint. He does not measure us on the basis of our external shortcomings; He rather measures us on the basis of our inner intentions. We can never keep the way clear before us unless we are careful to distinguish between Christian perfection and Adamic perfection.

I believe in Christian perfection, but not in Adamic perfection, for man today. In the former there is hope and blessing, but in the latter there is hopelessness and legalism. We must not confuse these two types of perfection and the demands which they make; for Adamic perfection is beyond the reach of fallen man, while Christian perfection can be his through the power and grace of Jesus Christ. Thank God for Christian perfection!

## "The Way of the Leisured Heart"

### WHAT IT IS NOT

**D**R. E. STANLEY JONES describes the sanctified life as, "The way of the leisured heart." The same thought might be stated thus, "Living beyond strain." This way of holiness is a narrow way, but it is not a strained way. It is a way of freedom, happiness, and joy. There is plenty of room on this road for the man who has been saved and sanctified; he may even be said to have "fifty miles of elbow room" in this way of the leisured heart.

Lest I might be misunderstood in this discussion, I shall first tell you what this way of the leisured heart is not. *It is not the lazy way, the way of the leisured hands or feet, the way of inactivity or do-nothing.* Most of us are naturally lazy. Sin has left its mark upon our bodies, and there is a certain lag, or inertia, there. A good man, who was saved and sanctified, said one day, "How little can I do and get to heaven?" He

loved God, but he did not have to work; he had enough money to get by conveniently without doing anything; and yet he was in good health. Let's not criticize him too much until we are sure we wouldn't have said the same thing under similar circumstances. God has to keep most of us poor—even though we may be sanctified—in order to keep us working. No, when I speak of the sanctified experience as the way of the leisured heart, I do not mean to encourage laziness on the part of God's devoted followers. We should always remember that "Heaven helps those who help themselves," and we get no experience in this life which gives us a pass to the better land without keeping in the battle.

In the second place, *the way of the leisured heart is not the way of unimprovement*. We sometimes say to those who are seeking at the altar, "Let go, and let God." That's all right if it does not mean, "Let go and let God *do it all*"; if it does not indicate that you are going to cease trying to improve yourself and turn the job completely over to God. God's salvation is a co-operative affair and, while we "let" God, we must also keep ourselves busy. The preacher who really wants God to fill his mouth must do everything he can to fill his head. I believe in supernaturalism, but I do not believe in a supernaturalism that wants to put all responsibility on God. And, when I speak of the way of the leisured heart, I do not imply that when we get sanctified we can leave off our efforts to improve ourselves. Even when we have obtained everything God has for us, so far as definite crises are concerned, we'll have to be on the job all the time. Only thus can we improve ourselves and do the work that God expects of us. The way of the leisured heart is not the way of unimprovement.

By way of the leisured heart *I do not have in mind the way of no achievement*. This doesn't mean that we are not to win anyone to Christ; it doesn't imply that we are not to do everything we can to get people saved and sanctified and into the church. God never saves and sanctifies anybody in order to excuse him from achievement. He believes in work and accomplishment. He is the God of success and not of failure. Nothing that He does for us can be used as an excuse for lack of achievement in His vineyard. Christians, especially those who have the fullness of the blessing, are a success in the work of the kingdom of God. The way of the leisured heart does not free one from the responsibility of being a crusader for God and the Kingdom.

Again, the way of the leisured heart *is not conducive to the anti-organizational spirit—that something in certain people which makes them prefer their own little plot above everything else*.

It is not the way of extreme individualism, the "lone scout," or the "free lance." It does not beget or encourage a mysticism which runs into isolationism or produces recluses.

Some may think that the way of the leisured heart refers to *the way in which one lives a careless, undisciplined life*. This is not the case. The leisured heart is not the haphazard, plan-less, or program-less way, the way in which a man doesn't look ahead, but works only for the present moment. If you think that is what I have in mind when I talk about the way of the leisured heart, then certainly you are mistaken. It has nothing in common with blind or purposeless living.

Last, on the negative side of the ledger, the way of the leisured heart—calm within—is *not the way of overconfidence*. Some people are overconfident because they are ignorant as to the realities of life—they don't seem to know what it's all about. This group can be passed by—their peace of mind is not what I am talking about. Others are overconfident because of their egotism. They have so much self-confidence they feel that they can easily overcome the ills of the world. They have a kind of leisured heart because they believe that with but little effort they can realize the goals of life and society. But their lack of strain is not Heaven-born. The way of the leisured heart is not the way of an inflated self-confidence.

Next week the emphasis will be "The Way of the Leisured Heart—What It Is."

## Oases in the Desert

ONE of the most interesting experiences I have in traveling by automobile is when I go to the West or Northwest and find myself in some of the great irrigation sections of the country. Often I pass from that which is barren desert into that which is a veritable Garden of Eden, an oasis in the desert; with vegetation on every hand, and fruits and food of almost every description. What has made the difference? Water! Water! Not just a little sprinkle of water on the thirsty ground; rather, a stream is turned on and the water covers the land until it drinks in all it can take. Some of the most productive parts of our country are found in these irrigation regions. The land is rich and, when they can get the water, the inhabitants have no trouble raising the crops.

I've met some people along life's way who have reminded me of these oases in the desert. They were not arid, dry, and dead spiritually; they were saturated with the Spirit of God. In order to be "soaked" with the power and presence of God, one must not only be saved and sanctified; he must "take time to be holy." He must have seasons of special refreshing when the waters of God's presence are turned in on his soul until he has received all he can take. Too many of us, unlike these souls, go on without these times of refreshing. Therefore, we do not

become oases in the desert, or in the "weary land." But if we will pay the price, we can become one of God's garden spots, and be saturated with the Divine Presence day by day.

# CRUSADE *for* SOULS



## Canada West District Crusade Conferences

ROY F. SMEE, Secretary

**S**OMEONE asked me at the conclusion of the Crusade for Souls Conferences on my district: "What do you think of these conferences?" I answered: "I really do not know if it matters much what I think of them, but what does matter is what God thinks of them and what impact they will have on the district for God and souls."

We had four conferences on this rather large geographical district of Canada West. The workers traveled thousands of miles by car, train, plane, and bus; conducted thirty-two services in four of the major cities of the district. People came in from miles around. Many traveled over five hundred miles to come, and I shall never forget the thrill and response of one carload that traveled almost one thousand miles, round-trip, to attend one of the conferences. As I was in their church the following day for a business meeting, they told all who would listen how the message of personal evangelism had gripped their hearts. I know that this church will never be the same, and that experience could be duplicated many times across the district.

I believe that the Crusade for Souls Conferences on my district have started many pastors, lay people, and churches thinking that it is a truth, so well expressed by one speaker, "They that turn many to righteousness" shall shine "as the stars for ever and ever," and, "He that winneth souls is wise."

I believe that, whenever conferences such as these can be held to bring light into darkness, blessing into sadness, and passion for souls in place of couldn't-care-less-ness, we should be glad they came our way and support them to the best of our ability.

The workers were par excellent: Dr. Roy F. Smeë, executive secretary of the Department of Home Missions and Evangelism, with his unique fire and historical presentation of home missions and holiness and the Crusade; Nick Hull, pastor of University Avenue Church, San Diego, California, with a soul on fire with the

romance of soul winning; Andy Young, pastor of Santa Ana church, California, with a humor that caught and enough "old country background" to appeal to the Canadians; and Jerry Johnson, pastor of Coeur d'Alene church, Idaho, a young pastor fresh from the job and with the soul of an evangelist. It did seem to me that, from the opening conference in Vancouver, British Columbia, with a response that was thrilling on the part of the people pledging to win souls, until the last night of the last conference about fifteen hundred miles away in Regina, Saskatchewan, when penitent souls knelt at an old-fashioned altar seeking to be saved, sanctified, and restored, God was with us in every service and the Holy Spirit was present to re-present truth and to leave with us all the ultimatum that "the Crusade for Souls Now, personal evangelism in action, is the answer to the present-day need of the Church of the Nazarene in Canada West." As one speaker kept saying, "You can't lose for winning when you practice visitation and personal evangelism through the Crusade for Souls Now."

What do I think of the conferences? I think they're great; and, from reports of pastors and people, they think they're great; and, from the results already, I believe God thinks they are worth while and we would be foolish as a church to ignore anything God thinks well of.—EDWARD LAWLOR, Superintendent, Canada West District.

