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Jesus shocked the traditionalists of His own day in what He taught, and yet He insisted that He came, not to destroy the law, but to fulfill it. Actually He penetrated beneath the surface and reached the heart of life's issues. Even among the religious leaders of His day and to His own inner circle His demands seemed at times unreasonable—like

Penetrating Paradoxes

General Superintendent Young

His declaration that the meek should inherit the earth and that they should forgive their enemies seventy times seven.

The same clash goes on today concerning Jesus and His teaching. But as we come to grips with life and discover that it is too much for us, we learn that He alone has the right answers. It is then that we begin to realize that He is not such a dreamer after all. Only those who are poor in spirit seek Him, for He has nothing to say to the proud or complacent. He insists that life is made up of giving rather than getting and that there is no true freedom apart from the disciplined life. His own life was the exemplification of all that He taught.

He dared to divest himself of His own infinite resources that He might redeem us in our poverty and sin. The poet wrote that "He emptied himself of all but love." But He had a way of making capital gains out of all that was dedicated to Him. He borrowed a smelly fisherman's boat and made it His pulpit and sounding board for matchless, eternal truth. He took some of the fishermen themselves and made them seers and evangelists of undying fame. When He died He had no estate; only rough soldiers gambled for His seamless robe, but He had already bequeathed His peace to His fearful disciples. His cross is the world's great gift today, for by it alone are we saved. But He makes demands of us all who would follow Him. It is only as we take His way—strange and impossible as it seems sometimes—that we discover His yoke is easy and His burden light.

Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

—Matthew 11:28-30

LATE NEWS

Telegram . . .

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma—Rev. Reynald Russell and family suffered automobile accident on August 27 at Casa Grande, Arizona, returning from vacation in California to their pastorate at Woodward, Oklahoma. Their two-month-old daughter, Janice Llore, died before reaching hospital; Brother Russell suffered broken shoulder; his wife received bruises and shock; other two children—Danny, seven; and Judy, ten—escaped injury. Pray for them, and write them at Box 673, Woodward, Oklahoma.—J. T. Gassett, Superintendent

Galesburg, Illinois—Northwestern Illinois District N.Y.P.S. Convention held at Camp Manville, Monday, August 18. Excellent gains along all lines. District President Riley Laymon enthusiastically re-elected and highly appreciated. Convention speaker, Rev. Ponder Gilliland, received with real enthusiasm. Under leadership of President Laymon, district societies pledge over one thousand dollars per year for three years to help in erection of new dining hall on campgrounds. Northwestern Illinois youth forge ahead for Christ and the church.—Floyd H. Pounds, Reporter.

Evangelists Jimmy and Fern Heasley are leaving the evangelistic field to accept the pastorate of the church at Springdale, Arkansas, as of October 5.

After pastoring the Smithton church for nine years, Rev. D. J. Aldridge has resigned to accept the work of the church at Sharon, Pennsylvania.

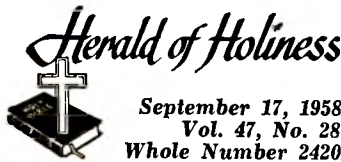
Impossible and Imperative

A Thought from a Layman

It is both impossible and imperative that we do more than our share for God's cause.

First it is impossible for us to approach a balance between God's infinite compassion and man's finite response. However, God's love makes up the difference if we permit His holy will to be accomplished in our hearts and lives.

Then it is imperative that we do more than our part. Our loyalty to God, our



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church, humanity, and civilization demands that we do our part. Our love for God determines how much more we shall do.—B. D. BEARDEN.

Lead Me On, O King Eternal!

Lead me on, O King Eternal,
By Thy gentle, unseen hand,
Guide me thro' each storm or shadow
To that peaceful, holy land.

Lead me on, and I will follow,
Follow Thee, dear Lord, each day;
For I know the course Thou takest
Will not lead my soul astray.

Give me strength for every testing;
Bless my heart with Heaven's grace.
Be my Shield in every conflict,
'Til I see Thee face to face!

By F. W. DAVIS



240
days

115
churches

New churches:

Museum Heights Church, Los Angeles, California; Canton Church, Canton, Mississippi; Cudahy Church, Southern California District; Welch Church, West Virginia District; Craigsville Church, West Virginia District.

FORWARD
IN HOME MISSIONS

Revival in the Philippines

General Superintendent Benner

My heart has been thrilled and blessed by a letter just received (August 25) from Rev. Harry Wiese, district superintendent of the Philippine District. I feel I must share it with our people, together with a brief report on a recent visit to the Islands.

The following excerpts from Brother Wiese's letter will speak for themselves:

"I want to write a brief report of the revival we have had at our Bible College, and which is continuing and reaching into our churches.

"We started a revival to run from Sunday to Sunday, with two services a day, which was continued a second week with some services running three hours. Altar services, testimonies, confessions, and accounts of letters sent back home to make things right, were the order.

"There was a definite feeling that these meetings should continue. A Preachers' Meeting at Iloilo made it impossible for me to remain at Baguio, so Mrs. Wiese was asked to preach another week, and then a second week also. More sin was dug out, God working in a wonderful way. In Iloilo, I conducted a ten-day revival with marked results and should have continued, but felt a pull to get back to Baguio, feeling that something would happen there. And it came! The night of August 7 at the girls' dorm, after hours of prayer, the Holy Spirit was outpoured. This then is an answer for the August N.F.M.S. prayer emphasis, 'National Workers and Bible Schools.'"

After relating the experiences of individual students who were under a special burden of prayer, Brother Wiese writes further:

"Such a burden came upon all that there was no going to classes or chapel. These girls had their heads up, praying with all their might. They called upon God for their fellow students, loved ones, and their home churches. The boys were soon under a burden of prayer also.

"Scenes took place in that Friday morning prayer meeting, which ran from 7:15 to 12:15, that beggar description. Huddles formed and faded, at some times as many as eight or nine like a ball team in a huddle, with arms around each other, and all on their knees praying desperately . . . At other times they could be seen rejoicing, having prayed through . . . It was like heaven all the time."

Nazarenes everywhere will rejoice in this spirit-

ual victory. And the students have gone into the churches with their testimonies and revival spirit, with the result that many were at the altars and the churches revived. Certainly such a spiritual awakening is our hope, both at home and abroad.

It was my privilege to visit our Philippine work earlier this year. The first public event during that time was the commencement service for the Bible College. Under the presidency of Rev. Roy Copelin, fifty students were enrolled last year, and nine were graduated, seven of whom received the degree bachelor of theology. This represents four years of study beyond the high school graduation. The commencement was well organized and all the proprieties of such an occasion were observed. It was an unusual thrill to see those capable Philippine young people, in cap, gown, and hood, receive their college diplomas. Excellent work is being done by President Copelin and the college staff. Brother Pattee writes that fifty-two students are enrolled for the term just beginning, and the above revival report testifies to the spiritual emphasis and atmosphere of our Philippine Bible College.

For two days I conferred with the Mission Council, all members of which were present: Rev. and Mrs. Harry Wiese, Rev. and Mrs. John Pattee, Miss Frances Vine, Rev. and Mrs. Roy Copelin, and Rev. and Mrs. Bob McCroskey. I found these missionaries to be devoted, sacrificial, and thoroughly unified. Their deep concern for the Church of the Nazarene in the Philippines and their love for the Philippine people were clearly evident. There was also a feeling of solid loyalty to the Church of the Nazarene as to doctrines, standards, polity, leadership, and evangelistic zeal. All actions and decisions of the Council were unanimous.

The District Assembly was held in a spirit of blessing and of solid planning for the year ahead. District Superintendent Wiese had matters well in hand. His report demonstrated a good grasp of the situation and a thorough understanding of the problems, needs, and prospects of the field. At the closing session seven fine young men were ordained, most of them being graduates of the Bible College. These are the first Philippine elders. In the final Sunday evening service all of these new elders gave clear testimonies to the saving and sanctifying power of Christ, and declared their firm

loyalty to the Church of the Nazarene and her soul-winning mission.

Many problems are to be faced in our Philippine work. There is the multilingual situation, with at least four major language groups: Ilicono, Tagalog, Visayan, and Igorot. The Igorots are a very primitive mountain people. Also our work is widely scattered, ranging 600 miles from the area north of Baguio City, to the Visayan Islands, a day's sailing south from Manila. Much needs to be done in organizing the local churches and in training our

people in the basic elements of doctrine and procedure.

But prospects are excellent. District Superintendent Wiese is providing capable, spiritual, aggressive, loyal leadership. His spirit, as well as that of all the missionaries, exemplifies the truth of second-blessing holiness. Our workers are optimistic and united. So we have no evil report, but believe that glorious days of victory and progress lie just ahead for the Nazarenes of the Philippine Islands.



Train up a child in

The Way He Should Go

By A. F. HARPER, Editor in Chief, Department of Church Schools

Are Nazarene Sunday schools headed in the right direction? Are we leading our children and young people to Christ and training them to be truly Christian men and women? The *way* we do it is important, but *what* we teach is decisive. Let's take a look at *what* is in our literature.

Foundations of Christian Character

Our smallest children are too young to grasp all of the concepts of our Christian faith; some of these truths can best be taught as the child reaches junior or teen-age years. For kindergartners and primaries we concentrate on seven big ideas. During the years from four to eight these major emphases are repeated a number of times, each time in a little different way, but each time so as to reinforce what has been learned before.

The 5 years of the kindergarten and primary courses cover 260 weeks. Below are listed the 7 areas of Christian truth and the amount of time given to each one at this period in the spiritual life of our children.

<i>Christian Truth</i>	<i>Number of Weeks</i>	<i>Percentage of Time</i>
Jesus as Friend and Saviour	69	27%
Understanding and Appreciation of God	43	16%
The Bible as God's Book	36	14%
Personal Christian Growth	27	11%
Christian Attitudes and Relationships	33	12%
Church Appreciation and Service	32	12%
Missions	20	8%

The *Manual* of the Church of the Nazarene charges the Sunday school teacher "to lay the foundations and begin the development of Christian character in young children." This we seek to do through emphasis upon these seven areas in our nursery, kindergarten, and primary lessons.

Spiritual Guidance for Young People

Juniors and junior highs have come to the age when the Holy Spirit deals with the human heart more directly and personally than in the years of earlier childhood. As we seek to follow God's timing for the new birth and spiritual growth, our teaching becomes deeper and more thorough in these years.

The 6 years of the junior and junior high school (intermediate) courses cover 312 weeks. Below are listed 12 areas of Christian truth to which special attention is given during these years which are so crucial for spiritual life.

