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The Strength of QUIETNESS

STILLNESS as a way to God developed into fanaticism in John Wesley's day and he rejected it. Actually some of the adherents of this form of mysticism refused to read and study the Bible and denied any need for the means of grace. Stillness was in fact an emotional approach to God that was as diversified as the number of persons involved. Wesley's religious common sense rejected this ladder as neither long enough nor strong enough for the soul of man. He believed that Christianity was a historic religion and that its revelation was clear in the Bible, and especially in the person of the Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

But the Bible itself places proper emphasis upon quietness as an expression of Christian faith, and this without denying any of the means of grace. Isaiah had pointed out, "In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength" (30: 15). Also the Psalmist recorded, "Be still, and know that I am God" (46:10). Peter, too, commended the inward adornment of "a meek and quiet spirit" and identified it as the Christian's true attraction. In our efforts to demonstrate the obedience of faith we sometimes forget the necessity for quiet confidence. We build up tensions when we are dismayed by God's seeming delays. But such tensions may in reality be nothing more than "compressed anxiety"; they are not born of faith. God does promise strength to those who will wait for Him. God is not satisfied with our lavish gifts; He wants the obedience of our hearts. He demands the humility of dependence and the patience that seeks His presence rather than the influence of His power.

> General Superintendent Young



"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength" (Isaiah 40:31). Only then may our hearts cry out with assurance, "Thou art near, O Lord" (Psalms 119:151).





A father's role as one who ventures into the crucibles of life is pointed out by Paul, "Be ye followers of me" (I Corinthians 4:16). Phillips translates, "Follow the footsteps of me your father." The New English Bible puts it, "Follow my example."

This advice, at first, may appear a bit egotistical. However, someone has observed that Paul could have given no other instruction. These Corinthians had no forefathers who were Christians! They had no record of the sayings and teachings of Christ! So Paul, being their trusted and true friend, was the logical one for them to follow.

Paul is placing himself—as each father must—in the place of responsibility. Produce or else! It is seldom that a father can say, "Follow my example." Usually it is, "Don't do as I do, but do as I say!"

Fathers, then, are responsible for instructing their children, not as tutors, but as those whose care and concern go beyond that. He must instruct with the entire life in view, not just some segment. He must instruct, knowing the child's entire future is his responsibility.

The areas of influence covered by a father's life are many. Mr. Thompson points out that boys in

A FATHER'S TASK

FATHERS are unique human beings. They come in all sizes, weights, and heights. Each has some distinct characteristics. All have some individual traits. But all fathers have something in common a lot of responsibility!

Fathers are responsible for many things—earning a living; providing the needs of a growing family; planning a future of opportunity and security. Father's responsibilities never end.

One responsibility, however, is often overlooked -or neglected! That of being an instructor!

In a timely book, Adventures in Parenthood, W. T. Thompson states in the Foreword: "... it is in the home that a child really learns to know God, and it is more important to hear his father and mother pray than it is to hear the minister" (p. 7). He goes on to state: "... a father has not just some responsibility for the family, but a significant responsibility."

Fathers must feel the deep needs and interests of their children. A capable instructor knows what instructions to give. Thompson speaks to fathers when he says: "... you must realize that your sons need you." This unique type of instructor gains credence when the father adventures in Christian living with his children. The father is faithful when he becomes involved in a father-son or fatherdaughter relationship which comes to grips with vital moral and spiritual problems. Fathers point the way in such adventures, becoming true instructors. By C. NEIL STRAIT Pastor, Carmi, Illinois

early years usually select their heroes from those whom they see the most and who most appeal to them. He concludes: ". . . the one man a boy has a chance to know well during these formative years is his father."

So a father's responsibility is clearly defined. Paul asks us so to live that we can say, "Follow my example." It takes the real essence of the Christian faith active within a man and controlling his life before he can say without reserve, "Follow my example."

"Be ye followers of me" is a challenge! Instruction of sons and daughters is a great privilege—but no little task! Each father needs divine assistance if he is to fulfill his task.

Let us tarry for instructions from our Heavenly Father, that we might become capable earthly fathers.

A perpetual war rages in the world, and has raged since the first sin. That war is the eternal conflict between good and evil, between right and wrong, between holiness and sin, between a holy God and a sinful humanity. All of us are fighting in this warfare on one side or the other. We are either on God's side or on the devil's side. There can be no middle ground.—Selected.



IT SEEMS REASONABLE to think that a good man will automatically be a good father. We would say that, if a man is intrinsically good, such will assure his success as a father. Much more so if he is a great man!

Perhaps my acceptance of such an idea was what caused me to react to some examples in the Bible which contradict it—examples which show that a good man can be a bad father. I am thinking of

The Cover . . .

The beautiful and imposing state capitol of South Carolina is located in Columbia, the largest city of the state. The building dates from before the Civil War, and still bears scars from the ammunition used by General Sherman's army. There are 6 Nazarene churches in the Columbia area, and a total of 48 on the district. District membership is 3,448, with 7,304 enrolled in Sunday school. Total giving last year was \$416,338. Dr. Otto Stucki is the district superintendent.

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Eli was a godly priest. God had chosen his household to serve Him "for ever." He was given the task of raising young Samuel. But "the sons of Eli were the sons of Belial; they knew not the Lord" (1 Samuel 2:12).

Of course *Eli* cannot be blamed entirely for the wickedness of his sons, but the Bible does not absolve him. God said: "I will judge his house for ever for the iniquity which he knoweth; because his sons made themselves vile, and he restrained them not" (3:13). The judgment inflicted by God upon the sons and their father was great indeed.

One would say that *Samuel*, having witnessed all of this, would give special attention to guiding his children. However we read: "And his sons walked not in his ways, but turned aside after lucre, and took bribes, and perverted judgment. Then all the elders of Israel gathered themselves together, and came to Samuel . . . and said unto him, Behold, thou art old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways" (I Samuel 8:3-5).

Finally, *David* failed also in the same important matter. It looks as though, in the family of the singer of Israel, the children did pretty much as they wished. The history of his family could not have been more tragic.

Of David's relations with one of his sons, the Bible declares: "And his father had not displeased him at any time in saying, Why hast thou done so?" (I Kings 1:6) The Goodspeed version makes it clear that David never restrained the proud Adonijah. Here is a fault which all of us fathers will do well to try to avoid. Absalom would have killed his father to steal the throne. As a father, David was a failure.

So three times, in quick succession, great and godly servants of the Lord failed in this vital relationship and task. A *priest*, the founder of the school of the *prophets*, and the *king*-psalmist: all great men, but poor fathers!

Of course, a bad man will be a bad father. His children will be influenced by his life *even if he does not want it.* The corrupt tree cannot bear good fruit. But what has impressed me anew is that a man can be a good man, even a godly man-and yet a poor father.

The conclusions are clear and cutting. Godliness is essential, but not enough, to be a good father. Nor does it suffice to have good intentions. Obviously this is a task which demands all our attention, our dedication and continuous effort. Here is something which will make it necessary for us to go often for wisdom to Him who gives it "liberally, and upbraideth not." This is something for us to pray about daily. It is something that will make a claim on our time, our affections, and our energies, if we want to do our task well.

What it means to be a good father is a matter for another article and a more experienced writer. Compelled by four reasons—four reasons from six to sixteen years of age—to be the best father that I can be, I simply want here to remind us that, besides being good men and good Christians, we must work at the task of being good fathers, with all that this may require and imply in each of our cases. It will be most difficult to win our children to Christ if we fail here.

Do we need good fathers? you ask. Religious, educational, and social leaders agree that there is hardly a more pressing need in our society. Much is said about the impact of a good mother, and properly so; but, Father, do not fail to see that your children need a good father just as much.

Among the many assignments for my life there are few that move my heart so deeply as this one. I want to be a good Christian, a good man, a good servant of God. But also, by His help, I want to be a good father.

Sacrifices, but Not Burdens

By LELAND D. WATKINS, Pastor, Leavenworth, Kansas

MY SECOND OLDEST, age four, is not quite clear yet on the full meaning of love. She has the idea that to love me she must have both arms around my neck. She doesn't seem to realize yet that she can love me from across town, or even from across the room.

I appreciate the hug and look forward to it, but I wonder if she realizes that there is a love deeper than outward affection. I don't doubt that she loves me down inside; she just hasn't separated the inner and the outer loves yet. They are both natural to her now. As she grows older her desire to express her love for me outwardly will change.