## Greater Oklahoma City Crusade Conference

The last of April and the first of May found us engaged with Dr. Williamson, N. A. Hull of San Diego, California, and Andrew Young of Santa Ana, California, in a great Crusade for Souls Conference in Oklahoma City. This conference was under the auspices of the Greater Oklahoma City Union of Nazarene Churches and was held in Oklahoma City First Church with R. T. Williams, Jr., and his fine people.

Greater Oklahoma City extends into each of the four districts of Oklahoma. Many of the pastors of these districts, together with their people, attended. Two of the district superintendents attended and took part. The other two were engaged elsewhere.

The one outstanding thing which characterized this conference was the manifest presence of the Lord. His sweet, melting influence moved in upon us and made all of us feel that His smile of approval was upon the work we are trying to do in stirring our people to the importance of personal soul winning. New resolutions were made and determination was expressed to organize our people into active Crusade workers to reach the lost everywhere.

Dr. Williamson never brought more soul-stirring messages freighted with the gospel command, "Go ye." The spirit and eloquence of this man of God cannot be excelled. Brothers Hull and Young spoke from a convincing background of what the Crusade program has done for the churches which they are pastoring and have pastored. One cannot hear these men without feeling the practical importance of organized personal soul winning. Everyone likes to hear the man speak if he has successfully practiced that about which he speaks.

Rev. R. T. Williams and his fine people entertained the conference in an excellent manner.

On with the Crusade!

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### "Seek, and Ye Shall Find"

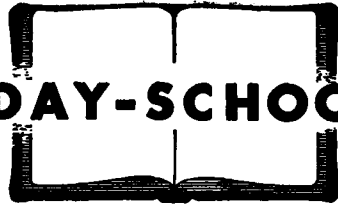
By Celeste Arno

*I came, a seeking sinner,  
To the altar of the Lord,  
And sought to claim the promises  
He gives me in His Word.*

*He saved and sanctified me;  
I felt His cleansing power;  
And now Christ liveth in me  
Since that most precious hour.*

*I must go forth and share it;  
The blessing is for all,  
And they who seek shall find it,  
If they heed the Spirit's call.*

# THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON



J. GEORGE TAYLORSON

## Topic for July 4: What Is Christian Living?

Scripture: Matt. 5:1-20; Acts 11:19-26; Rom. 12:1-21; Phil. 1:27-30; I Thess. 5:15-23; Jas. 1:22, 26-27 (Printed: Rom. 12:1-2, 20-21; Phil. 1:27-30; I Thess. 5:15-23; Jas. 1:22, 26-27)

**GOLDEN TEXT:** *Let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ (Phil. 1:27).*

Every sincere soul is only too well aware of the tendency to separate the things we believe from the things we actually do. This divorce has brought untold grief and division within the Church of Christ.

No thoughtful follower of Jesus would make light of doctrine, for there could be no Christian ethics without the root of sound thought. After all, what gets to the heart must first enter and be accepted by the mind. There is a prevalent danger of allowing our belief, our doctrine, to become sterile and unproductive. It does not matter much what a person believes if he does not act on that belief. The same may be said of our feelings, for nothing is really accomplished until, expressed through the will, it becomes action. The more often one feels without acting, the

less he will be able to act; and furthermore, in the long run, the less he will be able to feel. Herein lies the cause for much spiritual defeat that finds its solace in wistfully looking back to "better days." The truth is that these days were better, for they were fresh and there was a closer union between what was believed and felt and what was done. Continual impression with the Spirit of God without expression in Christlike conduct cannot but bring deep depression.

Christian experience either finds expression in Christian living or of necessity withers and dies. John Wesley in advising a new convert said: "Sir, you wish to serve God and go to heaven? Remember that you cannot serve Him alone. You must either find companions or make them; the Bible knows nothing of solitary religion."

Christian living is the dedication of our lives to the ideals, methods, and

spirit of Christ. This is not as easy as may first appear, for we are continually being called upon to make imperfect choices where no perfect choice seems to exist. This is not in any sense being disloyal to Christian standards for the sake of self, but is rather the earnest endeavor to apply the methods of Jesus in the most difficult situations. Christ provides power to think, feel, and act as Christians.

Christian living is the discovery of a living faith in God that saves, sanctifies, and serves. It is the denial of all self-acclaim and ambition and the giving of one's entire self to God's cause, perfectly willing to leave the outcome in His hands. Here is a ministry that seeks no reward except that of being accepted by our Heavenly Father and the joy that always comes through service in Jesus' name.

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## FOREIGN MISSIONS

### Answered Prayer

**I**RA TAYLOR, Peru, writes: "The doctor who has attended Mrs. Taylor all along told her to come back on the last of May for what he trusts will be the last operation. He will remove the cast and take out the two pins or screws that had to be inserted to hold the graft in place. He counsels being very, very careful but anticipates that with time she will regain full use of her arm. Thank the Lord!"

Continue to pray that God will completely heal and restore the use of Mrs. Taylor's arm.

### Progress

"Dr. and Mrs. Cox and Esther Howard passed their second Marathi exams and will be in Basim to do full duty this June. Miss Harper was

### REMISS REHFELDT, Secretary

delayed due to illness but will no doubt be over the language hurdle in October. Until then she will work with Dr. Witthoff in her medical work in Buldana."—EARL LEE, *India*.

### Now on Furlough

Missionaries who have recently returned to the States for furlough are:

Rev. and Mrs. John Armstrong of Bolivia

Rev. and Mrs. William Vaughters of Guatemala

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Wellmon of Nicaragua

### Prayer Request

Rev. Spurgeon Hendrix is in the hospital with a very bad liver attack, suffering much pain. Please ask prayer

for him. He is there for observation; we do not know whether they will operate or not.—JOHN COCHRAN, *Argentina*.

### Summer Activities In British Honduras

I am in Belize now holding vacation Bible schools. We have ninety-eight children on the roll and an average attendance of over seventy. The Bible college students are holding vacation schools all over the colony. I have two of them helping me here and they are doing fine work. When we get through here our team will go to Crooked Tree and the other teams will move to other places. The students are really thrilled with the prospects of helping in this way. They have

shown a wonderful attitude. It is hard work, but every one of them has gone willingly. We believe that our Bible school graduates will make a great contribution to the work on this district.—RUTH DECH.

### The Missionaries' Greatest Need

We have come to within two weeks of the end of our first term as missionaries to Japan. This has been a great privilege. We have tried to do our best. God has blessed us and has given us strength. We praise Him

for those blessings and for any results that have come or may come from our efforts. More than ever before, we realize the value of prayer—prayer—prayer. Words cannot express our feeling about the need of prayer and the need of having the continual power of God upon all of our efforts.

No missionary could ever take credit for the work that he is able to help accomplish. The offerings of money which are given do an inestimable amount of good. The work could not be carried on without the offerings. But without faith and prayer ena-

bling the working of God in mighty power behind those offerings, the work would be only a conglomerate jumble of buildings, money-seeking workers, cold formal services, and powerless professions.

Thank God for the wonderful Nazarenes and other Christians who have prayed for our work in Japan. To be able to work with and for this group as we labor for our God has been a great privilege and an opportunity the limits of which we have not been able to touch.—DOYLE SHEPHERD, Japan.

# Religious News and Comments



By A. K. BRACKEN

## Monument

There is reported an enterprise under way to transform the trunk of an old elm tree into a lasting monument to the memory of Martin Luther. Under the shade of this tree, reputedly more than 450 years old, Martin Luther is said to have rested in 1517 on his way to the Diet at Worms. Much of the tree in recent years has been carved into Luther roses and Luther plaques and sold to raise funds to rebuild the 1,100-year-old St. Magnus Church at Worms, the oldest Protestant church in Southern Germany. Without doubt this project deserves success. However, Luther is not even now without an everlasting monument. The Reformation with its emphasis on Jesus Christ as the true Head of His Church, the Bible as the only true and sufficient rule of faith and practice, the universal priesthood of believers, and the doctrine of justification by faith, together with that immortal hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," stand as an everlasting monument to his memory.

was due to the fact that a Christian woman remembered her Christian vow: "in sickness and in health." Every home needs in it the strength that Christ gives.

## Jubilee

During May of this year there was celebrated the third golden jubilee of the British and Foreign Bible Society. This was celebrated in concurrence with the annual assemblies of missionaries from all lands. All available halls of the city were thronged with members at home and from overseas. The American Bible Society presented the British Society with \$100,000.00 in appreciation of the jubilee and the great work of that society during the past many years of its service.