<i>Christian Truth</i>	<i>Number of Weeks</i>	<i>Percentage of Time</i>
Personal Salvation	40	13%
Jesus, the Son of God	30	10%
Personal Christian Growth	29	9%
Temperance	8	2%
Stewardship	8	2%
Use and Understanding of the Bible	36	11%
Bible Biography	30	10%
Old Testament History	37	12%
Bible Book Studies	21	7%
Christian Doctrine	26	8%
Church Appreciation and Membership	32	10%
Missions	18	6%

The *Manual* charges the church schools:

"To teach the doctrines of Christianity . . .

"To seek the salvation of the unsaved . . .

"To foster a progressive and continuous development of Christlike character, attitudes, and habits. . . .

"To influence strongly in favor of church membership."

These are our great concerns in junior and junior high years.

Family Benefits from Sunday School

By **EARL C. WOLF**, *Director, Christian Family Life,
Department of Church Schools*



"Your family never misses Sunday school. You must really feel it is important," commented the neighbor lady. "Well, yes, I guess we do think it is quite important to all of us because . . ." What would your answer have been?

Surely in the Sunday school the home has one of its strongest allies. Here spiritual, consecrated teachers lead our children into an awareness of God and into a growing understanding of the Christian faith. Our lesson materials are prepared by devout persons who know and love God, who understand how children learn, and what they can apply to daily living. Attractive materials are sent home with the boys and girls for further reading and study which, if used in the home, will bring enrichment. The "beyond the classroom" contacts with the teachers are additional blessings to the lives of our boys and girls. The evangelistic heart of the Sunday school teacher is one of the greatest aids we have as parents for the saving of our children.

In the Sunday school our children and youth find the kind of atmosphere and fellowship that is con-

ducive to the building of Christian character. No one can rightly deny the value of Christian associations. To live, study, pray, and play under the guidance of sanctified teachers and leaders is of value beyond estimate.

The principal agency of Christian teaching for adults is also found in the Sunday school. Opportunities for studying God's Word, for Christian fellowship, and for service and evangelism will enrich the lives of parents and make an impact upon their homes. As the eternal truths of God are brought to bear upon daily living, parents are inspired and challenged to give the proper place to the things that matter most.

So all members of the family and thus our homes can be enriched greatly by the spiritual resources of the Sunday school. In this age of space and Sputniks we cannot afford to be without the contribution of the teaching agency of the church. Let us appreciate more than ever the Sunday school and strive earnestly to make our homes truly Christian.

Take Them When They Are Young

By **JOY LATHAM**, *Director, Nursery Division,
Department of Church Schools*



The church which provides adequately for all members of its Sunday school gives time and thought to preparation of the Nursery Department. There are the nursery rooms for babies and toddlers; and the three-year-old classroom, where real teaching is begun.

There are two big reasons why the pastor and church board will want to give attention to the work of the Nursery Department.

One: When parents can leave their young children in a happy environment, they may confidently attend the Sunday school class for young married people and the morning service, there to find inspiration and new strength.

Two: The first four years of life are very important ones in character development.

Educators and students of child life agree that these preschool years are of vast importance. In fact, they tell us that basic character traits are largely formed by the age of five.

It is said of Voltaire that he became an infidel at five years of age.

In these days of stress when there are so many influences which would tear down faith, it is more important than ever that we do all possible in the earliest years of life to build a strong foundation for faith.

Shall I Force Him to Go?

Shall I make my child go to Sunday school or church? Yes! And with no further discussion about the matter. Startled? Why?

How do you answer Junior when he comes to breakfast on Monday morning and announces to you that he is not going to school any more? You know Junior goes.

How do you answer when Junior comes in very much besmudged and says, "I'm not going to take a bath"? Junior bathes, doesn't he?

Why all this timidity, then, in the realm of his spiritual guidance and growth? Going to let him wait and decide what church he'll go to when he's old enough? Quit your kidding! You didn't wait until you were old enough! You don't wait until he's old enough to decide whether he wants to go to school or not to start his education. You don't

wait until he's old enough to decide whether he wishes to be clean or dirty, do you? Do you wait until he's old enough to decide if he wants to take his medicine when he is sick? Do you?

What shall we say when Junior announces he doesn't like to go to Sunday school and church? That's an easy one to answer. Just be consistent. Tell him, "Junior, in our house, we all go to Sunday school and church and that includes you." Your firmness and example will furnish a bridge over which youthful rebellion may travel into rich and satisfying experience in personal religious living.

The parents of America can strike a telling blow against the forces which contribute to our juvenile delinquency if our mothers and fathers will take their children to Sunday school and church regularly.

By J. EDGAR HOOVER, *Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation*

During the preschool years the home and the church have their big opportunity.

If young children, even babies, spend time in a cheerful, comfortable room at church, they begin to associate feelings of joy with the church and early learn to love it. Leaders in the nursery room who seek to create a spiritual atmosphere utter simple prayers and sing softly songs and hymns of the church. So lasting impressions are made.

The nursery class procedure includes definite Christian teaching geared to the three-year-old's level of understanding.

Many of our churches are planning for attractive nursery rooms to serve young children, thus inviting parents to "take them when they are young."

Let us remember the words of Jesus, "Suffer little children to come unto me."

"Development of spiritual life is dependent upon feeding the soul. Without food a gradual but very definite decline ensues, manifested by weakness, exhaustion, and finally death."—Selected.

*The fasting
was forgotten now
for I had learned . . .*

"The Greater Worth"

By RUTH VAUGHN

The tall, lovely teen-ager arose from the altar and gave this testimony: "God has forgiven me for all the things that I have done—and for my neglect of the things I should have done. My decision tonight is for life. I want to be able to live so consistently that I can win my friends to Christ. From this moment forth, I am a Christian."

The service ended on this glowing note of victory and I made my way to her. As her Sunday school teacher I had sensed her drifting from God. With an aching heart I had watched her place God and the church in second place. Now in this moment of triumph my heart was aflame with gratitude and joy.

When I reached my young friend, she took my hand and looked directly in my eyes. "Sister

Vaughn," she asked earnestly, "were you praying for me Friday?"

My mind raced back to that day. I remembered slipping over to the church at noon. My husband and several of our faithful church members were already on their knees about the altar sending their petitions skyward. As I knelt in the holy atmosphere, I felt the burden of my class come heavily upon me—especially this girl. She possessed such great leadership qualities; she had such tremendous possibilities, so much potential. It seemed my heart would break under the burden for her soul. In that half hour that I spent on my knees in the church

letting the regular meal slip by, I claimed her soul for Christ.

I smiled as I answered her question, "Yes, I prayed for you Friday."

Her eyes filled. "I knew someone was. I was so miserable I could hardly stand it. I knew someone was praying for me." Her voice broke as she whispered, "Thank you—oh—thank you!"

As my arms went about her, I was grateful for the meal I had missed, the time I had spent in prayer for her soul. The Great Book tells us: "This kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting." This is the "greater worth."

An Answer by Dr. John Ferguson to the

"One Thousand Dollar Challenge"

made by the Seventh-day Adventists

The "ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR CHALLENGE" of the Seventh-day Adventists reads as follows: "\$1,000 to Be Given to Any Clergyman or Layman Who Can Read One Text from the Bible Commanding Christians to Keep Sunday Holy, in Obedience to the Fourth Commandment." With just as much generosity and assurance we can offer "\$1,000 to Any Seventh-day Adventist Who Can Read One Text from the Bible Commanding Christians to Keep Saturday Holy, in Obedience to the Fourth Commandment."

Any student of the Bible knows that not one of the present names of the days of the week is to be found in the Bible. It will be time enough for Christians to become disturbed about this challenge when the Seventh-day Adventists show one text in the Bible which commands anybody "to Keep the Seventh Day of the Week Holy in Obedience to the Fourth Commandment." If they claim the privilege of reading into the Scriptures that which is not there, they must give everyone the same privilege.

Following the above *Challenge* there is this very confident statement: "*Fifteen Texts That You Cannot Find*. Read your Bible through from beginning to end, over and over again, and you will not find . . .," and then follows the description of the texts that cannot be found, given by number and quoted exactly, with our comments.

1. "One text that says that the Sabbath was ever changed from the Seventh day to the First."

A. *There are eight texts* in the New Testament which in the Greek apply the name "Sabbath" to

the first day of the week: Matthew 28:1; Mark 16:2, 9; Luke 24:1; John 20:2, 19; Acts 20:7; I Corinthians 16:2. The Greek is the authoritative text and not the English.

2. "One text where the first day is ever called a holy day."

A. *Leviticus 23:39*. "On the first day shall be a sabbath." The Sabbath is commanded to be kept holy.

3. "One text where we are told to keep the first day of the week."

A. *There are just as many* as tell us to keep the seventh day of the week. There are none of either.

4. "One text that says that Jesus ever kept the first day."

A. *Just as many as say He kept the seventh day*. What is meant by "keeping the day"? If rising from the dead, turning the sorrow of His disciples into joy, restoring lost faith and hope, communing and breaking bread with them, proclaiming His message of peace, fulfilling His promise to send the Holy Spirit, establishing His Church, and bringing 3,000 souls into it, and the preaching of the first Resurrection sermon may be considered as proper ways of "keeping a day," then both Jesus and His disciples kept the first day of the week, and they kept it in a holy way.

5. "One text where the first day is ever given any sacred title."

A. *All the texts in answer to numbers one and two above*, and in Revelation 1:10. "I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day," which is generally accepted as referring to the first day of the week.

6. "One text that tells us to keep the first day in honor of the Resurrection of Christ."

A. *The example of Christ and the apostles* is quite as authoritative as their precepts. Acts 2:1: The Day of Pentecost was on the first day of the week. Acts 20:7; I Corinthians 16:2; Revelation 1:10.

7. "One text from any of the writings of the Apostles that authorizes the observance of Sunday."

A. *A catch question*, but all well and good; there are just as many as authorize the observance of Saturday.

8. "One text that gives any instruction as to how the first day of the week should be observed as a day of rest."

A. *Again quite as many as give any instruction* as to how the seventh day of the week should be observed as a day of rest.

9. "One text where it says that it was customary for the church to meet on that day."

A. *Another catch question*, but accepted. Acts 20:7 and I Corinthians 16:2 indicate clearly that the disciples already were accustomed to meeting on the first day of the week for religious services.

10. "One text where we are told not to work on the first day."