The question comes, "How about her inner love for me--will it change?" The answer comes back, "That depends on you, Dad! That depends on your trust and confidence, understanding and concern, patience and sacrifice. That depends on the love that you are able to build up inside her heart. If there is inner love there, it will be no burden for her to love you and to show it always."

Real love knows no burden. It is no burden to do something nice or even to sacrifice time and money and pleasure for someone we love deeply. We parents sacrifice sleep willingly and without hesitation when our little loved ones are fevered and breathing heavily. Men who love deeply work hard to supply the needs of their families—and do it willingly. Real love knows no burdens. Real love —inside love—brings real outward love. This is the perfect way to love.

Christ has built His kingdom on love—inner love that knows no burdens, inner love that expresses itself cutwardly. Jesus said, "If ye love me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15), or a better translation, "If ye love me, ye will keep my commandments."

Are there two ways to love Christ? No, there is only one way, but some try to get by with outward love only. These go to church once in a while and give a few dollars occasionally, and sing "Oh, How I Love Jesus!" But down inside it is a burden to go faithfully, to give faithfully, to sacrifice very much, to quit sin completely. These have lots of excuses, but the real reason is that they do not have the inner love that makes sacrifice a source of joy.

Is it because Christ doesn't deserve our love? Has He not done much for us? Are Christ and the church trying to exploit us and make life hard?

Christ has loved us with a never-dying love. His perfect, inner love sent Him to this old world of sin. It was not a burden for Him to come and give His life for us. He said, "The cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it?" (John 18:11) He loved deeply and sincerely and perfectly. He loved enough to give himself that we might be saved. The thorns pierced His brow, but He loved that much. The nails hurt but they were not burdensome. He loved us too much to let them be a burden. He was willing to die for us.

Love makes the difference. Real inner love makes burdens no burden at all. Have we responded to that perfect love with perfect love? This doesn't mean by saying, "I love Jesus." It means loving Him so sincerely that He has first place in our lives; above our wishes, above our wants, above our excuses.

Do we love until outward sacrifices are made cheerfully and willingly? It hurts a person to give who really doesn't love. It hurts a person *not* to give who really loves.

This inner love is called "perfect love." It is love that puts Christ first, others second, and self last. My four-year-old doesn't understand all about perfect love yet. I'm asking God to help me to teach her and show her. If my sacrifice for and love to her are right, I believe they will help me in teaching her about perfect love to God—love without burdens or sacrifices-love in response to His love.

Love makes being a Christian a joy rather than a burden. If we love Christ from a sanctified heart, His command to us may mean sacrifice-but not burden.





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A SERIOUS ITEM of research data needed for successful orbital shots is the information used in calculating the risks involved in bringing that capsule, payload, and astronaut back into earth's atmosphere. None of the space flights that so many have witnessed would have been tried had the scientists not had proper assurance that the capsule and passenger could get back safely.

There are many problems involved that one may not even think about at first. The problem of deceleration must be considered. Friction heat must be controlled. There are "G-force" changes, ability to change course, reversing the capsule, proper materials in the physical makeup of the capsule, and a

To Restore My Soul

When I am tired all the rest I need Is just to sit with God a quiet hour. When I am weary of the world, its greed And all its vainful striving after power, Or worn and sick of all the petty things That stunt men's lives and fill their hearts with fears,

I simply need to feel God near to me And I am lifted to the singing spheres!

By ENOLA CHAMBERLIN

thousand other things that could mean the difference between success or failure.

The world today is witnessing another orbit. It is called the vicious cycle of sin. Satan manipulated the shot thousands of years ago, and the world is still feeling the reverberations from it.

One does not have to be born again to sense that the world as we know it is accelerating at such a pace that the minds of men will not long be able to keep things in balance. As in the manned capsule, so in God's creature there is a device which could destroy everything. With man it is called choice. Man has the free moral agency to choose right or wrong. He has done such a bad job of it spiritually that he is about to destroy himself and his fellowman.

God has been calling man back into His field of gravity for thousands of years. Through His spokesmen down through the ages He has called for specific steps to bring about a genuine reentry back into His atmosphere. But certain precautions must be taken. Certain things must be clearly understood.

First, man must decide to reenter God's grasp of gravity upon his soul. Without a decisive maneuver, many of our satellite rockets would remain in the same orbit indefinitely. So it is with man.

Second, man must put action to his decision. He must activate himself to make a complete aboutface. Instead of heading further out into outer darkness, he must program himself for coming back into the atmosphere of light.

Third, the soul of man must be prepared for the violence of reentry. Satan applies heat and pressure upon the soul the closer man gets to God. The actual experience of regeneration is not only vital; it is radical.

Those who subscribe to the idea that every day in every way we get better and better have not experienced this real experience of being transformed, saved, born again.

The heat shield is the shield of faith. If America is going to experience a genuine revival, all thoughts of it coming in a subtle and soothing way must be cast away. It will have to be church-shaking, home-shaking, job-shaking. It must give the whole nation a jolt it has not felt in a long time.

Our good country is going to have to come to an abrupt halt on its present course, and begin the process of entering back into the realm of God's atmosphere, where men are once again guided by an almighty Creator instead of the consensus of opinion or the circumstances as they see them.

The call for repentance is today as it always has been: "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land" (II Chronicles 7:14).

Don't Burst the Bag!



By MILO L. ARNOLD Richland, Washington

What a big problem for such a small boy! There he was along a busy sidewalk with a whole order of groceries and the big s h o p p i n g bag had ripped open. He stood bewildered amid oranges and onions, lettuce and l e m o n s. There were numerous cans of Gerbers and Campbells and other oddments of family needs.

Not one of them was heavy and none alone would have been a problem, but all of them put together, or rather coming apart, on the way home was a problem indeed. If he left them and went back for another sack they would become free pickings for both poachers and pooches. If he tried to gather them up he could not possibly hold them all at one time. If he stood there to watch them he would never get home.

As I stopped to give assistance I could not but marvel at the poise of the small boy whose mother had been so justified in trusting him to do her shopping. He was worthy of confidence, but he was placed in an impossible situation. The best shopper in the world is in trouble if the shopping bag comes apart on the way home.

Since so few people carry groceries farther than to the car it would be foolish for merchants to worry about providing bags which would not tear. The merchant's job is to provide the merchandise and it is the shopper's responsibility to get home with it.

As I went on, however, I got to wondering how many people got home from church with their week's supply of gospel truths, uplifting experiences, great hymns, and new lessons. I guess that as a minister I, too, am a sort of store manager.

The church is the most important supermarket the people visit all week. They don't just come and order carrots and condiments, but they do come for the things essential to abundant living. At the church we try to load them down with all the needed blessings. I wonder how many of them spill these things because the bag tears before they are in the kitchen. I have a feeling that sometimes they don't get home with all they get at church.

I'm afraid that some folks go hungry all week because they lost their Sunday supplies before they were able to get far. One good lady had enjoyed the Sunday experiences so much that she was simply brimming with blessing as she started toward the door after the evening hour in the sanctuary. However, just inside the door a good friend called her aside and told her some unkind thing another person had said about her and right there she spilled the whole load of blessings and went home to be hungry all week.

One fine family had enjoyed the lovely experience of worship together and had gone home to their Sunday dinner. However, at the dinner table one of them said an unkind word, then another made an unkind reply, and in no time the bag of blessings had hopelessly spilled its contents. That day would be utterly lost so far as helping the people meet the week was concerned.

Three couples had gone to church and each person left the sanctuary in possession of a rich experience of devotion. They decided to spend the day together, which was fine. But in the course of the day they become so raucous, so loud, and so coarse in their enjoyment of themselves that the day was soon bereft of all its spiritual uplift for them. They had each received plenty of blessings, but they'd spilled their groceries.

A good layman in the church received a real lift from the morning worship hour but after dinner he sat down to worry about his work for the next week. After spending the afternoon mulling over his problems and deciding how to do the work of the week he came to the end of the day without having experienced any real Sabbath experience. He'd spilled his groceries.