## Stamps

The eight-cent "In God We Trust" stamps have gone on sale. Millions of them went into the hands of the stamp collectors. They are also il-

lustrated with a picture of the Statue of Liberty. Two hundred million of these will be used annually to move letters. This is a fine move. Every such move is deeply appreciated by all godly people. However, for it to be the most meaningful of all of us both high and low should remember that worship of God calls for a totality of dedication and devotion. It is no fragmentary thing.

## Women Clergymen

The federal population census of 1950 reports 6,777 women in the ministry, or 4.1 per cent of the total number of clergymen. This is an all-time high for women ministers. The number has more than doubled since 1940, and the total number of clergy has nearly doubled. Can it be that the threat of world catastrophe has brought all of us face to face with reality as never before. Are we finding the gospel of Jesus Christ more vital and more necessary—hence the greater urge to preach it?

## "In Sickness . . . Health"

A Washington lawyer, we read in the *Washington Religious Report*, asked a young woman why she had left her husband after a mining accident had crippled him for life. She "just couldn't take it—stand the thought of sharing her husband's life of confinement." A district court will soon render a decision on a divorce. Let us now see how a Christian handled her problem. Howard Rees, executive secretary of the D.C. Baptist Student Union, suffered a serious hip injury. Surgeons told him he would never walk again. Sue, his Christian wife, took over his job, raised their baby son, made hundreds of trips to and from the hospital. Now Rees is walking on two canes. This miracle

## "Think It Not Strange . . . Rejoice"

By Genevieve Thompson

"Think it not strange," the apostle wrote

*In words of admonition.  
"Concerning the fiery trial;  
It is not a strange condition.  
It's sent to try you, and you  
Share in Christ's own pain and  
sadness;  
For when His glory is revealed  
You shall rejoice with gladness."  
But it's a lesson hard to learn,  
To suffer and rejoice;  
And somehow I'm so slow to learn,  
Though it is not by choice.  
Father, You know I would be strong*

*And brave and wise and true.  
Oh, I would always do the thing that  
You would have me do.  
But when the fiery trial is on,  
I whimper and I cry  
Like any coward; I'm not strong  
No matter how I try.  
But this I say to Thee, O God,  
Though I may groan and shout,  
Heat up the furnace as You will—  
And never let me out  
Until Your perfect will and plan  
Is brought to pass in me,  
And Your own lovely image  
You find, at last, in me.*



# NEWS of the Churches



Princeton, Indiana—We recently closed a very profitable revival campaign with Rev. C. C. and Flora Chatfield as evangelists. Their sincere preaching and fellowship made a wonderful contribution to our church and city. Their music and singing also added much to the inspiration of the services. We are closing one of the greatest years with these fine people; God has surely given us a harvest of souls. Fifty-three members have been added to the church during the last few months. Our Sunday-school attendance has averaged over 400 for the last twelve months. The Chatfields raised a substantial love offering for the pastor and wife. A good spirit prevails and our church is encouraged.—Roy M. Vaughn, Pastor.

Fairview, Oklahoma—Dedication services for our new educational wing and fellowship hall were held Sunday, June 6, with Rev. J. T. Gassett, district superintendent, as special speaker. Others on the program were Rev. K. R. Meade, pastor at Cleo Springs; Rev. Marvin Gilley, pastor at Isabella; and Rev. Wade Powers, pastor of Enid Maine Street Church. On February 13, 1953, we began dismantling the old Central Christian Church in Fairview, salvaging all usable material. Work on the wing began in November, 1953, but most of it has been done since February 1, 1954. The new wing, 22 x 56 feet, includes five classrooms, one large assembly room that will double for a fellowship hall, and rest rooms. The total cost has been only \$2,000.00, as all labor, with the exception of the electrician, was donated. Value of the wing has been conservatively estimated at \$5,000.00. We are grateful to members and friends of the church in this small town of 2,500 for their loyalty and co-operation in this project. We are especially grateful to God for His guidance. Our average Sunday-school attendance has increased from 48 to 64. The church membership has increased from 27 to 40 with 15 coming on profession of faith. This has been an enjoyable two years in Fairview, and we close our pastorate here June 6, to accept the church at Reseda, California, beginning June 13.—D. W. Alger, Pastor.

Evangelist Paul A. McGuire writes: "We will have time for meetings in the Northwest following the Burns, Oregon, meeting which closes June 27. We will go anywhere the Lord opens the way, either as a party or I will go alone as evangelist and singer. When Wife and Daughter are with me we can provide preaching, singing, and children's work. Also we have open time after the meeting in Crawford, Nebraska, November 21, and would like to slate in the Western

states December through next April. Address us, Box 14, Hammonton, California."

Clarksville, Tennessee—First Church recently closed one of the most successful and helpful revival campaigns in its history, with Rev. Sammy Sparks as evangelist. Brother Sparks preached with unction and many hungry people found Christ as their Saviour and Sanctifier. Many new people knelt at the altar, and a fine group of new church members have been received into our fellowship as a result of the campaign. The evangelist, by preaching and example, challenged the church to accept its responsibility for the unsaved. Many of our people brought their friends with them and had the joy of seeing them find Christ. In the afternoons the evangelist accompanied the pastor in calling in the homes of the unsaved people on our responsibility list. Several were converted during these calls, while others were influenced to come to the revival, where they were saved. Crowds were good throughout the two weeks. The musical program, under the direction of Miss Marie Peery, and the church choir made a distinct contribution. Our church is endeavoring to co-operate fully in the Crusade for Souls Now and the aggressive district program under the direction of Rev. D. K. Wachtel, our beloved district superintendent. It is our constant prayerful endeavor to keep the holy fire burning on the altar of First Church and to throw the entire weight of the church behind the district and general leadership of our Zion.—William M. Greathouse, Pastor.

Guthrie, Oklahoma—We had a fine revival meeting, May 19 to 30, with Rev. Paul and Hallie Smith as our evangelist and singer; we had good crowds. Our church and Sunday school were greatly revived, and some new people were brought in. We had two prayer meetings a day and preaching at night. Our vacation Bible school was in its first week, and Sister Smith greatly helped in the school. There were seventy-five Juniors and Intermediates at the altar, and many of them prayed through. We had a goodly number of our young people reclaimed and some outsiders saved. In all there were 110 at the altar. Our young people are beginning a prayer meeting, and we are beginning a training class to help the new converts get established in their experience. We have all of our budgets paid for the year. We had an enrollment of 80 and average attendance of 74 in our vacation Bible school. Mrs. Cecil Terry, supervisor, did good work. On Easter Sunday we broke

the average attendance in the Sunday school for the past twenty years. We have made a number of improvements on our church this year. We are beginning the second year of a three-year call. The church gave Wife and me a nice love offering. We solicit your prayers.—E. L. and Mrs. Looman, Pastors.

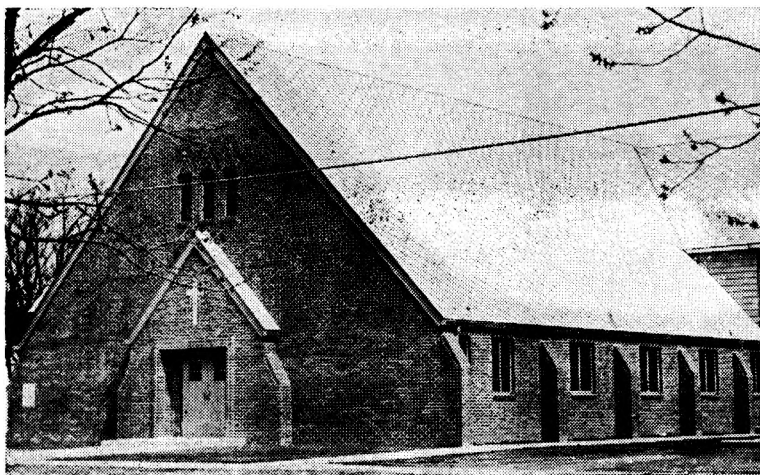
Kalispell, Montana—First Church recently closed one of the best revivals in recent years with Rev. Fred Reed as evangelist. His messages were stirring to each one of us; many souls were helped. We had thirty-three seekers at our altar, many of them young people, with almost all getting good victory. We are indeed thankful to Brother Reed and praise God for this outstanding revival.—Mrs. Elva Haven, Reporter.