A. *"On the first day shall be an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work therein"* (Leviticus 23:35).

11. "One text that says that the seventh day is not now God's holy rest day."

A. *It would be interesting to learn* where in the Scriptures any day of the week is designated as "God's holy rest day," or any verse which says that God is working six days a week and resting on the seventh day of the week.

12. "One text that says that the seventh day is abolished."

A. *A catch question that fails to catch*. There is no text which indicates that any day is abolished. You cannot abolish a day.

13. "One text that releases us from the seventh day."

A. *No Christian, so far as we know*, claims release from keeping the seventh day in succession after six days of labor. If he did, the law written in his body would compel his observance or exact the penalty for his disobedience. When the Seventh-day Adventists show that God requires that the Sabbath shall be confined to or observed at all on the seventh day of the week, it will be time enough for us to show that the Christian Sabbath completely fulfills the law of the Sabbath and preserves the seventh day after six days of labor.

14. "One text where the Apostles taught their converts to keep Sunday."

A. *Another Sunday catch question*, fully covered above.

15. "One text where the first day was appointed to be kept as the Lord's Day."

A. *Jesus Christ as "Lord of the sabbath"* forever sanctified the first day of the week by His resurrection, by His seven appearances to His disciples on that day, by the Gift of the Holy Spirit, by the founding of His Church and giving His messages to the seven churches. All of this is quite significant in view of the absence of any record of His ever honoring the seventh day of the week in any way after His resurrection, and is altogether sufficient to justify His followers in observing the first day as their Sabbath.

In the light of the above it is to be feared that the Seventh-day Adventists do not commend themselves as students of the Scriptures or as "rightly dividing the word of truth."

In return may we suggest with some assurance "Fifteen Texts Which the Seventh-day Adventists Cannot Find."

One which says:

1. That Saturday is the Sabbath.
2. Remember Saturday to keep it holy in obedience to the fourth commandment.
3. Remember the seventh day of the week to keep it holy.
4. The seventh day of the week is the Sabbath.
5. The Sabbath must be on the seventh day of the week.
6. No other day of the week but the seventh can be a Sabbath.
7. That the keeping of the first day of the week does not fulfill the requirements of the fourth commandment.
8. The keeping of the Sabbath on the first day of the week places the "mark of the beast" on a Christian.
9. One cannot be a Christian and keep the first day of the week as a Sabbath.
10. The law is the basis of the new covenant.
11. A uniform day of rest and worship after six days of labor does not fulfill the requirements of the Sabbath law.
12. The observance of the Sabbath on the first day of the week is not a suitable memorial of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

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14. That Jesus honored the seventh day of the week in any way after His resurrection.

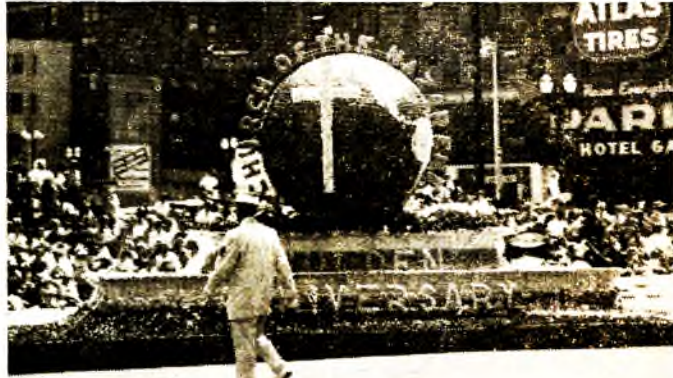
15. One which condemns the observance of the Sabbath on the first day of the week as a memorial of the completed work of redemption as well as of creation.

When the above texts are cited from the Bible we shall begin to be disturbed about the observance of the Sabbath on the first day of the week. Until that time we shall continue such observance with great peace of mind.

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News in Picture



A NAZARENE FLOAT built around our Golden Anniversary emblem, using more than 30,000 flowers, was a feature attraction in the recent Portland, Oregon, Rose Festival parade that was viewed by more than 200,000 spectators. The float won an honorable mention award from the festival committee. Serving as cochairmen of the committee from the co-operating churches were Lowell Smith, Brentwood; Harold Richards, Central; and Beverly Shroll, Moreland. Rev. W. D. McGraw, Jr., district superintendent, assisted in the planning.

Trying to help a lost soul Is Never Wasted Time!

By **KATHERINE BEVIS**

"Let's go back again tomorrow," and my friend who had been making some Sunday school calls with me called me by name, "and perhaps we can help that poor soul. He seems so alone in the world; and perhaps he will be in a better mood tomorrow."

We had been visiting a man who had lost out with God and had allowed liquor to break up his once happy home. He was bitter and did not seem to want help from anyone, especially anyone who had known him in his better days. It was the first time my friend had met him and she seemed disturbed about him. I felt it would be just wasting time to go back, time that could be spent to better advantage. And I lost no time in telling this friend so.

"—," I said, as we drove down the street toward

her home, "I tell you, it's just wasting our time, precious time that can be used to better advantage."

I remember very well, even to this day, the look on my friend's face as she said, "Trying to help a poor lost soul is never time wasted," she said; "but of course if you feel that we should not go back again, we won't."

My car came to a stop in front of my friend's home, and soon I was on my way home, after a day of visiting for the Sunday school.

As I ate my dinner that evening, and then as I prepared to retire for the night, I could not get away from the expression on my friend's face, and her words rang in my ear, "Trying to help a lost soul is never time wasted," and try as I would, sleep would not come.

I tossed and rolled for hours it seemed, and then turning on my bed light, I reached for my Bible. Before opening it, I could not help but think of the thousands of times I had gone to God for help—the countless times I had literally intruded upon His privacy to bring to His attention the problems large and small: the pleas, the questions, the requests for which I had demanded attention. Had I ever been rebuffed? Told that He was too busy? That His time would just be wasted on me? Never had I had to make an appointment to talk with Him; never had a bill been rendered to me for His time.

How then had I dared to refuse to give some of my time to a soul—a soul that Christ put more value on than on all the wealth of this world! Who was I that my time was more important than God's time?

I could hardly wait for morning. I hurriedly called my friend. "I have been thinking, and I have come to the conclusion that until God starts feeling that He is wasting time with me I shall not have that feeling about anyone to whom I can give some time. Let's go over and see that one again, and pray as we go that God will help us to use the time we give to the best advantage."

Dr. Bresee's Conversion

By Evangelist E. E. Wordsworth

Rev. E. A. Girvin wrote the first authentic biography of Dr. Phineas Franklin Bresee. He knew him intimately. He was pleased to call his biography *Phineas F. Bresee, a Prince in Israel*. From this volume of 463 pages we draw our information.

"The name of Doctor Bresee's father was Phineas Philips Bresee. He was born in Schohanie County, New York, in 1813. He was of French and Dutch ancestry, and was descended from some of the Huguenot refugees who came to America to escape from religious persecution. The name Bresee is of French origin, and signifies 'coals.' He, Doctor Bresee, was born in a log cabin, December 31, 1838, about five miles from the village of Franklin, Delaware County, New York. Franklin is situated in a beautiful little valley through which flows a charming stream called the Ouleout. Here it was that the boy Phineas fished and swam with his childhood playmates."

His parents called him "Phineas," and he was baptized by that name. When he became an adult he found himself without any middle name, and "Phineas" being such a common name in his family he wanted something distinctive. After talking it over with his parents, he insisted, and they agreed, that he should take "Franklin," the name of the town in which he was born, for his middle name.

Dr. Bresee's parents were staunch Methodists. "In February, 1856, a protracted meeting was held in the little Methodist church, of which the parents of Doctor Bresee were members. The meeting was conducted by the pastor in charge, Rev. Smith. There were two pastors, and the name of the junior was Rev. George Hearn, a young unmarried Englishman. In those days a married man and a single man traveled together on a circuit. These two pastors held the meetings, and one day Brother

Smith came to the store where Phineas was working, and spoke a few words to him about his soul. (He had been brought up on his father's farm, but his father had sold it and purchased a general merchandise store and young Phineas was the clerk—so called in those days.) This was the means of bringing him under conviction, and he determined before night that he would go to the meeting and seek salvation."

Dr. Bresee's own account of his conversion is as follows: "I went and he preached. I thought he never would get through and give me a chance to go to the altar, but he did, finally, after preaching and exhorting. Nobody had been to the altar up to that time in the meeting, but he gave me a chance and I went immediately and others followed. The meeting continued until Sunday. I think this was Friday night. On Sunday, there was an old minister from New York City, by the name of Lull. They called him Father Lull. He was a man of considerable genius and ability, and he preached in the morning. After the morning service they had a class meeting, which was the custom in those days; and it was during that class meeting that I was converted, and I realized that the peace of God came into my soul at that class meeting. I at once began to try and do Christian work. My soul was filled with great intensity for doing the work of the Lord, and I began to hold prayer meetings, talk to and exhort the people, and do all I could to push along the work." He was just past seventeen years of age.

A little summary of contributing factors to his conversion is worthy of mention: (1) godly parents; (2) personal work by his pastor, Rev. Smith; (3) faithful preaching of the Word of God in a revival; (4) the Holy Spirit's conviction, and (5) faithful, victorious testimonies, as was the custom, in a class meeting.

Note the results: (1) realization of the peace of God in his soul; (2) beginning of Christian work; (3) filled with great intensity for doing the work of the Lord; (4) holding prayer meetings, talking to and exhorting people and pushing along God's work. It is evident that Bresee's "coals" were aflame.

STEWARDSHIP

Quote

The responsibility for training children in the grace of giving lies with parents.—W. J. WERNING, in *Investing Your Life*.

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EDITORIALS.....

A Joint-stock Company: A Sunday School Class Session

I went to Sunday school last Sunday. The subject of the lesson was "My Place in the Revival Meeting." We had a wonderful session, and I was thrilled with the lesson. Since then I've been thinking about the many and varied factors which helped to make that Sunday school lesson a success. Some of the results of this mental excursion will now be presented.

As many of my readers know, we are not following the regular Uniform Lesson Series during this quarter. The Department of Church Schools, under the leadership of Dr. A. F. Harper, worked months ahead and planned for a whole quarter's lessons which would fit our Golden Anniversary year and especially prepare the way for our "Week of Witnessing," October 5 to 12. More than that, as they chose the general topic of evangelism for the quarter and the specific topics for each Sunday, they sought for that which would, at this particular time in the history of our denomination, best express its genius or mission. In this aim they were highly successful, I believe, for certainly we are an evangelistic organization. Our primary business is saving souls, getting them into the kingdom of God, and then training them in the Christian life.

