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IN ONE OF HIS MASTERFUL PICTURES, THE APOSTLE Paul declares, "Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ." This may be read, "Other foundation can no man lay *alongside* the one laid, which is Jesus Christ."

Jesus Christ is unique. It is not, "Jesus Christ *and—*." It is not, "Jesus Christ *or—*." It is, "Jesus Christ *only*." It is "Jesus Christ or *nothing*." In the midst of so much loose, con-

## The Unique Foundation



General Superintendent Benner

*. . . and are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; . . . in whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.*

—Eph. 2:20-22

fused, and unscriptural thinking, talking, and scheming to "make the world Christian," it is well to reassert the supreme place of Jesus Christ in religion.

Jesus Christ is not a mere landmark; He is the Goal. He is not a mere stone among other stones; He is the Chief Cornerstone. He is not one of many ways; He is the Way. To those who would accuse us of narrowness, we reply that vital truth is not a blurred panorama of foggy generalities, but a definite and clear figure in the foreground. An effective foundation never is spread all over the landscape, but is in a definite place and suited to a definite purpose.

So it is with Jesus Christ, the spiritual Foundation. In spite of unbelief, regardless of false accusations, His character remains unchanged, and His place in the plan of God is definite and secure. He is the Foundation and no man, no nation, no civilization can build securely upon anyone or anything else.

The only true hope of our world is that men and women by the millions shall be redeemed by the grace of Christ, and shall build their lives and their structures of thought, purpose, attitudes, and activities upon Jesus Christ, and in conformity with the design of the Master Builder. With Edward Mote we sing:

*My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.  
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand.*

# LATE NEWS

## Telegrams

**Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada**—Organized the Norwood Church of the Nazarene in Winnipeg today (Jan. 1); Pastor Miller and people enthusiastic. December 30 organized church at Swift Current, Saskatchewan; Pastor Hooper has labored well. These two organizations make three new churches for Canada West in past six weeks. Canada West Supports Crusade for Souls Now.—*Edward Lawlor, District Superintendent.*

**Rev. and Mrs. Wilson Baker, pastors of our Scenic Drive Church in Springfield, Missouri, were in a serious automobile accident on December 29. Brother Baker and the children were not injured, but Mrs. Baker's jaws were broken and she was seriously injured around head and shoulders. Their car was a total loss. Pray for this good couple.—Jarrette Aycock, Superintendent of Kansas City District.**

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The Henry T. King family of Sweetwater, Texas, wish to express their sincere appreciation to all who remembered their daughter and sister, Anna Nell, during her illness and their bereavement (she died on December 10).

## THANKS!

We wish to express appreciation to our people for their wonderful response to the Thanksgiving Offering.

The total has now reached \$696,962.65. This is almost \$50,000.00 above the total for the same number of days last year and is by far the largest Thanksgiving Offering ever recorded in our church.

May God richly bless our loyal people for helping to spread scriptural holiness around the world.

*John Stockton*

John Stockton  
General Treasurer

Word has been received that Rev. R. A. McCann, of Indianapolis, is celebrating his one hundredth birthday on January 26. He has been an elder in the Church of the Nazarene for about fifty years. He is a victorious Christian, a cultured old man, and has been a loyal member of Indianapolis First Church for many years. His wife is

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ninety-one years of age. Ministers and friends are asked to remember him with a birthday greeting. His address is 234 N. Delaware Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

# His Alibi Was

## THIN

(John 17:16)

By B. V. SEALS

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THE WORLD IS NO FRIEND TO help us on to God. I was in a barber shop recently, and as soon as the barber discovered I was a minister he became very pious, as people often do. He explained to me that he had a very religious father and mother that compelled him to go to Sunday school and church when he was small. He swore then that when he grew up he would never go.