Sierra Madre, California—June marks the nineteenth year in the pastorate for Mrs. Burlison and me. During this time we have served four churches in California: Fillmore, Midway City, Corona, and Sierra Madre. June also marks our sixth year in our present charge. These have been years of progress for the church in Sierra Madre. We have had a net gain in membership of 89 per cent. We have increased the value of the church property by about \$10,000.00 with only \$1,000.00 increase in indebtedness. This includes completely re-decorating the interior, laying a hardwood floor, installing cushioned opera-type chairs throughout, carpets, pulpit, a Connsonata electronic organ, a neon sign, and adding about one-third more land, which serves as off-street parking. We have been a 10 per cent church for the past three years. We have a fine staff of loyal workers who back the program of the church and who have made this progress possible. We have another year of a second three-year call.—Orlan G. and Mabel Lee Burlison, Pastors.

Magnolia, Mississippi—We recently closed the best revival in the history of the church with Rev. Joel Danner as evangelist. Twenty-five members were received into the church. Two years ago we launched a building program that is now nearing completion. The building is of red brick with a seating capacity of 225, with a two-story annex, 28 x 56 feet, consisting of twelve Sunday-school classrooms and pastor's study. In our four years with this fine church, God has blessed every phase of the work. Several fine couples have been saved and sanctified and are standing by the church loyally. The Sunday-school attendance has grown steadily, and the future outlook is bright.—A. L. Chaffin, Pastor.

## First Church, Bartlesville, Oklahoma

Easter Sunday marked the opening of our new building at First Church, shown in the accompanying picture. We saw the fulfillment of a dream that had been in the hearts of the people for many years. Under the leadership of our fine pastor, Rev. Morris Chalfant, the building was constructed in approximately ten months. We owe much to our former pastor, Rev. T. A. Burton, under whose consecrated leadership the building fund was started, the lots purchased, and plans drawn up. God has marvelously blessed us in the building program, financially and in the physical construction of the building. We now have one of the loveliest churches in this city. The sanctuary has seating capacity for 450, including the balcony, and is furnished with beautiful new oak pews and matching accessories. A new Baldwin organ and grand piano add beauty to the services. The educational unit joins the sanctuary and contains a lovely study for the pastor. Provisions were made for extending the educational unit in the future to provide more Sunday-school rooms. On May 16 we



closed our first revival in the new church under the preaching of Rev. W. C. Raker. God blessed and a fine number of seekers prayed through to victory at the altar. Many

new people attended the services. On Sunday morning, May 16, our pastor was given a unanimous recall and we look forward to another good year. —H. V. Hendrix, Secretary.

Cleveland, Ohio—Garfield Heights Church recently closed a wonderful four-day workshop with Miss Mary Latham. Sister Latham spent several hours with each department of the Sunday school, taking each supervisor and teaching staff into their departments for practical sessions on the place, teacher, pupil, equipment, and methods. These wonderful sessions filled a very practical need in this growing church, which has now averaged 241 for the past two months of the new church year. We are following the motto, "We Gain if We Train." —A. E. Woodcock, Pastor.

Evangelist E. E. Taylor reports: "We recently completed a 7,000-mile unscheduled tour by automobile across the Southern states, stressing holiness and individual soul winning wherever there was an open door. My wife, Myrtle Pelley Taylor, was with me on this tour. God blessed in every service held. We ministered to sixteen churches, in one- to three-day conventions. The co-operation of our pastors and the response from our people were gratifying. A total of 329 people pledged themselves to cooperate with their pastors in carrying out the Crusade for Souls Now program. There were also seekers for salvation or holiness, and Mrs. Taylor gave missionary messages at many places. Our first convention at Avondale, Chattanooga, with Pastor Tingle, closed on Sunday night with 14 seekers at the altar; one service with Pastor Messer at Tallahassee, Florida, where God gave a real revival time; a missionary service at Orlando by Mrs. Taylor; midweek service at Pensacola with Pastor Cook, who has just gone to Hawaii; a Sunday evening with Pastor Mason at Alexandria, Louisiana; Mesa, Arizona, with Pastor Reuben Welch; with Pastor Emma

French at the Riverside Drive Church, Los Angeles; a week end with the Penners at Corona; missionary services at North Long Beach by Mrs. Taylor; a Sunday with Rev. Ed Mieras at Azusa, California; a service with the Steareys at Hot Springs, New Mexico; at North Little Rock, with Pastor McClung; Calvary Nazarene with Pastor Haggard, Cincinnati, Sunday night, and God's Bible School on Monday. We distributed over 1,000 of our booklets to help our people in prevailing prayer and soul winning. We visited Casa Robles missionary home at Temple City, California. Mrs. Taylor saw many old friends, and we appreciated the fellowship of Brother and Sister A. E. Sanner; they are doing a wonderful work at our missionary home."

Evangelist C. M. Whitley and wife report: "We recently closed our fourth revival with Rev. D. E. Milby and wife at Assumption, Illinois. They are dear people, wonderful pastors, and have a wonderful group of people. At this writing we are in a revival at Peoria, Illinois, with Rev. Mrs. Cecil Barnett. God is blessing and has given us several souls praying through to victory. This is our third revival with Sister Barnett. We have an open date, September 1 to 12. We will be glad to go where the Lord may lead. Write us at P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri."

Lanett, Alabama—In a week's meeting with Evangelist William N. Harrington we experienced a revival such as never witnessed before. In the one week we had over seventy-five seekers. The victory around our altars has been glorious and nightly the crowds increased until the final service on Sunday night, in competi-

tion with a commencement exercise, the church was filled with an estimated crowd of over six hundred. Besides salvation and sanctification, there were outstanding healings. God anointed Brother Harrington and the Holy Spirit surged upon us and met with us in great power. One man who had been paralyzed on his right side for over eight months stumbled to the altar with assistance and, while he was praying for salvation, God healed him. We were astounded to see him raise the paralyzed arm, discard his cane, and walk to the evangelist. We feel fortunate indeed that Brother Harrington has consented to remain with us as interim pastor until some arrangements can be made. —Reporter.

Greenfield, Ohio—Our church is moving forward for God and the salvation of souls. We have had two fine revivals and a week's youth meeting. Rev. Charles Lipker held our revival last fall and, preaching under the anointing of the Spirit, gave us a fine revival on holiness of heart. Under this kind of preaching our church has moved up. We closed a fine revival May 2 with Rev. Allen Wagner as evangelist. We feel that Brother Wagner preached better than ever before; surely God was with him. Our church is in better spiritual condition now than ever before. We have had several services where the Spirit moved in upon us and there was no preaching at all because of the presence of the Holy Spirit upon the people. Our Sunday school is growing and we are reaching new people. We have a fine group of people in Greenfield. We have had souls praying through at our regular services throughout the year. Thank God for His blessing upon the church. —Charles Keel, Pastor.

## North Street Church, Lansing, Michigan



During January and February great plans were made to celebrate twenty-five years of progress for Christ at the North Street Church in Lansing. In preparation, extensive advertising was carried out, special bulletins printed, pins purchased, and the church was beautifully decorated, carrying out the anniversary colors of silver and maroon. The slogans adopted for the thirteen-week emphasis were "25 Years Led by the Good Shepherd" and "With Ropes of the Past We Ring the Bells of the Future." The church was organized in 1929 with 24 charter members; membership now is 286. The Sunday-school attendance the first Sunday in 1929 was 50; the average attendance per Sunday for the 1953-54 year was 365. We have received a total of \$396,113.00 for all purposes up to the date of celebration. God has richly blessed through this people and the many friends to make possible our beautiful new church, which has shown tremendous progress under the leadership of Rev. and Mrs. Herbert W. Thomas. The church has gained more in all departments in the past three years, on a percentage basis, than in all the twenty-two previous years. We have enjoyed the ministry of Rev. and Mrs. Thomas for the past six years and they graciously accepted a three-year recall during our anniversary celebration. The first big event for the anniversary was a very successful parent-teacher banquet held February 25 in the church fellowship

house. The Sunday following we had as our guest of the day Miss Mary Scott. Other outstanding high lights of the thirteen weeks were the Keller-York Quartet; Rev. Fred T. Fuge of Ohio; Rev. Orville Maish, superintendent of the Michigan District; indoor-Sunday-school picnics; numerous special features in the Sunday school; and a great Crusade for Souls in our anniversary revival with Rev. Bernie Smith, evangelist, and the Stevensons, song evangelists. Many victories were won and 112 precious souls knelt and sought peace in their hearts. The church joined in the

12,000-link Easter Sunday emphasis and went over their goal by 215, having 691 in attendance. A great Silver Jubilee Sunday, May 23, wonderfully climaxed the silver anniversary with Dr. T. W. Willingham, guest speaker, and the Nazarene Colored Quartet of Marion, Indiana, bringing the special numbers in song. During the thirteen-week special emphasis, we had a total of 5,677 in attendance in Sunday school. The Lord has truly blessed and helped in every part of the twenty-fifth anniversary; to Him we give all the praise and glory.—Wm. C. Damon, Secretary.