Back of this work of Dr. Harper and his collaborators in the Department of Church Schools was the decision of the General Assembly to have the


Fiftieth Anniversary year celebration with its many features, including the "Week of Witnessing." Then there is the Anniversary Commission, which has had direct charge of making and implementing these plans. This commission is still on the job to assist in bringing to realization the program for this anniversary year, which it helped to formulate. All of these activities laid the foundation for the work of the Department of Church Schools referred to above.

But there were many other factors involved in making last Sunday's lesson, "My Place in the Revival Meeting," a reality and a success. The materials for the use of the Adult Department had to be prepared—the *Advanced Bible School Quarterly* for pupils and the *Bible School Journal*, with its helps for teachers. These were produced under the immediate direction of Rev. Earl Wolf, who works under Dr. Harper in the Department of Church Schools. Then there are the writers for the *Bible School Journal* who prepared their very valuable materials several months ahead of time. They had to be selected and given their task.

Also there was the job of printing these publications. We could not have had these helps and the lesson which I enjoyed so much last Sunday if the Nazarene Publishing House had not done its very efficient work of printing and shipping. It is the big business of the Church of the Nazarene,

and we should often thank God for it. It has become the outstanding general institution of our church, and we cannot think of it without thinking of Dr. M. Lunn, its faithful general manager. Yes, he and the institution which he represents had a very important part in making the Sunday school lesson which blessed me last Sunday morning a fact.

And the end is not yet. There would not have been the class of which I am a member if there had not been a local Church of the Nazarene with its facilities and Sunday school supplies. Our local churches sponsor the Sunday schools. Without one

By 

such organization I would not have studied "My Place in the Revival Meeting" last Sunday. All who help to make this local church a possibility had a part in that Sunday school lesson which blessed me.

My Sunday school class is a part of a Sunday school which has a session every Sunday morning. Without that Sunday school, the Sunday school class which I attend would not exist. This brings to mind the church school board and the Sunday school superintendent, which have so important a part in making the Sunday school possible. Without their efficient supervision there would have

been no up-to-date Sunday school class such as I attended last Sunday.

In addition, there is the Adult Department of our Sunday school, of which our class is a part. This department is well manned and certainly had a part in last Sunday's lesson. Then there is the organization of the class, which is very essential to the work of the class. It is as follows: president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, visitation secretary, song leader, pianist, and teacher. The last position is filled by Dr. Roy Swim, himself a part of the Department of Church Schools of our general church. He was at his best last Sunday morning in teaching the lesson, "My Place in the Revival Meeting." He is intelligent, deeply spiritual, and not only prepared in a general way for this task, but anyone who sat in his class last Sunday morning knew that he had specifically prepared for that particular lesson.

Finally, I must not forget two very important factors in the success of this lesson. One is the Bible. We are urged to bring our Bibles. Also, we always use them in connection with the lesson. We read together from them some verses which have to do with the lesson. This brings us to the members of the class. You can't have a class without pupils. We had them last Sunday—quite a number, and they had a part in the success of that Sunday school hour.

My conclusion was that every successful Sunday school class session is a kind of "joint-stock company" in which many people either directly or indirectly hold stock.

The Gospel of John: The Miracle Book of the New Testament

How could there be a "Miracle Book" of the New Testament? All the books of the New Testament are miracle books; in fact, all the books of the Bible are miracle books. The Bible is divinely inspired—it stands in a class by itself. But when I speak of the Book of John as being the "Miracle Book of the New Testament," I do that in order to give it a standing which no other book in the New Testament has. It is the "miracle" of the miracle books of the New Testament. It is unique even among the writings of the New Testament.

Matthew, Mark, and Luke give us history. This does not mean that there is no theology in them, but it does mean that the emphasis is not on doctrine. There is much theology implied in this history, and some which is explicit, but largely it is an account of historical facts. The Book of the Acts of the Apostles has doctrinal teaching in it,

but it is chiefly historical. In contrast, Paul's writings are largely theological and practical. But in John's Gospel we find both history and theology. It is an inspired, historical account of certain phases of the life of Jesus, and it is also a book on theology. It combines doctrine and history as no other book in the Bible does. It is the "miracle" of all the miracle books of the New Testament.

This book could be what it is only because it was written by an eyewitness. It was created by one who was perhaps better acquainted than anyone else with the public life of Jesus while He was on earth. Peter and James and John constituted the "inner circle" of the inner circle—the apostles. They were, no doubt, with Jesus and heard words from His lips at times when no others were present. They knew Jesus and His teachings as no one else did. But this is not all. John was

the "beloved disciple." He must have been nearer to the Master than even Peter and James. During Jesus' public ministry John undoubtedly surpassed all others in his walk and fellowship with Him.

Thus John's Gospel was written by an eyewitness of the highest order. But more important than the fact that he was an eyewitness of this unusual type, he was a heart-witness. His theology is personally given; it comes out of his own experience, through faith in Jesus Christ. When he said, "And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent" (John 17:3), he knew what he was talking about by personal experience. He says in 1:14—"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth." Notice those words, "and we beheld his glory." Some say that might be translated, "and I beheld his glory." In either case, John was talking about something he had personally experienced.

Turn to the First Epistle of John and read the opening verses: "That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life; (for the life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;) that which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father,

and with his Son Jesus Christ" (vv. 1-3). These words also emphasize the truth that John was not only an eyewitness but also a heart-witness.

In other words, the whole Gospel of John is a testimony which the Apostle John gives with special help from God. It is no wonder that the word "glory" is one of the key words of the book and that someone has said the passage, "We beheld [or I beheld] his glory," is the key to the whole book. John was a man who was remarkably fitted by nature, by grace, and by special inspiration to give to the world his testimony as to who Christ is and what He can do and had done for him. He gave this testimony to the world, or witnessed to these facts, that the world "might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God."

There is no greater preaching than witnessing. There is no greater witness to the Christ than John the Apostle, and the climax of his witnessing is found in the Gospel of John. "Ye are my witnesses." "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." We might better say, "Witness to the power of the gospel to every creature." That is a "Go ye" that is for the laymen as well as for the preachers.

Nothing else that may happen during this anniversary year can by any means equal what could happen during the "Week of Witnessing" if all of us do what we should. It is the week, the hour, the day, the opportunity of the Fiftieth Anniversary year of 1958 for the members of the Church of the Nazarene!

The Sunday School Lesson

MILTON
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Topic for
September 28:

"We Are His Witnesses"

SCRIPTURE: Psalms 107:2; Acts 1:8; 4:18-20; 5:29-32; 8:1-8; II Corinthians 5:14-20 (Printed: Psalms 107:2; Acts 1:8; 4:18-20; 5:32; II Corinthians 5:14-20)

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

When it comes to witnessing we must admit that many Christians are beset by troublesome fears. While there is a desire to witness for our Christ, yet there remain personal hurdles to overcome before one gains confidence.

Satan would thrust us on a tangent and cause us to forget that the great mission of each Christian is witnessing.

Take a close look at these scriptures and you'll see—

The Glory of His Redeeming Grace—delivered from the power of darkness (Psalms 102:2).

The Power for the Redeeming Theme—the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8).

The Theme of the Redeemer's Song—Jesus Christ (Acts 4:18).

The Motive of the Redeemed Life—the love of Christ (II Corinthians 5:14).

These conclusions are inescapable:

1. There is no escape from the urgency and thrill of witnessing. We are redeemed from the bondage of sin and translated into the kingdom of His dear Son. Satan no longer dominates our lives. How glorious! What a testimony to give! What news to spread!

2. This witnessing reaches its fulfillment only in vocal expression, for "with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Does this mean that there is no true witnessing without the spoken word?

3. The incoming of the Holy Spirit marks the signal difference between *fearful* and *fearless* witnessing. The only source of triumphant power in witnessing is the continuing power of the Holy Spirit. Let each seek His sanctifying work until His power is released in and through you.

4. "And I, if I be lifted up . . ." These are the words of Christ. And Paul said, ". . . yet not I, but Christ . . ." There it is. An utter and complete surrender of your deepest self, submerging your will in His and your desire in His desire. Then it shall be Jesus Christ exalted and His Spirit manifested. This is your theme, Jesus Christ, my Lord and Saviour and Sanctifier!

This final lesson in the series of studies in evangelism must challenge our very souls to action. Our call is to obey the gospel, and our greatest work is to tell others of Christ.

Servicemen's Corner





Mrs. Pate proudly pins the new insignia of major on her husband, Chaplain Conley D. Pate.

Promotion:

Chaplain Conley D. Pate was promoted to Major on June 30, 1958

Chaplain Pate has recently returned to the States from Germany, where he served for more than two years. It was his task to do most of the planning, from the military side, for the very successful Servicemen's Retreat at Berchtesgaden, Germany, during March of this year. After a period in the Chaplain School in Fort Slocum, New York, he is to be assigned to Fort Hood, Texas.

NAZARENE SERVICEMEN'S COMMISSION

London W. Gilliland DIRECTOR

Foreign Missions

REMISS REHFELDT, *Secretary*

Missionaries on the Move

Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Denton have just arrived in the United States for their second furlough.

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Hetrick sailed from Africa on August 15 for their second furlough. They expect to arrive in the States September 9.

Rev. and Mrs. James Hudson, recently returned to Guatemala, are now living at: Salama, B.V., Guatemala, Central America.

Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Hynd sailed from England, August 23, to begin their second term in Swaziland.

Rev. and Mrs. Cleve James are sailing September 4 for India for their second term.

Rev. and Mrs. Earl Mosteller are now located at: Caixa Postal 1008, Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Rev. and Mrs. Howard Sayes arrived August 16 from Trinidad, on furlough. Address: c/o Mrs. R. H. Kifer, 1220 Chestnut St., Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Dr. Orpha Speicher sailed about August 26 for India following her third furlough.

Late Report from Sidney Knox

Sidney is eating a little more, retaining most of what he eats, and shows signs of gaining in physical strength. A group of the elders went over to his home recently and anointed and prayed for him. The Lord was wonderfully near. Sidney is totally resigned to the Lord's will. He and Wanda deeply appreciate the continued prayers of the people.—ORVILLE JENKINS, *Lubbock, Texas.*

Revival Fires Continue to Burn in Gaza

By LORRAINE SCHULTZ
Portuguese East Africa

Bible school reopened last week and we had a blessed opening chapel with shouts and praises to God and a great burden of prayer. Reports are that there have been some real outpourings of the Holy Spirit during July in several of the outstation churches. The students have returned with some wonderful reports. We have a record attendance

in the Bible school—about forty-seven now. Continue to pray for us that God will remain in our midst in revival power.