A couple of Christian teen-agers enjoyed a very pleasant date in attending church on Sunday evening and were really blessed by their acts of worship and devotion together. They were well prepared for another week amid the rigorous demands of the public school. But that night they thoughtlessly stayed out later than they should have and their parents became worried, then unhappy about it. After the young people had each gotten a rebuke from their parents they felt both guilty and hurt. Little trace was left of their fine spiritual adventure.

Yes, I've seen a lot of people who spilled their spiritual groceries on the way home and were never able to sack them up again. They could not go back for more, they could not gather up that which they had lost, and they could neither eat them on the spot nor sit there and cry about it.

What a pity that they had not been more careful of the bag! Some people go hungry almost every week although they receive many blessings every Sunday. They just are not careful enough on the way home.



"SHOWERS OF BLESSING," the radio voice of the Church of the Nazarene, had its beginning June 17, 1945. For twenty years this faithful witness has gone forward, bringing cheer to thousands of shut-ins, encouragement to millions of Christians, and spiritual life to countless needy souls. It has tied many missionaries to the homeland, and rendered invaluable service to those beginning a new work in various parts of the world.

The radio work was authorized by the General Assembly of 1944, and in the spring of 1945 Dr. T. W. Willingham was selected as its executive director. One of the general superintendents, commenting on this move, said, "We consider that we have given Dr. Willingham the hardest job in Kansas City." However, the difficult task became a joy under the leadership of the Lord.

Mr. S. N. Whitcanack was selected as the office manager, and Mr. Ray Moore as the director of

music. Mr. Moore has done outstanding work as director, arranger, and soloist on both "Showers of Blessing" and "La Hora Nazarena." Much of the appeal of the program has been due to the variety of excellent music that has characterized each broadcast.

Although there have been more than fifty different speakers on "Showers of Blessing," Dr. Russell V. DeLong has been the principal one, having delivered 773 radio messages. His dynamic, forceful sermons have challenged the minds and hearts of millions across the continent and around the world.

From a beginning on thirty-seven stations, "Showers of Blessing" has grown until now it is heard regularly on more than five hundred stations, seventy-eight of which are in overseas areas.

Soon after "Showers of Blessing" became well established, Dr. Willingham felt the need of a Spanish language broadcast to serve our friends to the south. The challenge was ringing also in the soul of Dr. H. T. Reza, editor of Spanish publications. Then Mrs. Louise Chapman, Miss Mary Scott, and the General N.W.M.S. Council got it on their hearts.

After much prayer, a combined effort was launched with the N.W.M.S. furnishing the finances through a special July offering each year, Dr. Reza doing the speaking as well as coaching the English singers in the Spanish, and the Nazarene Radio League producing and supplying the

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programs. In June, 1953, "La Hora Nazarena" was on the air on twelve stations.

The growth of this broadcast has been phenomenal, until at the present time "La Hora Nazarena" blankets the Latin-American world, being aired





regularly each week on 270 stations, including 64 in Mexico and 16 in Ecuador.

The seven largest cities in Mexico have it scheduled each week. It is reported to be the largest **Protestant**. Spanish language, religious broadcast in the world.

Dr. H. T. Reza has been the only speaker on "La Hora Nazarena," and his voice is recognized by radio men throughout Latin America; his influence has done much to contribute to the outstanding success of this broadcast.

One special project has contributed greatly to the success of both of the broadcasts. Each year thousands of radio stations that do not regularly air our programs are contacted by letter, offering to them as public service features our two Palm Sunday and Easter programs. The response has been increasingly overwhelming, until this year on those two days we were able to minister to millions through approximately eighteen hundred radio stations.

As a result of this contact, we add a number of regular stations each year, so that now more than three hundred carry "Showers of Blessing," and over a hundred fifty carry "La Hora Nazarena" as a public service each week.

The Nazarene Radio League staff has worked





together as a unit. Dr. T. W. Willingham, S. N. Whitcanack, and Ray Moore have been together for the full twenty years; Miss Clara Rogers has worked with us as secretary for fourteen years, and Thomas Jackson, engineer, for ten years.

The choirs are composed of Kansas City Nazarenes, seminarians, and Headquarters employees, most of them having been trained in our own colleges.

With a new executive director due to the retirement of Dr. Willingham, and with Ray Moore leaving to accept a position on the music staff of Olivet Nazarene College, the radio office will have a new look.

Few men have touched the lives of people more deeply than T. W. Willingham. His attention and

MUSTS for the Christian Family

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THERE ARE seven areas in family life every parent should guard with jealous and vigilant care. Much of the spiritual life and evangelistic thrust of the next generation of the church is being developed now. The family is the crucial battleground that will produce the brilliant, courageous saints or possibly a group of fruitless cynics. For this reason, if no other, do not allow the enemy to rob your home of these seven basics of spiritual life and training.

The *Bible* is easily the prime consideration of the Christian home. The Supreme Court's decision should cause us to emphasize the worth of the Scriptures daily. Assist the children in Bible study; answer their questions from a personal Bible study. Encourage a personal, devotional Bible reading time for all members of the family. Much could be said, but God is counting on parents to make the Bible vital to their children.

The telephone, social engagements, and television have gone a long way toward evicting the *Family Altar*. Yet it is through this family worship time that Christ is given opportunity to share in all

energies have been given to the things that matter most.

I have labored by his side for thirty years, and in all the stresses and strains of a college president, district superintendent, the launching of the radio work, handling Court of Appeal cases, setting up long-range financial policies for the church, and the occasional misunderstandings that follow a wholly dedicated individual, I have yet to see him take an unchristian or uncharitable attitude toward anything or anyone. He is a living example of a "second-mile" Christian.

Although Dr. Willingham has retired from the Nazarene Radio League after twenty years as executive director, he continues his zealous pace of declaring a living Christ to a needy world.

facets of the family life. Here the children can learn to pray in an expanding spiritual horizon.

Know Each Other! The lines of communication can easily get blocked in a fast-moving world. Christian love generated within the home can usually solve most problems, provided parents and children take the time to know each other's likes, dislikes, problems, and strengths. Just know each other!

Now is also the time for *Values*. Take time to see the clash between the relative license of our day and the sure values of the Christian faith. Discuss within the family circle the true reason for our values that call for honesty and integrity in every area of living. Use the Bible, the family altar, and "knowing each other" to impart the basis of the Christian values. Instead of a "We don't do this," give the children Christ's approach, "God, our Father, says in the Word . . ." Show that the authority for values is from God and must never be a product of man's creation.

This naturally leads the family into a Disciplined Life. Anyone who understands values knows that discipline must follow. Parents must love enough to escape the current sentimental attachment to children and assume the "tough" task of keeping the guidelines for the "game of life" in a proper focus. More time should be spent on this than adjusting the camera lens, the fishing tackle, or any other recreational activity that might bring a family together. All children want and need to know the guidelines for their home.

Simple Grace at Meals becomes a vital awareness of God's involvement in the totality of a person's life. Don't take this lightly.

The *Lord's Day* is fast becoming a holiday. Capture it for the spiritual and physical day of rest. Help the children to know that the day was made for man. God knew man's capacity and has given this glorious day to meet basic needs.

All of these Christian concerns can and will keep the faith vital in your home. Fathers, take your rightful place; get and keep these seven Christian virtues of the home as God's directives.



Guest Editorial: "... Your Old Men Shall Dream Dreams"

By T. W. WILLINGHAM

Perhaps the most popular conception of an old man dreaming is that of a feeble octogenarian sitting in a padded rocking chair on his front porch, with his cane leaning against his knee and a sleeping dog lying on the floor at his feet, while his flickering memory retraces the joyous moments of the days long gone.

Another conception of the old dreamer may be that of the frequent speaker at midweek prayer meetings, recounting the glories of the "better days" when life was really worth the living and the church was ablaze with glory.

Such old men have made for their kind the reputation of living in the past, with dreams of things that have already been achieved and with no thoughts of glories yet unborn and of songs yet unsung.

Such dreamers are neither biblical nor Pentecostal. Let us turn to the records for the proof.

There are more than twenty recorded dreams in the Bible, but few of them spoke of the present. Most of them depicted the future, while none of them was related to the past.

The old man dreaming of the days gone by needs a Pentecostal revision; he should be turned from the dead to the yet unborn. God-inspired dreams were for guidance for the days ahead, and for the unfolding of history yet unmade.

To Jacob the dream was a revelation of divine assistance and future prosperity.