Rev. E. D. Wolfe writes: "After much prayer and seeking to know the will of God, we feel definitely led to enter the field of full-time evangelism. We will be happy to serve any church desiring our services for revivals, camps, or holiness conventions. You may contact us at 820 Edina Avenue, Salem, Oregon."

Tuscaloosa, Alabama—God continues His blessings on Holten Heights Church. As we approach our assembly, we praise Him for the progress He has enabled us to make this year. We reported a Sunday-school average of 145 last year, and we are now averaging 261, an increase of 116 per Sunday over last year. We have set two new attendance records, 422 last October and 455 on Easter Sunday. Five new classes have been organized, making a total of 16, and 3 new classrooms have been constructed in the parsonage basement, along with other building improvements. Besides these wonderful numerical and material gains are the gracious spiritual blessings we have received. Our Sunday evening services are well attended and nearly always climaxed with seekers at the altar. We have made a 10 per cent increase in church membership. We appreciate the ministry of the following evangelists: Rev. and Mrs. Leon Chambers, Rev. Lawrence Henderlight, Rev. Guthrie Hughes, and we recently closed a wonderful week-end meeting with the "Evangelaires Quartet" of Tre-

vecca Nazarene College. We love the Lord and appreciate working for Him with some of His finest people. We have been recalled with a wonderful vote for another year.—Donald K. Ballard, Pastor.

Cumberland, Maryland—On May 16 we closed a twelve-day revival in the Bethel Church. This revival was truly heaven-sent, with Rev. and Mrs. Albert H. Lewis and sons, Alvan and Phillip, as the evangelists, musicians, and singers. There were over 50 seekers bowing at our altar, many of whom were people we had been praying for desperately. To God be all the praise and glory for a gracious revival. We are also happy to report that our Sunday-school records were broken on Easter Sunday with 144 present. By God's help we intend to continue to engage in this all-important crusade for souls in this small, needy community.—Joseph Hoopengardner, Pastor.

Chelyan, West Virginia—Our church recently closed a good revival under the ministry of Rev. Cecil H. Rice. The Spirit of God worked mightily throughout the entire meeting. Souls sought and found Christ at the altar. Brother Rice's ministry is of the very highest type; his messages are dynamic and filled with sound gospel truth. Our church is farther up the road since this meeting.—Ira E. Fowler, Pastor.

Bradleyville, Missouri—We recently closed a revival with Evangelist Harold C. Thompson. His Spirit-filled messages, coupled with a tender spirit as he preached, won the hearts of the people and brought deep conviction to sinners. It was a hard battle all the way until the last Sunday, when a drunkard was saved and delivered from the habit. Then in the night service the Lord came in a wonderful way and the altar was lined with seekers who became happy finders as the Lord saved or sanctified them. It was a great closing-out, for which we thank God. We feel that the church was wonderfully helped and prepared for an advance that will change the lives of many of this town and community.—Henry H. Goode, Pastor.

Portsmouth, Virginia—We recently closed what several of the members called the best revival in the history of the church. Rev. E. F. Hale of Institute, West Virginia, was God's man for the hour. With his charitable understanding of people, Brother Hale endeared himself to young and old. His deep, piercing sermons on sanctification helped many people to get rooted and grounded in holiness. God moved in upon us and backsliders were reclaimed and young teen-agers found the Lord. We are entering our third year of ministry here. The church is only eight years old and has had many reverses, but God is

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giving victory. We have painted the whole interior of the church and sanded and varnished a new floor. This is a navy and marine base and parents have written me from all over the United States to contact their sons or daughters in the service. If you have families located in this area, write us and we will be more than pleased to visit them. Many servicemen have found the Lord for the first time here, then transferred to be Nazarenes elsewhere. God is blessing and we look forward to another year with great faith in God.—Allen Richardson, Pastor.

Williamston, Michigan—Our revival with Rev. O. F. Zachary closed on May 16, and we can truthfully testify that this was one of the greatest revivals our church has seen in all its twenty-year history. Brother Zachary's zeal in making contacts and his forceful preaching resulted in many, many seekers for salvation and entire sanctification. After having passed revival after revival without one seeker, our little church had a time of great rejoicing. This infusion of old-time religion blessed many households in our community and added substantially to our church. Blessings on our beloved Brother Zachary.—Harold Yochim, Pastor.

Wauseon, Ohio—We have learned to love and appreciate our pastor, Rev. Russell E. Smith, and his good wife and sons. They are fine Nazarenes. We have held two revivals, the first with our own pastor preaching and the Mitchells as song evangelists, and the second with Evangelist Mrs. Ila Downs. These workers were greatly appreciated. The attendance in our Sunday school has been increasing and averaged the highest last month that it has for some time. We have cleaned the entire interior of our church building. The church board recently voted our pastor a raise in salary. We are confident that God has great things ahead for us.—Treva Keller, Secretary.

Phoenix, Arizona—On Easter Sunday the Sunnyslope Church observed its fourth anniversary, holding a special afternoon service with Evangelists Alva O. and Gladys Estep as special speaker and singer. During the past four years God has richly blessed the church with an annex including five new Sunday-school rooms. The mortgage of \$2,500.00 was turned to ashes in a soul-thrilling ceremony. To date we have more than doubled our church membership. God truly has given us a real spiritual revival in our midst, enlivened by our Monday night cottage prayer meetings. April 21 started our spring revival with Brother and Sister Estep. The messages were a great inspiration and a larger percentage of seekers were at the altar than in any previous revival. We report victory and harmony in our midst at the closing of this assembly year.—Doris Burke, Reporter.

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—LEWIS T. CORLETT, *President*

The Kittanning Zone N.Y.P.S. Memorial Day Rally was held at the Hawthorn, Pennsylvania, church and was well attended. Special music was furnished by each society. Rev. DeWitt Dixon, pastor at Knox, was speaker in the afternoon and evening. The Sligo society took both banners.—C. F. Hunt, Reporter.

Rochester, New York—First Church is on the move for God in the Crusade for Souls. This has been the best year of our ministry. God gave us 100 seekers in the church and in the Open Door Mission. We took twenty members into the church. God answered prayer and gave us a 32-passenger bus, in which we bring as many as 32 children to our Sunday school. Our Sunday school broke all records on Easter with 272 in attendance. A few months ago Richard Motz, a local preacher in our church, was used of God to preach in a church of another denomination in our city. After he had preached several Sundays, the congregation decided to sell to the Church of the Nazarene. To this new church we contributed five members. We have rented a store building in another section of town and are opening a branch Sunday school, which we hope will develop into a fourth church. Our Sunday-school superintendent, and brother of

the district superintendent, has done a great job with the help of the Crusaders. The pastor was given an almost unanimous recall for another year.—Thomas H. Younce, Pastor.

Trinidad, Colorado—Evangelist H. N. Dickerson and wife were with us in revival services from April 28 through May 9. About 50 souls bowed at our altar, and many found victory; 12 new members were added to the church. The power of the Holy Ghost was in the services; sinners were converted, believers sanctified, and the church built up. On Easter Sunday we had 151 present. Our pastor, Rev. R. V. Schultz, is an energetic, spiritual builder.—Mrs. C. P. Newcomb, Secretary.