Alabaster at Work

By DOYLE SHEPHERD, *Okinawa*

How can we express our appreciation for the sacrifice made by many people who provide our monthly appropriations, and Alabaster? May God bless each one. The Alabaster funds for the Mashiki project are already being used. We have the land bought, on a little hill right in the middle of a large population. It is only 150 yards from a main highway. We plan to start the building of the chapel soon.

Wonderful Experiences in Peru

By ELVIN DOUGLASS

Julio Nunura, one of our most promising Bible school students, spent his vacation time visiting and preaching in the high mountain communities of my zone of the Montana. He had remarkable success.

While there he became ill with what they thought was malaria and he seemed to respond to malarial medicine. However, on his trip home he became very ill again, and this time no medicine seemed to help him. He arrived at his home in Talara very, very sick, and was told that he had typhoid fever. Still, after nearly eighty doses of chlo-

romicitina he was worse instead of better.

A second doctor was convinced that Julio was suffering from Malta fever and gave treatment for that, which seemed to help some, though his liver was badly affected. Julio improved enough to come to assembly as a delegate, but while there took seriously ill again with nausea and a high fever. The doctor analyzed his blood and found that he had one of the worst cases of typhoid fever they had ever seen. That night in the assembly the elders anointed Julio and prayed for him. He was instantly and completely healed. Several days later he returned

home completely well and happy and rejoicing in the Lord.

At the same service we anointed and prayed for the two-year-old baby of Brother Benito Ramos of Jaen. The child had been suffering for two weeks with a serious case of enteric fever, which the doctors seemed unable to combat successfully though they used the latest medicine available. When we prayed for the child, it instantly broke out in perspiration and was completely well from that moment on.

You can well understand how the people were filled with love and joy in the Holy Spirit as these wonderful blessings were given to us.



Drinking was a factor in killing 200 persons over the 1958 Fourth of July week end. From the *Quarterly Journal of Alcoholic Studies*, June, 1958, page 316, we get the following information:

1957 U.S. Expenditures for Alcoholic Beverages—\$10,700,000,000

1957 U.S. Per Capita Expenditures for Alcoholic Beverages—\$62.82

1956 Estimated Number of Alcoholics in U.S.A.:

Males	Females	Total
4,243,000	772,000	5,015,000

Send the above information to your local newspaper editor and ask him to use it as filler material in his paper. If the American people were thoroughly informed as to the cost and the damage done by alcoholic beverages they would rise up in arms. This is a step you can take to help inform them.

KENNETH S. RICE, Secretary
Committee on Public Morals

Nazarene Young People's Society and
Nazarene Junior Society

PONDER W. GILLILAND
Executive Secretary

Convention Comments

DEAR BROTHER GILLILAND:

The eighth annual N.Y.P.S. convention of the Los Angeles District was held May 19 in the beautiful new sanctuary of the Pasadena Central Church, with Pastor Don Irwin as our genial host. From the opening song until the closing "Amen," we sensed the leading of God's Spirit among our young people of the district. Rev. Eugene Stowe, general N.Y.P.S. president, was our convention speaker and repeatedly challenged our youth with his pointed messages.

Following the report of Rev. Glenn Chaffee, our district president, the young people re-elected him as president by an overwhelming majority, thus expressing our appreciation for him and our confidence in his leadership. Rev. Don Hughes was re-elected as vice-president, and Mrs. Flora Kuntz was elected secretary. After having served for three years as our very efficient treasurer, Mr. Dick Willis announced that he would not be a candidate this year, and Rev. Carlos L. Stepp, Jr., was elected to the office.

A group of young people from the Pasadena Bresee Church demonstrated for the convention a typical "Program with a Purpose," challenging our local societies to use these excellent materials in their own groups.

The day closed with about five hundred young people gathering at the San Marino Women's Club for the annual fellowship banquet, where Rev. Eugene Stowe again stirred our hearts with his message, urging our young people to accept and meet the challenge of the age.

At the banquet two awards were presented: the District Honor Rating trophy was awarded to the Sierra Madre N.Y.P.S.

for their work during the past year; and Mr. Dick Salsbury, of Los Angeles First Church, the winner of our District "Teen-Talent Hunt," was awarded a \$100 scholarship to Pasadena College.

The Los Angeles District N.Y.P.S. is on the march!

C. L. STEPP, JR., *Reporter*

Echoes of International Institute

DEAR PONDER:

I want to thank you and all of our church leaders for making possible this Youth Institute. I received the greatest blessing of my life. Thank the Lord for the Church of the Nazarene.

Sincerely,
HAROLD FURNISS
Mississippi

DEAR PONDER:

Just a word to commend you and your staff for the excellent planning and con-

ducting of the International Institute. All the way home our young people talked about the wonderful time and spiritual help they received while at camp. Everything was typically Nazarene and in excellent taste.

Sincerely,
D. P. MILLIKAN
N.Y.P.S. President, Wisconsin District



ROY F. SMEE, Secretary

Pastoral Changes in Alaska

Rev. S. Trueman Shelton, who pioneered our work in Sitka and initiated our church building there that is now nearing completion, has been appointed to begin the work of the church in the Yukon Territory of Canada. Our first opening will be at Whitehorse, a strategic center that is in a rapid population growth. This new move was made possible by the Easter Offering of over one million dollars. When the budgets were set up at the General Board meeting last January, there were not enough funds within the available budget of the

Department of Home Missions to enter Whitehorse unless the Easter Offering would reach one million dollars. This opening was therefore made contingent upon reaching that goal. We rejoice that the move into Whitehorse is now a reality.

Rev. Clark H. Lewis, who supplied at Nome during a year of the regular pastor's furlough, and then began our church at Ketchikan when there was not a Nazarene in the town, has moved to Sitka. During Brother Lewis' pastorate of seven years in Ketchikan, a parsonage

was purchased and the first floor re-modeled for services, the church was organized, property was purchased, and a beautiful new church building erected. His new address is Box 33, Sitka, Alaska.

Rev. Paul Merki of Nazareth, Pennsylvania, has accepted the call to Ketchikan, Alaska. His address is 2652 N. Tongass, Ketchikan.

Pray for Our Workers' Health

Mrs. Elmer O. Nelson, wife of our pastor at Ancon, Panama Canal Zone, was scheduled to go to the hospital for major surgery on August 27. We pray that she may have a speedy recovery. She may be addressed at Box 297, Balboa, Canal Zone.

Mark Powers, the baby son of Rev. and Mrs. Charles C. Powers, of our Totem Park Church, Fairbanks, Alaska, recently underwent major surgery, but is reported as recovering satisfactorily. The Powerses' address is Box 1163, Fairbanks, Alaska.

David Perkins, seven-year-old son of Rev. and Mrs. Floyd J. Perkins, was struck by a car in front of the hospital at Rochester, Minnesota, on August 14. He received several fractures and internal injuries, including a rupture of the liver. He has been making a good recovery. Brother Perkins is principal of Nazarene Bible College in Potchefstroom, Union of South Africa, and he and his family have been in the United States for a year of furlough. They were having physical checkups in Rochester preparatory to returning to South Africa in December. Address them c/o the Department of Home Missions, Box 6076, Kansas City 10, Missouri.

Rev. and Mrs. Ralph L. Hysong, of Margarita, Panama Canal Zone, have both been ill this year and special prayer has been previously requested for them. The doctor had said that it would be from six months to a year before Brother Hysong could return to a normal schedule. This wonderful word has recently been received from them: "Our hearts are thrilled as to how God has answered the prayer of His people. Ruth and I have both been given the go-ahead for a normal day's work." The Hysongs may be addressed at Box 5019 M, Margarita, Canal Zone.

Girls' Camp in Nome

Few people would choose to live in Nome, Alaska. In winter a biting wind from off the frozen ocean chills to the bone. In the summer the sour soil and permafrost make it impossible to grow anything. There is not even a tree anywhere to be found. There is no firm foundation for the buildings, and the freezing and thawing make it necessary to level every building each year. All roads from Nome are dead-end. The connections with the outside world are by plane, dog team, and the three supply ship trips in the summer.

the Question box

Conducted by STEPHEN S. WHITE, Editor

On page 26 of the July "Bible School Journal," paragraph one states, "Entire sanctification, while not our central message, is our distinguishing tenet." Is this true?

This statement is true. Read the whole paragraph carefully and you will get what the writer means. He rightly emphasizes the fact that the Cross, the blood of Jesus, is the central message of Christianity. Without it there would be no conversion or entire sanctification. The Christian can't put anything ahead of the Blood. Sometimes we emphasize entire sanctification to such an

extent that we forget the Blood which makes it possible. It is the blood of Jesus Christ which cleanses from all sin. Of course entire sanctification is our distinguishing tenet as a church. We feel especially called out to emphasize this phase of the work of the Blood. This does not at all mean that entire sanctification is the central message of Christianity.

Do you agree with a recent statement to a new member of our church that we are to regard pages 37 and 38 in our 1956 "Manual," which give the General Rules, as recommendations and not rules?

I do not agree with such a statement.

A teacher and member of the Church of the Nazarene brings to the attention of her Sunday school class that there is a Nazarene creed and every member should know it. She has never given it but refers to it often. After speaking to several Nazarenes, no one seems to know about it. My question is: (1) What is the Nazarene creed? (2) If it is as important as the teacher says, why isn't it brought before the church and why doesn't it appear in the "Manual"?

The Church of the Nazarene does have a creed. This means nothing more nor less than that we have a statement of our beliefs. This creed is found on pages 27 to 34 of our 1956 *Manual*. There are fifteen articles in this outline of our beliefs. A briefer form of our beliefs is given on pages 35 and 36 of our 1956 *Manual* under the heading "Agreed Statement of Belief." Many of our people know about these creeds and more should know about them. Every member of the Church of the Nazarene should familiarize himself with them. While it is fresh on my mind and yours, I'll give you the "Agreed Statement of Belief" or our shorter creed, which appears on pages 35 and 36 of our 1956 *Manual*:

"24. Recognizing that the right and privilege of persons to church membership rest upon the fact of their being regenerate, we would require only such avowal of belief as are essential to Christian experience. We, therefore, deem belief in the following brief statements to be sufficient:

"1. That there is one God—the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

"2. That the Old and New Testament Scriptures, given by plenary inspiration, contain all truth necessary to faith and Christian living.