I said: "That is pathetic. If you had not had the misfortune of having a Christian father and mother, you no doubt would be a big, upstanding, square-shouldered, Christian soldier, marching at the head of the army with banners flying. How strange!" I said. "Your parents compelled you to comb your hair and brush your teeth and do some other things, too, didn't they? At times they even insisted on your eating. You have not refrained from all these, have you? Isn't it strange that, while there was enforced discipline at many points, you developed an aversion to only one? Don't you think that alibi is a bit thin and overworked? According to your line of reasoning, it's too bad your dad was not a drunkard and cashed his check at the tavern and spent most of it for liquor. Then, perhaps, you would be a Christian today."

He finally admitted it was a little weak, and on further questioning admitted he was pretty deeply involved in the world, and that it wouldn't be easy to make the break.

The Church is the only restraining influence on the world, and as worldliness comes in, the power and blessing of God go out.

Years ago in Minnesota when a blizzard would come, we could tell by the frost on the nailheads and on the door-knobs about how fierce the storm was on the outside. It also indicated that the thermometer was dropping on the inside. So little signs of worldliness in the church may indicate the pressure is on from without. What is more serious, it may indicate that the spiritual thermometer is dropping on the inside. It may be that the pull of the world is the Church's number one enemy.

O God, "to see thy power and thy glory, so as I have seen thee in the sanctuary. Because thy lovingkindness is better than life, my lips shall praise thee. Thus will I bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in thy name" (Ps. 63:2-4).

GOD NEVER DOES A GREATER WORK than when He sanctifies a human heart. This glorious experience is the very heart and core of redemption's plan. Volumes have been written about the blessings and the benefits of this gracious experience. Not too much can be said in favor of the second blessing; neither can we overemphasize the results of the experience in the soul of man. Giving perfect peace, joy unspeakable, and complete freedom from sin, the doctrine of holiness should be "shouted from the housetops."

However, sanctification also brings its dissatisfactions. Once the human heart is cleansed and made holy, there are some things with which it can never again be satisfied. This is not because

ing in the land of Canaan, and his heart is "abundantly satisfied." Having been delivered from the slavery of sin, opinions, customs, fashions, and pleasures of the world, he never again wants to become entangled with the yoke of bondage.

The sanctified man knows full well that if he builds again those things which he has destroyed, he makes himself a transgressor (see Gal. 2:18). And while he must exercise himself to live as Christ would have him live, the holy man finds within himself that impartation of divine ability and strength which enables him to keep himself unspotted from the world. And beside all of this, he is enjoying rivers of pleasure and delight that he could never find in the world. The law of the Spirit of life has made him free from the law of sin and death.

# Dissatisfactions

## of the Sanctified

By L. E. HUMRICH  
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of any lack in the experience itself, but rather is brought about by the very nature of the work wrought within us.

### I

*A sanctified heart is dissatisfied with anything less than the best service it is capable of rendering.* David must have known something of this feeling when he declared, ". . . neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the Lord my God of that which doth cost me nothing." His love and devotion to the Lord caused him to be unwilling to do only that which would enable him to get by; he desired to give God his very best.

One of Satan's temptations to the sanctified is the temptation to render a mediocre service. But listen to the demands of Jesus when He said, "He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me." But matching the demands of Christ are His promises: "My grace is sufficient for thee"; "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world"; "But my God shall supply all your need"; "Be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might." These promises, together with many others which might be cited, are enough to make every Christian superior in the realm of wholehearted service. And the heart of the sanctified man stirs him up to lay hold of these promises and give of his best to the Master. Christian superiority comes only by the way of total surrender to Christ and a total, active consecration to Him.

### II

Having once tasted of the good things of the Lord, *the sanctified man can never again be satisfied with the beggarly elements of time and sense.* For him the times of hungering for the leeks and onions and fleshpots of the world are forever past. The sanctified man is "over the Jordan tide," liv-

### III

*The sanctified man is forever dissatisfied with anything less than God's outpoured presence in his heart and life.* To be sure, there is more to the experience of heart purity than emotion, but emotion cannot be divorced from true Christian experience. General Superintendent Powers has pointed out in one of his sermons that it was this display of emotional fervor on the Day of Pentecost that attracted so many to the newly sanctified disciples. When these "devout men, out of every nation under heaven," heard the disciples speak the wonderful works of God, they were amazed, and said one to another, "What meaneth this?" Others standing by, seeing the manner in which the disciples expressed their new-found joy and blessing, said, "These men are full of new wine."