To Joseph his dreams were the unfolding of a role divinely designed to save a nation in time of famine and to fulfill the promises made to Abraham in the long ago.

To the butler and the baker their dreams marked the course of upcoming events in their lives, while Pharaoh's dreams were revelations of coming years of famine.

The dreams of Solomon spoke not of the glories of the long and illustrious reign of his father, but of the unprecedented wisdom, riches, and grandeur that would characterize his own future reign.

The dreams of both Nebuchadnezzar and Daniel were the unfolding of scrolls of world history yet unwritten, and the revelation of divine judgments yet to come. In their dreams Joseph was given instructions concerning the Christ Child-the wise men were saved from Herod's trap-and Pilate's wife was given warning of her husband's contemplated sin.

The record is clear; the evidence is conclusive. Biblical dreams were of the future and not of the past.

Perhaps I am inheriting the Pentecostal promise: "... your old men shall dream dreams" (Acts 2:17). If age seventy-two marks one as old, then I claim the privilege of dreaming; in fact, I have done some serious dreaming and this is the subject of my dreams:

"O God, thou hast taught me from my youth: and hitherto have I declared thy wondrous works.

"Now also when I am old and greyheaded, O God, forsake me not; until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to every one that is to come" (Psalms 71:17-18).

Our generation desperately needs a manifestation of the power of God, and it is my earnest prayer that it may come in any manner of the divine choosing—by preaching of the gospel, by healing of the sick, by casting out devils, by raising the dead, or by the martyrdom of His saints. God has employed each and all of these methods in advancing His kingdom in the past. May His kingdom be advanced in any way and at any cost in our day and generation.

Join me in this prayerful dream of the future, and labor toward its realization.

The Travail of These Times

Turmoil and travail are the trademarks of our times. We live in days of accelerating change, not all of it for the better. The old gives way to the new, and the new in its turn yields place to the newer still.

All around the world the struggle is going on. It is defined by different observers in different ways. Some see it as a struggle of the "have-nots" against the "haves." Others describe it in terms of political power structures. Everywhere there is a ferment and humanity resembles nothing more than a boiling, seething cauldron of discontent.

Part of our problem is economic. The doors of opportunity have been closed to too many for too long. In Edwin Markham's sober lines:

"Two things," said Kant, "fill me with breathless awe:

The starry heaven and the moral law!"

But I know a thing more awful and obscure— The long, long patience of the plundered poor.

Yet the real issue is not financial. Edward Rogers tells of his early ministry in a dockland area of high unemployment during the great depression in England. Much of his time, he says, was spent trying to help youngsters who had got into scrapes because they had no money.

Thirty years later, Mr. Rogers went back for an anniversary service. The young minister then serving the church told him that he spent much of his time trying to help youngsters who landed in trouble because they had too much money.

Mr. Rogers observes, "One of the wholly unexpected consequences of prosperity is that prisoners are sleeping three in a cell. There are too many of them today for the available accommodation."

We had assumed that poverty was the chief source of crime and delinquency. But with less poverty and more crime we now know that the question is not, "What do you possess or not possess?" but, "What possesses you?"

Ill fares the land to hastening ills a prey, Where wealth accumulates, and men decay.

THE TRAVAIL OF OUR TIMES goes deeper than poverty, racial tension, delinquency, or the threat of war. It is part of the deep human predicament brought about by man's estrangement from God.

Much of the warping of modern life comes from the lack of any sense of meaning. As one woman put it, "I feel like a column of figures that needs totalling. There should be something that will sum things up, bring the various strands of life together. I don't have that."

Science has only heightened the dilemma by placing in our hands powers greater than we have the wisdom to control. Shakespeare could say of man, "How like a god!" Since Pavlov, we are more tempted to say, "How like a dog!"

Judge Luther Youngdahl, in a public address in Chicago, is reported to have said, "The real issue is not whether one will get to the moon to beat any other nation, but will we get to the earth to save man from destruction?

"Our problem has not changed with the coming of the space age. Though man should be successful in launching a bridgehead on the moon, or in finding possible living conditions on other planets, or perhaps in projecting a rocket into space with space pioneers ready to establish families and communities far beyond our earth in another solar system, our problem remains essentially the same these courageous pioneers would have the same

The trouble with this generation is that it hasn't read the minutes of the last meeting.

characteristics of human nature as those of the people they left behind. Our problem would still be man himself."

What is a Christian to do and think in times of crisis? He has at least three choices. He may attempt withdrawal from the conflict, he may take sides with the old or the new, or he may try to express a redemptive concern and witness to a Power and Wisdom big enough to save a society staggering on the brink of chaos.

Many have taken the way of withdrawal. Their attitude has been, "Stop the world, I want to get off." But the world won't stop, and death is the only exit.

Others have taken sides—some with the new, more with the old—and have thought to win the Lord's war with the devil's weapons. Again, the result has been futility.

THERE IS A THIRD POSSIBILITY. It is the bringing in of the catalyst of the gospel. The only power that transforms human life for the better is the good news of Christ which is the power of God to salvation to everyone who believes.

There is a note of optimism in this somber title, "The Travail of These Times." Travail stands for the birth pangs of a new life. The sorrows of the present are more than the death rattle of a dying world. They hold the promise of an eternal order.

Viewing it from the other side, Paul compared the coming of Christ with travail. And Jesus spoke of the distress of nations with perplexity, and men's hearts failing them for fear, preceding His return to earth. "When these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh" (Luke 21:28).

In the words of Helmut Thielicke, "Christians can always face the future with confidence. . . . They know no more than others what will come. But they do know who will come. . . . He who possesses the last hour no longer needs to fear the next minute."

What we need in our day is a revival of the Christian's hope. The New Testament is full of it. Of the 27 books in the New Testament, all but 4 refer to the return of Christ. Fifty times or more we are told to live in readiness for that day. There are in all 318 references in the New Testament to the Second Coming.

As James Stewart points out, the early Christians said that, "if Easter was the culmination of the first Advent, it was also the guarantee of the second. Knowing that the Kingdom had appeared in time and that Christ was reigning now, they turned to face the future with a new intensity of hope, a hope as certain as the promises of God."

As has so often been said, crisis means both danger and opportunity. May God help us in the agony, blindness, and passion of these times to bear witness to the reason of the hope that is in us.

THE CHURCH AT WORK

EVANGELISM EDWARD LAWLOR. Secretary

This Business of WITNESSING!

When he heard about the "Dav of Unforgettable Witness." he asked. "Can we really afford to be serious about this business of witnessing?" A bornagain Christian must witness to the joyful difference the Lord Jesus Christ makes in his life -for if Christianity is all that we say it is, then



we are bound to propagate it. In a strange way, we are His witnesses, positive or negative; but witnesses just the same! And if the Church of the Nazarene is to take her evangelistic task seriously, each member and friend of the church must daily face an extensive reexamination of what it means to witness in our contemporary world. Everywhere there are men and women for whom life is meaningless, without purpose. They are bewildered and confused by the daily pressures. If our faith is that Jesus Christ brings pardon for sin, rest for the spirit, relaxation for the mind, and a deep sense of inner security for the individual, then we must be really serious about our witnessing.

The story of redemption provided by Jesus Christ should become headline news in every community; but instead, as someone has said, "It is the best kept secret in the world." People can learn to know Jesus Christ only as they meet Him through us, through our witness. The most distinctive thing of the New Testament Church was that they took their daily witness seriously. We are not only to be worshiping Christians, church-working Christians, but we are to be witnessing Christians.



So the question that the man asked is pertinent. "Can we really afford to be serious about this business of witnessing?" The answer is, "Yes! We who are Christ's have everything to gain by our witnessing!" Let it not be ONLYONE DAY of UNFORGETTABLE WITNESS-BUT A LIFE!

Evangelistic Honor Roll

Evangelistic Honor Roll Certificates were awarded to the following pastors whose churches received the required number of new Nazarene members.

IDAHO-OREGON: Melza H. Brown, Boise Euclid-Floyd Cummings, Boise Hillview-M. M. Matlock, Caldwell First -Leonard M. Gallivan, Elgin-Robert O. Jackson, Emmett-Earl G. Lee, Nampa First-Eugene D. Castle, Pavette.