"3. That man is born with a fallen nature, and is, therefore, inclined to

evil, and that continually.

"4. That the finally impenitent are hopelessly and eternally lost.

"5. That the atonement through Jesus Christ is for the whole human race; and that whosoever repents and believes on the Lord Jesus Christ is justified and regenerated and saved from the dominion of sin.

"6. That believers are to be sanctified wholly, subsequent to regeneration, through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

"7. That the Holy Spirit bears witness to the new birth, and also to the entire sanctification of believers.

"8. That our Lord will return, the dead will be raised, and the final judgment will take place."

There it is and I might say that this statement of belief, or creed, has appeared two or three times within recent years in the *Herald of Holiness*. Our people ought to be somewhat acquainted with it at least. Every person who reads this shorter statement of our beliefs should get a 1956 *Manual* at once and read the longer statement of our beliefs on pages 27 to 34. If you don't have a *Manual*, you can buy one for \$1.25 from the Nazarene Publishing House. Send for it today—the address of the Nazarene Publishing House is the same as the *Herald of Holiness*. No Nazarene family should be without a *Manual*.

But the church moves on in Nome, ministering to the Eskimos and to the limited white population. Rev. Edgar F. Bibb, our pastor missionary, has written this interesting account of a girls' camp held in July:

"Last winter some of our teen-agers began saving money for our summer camp in July. The local church had a lovely campsite, but the road commission, unknowingly, demolished the tundra by scooping out and piling up gravel

Thought for the Day

by BERTHA MUNRO



"Grace Before Meat"

Monday:

Charles Lamb, in his essay entitled "Grace Before Meat," asks whimsically, "Why give thanks for those particular mercies and not for some others far greater?" The obvious answer: The act is symbolic of our acknowledgment of God as Supplier of all our needs, of gratitude for our daily bread as representative of all His gifts. Obvious, but like many other obvious facts, not always remembered or even recognized. So easily does form edge out spirit. Help me, Lord, to make vital use of every opportunity to express to Thee even some small fraction of my love. (Luke 22:19.)

Tuesday:

"Saying grace" sincerely is a good habit to cultivate, for on occasion it carries over into another type of opportunity. Our debate coach tells me how strong and clear the testimony of the E.N.C. debaters has shone out at the intercollegiate tournament dinners. In these days to bow the head in a public place is like flying the Christian flag in enemy territory. (Acts 27: 35-36.)

Wednesday:

For some years L'Hermitte's beautiful "Christ Among the Lowly" has hung over my fireplace: the speaking scene of Jesus seated at table with the two disciples from the Emmaus road, wife and son standing by, concerned only with serving, but the men's faces alight with dawning wonder as He blesses the bread. This spring I hung the picture above the dining room buffet; it belongs there.

A good Christian friend said reverently, as he studied it: "'He was known . . . in breaking of bread' . . . And how often," he added, "my recognition of Him before eating has opened the way for talk about Him!" "Grace before meat" is a moment when, if we will,

we can, remembering, capture the vivid sense of His presence and actually bring Him near to some who have forgotten. (Luke 24:30-31, 35.)

Thursday:

"Asking the blessing" on the commonest act of life reminds us also that all our activities become meaningful only as touched by His hand. And no task is menial when done for Him and in His name.

*Who sweeps a room, as for Thy laws,
Makes that and the action fine.*

—George Herbert

This is the transfiguring glory of our faith. Our Lord was growing in grace and knowledge for thirty years at a carpenter's bench. (Ephesians 6:7-8; Mark 6:3; Luke 2:52.)

Friday:

This is the secret of the "sacramental life."

*My potter's busy wheel is where
I see a desk and office chair,
And well I know the Lord is there.*

And all my work is for a King.

*Dear is the offering of melody,
But dearer far love's lowliest
ministry.*

—A. Carmichael in "Toward Jerusalem" (Colossians 3:23-24.)

Saturday:

No slight or hurt is too trivial—or too deep—to bring to Him for blessing; the pin pricks—or the sharp stabs—of the common round. Perhaps the "bread" we bring Him for blessing has been burnt in the baking. One day I unintentionally hurt a friend by words that must have sounded harsh. When later I realized and asked forgiveness, the reply was, "That's all right; I offered the hurt to the Lord as a sacrifice of love." It was His by right. "Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows"—great and small. (Isaiah 53: 4.)

Sunday:

"Saying grace"—that lovely word "grace" again. Etymologically, simply "thanks." But it has gathered associations of attractiveness, charm, symmetry, healing—all that goes with the beauty of Jesus, with the "God of all grace." Amazing, but true, that we finite mortals can "do all in the name of the Lord Jesus." We can learn in every act and word, every tone, every reaction conscious and unconscious, to realize His presence and disseminate His Spirit.

"Make all my garments vestments,
Lord" (Colossians 3:17.)

for a road construction operation two years ago and failed to repair the unattractive scene. Another location failed to work out, so we went about preparing for our youth camp. Mosquitoes were bad, rain came each day, and only one of the two previously nice quonset huts was in a livable condition. A patch here and there had to suffice.

"Six jubilant girls, ten to fourteen years old, happily bounced their way in the back of our carryall car, along with all their equipment and food supplies, to our first youth camp—in spite of the steady rain from the cloud-swept heavens. Our nurse, Mrs. Greene, served as camp helper, along with the pastor and family. The quonset became a wonderful place for the girls and a magnificent swimming hole was near for activity when the sun showed its face. Fish could be seen darting back and forth in one stream and flowers bloomed on the mountainsides. What a time for camp! "Christian Service Training classes were held in the morning and a service in the evening. On the third night it was music to a Christian's ear to hear the sobbing of newborn souls as they humbly asked God's forgiveness for their sins. Each one testified later to God's saving grace, and Sue Savok told of speaking to each girl about salvation. We now have a stronghold in five families to be won to the church. Pray that the girls will be true."

Upon my knees
I discovered . . .

The Healing Word

Through suffering a heartache I found a new value in the Scriptures which I had not known before. I want to pass my experience on to others.

My heart ached as if there were real physical pain and I could find no relief. I tried singing, reading, and praying but the hurt was still there when I stopped.

In desperation I dropped on my knees by my bed, opened my Bible to the second chapter of Luke, and began to memorize the account of the birth of Jesus. I stayed there reading, closing my eyes and repeating the verses again and again until I knew them all by heart.

As I rose to my feet, to my happy surprise, I realized that my heart did not ache any more. Where there had been pain there was healing. How grateful I was for the peace and soothing comfort—the memorized Word of God had brought relief!

Do try it. You will be amazed and grateful to find that God's Word, when memorized, does actually heal the brokenhearted.

—SADIE JOFFRION WRIGHT



Pastor Floyd W. Rowe reports: "After serving the fine people of First Church in Longview, Texas, for nearly four years I have accepted a call to our Williams Memorial Church of Bethany, Oklahoma. In our first services on Sunday, August 10, we had a wonderful welcome by the Sunday school and a crowning altar service with seven praying through amid shouts of victory and rejoicing. We have a goodly heritage, for Rev. and Mrs. Frank McConnell and the faithful people have done a tremendous job in building the Kingdom in the northwest part of Bethany."

Wauchula, Florida—Our church recently enjoyed a good revival, with seventeen-year-old Benny Brock as the evangelist. Night after night he preached with the anointing of God upon him—the result of his fasting and praying and the prayers of God's people. God visited the services with waves of glory. The old songs of Zion, the prayers, and the testimonies were an inspiration to all. People from seven of the surrounding churches attended the services at different times, with others coming in from the local churches. Seventeen people sought God at the altar for reclamation, justification, or entire sanctification and all testified to definite victory. Our people were encouraged and built up in the faith, and three new members were added to the church.—J. E. AND MARJORIE REDMON, *Pastors*.

Columbus, Indiana—We wish to give God thanks for the wonderful visitation of the Holy Spirit in our midst. On Sunday evening, July 6, God visited us with an altar service giving sixteen seekers. Again and again each Sunday since there have been wonderful altar services; eighteen on Sunday night, August 10. From July 22 to 24 we had a wonderful missionary convention, with Mrs. Louise Chapman for one service and Rev. Harold Stanfield for three services. Last year our church was 12.8 per cent for General Budget and specials. After a wonderful Sunday morning message by Mrs. Chapman, we felt moved to ask the people to build a church for the Coloured people in Africa, and the Lord gave us pledges totaling \$3,000 in less than twenty minutes. Truly this is a "Golden Anniversary" year among us.—ALBERT B. SCHNEIDER, *Pastor*.

Corbin, Kentucky—In August our church had a wonderful, one-week revival with Rev. Donald K. Ballard, pastor at Lanett, Alabama, as the evangelist. God blessed and gave good victory at the altar with souls praying through. On the closing Sunday we had the largest attendance in Sunday school that the church has had in six years. We thank God for the very fine ministry of Brother Ballard with us.—SIMON GORMAN, *Pastor*.

Rev. C. B. White reports: "For the past twenty years I have enjoyed the pastoral and evangelistic work, during which time I have conducted thirty-nine revivals and pastored six churches. For the past nine and one-half years I have pastored our church at Jefferson, Texas, where the Lord gave us many victories. Since last October my health has been bad and in February I suffered a heart attack, so the doctor has now advised me to give up pastoral work. I love my district superintendent and the Church of the Nazarene. I am now making my home at 424 E. Eighth Street, Dallas, Texas."

Northeastern Indiana District Camp
Northwestern Indiana just recently completed a most wonderful and outstanding camp meeting, under God. The workers were of the best—Dr. Hardy C. Powers, Dr. I. C. Mathis, Dr. Mendell Taylor, and the Keller-York Party.

Dr. Powers dedicated the beautiful new tabernacle on the first Sunday afternoon. The sixteen thousand square feet of floor space, with no posts, was a sight to behold, as it was filled the first Sunday. Being built with laminated arches, fluorescent lights, and ten beautiful oval speakers suspended from the ceiling makes it really accommodating to a crowd.

While the Keller-Yorks were singing the special on Friday evening (August 8), God broke through and, with no preaching, for a full hour a constant stream of seekers kept coming and going at the new altar. Over one hundred souls found definite and precious victory there. What a delight to see the waters of salvation slake the thirst of hungry souls! God gave us great workers and a great camp.—PAUL C. UPDIKE, *District Superintendent*.



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—S. T. Ludwig, *Secretary*

Dallas District N.Y.P.S. Convention

The thirty-fifth annual convention of the Dallas District N.Y.P.S. met in First Church, Texarkana, Texas, on August 12. The Lord's presence was felt from the very beginning as the president, Rev. Milton B. Parrish, called the convention to order. Miss Mary Scott, general N.F.M.S. secretary, brought a very inspirational devotional message.