Ironton, Ohio—In finding a man to succeed Rev. C. D. Westhafer of the Elm Street Church, God couldn't have given us a better one than Rev. Kenneth Coil. Since his coming to the church one year ago, God has blessed Brother Coil and his family to our church in a wonderful way. The presence of God has been felt in nearly every service. We believe the people are drawing closer to the Lord and are doing their best to win souls for the Kingdom. In the past few months Brother Coil, with the

help of some of the men, has partitioned the basement into three departments, which are filled each Sunday. Each department has been furnished with chairs, tables, and pews made by Brother Coil. Easter Sunday we far surpassed any previous record with a total of 451; our average for April was 260. On Mother's Day we closed a wonderful revival with the pastor doing the preaching, and Wayne and June Haas as singers. Several souls prayed through to victory. Conviction is still felt in our Sunday evening services, and the results of this revival are yet to be seen. We believe Elm Street Church is moving forward for the Lord. God has richly blessed us and we give Him the praise.—Secretary.

Nicholasville, Kentucky—Our recent revival, May 5 to 16, was our greatest since organizing in October, 1952. God met with us in service after service, giving us 33 seekers and victory for nearly all of them. Brother C. E. McCracken was our evangelist, and preached under God's anointing throughout the meeting. Our new basement building was filled, or nearly filled, for every service and a new Sunday-school record of 159 was made on the last Sunday. We praise the Lord for the many definite victories through the saving and sanctifying power of God and for testimonies of higher heights reached by those who already knew the Lord.—Chester Pike, Pastor.

Rev. A. F. Leach reports from Garber, Oklahoma: "Wife, Daughter, and I still love the Lord and covet souls. We recently had another revival with Rev. Paul Ridings, evangelist. Seven precious souls went to the altar and six of them found victory. Our Sunday school is averaging about 25 per cent above last year. We are planning an addition to the church—four Sunday-school rooms and pastor's study. Our greatest need at the present time is additional saved and sanctified Sunday-school teachers. We ask your prayers."

Clermont, Indiana—Sunday night, May 16, marked the closing of one of the greatest revivals the church has had in almost ten years that we have been here. The presence of the Lord was in every service. The church was greatly helped in many ways. There was confession in the old-fashioned way, restitutions were made, and God really came on the people. The meeting closed with seventeen souls at the altar. The Bloom Trio were our special workers. Sister Bloom's messages were of the old-fashioned type, and they were honored of God. The church is now in good condition, spiritually and financially. Our budgets are all paid for the year, and we now have more than our 10 per cent already paid. Our Thanksgiving and Easter offerings amounted to more than \$1,800.00. We stand in fourth place on the entire

district in our Easter offering of \$710.89.—Jesse Towns, Pastor.

Evangelists George and Charlotte Dixon report: "Recently we have been privileged to hold some real revivals. At Dayton, Ohio, Edgemont Church, as song evangelists with Rev. P. E. Kuykendall, God gave us a great revival with 632 in Sunday school on the closing Sunday. At Ossian, Indiana, with Pastor James we closed with a fine altar service. Then we went to Cleveland, Ohio, Westside

Church, with Pastor Smith, where some real victories were won. At Topeka, Kansas, with Rev. Myron Richey, we found that this young pastor has the hearts of his people and is doing a great work in this city. At this writing we are in the midst of a revival with Pastor Humble at Sullivan, Indiana. He recently completed building a beautiful new church and is leading these fine folk in an excellent way. We leave on August 12 with Evangelist Kuykendall on an evangelistic trip to the British Isles. We would appreciate your prayers."

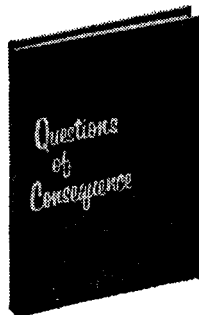
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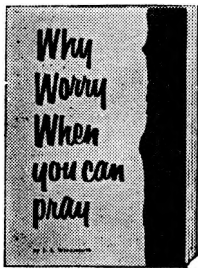
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Melrose, Massachusetts—We have been enjoying an unusual manifestation of God's presence. Evangelists Fred and Grace Bertolet recently closed a fruitful revival with us. The entire church was reached through their anointed ministry. Many times the altar was lined with souls seeking and finding God. During the week that followed the meeting four young adults were under such conviction that they called for help and were prayed through victoriously in their homes; still others sought God at the altar on the following Sunday. The prayer meeting and regular services reveal a new high tide of victory and blessing. This closes a very encouraging year. Last fall Rev. Arthur Fallon, a former pastor, and DeVerne Mullen were used of God in our twenty-fifth anniversary convention. The week end before Christmas our missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. Clifford Church, and the New England District home missionary, Rev. Robert Fowler, challenged and inspired our people in a successful missionary convention. Our Sunday-school attendance and church membership show encouraging increases. Our Nazarene Caravan and children's program, coupled with lay visitation, is beginning to produce results. There is every indication that our present edifice will not be adequate for our needs. God has wonderfully provided for us a piece of property in the center of our city with 30,000 square feet of land. This will provide ample room for the expansion that we are confident will be necessary soon. Praise God for victory!—R. E. Howard, Pastor.

Evangelist Fred W. Petters reports: "Recently it was my privilege to conduct a week's revival in the Cocopah Indian Nazarene Mission in Somerton, Arizona, with Rev. and Mrs. Gilbert Kline. We have known this fine couple since we pastored First Church in Albuquerque, New Mexico. God blessed in the meeting and nineteen souls sought and found God. Brother Kline reports that the Sunday following the meeting twelve persons sought God in the mission service, and three in the little church out on the reservation where services are conducted every Sunday afternoon. We then returned to southern California, where we conducted a twelve-day meeting with Rev. L. D. McNall in Grace Church, Los Angeles. This was but a week-end meeting, but God blessed, and we continued for another week with many souls seeking God. Next we motored to Los Gatos, California, for our thirty-third meeting on the Northern California District, with Brother Harold Beeson. God gave us seekers in most of the services, and some new people were reached. I am now rounding out my eighth year in the field of evangelism, having previously served many years in the pastorate. I will go anywhere for freewill offering and entertainment. I am now slating meetings for 1955. Write me, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri."

South Calgary, Alberta, Canada—This new church, organized just over one year ago, closed on May 9 a wonderful revival with Evangelist D. C. Van Slyke, and Rev. and Mrs. Paul Jennings as singers. Brother Van Slyke carried a great burden for souls and his ministry was wonderfully blessed of the Lord. Every time an invitation was given there were seekers at the altar and over forty prayed through to victory. The attendance was good and the finances came easily. During the revival and since, seven new members have been received into membership. We are looking forward to God's continued blessing upon this new work.—W. Warren Boyd, Pastor.

**Los Angeles District  
 N.Y.P.S. Convention**

The twenty-sixth annual N.Y.P.S. Convention was held May 6 and 7 at El Monte. Many fine features combined to make it a success. President James Jackson was re-elected for a third term. Speaker William Summerscales helped create the spiritual tone for constructive thought with his theme-centered talks on "By My Spirit Share." His fresh approach and depth of analysis gave the theme pertinent meaning. The Pasadena Academy choir and a Pasadena College male quartet added inspiration. Paul and Mary Jester provided overall music leadership throughout the sessions.

Throughout the convention serious thought was given to "revitalizing our objectives"—with the problems of the local society having prior claim. The first evening 328 Nazarene youth sang, listened, were inspired, and made new friends at the annual traditional banquet. The last evening concluded with the finals of the teen talent hunt and presentation of the trophy. Santa Paula society was the winner for the second year with the highest number of honor rating points.

GUNNELL JORDEN, Reporter

**New England District  
 N.Y.P.S. Convention**

The thirty-third annual convention of the new England District Young People's Society was most graciously entertained by our church at Lowell, Massachusetts, on April 12 and 13. From the very first service we were blessed and our spirits were stirred.

Rev. Arthur Hughes, of Uxbridge, Massachusetts, who filled the unexpired term of Rev. John Neilson, presided very acceptably, and he received 105 of 115 votes on the nominating ballot to serve as our president for the ensuing year. Other officers elected were Rev. Grant Cross, vice-president; Rev. Dudley Hathaway, secretary; Rev. Lyal Calhoun, treasurer; Mrs. Dorothy Kidney, boys' and girls' supervisor; Miss Priscilla Harvey, teen-age supervisor; and Lawrence Burns and Reba Wagner, teen-age representatives.

The high light of the convention was the presence of our general pres-

ident, Rev. Ponder Gilliland. His fervent messages inspired us all to be more efficient soul winners and his presentation of the contemplated "new look" in the N.Y.P.S. program was well received. Our fine district superintendent, Rev. J. C. Albright, and many of our pastors were there to encourage and guide our young people.