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PHILADELPHIA: Robert M. Ingland, Jr., Allentown-C. Newton Monnett, Bristol-Claude W. Diehl, Jr., Egg Harbor-Paul E. Kauffman, Harrisburg Bethany-Fred D. Pick, Mifflinburg-Stewart B. Fretz, Pennsburg-Ralph J. Ferrioli, Port Elizabeth.

WASHINGTON: Neil E. Hightower, College Park-Nevin Crouse, Easton-Arthur Evans, Jr., Frostburg-John M. Gardner, New Cumberland-Charles A. Kohr, New Freedom-Gilford E. Faile, Petersburg-J. H. Chappell, St. Clairsville-John I. Parry, Salisbury-Norman V. Rickey, Washington Faith.



GENERAL INTERESTS Nazarene Theological Seminary

With the conferring of the Bachelor of Divinity on thirty students on Tucsday evening, May 18, Nazarene Theological Seminary concluded its twentieth year of service to the Church of the Nazarene. Dr. Willis Snowbarger, executive secretary elect of the Department of Education for the denomination, delivered the commencement address to a large audience gathered at First Church. He discussed the general theme, "A Christian World View."

On Sunday afternoon, May 16, President Lewis T. Corlett preached his thirteenth baccalaureate sermon, with special reference to our Lord's prayer for His disciples (John 17). Sunday evening, graduating senior Alden Aikens, a native of Canada and graduate of Canadian Nazarene College, delivered the annual Mabes Award sermon.

The annual Seminary banquet, held on Monday evening, May 17, featured music by Professor Paul Orjala and Paul McNutt, and an address by Dr. T. E. Martin, pastor of First Church. Nashville, Tennessee.

Including the 1965 class, more than eight hundred men and women have been graduated from Nazarene Theological Seminary during the twenty years of its existence. These graduates are faithfully serving Christ in many areas around the world—in schools, hospitals, pastorates, administrative posts, and fulltime evangelism.—WILLARD H. TAYLOR, *Reporter*.

DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

Uruguay District Assembly

Under the direction of Superintendent Jack Armstrong, our third annual district assembly was brought to a successful close with reports of progress in every department.

The Sunday schools reported a 5 percent increase over last year, with an average weekly attendance of 341. One Sunday school reached an average of 105 for one month during the year, for the first time in the history of our work in Uruguay.

BIBLE COLLEGE OFFERING

September 12, 1965 ONE REASON for the unusual growth of the Church of the Nazarene is that our leaders are quick to see the needs in advance; and our people are faithful to meet these needs as they arise. On September 12 there will be a church-wide offering taken for the purpose of starting a Nazarene Bible College. The goal of \$200,000 will be oversubscribed as we all do what we feel the Lord would have us to do.

DEAN BALDWIN Member, Board of Control

The missionary society reported we are a "10 percent" district again this year, having given 10 percent of all monies for the cause of world evangelism.

The evening services were dedicated to evangelism, with Rev. Jose DiPietro of Argentina preaching. God rewarded this faithful servant with souls seeking Him at the close of each service.

We praise God for the progress made, but feel so much the need of the prayers of God's people during these days. Pray that God will send us a revival, especially among the young people of Uruguay.--MIMA HUGHES, *Reporter*.

Philadelphia District Assembly

The eighth annual assembly of the Philadelphia District concluded in Allentown, Pennsylvania, on May 13, with a gracious ordination service, Kenneth T. Keim receiving elder's orders.

District Superintendent James E. Hunton serving on the second year of extended call. The people joyously expressed love, loyalty, and deep respect through a love offering of \$2,285 in cash and pledges to send Mr. and Mrs. Hunton to Africa for a visit with their missionary son, J. Hunton, and family.

Past year marked by gains in all departments; \$895,980 raised for all purposes—becoming "10 percent" missionary district for the first time; 440 members received: Sunday school enrollment net gain of 800.

Rev. A. C. McKenzie, Rev. Boyd M. Long, Russell S. Cannell, and Edgar G. Hellinger reelected to Advisory Board.





Rev. U. B. Godman, pastor of the Plymouth, Michigan, Church of the Nazarene, presents a check representing the 1965 Easter offering of the church to Missionary President Mrs. Dean Hamlin and Vice-president Mrs. Dale Welton. The offering was the highest in the history of the church, and the highest on the Eastern Michigan District. With a goal of \$3,000, \$4,580 was received.

Assembly moved with harmony and efficiency under direction of Dr. V. H. Lewis, general superintendent. Spirit of optimism, born of faith inspired by past gains at moving of the Holy Spirit, in evidence.—CARLTON P. GLEASON, *Reporter* (telegram).

Arizona District Assembly

The forty-fourth Arizona District Assembly convened May 20 at Tucson First Church with Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

Dr. M. L. Mann, district superintendent, reported good gains: membership 4,037; over \$50,000 General Budget; 13 churches "10 percent" for missions; 15 churches on "Evangelistic Honor Roll"; received 327 members on profession of faith. Challenge of the new year enthusiastically accepted. Mrs. M. L. Mann unanimously elected

Mrs. M. L. Mann unanimously elected the previous day as N.W.M.S. president. Pastors and laymen stand united in

Pastors and laymen stand united in Arizona "in the power of the Spirit." -W. J. YOUNG, JR., *Reporter* (telegram).

New Church Organizations Reported

Gardendale, Alabama, April 25, 1965. Rev. Calvin Privett, pastor.-Reeford L. Chaney, district superintendent.

DeMotte, Indiana, May 25, 1965. Rev. C. R. Meyer, pastor.—George Scutt, district superintendent.

THE LOCAL CHURCHES

After serving as pastor of the Sciotoville Church, Portsmouth, Ohio, for almost fifteen years, Rev. Gordon B. Maywood has resigned to accept a call to First Church in Newark, Ohio. Both churches are on the Central Ohio District. Leverett Brothers, evangelists, write: "We are happy in our work, the Lord is blessing our efforts, and we appreciate the kindness and courtesy of our pastors and people. We shall be happy to go to any church, large or small, for any length of time (weekend, or full ten days) for freewill offering and entertainment. Write us, Route 4, Lamar, Missouri."

BENTON HARBOR. MICHIGAN-We have found a wonderful group of people to serve since coming here last December. On Easter Sunday we set a new record attendance. Also, on that day we closed a good revival with Evangelists Paul and Helen Mayfield. Their preaching and singing was a spiritual feast, with thirtyfour seekers at the altar. Recently, the pastor's salary was increased fifteen dollars per week. It is a joy to be on the Michigan District and work with Dr. Fred J. Hawk, superintendent.-W. E. ROTHMAN, Pastor.

NORTH MIDDLETOWN, KENTUCKY-Our church recently experienced one of the best revivals in several years with Evangelists Connie and Ralph Swisher as special workers. There was a wonderful spirit in the services, and the Lord gave us twenty-five seekers. We give God praise for these good victories.-Jesse SIMS, Pastor.

The first Nazarene Indoor Camp was held May 3 to 9, in Broadway Church, Louisville, Kentucky, sponsored by the fifteen Nazarene churches on the Louisville Zone. Rev. J. C. Wallace was host pastor, and Rev. Dallas Baggett. district superintendent, served as platform manager. The special workers were Dr. Edward Lawlor and Brother James Bohi. God wonderfully blessed and used the

Part of the damage done to the Kokomo, Indiana, Forest Lawn Church of the Nazarene by the Palm Sunday tornado. Miraculously, none of the people present in the evening service when the tornado struck were injured seriously. Services are being held in a tent provided by Frankfort, Indiana, First Church. Rev. Oscar H. Sheets is pastor of the Forest Lawn congregation. dynamic ministry of Dr. Lawlor, and the inspiring singing of Brother Bohi. The people of the zone were drawn closer to God and each other, and in response to the gospel messages and the moving of the Holy Spirit, souls prayed through to God.—Reporter.

Evangelist W. B. Walker reports: "I have recently conducted revival meetings with Pastor Loy Watson and our First Church. Springfield. Missouri; at Bethel, Ohio, with Pastor Dwight Bennett; at the Upper Sandusky church with Pastor C. E. Haar; and at South Side Church. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, with Pastor M. L. Turbyfill. In all of these meetings the Lord gave gracious



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Field superintendents, missionaries, and national pastors and their wives gathered with Dr. and Mrs. Edward Lawlor for a five-day Conference on Evangelism held at the Queenstown, British Guiana, Church of the Nazarene. Participating districts were Barbados, Trinidad, and British Guiana. Field Superintendent David Browning and the Nazarenes of British Guiana provided gracious hospitality as hosts of the Conference.

victory, and pastors and people stood by in every way. At Springfield, eighteen prayed through on the last day, and in Oklahoma City, God gave more than one hundred seekers. These pastors are all excellent workers."