President Parrish gave a good report of the outstanding work accomplished in the churches on the district. He was given a good vote of confidence to serve as president for another year.

Other officers were elected as follows: H. B. Brooks, vice-president; M. A. Wagstaff, treasurer; Charles McMinn, secretary; Mrs. Ruth Ingle, teen-age supervisor; and Dwayne Bounds and Anita Kelly, teen-age representatives.

In the afternoon, Rev. Elton Wood, missionary from the Cape Verde Islands, brought the devotional message and prayed with those who felt a special call of God in their lives. Throughout the afternoon the presence of the Lord was felt in the reports of committees, the zone chairmen, and reports from the young people who attended the International Youth Institute at Estes Park. The convention adjourned at 5:00 p.m.—KENNETH M. LUTHER, *Secretary*.

Arnold, Nebraska—Recently our church had a very successful revival with Rev. Mrs. C. D. Holley of York—she is an outstanding preacher, singer, and musician. Her messages were practical, thought-provoking, conviction-bringing, and uplifting. God blessed with good altar services, some real victories, and the church was greatly stirred. We thank God for this revival.—HERMAN S. FALES, *Pastor*.

Evangelists Haven and Gladys Goodall report: "God has given us a wonderful year in the evangelistic work. During this assembly year we have been privileged to work on the Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin districts. God has blessed the services with His presence, fine attendance, and the Holy Spirit has moved mightily in convicting power. We have seen a goodly number of people definitely converted and sanctified, also a goodly number added to the church membership. We love the Church of the Nazarene and want to do our best for God and the church. We are thankful for the many doors that have been opened to us since we entered the field four years ago. We shall be glad to slate meetings anywhere, as the Lord may lead, with or without our house trailer. We carry the full program: sing together; Wife gives Scene-of-felt pictures with black light, story, and song (God has given marvelous results from these pictures); and preaching. We have a fall date open for this year, and also one in the spring of '59. Write us, Box 232, Worth, Illinois."

Virginia District Assembly and Conventions

The Virginia District just recently concluded one of the best years in its history as was revealed in the assembly and conventions. All were entertained on the district campgrounds near Dillwyn, Virginia, which have been greatly improved during the past year.

Dr. Samuel Young, presiding general superintendent, endeared himself to the hearts of Virginia Nazarenes, both by his preaching ministry and also by the capable manner in which he conducted the business.

Dr. V. W. Littrell, serving on an extended three-year call, rendered his ninth annual report as district superintendent, which indicated substantial progress on the district. Outstanding is the increasing giving on General Budget, showing a gain of \$4,200 over the previous year. The churches of Virginia have underwritten a General Budget of \$19,541 for the new assembly year, as compared with a General Budget of \$3,000 nine years ago. Seven churches, namely, Roanoke First, Norfolk Central, Newport News, Brightwood, Victoria, Alexandria, and Harrisonburg, received recognition as

"10 per cent" churches. The percentage of the district now stands at 7.16 per cent of total giving for foreign missions, a good gain over the previous year.

Numerically, gains were noted in every department of the work: gain of 149 in church membership; of 285 in Sunday school enrollment; net gain of 169 in N.F.M.S.; and a gain of 72 in N.Y.P.S. There was an increase of 440 new members in the Prayer and Fasting League.

A wonderful spirit of unity was evidenced throughout the assembly, and the high esteem in which Superintendent and Mrs. V. W. Littrell are held was expressed in a nice love offering for them.

Rev. E. G. Lusk and Rev. H. G. Compton were re-elected as the elders on the advisory board; Rev. Giles Graham was re-elected as secretary, and Rev. E. G. Lusk as district treasurer. Dr. Littrell and Rev. Ralph Schurman were elected trustees of Trevecca Nazarene College.

Three new churches have been organized during our Golden Anniversary year, towards our district goal of "Six More in the State in '58." They are Crewe, Hopewell, and Hampton. We hope to reach our quota by December 31.

As a fitting climax to the assembly, Charles L. Wallace, pastor at Lynchburg, was ordained in an impressive ceremony.

The N.F.M.S. convention, conducted on Monday and Tuesday preceding the assembly, was a time of blessing and inspiration under the leadership of Mrs. V. W. Littrell, district president. We enjoyed the rich ministry of Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt and Rev. Harold Stanfield, special speakers.

The Sunday school convention was conducted on Friday morning following the assembly, with Dr. Samuel Young speaking. An excellent program was presented by the various members of the church school board, as directed by Rev. W. O. Holloway, chairman.

The camp meeting, which opened on Friday night, following the assembly, with Rev. J. A. McNatt as evangelist, was a time of great victory, with the glory of the Lord outpoured and many seekers at the altar. We thank God for His blessings, and take courage to press forward.—RALPH AHLEMANN, *Reporter*

Southwest Indiana District Assembly

The tenth annual assembly of the Southwest Indiana District was held July 30 and 31 at Bloomington, Indiana, in the beautiful, air-conditioned auditorium of Indiana University. Host Pastors C. G. Bohannon, Grant Barton, and Clyde E. Scisoc entertained the assembly in a gracious manner.

Dr. Hugh C. Benner endeared himself to Southwest Indiana Nazarenes with his humble, godly spirit and challenging messages.

Twelve-year-old Mary Sue, daughter of the late Rev. Robert Jones, blessed the assembly and brought tears to many when she sang "We'll Talk It Over in the By and By."

Dr. Leo C. Davis, district superintendent, blessed and challenged the district with his wonderful report and Christlike, humble spirit. There was no vote taken since he is serving on an extended call. His report showed gains

along all lines; 3 new churches, making a total of 95—he has organized 43 in the district's ten-year history. The Sunday schools, with an enrollment of 19,326, showed an average attendance of 9,483, an increase over last year. There was net gain of 147 in members, making the church membership 6,211. Value of church and parsonage property \$2,849,925, with an indebtedness of only \$455,685. Also the report showed \$71,758 paid for general interests, making the Southwest Indiana District an 8.61 per cent district; \$59,088 was raised for district interests.

On Wednesday night there was a great Olivet Nazarene College service with an attendance of at least fifteen hundred people, and Rev. John Swearingen and the Treble Tone Trio in charge. Several hundred fine young people were present.

The assembly closed on Thursday night with a beautiful ordination service, and three men elected to elder's orders: Claude Chastain, Jr., Oran M. Young, and Russel F. Dickinson. Everyone present felt it was the greatest assembly in the ten-year-history of the district.—C. WESLEY BROUGH, *Reporter*

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Southern California District Camp

The notes of victory heard at the camp meeting in Costa Mesa have not died out on the district but are being echoed and re-echoed in the local churches. The outstanding ministry of Rev. C. B. Fugett and Rev. John S. Logan will never be forgotten by those who heard them. Their messages were straightforward, pungent, and anointed by the Holy Spirit. Hundreds of people prayed through at the altars of the big tent.

Professor Warnie Tippett, who was in charge of the music, endeared himself to the hearts of the people as night after night he led the choir and congregation in song.

Rev. Larry Stamper and the reporter directed the youth activities, which began each morning at six-thirty and continued until the close of the campfire following the evening service. Hundreds of young people participated in these activities.

Mrs. Ruth Burton, Junior Society director, thrilled the children as she conducted their services each afternoon in the chapel.

Directing and guiding the camp was our district superintendent, Rev. Nicholas A. Hull. He carried a real burden for souls and his presence on the platform helped the people feel their re-

ity to win souls for Jesus Christ. Manager Clive Williams worked the scenes and much of the pastor's success goes to him.—HAROLD W. KNER, Reporter.

Illinois District Assembly and Camp Meeting

The Illinois District Assembly, the N.F.M.S. convention, the Sunday school convention, and the district camp meeting were held July 28 through August 3, at Nazarene Acres, near Springfield.

The missionary convention was marked by the blessing of God, and hearts were stirred as Rev. Lester Johnston and family, from Argentina, spoke on missions and sang. Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt, foreign missions secretary, also contributed much to the convention by his presence and messages. Mrs. Helen Britton was re-elected district president with a good vote.

In the Sunday school convention, Dr. D. I. Vanderpool stirred our hearts with his excellent message, and Rev. Harold Daniels also brought a good Sunday school message. Report of District Church Schools Chairman James S. Barr showed a good year in church schools on the district.

The district assembly was a time of great blessing. Dr. Vanderpool presided with dignity and efficiency, and our hearts were blessed and stirred by his messages. Reports indicated a good year with many increases. District Superintendent Harold Daniels brought a good report and was elected for another year by a unanimous vote. Heaven bent low and the people rejoiced as the vote was announced. Brother Daniels outlined an aggressive program for the coming year.

Dr. Harold W. Reed, Rev. John W. Swarengen, and the Treble Tone Trio ably represented Olivet Nazarene College. Mr. Donald Young was the efficient representative for the Nazarene Publishing House.

In a beautiful, Heaven-blessed ordination service in which Dr. Vanderpool brought a stirring message, four young men received elder's orders: Bryan L. Beaty, Donald M. Canaday, Jerry Colsten, and Gerald G. Van Tine.

The Golden Anniversary service on Monday evening will never be forgotten. The blessing of God came upon the service in a special manner and the congregation was moved to tears and rejoicing as nearly fifty Nazarenes of the Illinois District—members of the church for forty years or longer—marched across the front of the tabernacle and took seats under a brush arbor which had been constructed at one end of the platform. Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt brought a stirring anniversary message.

The district camp meeting, with its services at night and over Sunday, was also blessed of God and the altars were lined with seekers. Dr. Orville Jenkins, the evangelist; Dr. D. I. Vanderpool, general superintendent; Professor Warnie Tippitt, song evangelist; and the choir, were at their best and were used of God in a mighty way.

The Illinois District goes forward under the blessing of God and the able leadership of its beloved superintendent, Rev. Harold Daniels.—GEORGE H. D. READER, Reporter.

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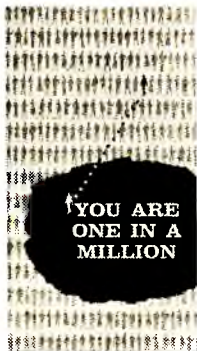
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Southwest Oklahoma District Camp

The Southwest Oklahoma District Camp, held at the district center near Anadarko, was a real blessing to all who attended. Rev. Roy Bettcher and Rev. J. T. Drye were the evangelists, and God certainly used them to bless many hungry hearts. Rev. Leon and Marie Cook, with their sons, Gene and Ray, carried on the musical program of the camp in a very efficient manner, and were blessed of God.