New England young people press forward in the battle against sin and unrighteousness for another year with renewed courage and devotion.

Mrs. NEAL HUTCHINSON, Reporter

### Abilene District Assembly

The Abilene District assembly met at Mineral Wells, Texas, May 12 to 14. Rev. J. E. Perryman was the efficient host pastor.

Our much beloved general superintendent, Dr. D. I. Vanderpool, presided over the sessions. His tender spirit and soul-stirring messages were used of God to encourage and bless the entire assembly.

Rev. Orville W. Jenkins was elected as district superintendent for the fifth time, receiving 242 of the 246 votes cast. A generous love offering was presented to him and Mrs. Jenkins. The Abilene District greatly appreciates the able leadership of Brother Jenkins and is standing behind him solidly. His report showed good gains in all departments including finances, despite a most serious drought throughout the area. Six churches, two educational buildings, and nine parsonages have been constructed or purchased during the year. Newly organized churches were Graham, Texas, and Grace Church in Lubbock.

The district has purchased a campground near Glen Rose, Texas, already developed with buildings adequate for the present need with the exception of a dining hall, which is now under construction. Three encampments will be held this year. A modern, three-bedroom district parsonage has been constructed in Lubbock.

Special speakers were Miss Mary Scott for the N.F.M.S. Convention, Rev. Ponder Gilliland for the N.Y.P.S. Convention, and Dr. E. S. Phillips for the Church Schools Convention. Rev. Walter Eichenberger represented the Nazarene Publishing House; Dr. Roy Cantrell, Bethany-Peniel College; and Rev. and Mrs. John F. Roberts, Rest Cottage. Rev. Leon Chambers represented the colored work in the United States. Other visitors were Mrs. D. I. Vanderpool and Rev. Paul H. Garrett, superintendent of the Dallas District.

Mrs. O. W. Jenkins and Rev. Bill Dorrough were re-elected as presidents of the N.F.M.S. and N.Y.P.S. respectively. Mr. E. H. Dodson, after serving thirty-four years as lay member of the District Advisory Board, was elected by unanimous ballot as Advisory Board member emeritus. Rev. Donald Guy received his elder's orders in an impressive ordination service.

CHARLES B. DICKERMAN, Reporter

## DEATHS

JAY ZIMMERLEE was born July 17, 1944, son of Rev. and Mrs. Don Zimmerlee of East St. Louis, Illinois, and died at his home on May 18, 1954, after an illness of almost three years' duration. Jay was converted when he was not yet four years of age and joined the Alorton Church of the Nazarene at seven, always testifying to the wonderful grace of God in his life. Funeral service was conducted from the Alorton Church of the Nazarene with Dr. W. S. Purinton officiating.

MRS. FANNIE E. JOHNSON, age eighty-two, died in Houston, Texas, on May 16. Funeral service was held in the Church of the Nazarene, Chandler, Arizona, with Pastor Leo H. Baldwin officiating. Mrs. Johnson was a faithful, devoted Christian and was enthusiastically working at a project for the new church building fund. She is survived by ten children.

FRANK A. SMITH died May 21, 1954, at his home in Plainville, Kansas. He had been ill of a heart ailment for several years. Brother Smith was born at Earlville, La Salle County, Illinois, October 17, 1873. He was converted following an illness on January 25, 1945, and became a member of First Church of the Nazarene in Plainville. After he found Christ, Brother Smith had a real love for missions and a burden for souls. He was influential in winning a number of people to his Saviour. He is survived by his wife, a daughter, three sisters, one brother, and a host of friends. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Ralph E. Shafer, pastor of the Plainville church, assisted by Rev. H. O. Brunkau of Dodge City, Kansas.

J. B. KING, age seventy-five, died January 17, 1954, after an illness of about two months. He was born December 9, 1878, and was a charter member of First Church of the Nazarene in Temple, Texas, organized March 12, 1916. He was converted when a small child and lived a consistent Christian life until his death. He spent most of his life in Temple, and was one of the best known and best loved citizens. He married Miss Leola Greeson in 1911 and she preceded him in death in 1939; he married Mrs. Verner Sharpe in 1941. Mr. King is survived by his wife; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Lucian Foust and Mrs. Mae Shroyer; and a stepson, Scott Sharpe. He was preceded in death by a brother and sister. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. D. McGraw, Sr., assisted by Rev. E. P. Akin, with interment in Bellwood Memorial Park.

CHARLES H. GRAHAM was born October 30, 1888, in York County, Pennsylvania, and died April 26, 1954, at West Chester, Pennsylvania. He was the husband of the late Norma J. Graham, who preceded him in death July 29, 1952. Brother Graham was proprietor of a grocery store in Chatham for the last forty years. He was a faithful member of the West Chester Church of the Nazarene for years and later transferred his membership to the Coatesville church after its organization, because of its nearness to his home. He retired from his business a few years ago because of failing health. Brother Graham enjoyed the blessings of God on his life for the past twenty-five years and lived victoriously until his death. He is survived by three sons: Giles, pastor of Walnut Hills Church of the Nazarene in Huntington, West Virginia; Harold; and Clyde; also five sisters. Funeral services were conducted at the West Grove Church by Rev. Harold Parry, assisted by the Reverend Mr. Benner, Rev. Bob Jones, and Rev. and Mrs. Don Hoffman. Interment was in Union Hill Cemetery, Kennett Square, Pennsylvania.

MRS. JOSLEEN E. HOOPINGARNER was born July 6, 1890, at Temple, Texas, and died April 5, 1954, at a hospital in Wichita, Kansas. She had been ill for thirteen years. She was converted when a child and had been a member of the Church of the Nazarene for twenty-two years. She was received into the First Church of the Nazarene in Hutchinson, Kansas, fourteen years ago, and was a faithful member. As long as health permitted she took active part in all church activities, holding offices in the Sunday-school and missionary departments. She held close to her heart a vital interest in young people. After she was confined to her home she kept in touch with all the activities of the church and each year read the missionary reading books and study book. She was a source of power in prayer for the pastor and church. She leaves her husband, R. R. Hoopingarner; a son, Leon; two daughters, Mrs. Dolly Warren and Mrs. Margaret R. Newell; also two brothers, Curtis and Phillip Irving; and three sisters, Mrs. Olin Durie, Mrs. Macon Mullins, and Mrs. Ruby McKnight. Funeral services were conducted at Hutchinson First Church of the Nazarene by Rev. Milton Huxman, pastor of Bethany Church, in the absence of Rev. Mark Smith, pastor of First Church. Interment was in Roselawn Cemetery.



## SERVICEMEN'S CORNER

SEVERAL of our servicemen have written requesting prayer that God will help in the organization of a home-mission church near the military base at Rapid City, South Dakota. Would you remember to pray for this church also?

"I delivered clothes sent by Nazarene churches in the States to Dr. Robert Chung in Seoul. At that time (in March) I was privileged to spend one night in his home. We enjoyed a wonderful time of fellowship and unsurpassed hospitality. Dr. Chung told me much of his hopes for the future of the Church of the Nazarene in Korea. He is eagerly awaiting the arrival of our new missionaries to Korea, Rev. and Mrs. Donald Owens. There is a great field of souls to harvest for Christ in this 'Land of the Morning Calm' . . . a harvest for Christ which is open to the Church of the Nazarene. We can all pray: 'Lord, what wilt Thou have me do?' The longer I am in a foreign country, the more I am convinced that the only hope for a peaceful world is for more money, more lives, more prayer to be put into the home and foreign missionary effort. Let us not fail God in what he tells us to do.

"The counseling work is increasing. It is a wonderful thrill to be able to offer Christ to these men who are perplexed and who are caught in the web of their own sin. The Sunday evening services are increasing in interest. The last Sunday of the month there were three who came forward. All three prayed through in my office."

—CHAPLAIN HENRY STROMAN, Korea.

"I would like to take the time to say that I will always be indebted to the Nazarene Servicemen's Commission for what they have done for me and also others in the armed forces. The papers that the church has sent me in the past three years while being away from home and the home church have been a great blessing and inspiration.

"I love the Lord today with all my heart and I know that he is my Saviour, Sanctifier, and Keeper right now. I want to do His will above everything else."