Rev. Elmer H. Stahly writes, "After pastoring the church at Petersburg, Texas, for the past five years, we are moving to the Grassland Church, Tahoka, Texas. Both churches are on the Abilene District."

LITHOPOLIS, OHIO—Our church enjoyed a wonderful revival in May with Evangelist E. J. Hundley. He preaches with the anointing of the Holy Spirit and his messages stirred our people. We greatly appreciated his work with us. God gave seekers at the altar from the first night, with backsliders reclaimed, some converted, and others sanctified. Local members cared for the congregational and special singing, and a gracious spirit prevailed throughout the meeting. It was a Holy Ghost revival. We give God praise for His continued blessings.—VERNON E. STIMPERT, Pastor.

THE BIBLE LESSON

By BRIAN 1 FARMER

Topic for June 20: Consecrated to God's Service

SCRIPTURE: I Kings 8:1-9:14 (Printed: J Kings 9:1-9)

GOLDEN TEXT: And the Lord said unto him, I have heard thy prayer and thy supplication, that thou hast made before me: I have hallowed this house, which thou hast built, to put my name there for ever (I Kings 9:3).

Two thoughts about the house of God: (1) The house of God ought to be reverenced, and (2) God's house is a true indication that God is with His people only if they seek Him there.

Nazarenes are very friendly people, but in their churches they are often a very ignorant (Irish sense of the word) people. I know that real reverence need not be synonymous with deathly silence, but the spectacle of groups of people in the sanctuary sucking sweets



Ground breaking for an addition to the Esther, Missouri, church. The building is expected to cost approximately \$32,500. It will be forty-four by eighty-four feet, and will contain much-needed facilities for youth and church work. Pastor Robert B. Fowler reports that the church has received over forty members by profession of faith during this year. There are 336 enrolled in Sunday school, and the church membership is 208 and growing. and showing snapshots is unseemly to say the least. So is the sight of the preacher striving to make himself heard above the hum of conversation to an-nounce the first hymn.

We Nazarenes rightly do not spend extravagant amounts to make our buildings overly ornate, but this is no reason for thoughtless seeming (if not real) irreverence within their walls.

I live in a city of churches. On a clear day the sky blue is like a pincushion prickled with spires. But many of the churches have been "destroyed" spiritually-as God threatened to destory the Temple if the people forsook Him-because many of the people and some of the preachers have forsaken vital Christianity. The Lord is in His temple only so long as His people truly seek Him there.

The great tragedy is when sin-sick people go along to these cold, lifeless churches seeking God. There is perhaps

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Yes, I, (we), have completed and signed a will. In the will, I, (we) have remembered the Church of the Nazarene:

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a form, a ritual, a meaningless going through of the motions of religion, but an expansive emptiness. The seeker goes away unable to find anyone to show him the way of salvation.

God forbid that this hush of death should ever come to our churches. I would rather have the seeming irreverence than this, though I am not convinced that we must make the choice!

In the Acts of the Apostles, there is a character, Justus, whose house "joined hard to the synagogue." If we too will have our homes next door to the church so that our form of worship on Sundays is complemented by our life of worship at other times, there is no reason why we as a church should be beset by either of the misfortunes mentioned above.

"SHOWERS of BLESSING" **Program Schedule**

June 20-"Twentieth Anniversary of 'Showers of Blessing,'" by Russell V. DeLong

June 27-"The Call Supreme and Sublime," by Russell V. DeLong July 4-"Ghosts What Ain't," by Russell V. DeLong

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Announcements RECOMMENDATION

RECOMMENDATION —This is to recommend Rev. George Grimm as an evangelist. He is a forceful and effective preacher and soul winner. He will be available after the middle of July, and may be contacted until July 4 at 1106 Tiptop Avenue, Princeton, West Virginia. I am sure he will serve effectively wherever he is called.—H. Harvey Hendershot, Su-perintendent of West Virginia District. BORN —to Dennis and Paula (Pence) Karr, of San Pedro, California, a son, Dennis Eugene, Jr., on May 10.

to Alfred Jay and Alice Ann (Stone) Norris of Poneto, I April 12. Indiana, a daughter, Betsy Annette, on

ADOPTED

ADOPTED —by Henry and Wanda Nicholes, of Goldendale, Washington, a boy, named Henry Rockwell; he was born January 14, 1959. SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a Christian reader in Virginia "for my son who was in an auto accident last year and is having difficulty in securing employment—he has a large family depending on him," and also for another son and his wife who need spiritual help; by a distressed mother in Indiana for a daughter who needs help desperately—mentally, physically, and spiritually:

who needs need descenter, meaning, provide and spiritually; by a young woman in the service in the States who needs special help from God to be restored to His love and favor, also for both physical and spiritual needs of her parents and grandparents.

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| New York |

District Assembly Information

ALBANY, June 23 and 24, at the District Center, White Church Road, Brooktondale, New York. Pastor Marion Walchly. General Superintendent Young. (N.W.M.S. convention, June 25; N.Y.P.S. convention, June 26.)

NEW ENGLAND, June 23 and 24, at the church, 37 E. Elm Avenue, Wollaston, Massachusetts. Pastor Miton Poole. General Superintendent Benner. N.W.M.S. convention, June 21-22.)

SOUTH DAKOTA, June 23 and 24, at the church, 714 S. Minnesota, Mitchell, South Dakota. Pastor James Ranum. General Superintendent Powers. (N.W.M.S. convention, June 22; S.S. convention, June 23; N.Y.P.S. convention, June 25.)

CANADA CENTRAL, June 24 and 25, at the camp tabernacle, Route 2, Pefferlaw, Ontario, Canada. Pastor J. H. MacGregor. General Superintendent Lewis. (N.W.M.S. convention, June 26.)

NEBRASKA, June 24 and 25, at First Methodist Church, Kearney, Nebraska. Entertaining pastor, Rev. C. B. Johnson, 2516 Avenue "A/" Kearney, Nebraska. General Superintendent Williamson. (N.W.M.S. convention, June 21-22; N.Y.P.S. convention, June 23.)

CANADA ATLANTIC, July 1 and 2, at the church, Lower Main Street, Oxford, Nova Scotia, Canada. Pastor D. R. Morrison. General Superintendent Young. (N.W.M.S. convention, June 29-30; S.S. convention, July 3.)

NORTH DAKOTA, July 1 and 2, at the campgrounds, Sawyer, North Dakota. Pastor W. R. Cannon. General Superintendent Powers. (N.Y.P.S. convention, June 28-29; S.S. convention, June 29; N.W.M.S. convention, June 30.)

WEST VIRGINIA, July 1 to 3, at the campground tabernacle, Summersville, West Virginia. General Superintendent Benner. (N.W.M.S. convention, June 28-29; N.Y.P.S. convention, June 29-30; S.S. convention, June 30.)

SOUTHWESTERN OHIO, July 7 and 8, at the church, 1204 W. Second Street, Xenia, Ohio. Pastor R. V. Clay. General Superintendent Williamson. (N.W.M.S. convention, July 5-6.)



Taylor Puapuaga and Eseta Leapaga won the scripture memory contest in the Pago Pago church, American Samoa. Taylor graduated from high school this year, and hopes to attend Bethany Nazarene College in the fall. He memorized the entire Sermon on the Mount. Eseta is the church organist, and also hopes to attend a Nazarene college in the States. Each received the picture of Christ awarded by Missionary Pastor John K. Abney.

OREGON PACIFIC, July 7 to 9, at the District Center, 7811 S.E. Lake Road, Clackamas, Oregon. General Superintendent Coulter. (N.W.M.S. convention, July 9-10.)

Nazarene Camps

June 21 to 27, Nebraska District, at the campgrounds, southeast, Kearney, Nebraska. Workers: Dr. G. B. Williamson, Dr. Leslie Parrott, Professor James T. Bohi, Dr. E. S. Phillips, Rev. B. Edgar Johnson. Dr. Whitcomb Harding, district superintendent.