The attendance was the best in the history of the camp, with approximately two thousand people attending the last service.

Under the able leadership of our good district superintendent, Rev. W. T. Johnson, the spiritual tide was high, and finances for the camp came easily with a pledge offering of over fifteen hundred dollars raised for improvements on the camp this coming year.

We thank God for this camp meeting, and the vision received by all of us on the Southwest Oklahoma District.—**LAVERN S. DAY, Reporter.**

British Isles N.Y.P.S. Institute

A united institute of the North and South British Isles districts was held July 5 to 12, at Eastwood Grange, Derbyshire, England, with eighty young people attending. Throughout institute week, which was one of the sunniest of the whole year, there was a fine spirit of fellowship.

The guest speaker was Dr. Samuel Hynd, medical missionary from Swaziland, South Africa. His messages on "The Missionary Task Abroad" were challenging and enlightening, giving glimpses of work behind the scenes at a mission station and something of what being a missionary involves. The dean of the institute was Rev. Hugh Rae, principal of Hurler Nazarene College.

The institute was climaxed during the devotional service on the last night with a great tide of spiritual uplift when twenty-five young people either claimed entire sanctification or a willingness to answer God's call into full-time service.—**MARGARET J. S. HYND, Reporter.**

Evangelist C. M. Whitley and wife write that they have two open dates for this year, which they will be glad to slate anywhere the Lord may lead—November 19 to 30, and December 3 to 14. Write them, c/o Nazarene Publishing House, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri.

Columbia, South Carolina—Grace Church and the people of the community experienced the greatest revival recently in the history of the church. The ministry of Evangelist H. A. Casey and wife was enjoyed by the people and used by the Holy Spirit. God gave seekers at the altar every night except one—a total of ninety-seven, to be saved, reclaimed, or sanctified. Six new members have been added to the church. The church is now in the best spiritual and financial condition since we came here four years ago. Our new district superintendent, Rev. Ben F. Marlin, and his family, were with us on Sunday evening, August 17. The church was greatly helped by his message. We love and appreciate the Marlins. Closing four years here, the church is making progress in all departments.—**H. G. CLAYTON, Pastor.**

Deaths

REV. A. L. JAMES

Rev. A. L. James of McAllen, Texas, died July 24, 1958, at a rest home. He was seventy years of age and had been in poor health the past nine years. He was a minister in the Church of the Nazarene for forty years; ordained in Tishomingo, Oklahoma, in 1924. At the time of death he was a member of the McAllen Church of the Nazarene. His ministerial labors as pastor and evangelist, as well as a Texas State Prison chaplain, were honored of the Lord. He is survived by his faithful companion, Mrs. Maude James, also two brothers and two sisters. Funeral services were conducted in McAllen with his pastor, Rev. J. R. Erp, in charge. The message was brought by a long-time friend in the ministry, Rev. Lee Gaines, assisted

by Rev. Joe Tyson. Interment was in Roselawn Cemetery in McAllen.

ELMER D. AYRES died March 12, 1958, at Beaumont, Texas, aged seventy-five years. He was born December 22, 1882, at Canonsburg, Pennsylvania. He had seven sons—David, John, Luke, Victor, Harold, Vaughn, and Paul (an evangelist); also two sisters and two brothers.

MRS. LILLIE VERNELL CARDEN was born January 25, 1892, at Cameron, Oklahoma, and died February 17, 1958, in Poteau, Oklahoma. In 1917 she was united in marriage to W. T. Carden. To this union were born one daughter and three sons—Mrs. Glen Metcalf, Orval, Allen, and Leo. She also had two sisters, Mrs. J. W. Robins and Mrs. Claude Duty; and three brothers, Frank, G. E., and Tom Waren. She became a Christian early in life, and she and her husband united with the Church of the Nazarene under the ministry of Rev. W. H. Harmon. She was a faithful member and devoted Christian until her death. She taught a Sunday school class for many years in the local church. Funeral service was held in the Poteau Church of the Nazarene, under the direction of the pastor, Rev. Cleon G. Powell.

MRS. CHARLOTTE S. NEISLER of Boulder, Colorado, died at the sanitarium on July 3, after an illness of eleven weeks. She was born December 20, 1893, in Fulton, South Dakota, and was twelve years of age when her parents (Isaac and Jane Pickering) came to Colorado by covered wagon. She was married to Wm. H. Neisler in 1905; they celebrated their golden wedding in 1954 with a family reunion. Besides her husband, she is survived by six children: Wendell H., Willis E., Raymond M. (employee of the Nazarene Publishing House in Kansas City), Mrs. Ruth E. Crow, Mrs. Margaret A. Hudson, and Mrs. Maxine E. Moore; also a brother, Major Frank I. Pickering. A daughter, Marian, a twin to Margaret, died in infancy. Mrs. Neisler had been a member of the Church of the Nazarene for fifty years, serving in many capacities, as teacher and officer in its women's organizations, etc. Funeral service was held in Boulder First Church of the Nazarene, of which she was a charter member, and most active until she became ill. Rev. Timothy Smith, pastor, officiated, with interment in Mountain View Memorial Park.

WILLIAM JONES was born August 18, 1880, in Redfield, Kansas, and died May 1, 1958, in Tulare, California. He was converted, and sanctified and joined the Visalia Church of the Nazarene in 1938. During the last four years his illness brought about a deep, ripening experience in the Lord, and his life was a real testimony for Jesus Christ. He is survived by his wife, Coelestia Gregg Jones, of Visalia; two sons, Rev. Marion Jones, Nazarene pastor at Springfield; and Edward, with the U.S. Army in Germany; two daughters, Mrs. Marie Martin and Mrs. Barbara Meyst. His entire family are saved and sanctified and working for God, members of the Church of the Nazarene. Funeral service was held at Visalia with Rev. Don W. Lammers officiating.

GEORGE LEWIS ZICKEFOOSE, age forty-eight, died instantly of a heart attack, April 28, 1958, while at work at Medford, Oregon. He was born January 28, 1910, at Keystone, Oklahoma. In 1929 he visited relatives in Colorado and for eight years made his home near Laveta, where he married Ethel George. In 1933 he and his wife were both converted when attending a Church of the Nazarene for the first time. In 1937 they moved to Oregon and began attending the Church of the Nazarene at Ashland, where he was a member at the time of his death. He was always in church with his family every time the doors opened. He had a ready testimony both at church and on the job. He is survived by his wife, Ethel; and five children, Charles, Lois, George, Joyce, and Nita. Funeral service was held at the church with Rev. R. W. Hurn, Medford pastor, in charge, his own pastor, Rev. R. W. Hohn, being ill at home. Interment was at Mountain View Cemetery at Ashland.

MRS. ELNORA McINTOSH, age seventy-six, died April 14 in a hospital in Hammond, Indiana. "Grandma Mac" first joined the Church of the Nazarene in Grand Rapids, Michigan, in 1911. She came with her husband to Hammond in 1918 and united with First Church. She played the organ in the brush arbor meeting that resulted in the organization of the Hammond Woodlawn Church, of which she was a charter member. After the death of her husband, George, she brought her letter to Maywood Church, where she was a faithful member until her death. Her last service in church was "Pioneer Sunday," March 23, and she was the oldest Nazarene present in years of service. Funeral service was held in the Maywood Church of the Nazarene, with the pastor, Rev. B. E. Spross, of-

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Lois M. Olson and Roy L. Harris, both of Winfield, Kansas, were united in marriage on August 22 in the Winfield Church of the Nazarene with the pastor, Rev. Ralph E. Shafer, officiating.

Miss Janice K. Lien of Wilmot, South Dakota, and Joseph E. Gillespie, Nazarene song evangelist of Auburn, Indiana, were united in marriage on August 16 at the Wilmot Community Methodist Church, with Rev. George M. Gillespie, father of the groom, officiating.

Miss Doris Muller and Mr. Amos Ewald, both students of Pasadena Nazarene College, in preparation for the mission field, were united in marriage on August 12 at the El Sereno Church of the Nazarene in Los Angeles, with the pastor, Rev. Wm. H. Flygare, officiating, assisted by the Reverend Mr. Ewald, the groom's father, from Canada.

Miss Nancy L. Amy and Mr. Merwin C. Carter, both of Reno, Nevada, were united in marriage on August 8 at Reno First Church of the Nazarene with the pastor, Dr. Milton Harrington, officiating.

Barbara Riggs of St. Paul, Minnesota, and Paul C. Smith of Brownsville, Texas, were united in marriage on August 7 in the New Brighton Community Church, New Brighton, Minnesota, with Rev. S. A. Smith, father of the groom, officiating.

BORN—to Mr. and Mrs. Merrick Gilroy of Dayton, Ohio, a son, Mark Kevin, on August 14.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Summerson of Cone-maugh, Pennsylvania, a daughter, Janet Louise, on August 11.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Finkbelner, Jr., of Nampa, Idaho, a daughter, Kim Elizabeth, on June 28.

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by a Christian lady in Michigan, very ill since February and suffering great pain at times, that God may undertake.

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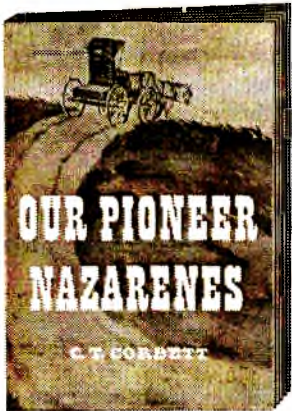
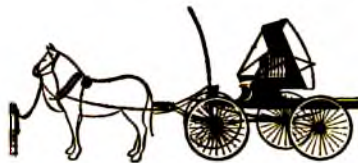
FRANK S. HULL of Walla Walla, Washington, died April 17, 1958. He was born February 17, 1882, in St. John, Washington, and came to the Walla Walla valley in 1909. He lived in Nampa, Idaho, for a number of years, attending First Church of the Nazarene, where he was a faithful worker. He was a member of First Church of the Nazarene in Walla Walla, and had been faithful to it for many years. He had been ill for some time, but left a glowing testimony of God's wonderful

grace. He is survived by his wife, Lettie Mae; one daughter, Mrs. Robert Bengert; three sons, Wallace, Harold, and Ivan; one sister, Mrs. John Taylor; and a brother, Gene Hull. Funeral service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. C. L. Rodda, with interment in the Walla Walla cemetery.

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