—CLARENCE L. JENNINGS

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June 23, 1954

MISS GEORGIA WELKER died March 18, 1954. Those who attended her said it was one of the most triumphant deaths they ever witnessed. The funeral was conducted by her former pastor, Rev. Henry B. Wallin, assisted by Rev. E. C. Martin, also former pastor, and his wife, who rendered special music. Miss Welker was a member of First Church of the Nazarene, Long Beach, California. Her special love was the cause of missions, to which she gave most liberally. She was a strong individualist, and she gave herself effectively and efficiently to every task assigned to her. Her many friends filled the chapel to pay final tribute to a faithful friend. She and Mrs. A. Cross Campbell lived happily together for many years.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### RECOMMENDATIONS

Mrs. Thelma Steelman, P.O. Box 294, Gilmer, Texas, has resigned as pastor of Grace Church in Tyler, Texas, to enter the full-time evangelistic field. She took the work at Grace Church when it was a home-mission project and leaves a strong congregation with beautiful building and a parsonage. She has spent some nineteen years in the pastorate and has had experience of two years in evangelistic work. I commend her to churches everywhere.—Paul H. Garrett, Superintendent of Dallas District.

Rev. E. D. Wolfe, 820 Edina Ave., Salem, Oregon, is available for evangelistic work. He has done outstanding work for Christ and the church, having served for many years as pastor in such churches as Milwaukee First, Wisconsin; and Fort Wayne First, Indiana; he understands the pastor's problems. He is an excellent preacher, and I heartily recommend him to any church needing an evangelist. He has done some very fine evangelistic work during the past several years.—W. D. McGraw, Jr., Superintendent of Oregon Pacific District.

### WEDDING BELLS

Rev. Cora Walker and Rev. Harold MacMillan were united in marriage recently in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, with Dr. Oscar F. Reed officiating, assisted by Rev. D. George MacDonald.

Miss Ruby Scott of Kansas City and Rev. Wm. F. Mays of Mansfield, Missouri, were united in marriage on May 28, in Kansas City, with the Reverend Mr. Scott officiating.

Miss Mary E. Dillman of Robinson, Illinois, and Bill Gates, with the U.S. Navy in San Diego, California, were united in marriage on May 22 at Robinson, with Rev. Craig R. Dillman, brother of the bride, officiating.

United in marriage this year, at First Church of the Nazarene, Chattanooga, Tennessee, with the pastor, Rev. R. A. Bettcher, officiating: Claude Knowles, Jr., and Barbara Eaton; Joe Knowles and Joyce Hobbs; Samuel Southerland and Peggy Trundle; Billy Gilbert and Margaret Ann Henry; Harold Derryberry and Marion Tate; Charles Perry and Helen Coffelt; Robert S. Adams and Edna Mason.

BORN—to Rev. and Mrs. William D. Eckel of Toronto, Ontario, a son, Dennis Darrell, on May 23.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sheldon of Strathmore, California, a daughter, Kay Sue, on May 25.

—to Mr. and Mrs. James Ferris of Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Missouri, a daughter, Darla Rae, on May 11.

—to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. R. Johnson (nee Mary Jean Purinton), a daughter, Jean Ellen, on April 20.

—to Jim and Janet Crider, evangelistic singers of Indianapolis, Indiana, a daughter, Jean Ann, on May 27.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Morris Chalfant of Bartlesville, Oklahoma, a son, Theodore Daniel, on April 25.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED for the wife of a Nazarene pastor in Illinois—she is seriously ill; by a Nazarene mother in Arkansas, that God may get hold of her daughter's heart and bring her back home—she is now forty years of age, left her home in August of '53, and has been in a New York hospital for alcoholism;

by a Christian brother in Minnesota who has been in the hospital for two months, that God may give him complete recovery;

by a man in New Mexico for his brother, that God may deliver him from drink and tobacco and save his soul, also that he may find steady employment; and three urgent unspoken requests;

by a Christian mother in Louisiana, that she may be restored to health if it be the Lord's will, that she may have strength and wisdom to carry her cross, which is very heavy at present, and for the salvation of her son and family;

by a Christian friend in Illinois, that she may be able to attend the revival services and be used of the Lord in the meetings;

by a Christian lady in P.E.I., that God will touch and heal her of a serious nervous condition—she has a lot of responsibility in the home and in her church—also for the salvation of her husband;

by a Christian man in Iowa, that God may help him to be a soul winner, for the salvation and healing of some friends;

by a Nazarene brother in California for his wife, who is in serious condition with cancer—he believes God is able to heal her if it be according to His will;

by a Nazarene sister in Kentucky, now past eighty years of age, that God will give her strength and that they may have a real revival in that place.

## Nazarene Camp Meetings

July 2 through 11. West Virginia District Camp, at Summersville, West Virginia. Workers: Rev. Glenn Griffith, Rev. Lawrence Hicks, and Professor John E. Moore. For information write, Rev. H. H. Hendershot, 2610 New York Avenue, Parkersburg, West Virginia. Rev. Edward C. Oney, district superintendent.

July 26 to August 1. Southern California District Camp, Costa Mesa, California. Workers: Rev. David K. Wachtel, Rev. Sammy Sparks, and Professor Paul M. Qualls. For information write, Rev. Clive Williams, Box 384, Costa Mesa, California. Dr. R. J. Plumb, district superintendent.

## District Assembly Information

ALABAMA—Assembly, June 30 to July 1, at the District Center, Route 1, Millport, Alabama. Entertaining pastor: Rev. H. E. Benson, Route 1, Millport, Alabama. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

NEW YORK—Assembly, July 2 and 3, at the District Campgrounds, Groveville Park, Beacon, New York. Entertaining pastor: Rev. James Collom, 73 W. Center Street, Beacon. Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

WEST VIRGINIA—Assembly, July 2 and 3, at the District Campgrounds, Summersville, West Virginia. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Chester Acton, Route 1, Persinger, W.Va. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

CANADA WEST—Assembly, July 6 to 9, at the Red Deer Church of the Nazarene, 4802 Ross Street, Red Deer, Alberta, Canada. Entertaining pastor: Rev. D. George MacDonald, 4806 50th Street. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

COLORADO—Assembly, July 7 and 8, at the District Center, 1755 Dover Street, Lakewood, Colorado. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Henry T. Leppard, Box 7672, Lakewood. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

NORTHEASTERN INDIANA—Assembly, July 7 to 9, at the District Center, Marion, Indiana. Entertaining pastor: Rev. J. R. Shadowens, 1016 W. Fifth Street, Marion. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

CENTRAL OHIO—Assembly, July 14 to 16, at the Nazarene Campground, 2708 Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Miles A. Simmons, 481 Arden Road, Columbus. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

MICHIGAN—Assembly, July 14 to 16, at Nazarene Assembly Park (Indian Lake), Vicksburg, Michigan. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Vernon L. Ward, Route 2, Vicksburg. Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

MINNESOTA—Assembly, July 21 and 22, at Minneapolis First Church of the Nazarene, 7th Street at 12th Avenue. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Gerren Roberts, 5005 Columbus Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

EASTERN MICHIGAN—Assembly, July 21 to 23, at First Church of the Nazarene, Wood and Lyons Streets, Flint, Michigan. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Leslie Parrott, 310 W. Wood St., Flint. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

PITTSBURGH—Assembly, July 21 to 23, at the Alameda Park Nazarene Camp, Butler, Pennsylvania. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Paul R. O'Brien, 201½ Rear Fifth Avenue, Butler, Pennsylvania. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

EASTERN KENTUCKY—Assembly, July 28 and 29, at Newport Church of the Nazarene, 830 York Street, Newport, Kentucky. Entertaining pastor: Rev. R. L. Ihrig, 36 S. Grand Ave., Fort Thomas, Kentucky. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

NORTHWEST OKLAHOMA—Assembly, July 28 to 30, at the Bethany First Church, Main at North Asbury, Bethany, Oklahoma. Entertaining pastor: Rev. E. S. Phillips, 109 N. Colledge, Bethany. Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

SOUTHWEST INDIANA—Assembly, July 28 to 30, at the Indiana University Auditorium, Bloomington, Indiana. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Grant Barton, 731 W. Howe St., Bloomington. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

WESTERN OHIO—Assembly, July 28 to 30, at the Bethany First Church Center, north shore of Lake St. Mary's on Route 29. Entertaining pastor: Rev. Jay Budd, 615 Hoying Street, Celina, Ohio. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

## DIRECTORIES

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### Assembly Schedule

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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Maritime	July 14-15
Pittsburgh	July 21-23
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