June 25 to July 4, Louisiana District, at the District Center, Route 71, Pineville, Louisiana. Workers: Dr. W. T. Purkiser, Rev. J. C. Crabtree, Professor James T. Bohi. Rev. T. T. McCord, district superintendent.

June 26 to July 4, Albany District, at the District Center, Brooktondale, New York (eight miles north of Ithaca, Rt. 79, then 330 to White Church Road). Workers: Dr. Samuel Young, Rev. Paul Orjala, Rev. Charles Hastings Smith, Dr. Wm. Greathouse, Rev. Danny Steele. Rev. Kenneth Pearsall, district superintendent.

June 27 to July 4, Alabama District, at the District Campgrounds, State Hi-way 96 West, Millport, Alabama. Workers: Dr. Mendell Taylor, Professor Ron Lush, Barbara Chaney, and Renda Brumbeloe. Rev. Reeford Chaney, district superintendent.

June 28 to July 4, South Carolina District, at Nazarene Campgrounds, near Batesburg, South Carolina, on Route 391. Workers: Dr. T. W. Willingham, Dr. Edward Lawlor, and the Dee Rushings. Dr. Otto Stucki, district superintendent.

July 1 to 11, Hendersonville Nazarene Camp, Upward and Orchard Road, Hendersonville, North Carolina. Workers: Rev. Raiph Sexton, Dr. Lloyd B. Byron, Wally and Ginger Laxson, Rev. W. H. Gentry.

July 2 to 11, New England District, at Nazarene Campgrounds, Francis Street on Route 28 (fifteen miles north of Boston), North Reading, Massachusetts. Workers: Rev. Charles Hastings Smith, Dr. James McGraw, Professor DeVerne H. Mullen, Mrs. Mildred Maybury, Rev. James E. Baker. Rev. Fletcher Spruce, district superintendent.

July 9 to 19, Canada Central District, at Clarksburg Camp, Clarksburg, Ontario, Canada. Workers: Rev. Herman L. G. Smith, Rev. Warren Rogers and family, Rev. J. H. MacGregor, Miss Mary Wallace. Rev. Bruce T. Taylor, district superintendent.

July 11 to 18, Oregon Pacific District, at the District Center, twelve miles southeast of Portland, Oregon (follow S.E. 82nd Avenue to Lake Road). Workers: Dr. George Coulter, Dr. W. T. Purkiser, Rev. J. C. Crabtree, Rev. James E. Kratz and family, Singer Paul W. McNutt, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hughes. Dr. W. D. McGraw, district superintendent.

July 12 to 18, Maine District, Campgrounds, Route 24, Richmond, Maine. Workers: Rev. Charles Hastings Smith, Professor and Mrs. Kenneth Masterman, Rev. and Mrs. R. Fletcher Tink. Rev. Joshua C. Wagner, district superintendent.

July 16 to 25, Central Ohio, at Nazarene Campground, 2708 Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio. Workers: Dr. Orville Jenkins, Rev. H. G. Purkhiser, Rev. Gene Clark, Singer James Cook, The Melody Aires, Rev. W. E. Zimmerman, Mrs. H. C. Litle. Dr. H. S. Galloway, district superintendent.

July 16 to 25, Michigan District, District Campgrounds, Indian Lake, Route 2, Vicksburg, Michigan. Workers: Rev. Morris Wilson, Dr. T. W. Willingham, Rev. Pau' Hetrick, Rev. Leon Chambers, James and Rosemaary Green, singers, Rev. James R. Leonard, Mrs. Emily Moore, Dr. Fred J. Hawk, district superintendent.

July 19 to 23, North Arkansas District, at Arkansas Baptist Assembly Camp, Highway 59 South, Siloam Springs, Arkansas. Workers: Rev. John Hancock, Rev. Jack Dell, Rev. George Blodworth. Rev. Boyd C. Hancock, district superintendent.

July 20 to August 1, Pittsburgh District, at Alameda Park Nazarene Camp, West Penn Street Extension, Buller, Pennsylvania. Workers: Dr. Edward Lawlor, Rev. Charles Hastings Smith, Dwight and Norma Jean Meredith, singers. Rev. Robert I, Goslaw, district superintendent.

July 23 to August 2, Canada Central District, Cedardale Camp, Pefferlaw, Ontario, Canada. Workers: Dr. Mendell Taylor, Rev. C. T. Corbett, Miss Isobel Armstrong, Rev. A. E. Stanford, Miss Mary Wallace, Singer Karl Ward. Rev. Bruce T. Taylor, district Superintendent.

July 26 to August 1, Florida District, Suwannee Campgrounds, U.S. Highway 41, three miles north of White Springs, Florida. Workers: Dr. Lawrence B. Hicks, Dr. W. T. Purkiser, Professor James T. Bohi, Warren Whiting, Mrs. Mary Trissel. Dr. John L. Knight, district superintendent.

July 26 to August I, Georgia District, one mile east of Adrian, Georgia, between Dublin and Swainsboro, on Highway 80. Workers: Dr. Ted Martin, Rev. Paul Martin, Boyce and Catherine Pierce, singers. Dr. Mack Anderson, district superintendent.

July 29 to August 8, Tri-District Camp, at Beulah Park, 1200 El Rancho Drive, Santa Cruz, California. Workers: Rev. Harold Daniels, Rev. Bert Daniels, Rev. Reuben Welch, Rev. Danny Steele. District superintendents: E. E. Zachary, Northern California; Eugene Stowe, Central California; and Kenneth Vogt, Sacramento.



Rowes in Fiftieth Anniversary Observance

Rev. and Mrs. G. Howard Rowe of Pompano Beach, Florida, will be celebrating their fiftieth wedding anniversary on June 30, 1965. Mr. Rowe has been a minister in the Church of the Nazarene since 1916. He was ordained by Dr. R. T. Williams in 1920.

The Rowes have three children: Dr. C. H. Rowe, Savannah, Missouri; Mrs. Doris Brodien, Bourbonnais, Illinois; and Mrs. Ruth Hodges, Hamilton, Ohio.

Missionary Workshop and Institute Slated

Plans are being completed for the Missionary Workshop and Institute, conducted by the Department of World Missions, scheduled this year for August 3-20 at Bethany Nazarene College, Bethany, Oklahoma.

Missionaries under appointment will attend the Institute, August 6-20. Missionaries in the States on furlough attend the Workshop, August 3-8.

Bible College Board

The Board of Control of the proposed Nazarene Bible College will meet at denominational headquarters in Kansas City, Missouri, on September 3. The board comprises sixteen members made up of eight district superintendents, four pastors, and four laymen. Among other business, the leaders will discuss a proposed site. Dr. V. H. Lewis is the general superintendent who is the sponsor.--N.I.S.

Dr. Moore Accepts Trevecca Post

Rev. Ernest W. Moore, Jr., receives the Ph.D. degree from Texas University in August, and has accepted the position of assistant professor of education at Trevecca Nazarene College in Nashville, Tennesse. Dr. Moore will begin his work at Trevecca with the opening of the fall term in September.

Mission Field Figures Released The Department of World Missions has released figures reporting "The Top Ten" in the overseas world mission work of the Church of the Nazarene.

In numbers of churches and preaching points, the leading fields are: Mozambique, 297; Swaziland, 191; Haiti, 183; Peru, 137; Japan, 133; Republic of South Africa, 120; Southeast Mexico, 114; Central Mexico, 102; Western Latin America, 60; Guatemala, 54.

"The Top Ten" in new members received in 1964 are: Korea, 506; Central Mexico. 397; North Mexico, 376; Republic of South Africa, 374; Haiti, 354; Peru, 347; Western Latin America, 381; Central Latin America. 245; Coloured

and Indian (Africa), 244; Mozambique, 240.

In total numbers of members and probationers, the leaders are: Haiti, 8,726; Mozambique, 6.859; Japan, 5,159; Southeast Mexico, 5,084; Central Mexico, 4,918; Korea, 3,476; Swaziland, 3,372; Republic of South Africa, 2,766; Peru, 2,690; and North Mexico, 2,471.

Ambassador Coordinators Prepare

Dr. Honorato T. Reza and Rev. Paul Orjala, coordinators for the Nazarene Evangelistic Ambassadors, are spending June and July of this summer on preliminary survey trips in preparation for the 1966 summer campaigns of the Ambassadors.

The teams will visit British Honduras, Barbados, Haiti, Brazil, Uruguay, Argentina, Chile, Bolivia, Peru, and Mexico.

Plans are already well along, and specific schedules are being drawn up for release later.

From the Field

Chaplain (LCDR) LeRoy A. Bevan has been selected as a resident graduate student for the 1965 fall term at Harvard Divinity School. Chaplain Bevan has been on active duty with the Navy since 1954. He is a 1953 graduate of Nazarene Theological Seminary.



NAVS Introduce "Overseas Training Corps"

COLORADO SPRINGS (EP) - The Navigators launch this summer a bold new program for training young men in evangelism and discipleship. Twenty-five U.S. college men have been selected to form the Overseas Training Corps. In late June they will travel to Europe and the Middle East to team with overseas Navigator staff and nationals from eight countries for evangelistic thrust and advanced training. Working side by side with these men, the Americans will have opportunity to exchange ideas and demonstrate teamwork in an international ministry. Teams are expected to work in Europe and the Middle East this summer.

IVCF Holds Spring "Seminars by the Sea"

CHICAGO (Ep) —Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship's team of students again invaded the beaches of Fort Lauderdale, Laguna Beach, Newport Strand, and Balboa Island in an effort to reach vacationing students who migrated to the sand and sun in masses.

At each place the student team had repeated contacts with a number of students which were profitable for the kingdom of God.

Graham Says Scandinavia May Be Ripe for Revival

COPENHAGAN, DENMARK-At the close of an eight-day crusade here, Billy Graham said he believes Scandinavia may be "ripe for revival." The evangelist said he believes his meetings here may open up all of Scandinavia for crusades. He said he had received numerous letters and invitations from all of the Scandinavian countries, including one from the archbishop of Finland.

The crusade here, which opened with disturbances and near-violence from leftist gangs, closed with standing-roomonly crowds of 9.600 in the Forum, which scats 8,000. Officials said the crusade attendance broke all records in the forty-year history of the Forum.

Permission to Listen?

CHICAGO (EP) --Soviet authorities have given specific permission for "older people" to listen to religious broadcasts ... or, at least, so it seems from a letter from Siberia received this month at Radio Station HLKX in South Korea.

Jack Koziol, who directs Russian-language broadcasts for the TEAM-sponsored, 50,000-watt radio station, reports that a listener in the province of Kemorova Oblast wrote:

"I am very grateful for this season when the leaders of our country have granted permission to the older people to hear the Word of God over the radio. In our homes we can pray, hear your messages, and sing the hymns. Our hearts are with you dear people as you labor from Korea."

Russian evangelicals in this country view the policy change with skepticism. Only twelve months ago the Soviets announced a sweeping program to purge all religion from the minds of the people and from the Russian culture.

HLKX, however, has experienced a marked increase in mail from Communist countries of Asia where its gospel broadcasts are heard daily in Russian, Chinese, and Korean.

Phone Network Links Missions Abroad with UCC Conference

LONGMONT, COLORADO (EP) – Person-toperson conversations with missionaries around the world highlighted an unusual "missions night" here at the annual meeting of the Colorado Conference of the United Church of Christ.

Some five hundred persons listened as Colorado ministers and laymen held telephone interviews with nine missionaries in seven countries.

"Involvement" Key Word at NAE Convention

MINNEAPOLIS (EP) — The twenty-third annual convention of the National Association of Evangelicals drew more than one thousand leaders and laymen of Protestant churches and organizations for approximately sixty-five workshop sessions and major meetings at the Leamington Hotel, April 27-29.



Blame My Dad!

These are words I said to my congregation the other day while speaking on some vital Christian beliefs: "Don't blame me, blame my dad." (He was in the congregation.)

For, you see, I was born in a Christian home where these beliefs were taught. We had family prayer morning and night. Nothing seemed to hinder. From this foundation grew Christian principles that have governed my life.

I have been in the ministry now nearly twenty years. I had the privilege of attending one of our colleges, for which I am very thankful—but the real principles of my life were learned from my Christian mother and father. Their convictions were based on Bible teachings, and when I asked why they believed these things, they simply answered from the Scriptures.

As I became older, I found these to be my convictions also. Yes, through the years these standards have been challenged by friends, church members, young and old, but they have stood the test as I have taught them faithfully. So, if you are challenged by my convictions, blame my dad. -James E. Palmer, Pastor, Central Church, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Waiting

They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength (Isaiah 40:31). Already the reading of the word "waiting" has developed a certain has developed a certain aversion. We do not like to waitand yet we do. Make a careful record of your use of time this past week, and you will find that a large portion of it was spent waiting: at the traffic light, in the doctor's office, at the railroad crossing, in the supermarket. Without this waiting, our lives would not have been complete. And the waiting was worth the reward-treatment for the body, progress on the city street, and food for the family.

But in the sphere of the spiritual we are hesitant to apply the same formula. We refuse to exercise patience in our relationship to God. But He demands just this, waiting. "Wait on the Lord . . . and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord" (Psalms 27:14). These admonitions are serious and cannot be replaced with any other means.

Physical ailments are cured through waiting for the doctor. Physical hunger is alleviated through standing in the shopping line. And spiritual blessing is received through pausing in the presence of the almighty God until He opens His door of bounty, and bestows on each His divine grace and strength.

Wait today! It is worth waiting on the Lord.—Clifford F. Church, Pastor, First Church, Charlottesville, Virginia.

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Conducted by W. T. PURKISER, Editor

The Old Testament tells us not to lend money at usury. Does this apply to lending for regular commercial rates of interest?

No, it does not. The term in the Hebrew translated "usury" comes from a root meaning "to strike with a sting," and thus "to oppress." Therefore its meaning would be very much in line with the way usury is now defined, namely, exorbitant or unreasonable in-

terest charges.

The practice of lending or investing money at interest is recognized in the New Testament and it is not condemned (Matthew 25:27; Luke 19:23). The Greek term used in these verses is *tokos*, and means simply "interest."

ought to be considered also.

Will you give me scriptures for putting a kitchen in a church annex?

Since there were no church annexes in Bible times, there are no scriptures either for or against kitchens in church annexes.

It is clear, however, that the early Christians regularly ate together (Matthew 26:26; Acts 2:42, 47; 6:2-3; 20:7, 11). The Corinthians are strongly rebuked for making their common meal, associated with the Lord's Supper, a time of gluttony and show (I Corinthians 11:20-22, 33-34). Colossians 2:16 I don't quite know why questions such as this seem to arouse so much heat. I suspect it is the abuse, and not the use, which is feared—and quite properly. We have more need for the "upper room" than the "supper room." But this certainly does not forbid those who attend an all-day missionary meeting or zone rally from eating together "their meat with gladness and singleness of heart."

I am sending in two verses of Scripture I would like to have explained: Romans 14:22 and Matthew 6:22-23.

Romans 14:22 reads, "Hast thou faith? have it to thyself before God. Happy is he that condemneth not himself in that thing which he alloweth."

The New English Bible translates this rather well, in the light of its context: "If you have a clear conviction, apply it to yourself in the sight of God. Happy is the man who can make his decision with a clear conscience! or, who does not bring judgment upon himself by what he approves."

Paul is discussing the differences of conscientious people on points about which there is no clear commandment from the Lord. He points out that it is never right for a person to do anything his conscience sincerely condemns. This is where the truth of the common statement comes in. "Others may: you cannot."

Obviously, it works both ways. If others can do some things vou cannot, vou may be doing some things they question. This is why the ancient maxim (Philipp Jacob Spener, 1633-1705) was adopted by the fathers of the modern holiness movement and is so important for their sons and daughters today: "In essentials unity, in nonessentials liberty, in all things charity." For Matthew 6:22-23, I give you the excellent comment of Dr. Ralph Earle in the *Beacon Bible Commentary*, Vol. VI, p. 85:

"Jesus declared that the lamp of the body is the eye. If the eye is single, the body is full of light (22). But if the eye is evil (strong word. poneros), the body is full of darkness (23). The point the Master was making is that only singleness of purposes, or purity of intention, can keep the inner being lighted with God's presence. The contrast between light and darkness is a favorite theme in the Bible, especially in John. It also plays a prominent part in the Dead Sea Scrolls, particularly in the scroll entitled 'The War of the Sons of Light Against the Sons of Darkness.' "

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