And so, Peter, taking advantage of the situation, stood up and preached to them. Said he: "These are not drunken, as ye suppose, . . . But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; And it shall come to pass . . . , saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams."

The early days of the holiness movement were characterized by times of rejoicing and emotional demonstration. Strangers were drawn to our churches in order that they might hear our people sing and watch them get "blessed." We believe that the souls who are wholly sanctified and keep their experience up to date are forever done with anything less than God's presence in their lives and worship. "The kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost." Let us keep God upon our hearts, live in the consciousness of His presence, and show to the world that we have found that which alone makes the human heart truly happy.

# Increasing Our Teen-age Responsibility



By  
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THE TITLE OF THIS ARTICLE CERTAINLY does not imply that we have been neglecting our teen-age young people. It actually suggests the opposite. I am genuinely proud of the record God has helped us to make. Last year, our districts held approximately sixty-one institutes with nine thousand young folk registered, and by far the greater part of these were teen-agers. These youngsters claimed 8,471 Christian Service Training credits. What a record! They at least put a little into their heads.

But, listen, at these summer camps, over forty-five hundred knelt at the altar of prayer. Yes, we're showing our teen-age crowd that good religion, good fun, earnest study, and times of prayer go hand in hand together. Our PAL clubs have continued to grow and develop, providing another link in the love chain of the church. This week-day enterprise is a fellowship of spiritually minded young folk carefully watched over by their church.

Many of our teen-agers are the enthusiastic soul winners of their church. At a recent District Lamp-lighters' Conference in First Church, Oakland, California, the building was full for the main services, and there were literally scores of teen-agers in that audience. In fact, it looked as if the day services were exclusively preachers and teen-agers. What brought them? Many came from miles, through flood-danger areas. There was no banquet (and I like them!), no play period (and I need this too), but fasting and prayer—times of soul searching—and messages on soul winning. And the high-schoolers enjoyed it to the full. Yes, God bless them, they are our responsibility.

Much of the credit for the progress, interest, and reaching out our church has been doing goes to

our General N.Y.P.S. Council and general staff. They have worked well with burning hearts and talented minds to give our youth the very best. Our district superintendents and district N.Y.P.S. leaders, our pastors and local leaders all had a great part in this splendid record.

But there is so much more to do! We have the tools: summer camps, PAL groups, magazine, helpful Sunday-school material, Senior Boys' and Girls' Clubs, Christian Service Training, devotional program aids in *Teen Topics* and the *Young People's Journal*. But tools are useless unless used, unless lifted by ready hands.

Yes, there's much to do!

First, we must increase our concern and our planning, to reach our teen-age community with a call to salvation. We will never educate them into an experience. We will never hold them with merely a program, nor by understanding the troubled "areas of their dilemma." We will hold them when they are made new creatures in Christ.

I am not interested in a program that fights vainly to hold a crowd of unsaved young folk in the church, just to be holding them. It is our business to press these, our new-found friends, into a decision for Christ. Our answer to the "Trials of Today's Teens" is to introduce them to the wonder-working Saviour, who forgives, and cleanses and heals the broken heart, and erases the past, and blesses and inspires. We must put more evangelism in our PAL times, district Teen Rallies, Youth Week revivals, Sunday-school revivals, gospel teams.

We must take special interest in the high school and junior high school people at our camp meetings. We must strengthen the altar work, the evan-



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**Youth: Christ, your Saviour, is calling;  
obey Him, 'tis venture ahead;  
unlatch your heart's inner recesses;  
trust Jesus for manna and bread;  
heed advice lest you may be misled;  
witness with unction and power;  
enjoy your vocation today;  
entreat God in prayer—read your Bible;  
keep Christ, in His fullness, for aye!**

—Ovella S. Shafer, *Plainville, Kansas*

gelistic appeal, and the follow-up of the institutes. If any think we've been too evangelistic with the teens God has given us—forget it! We must do more. For in this terrible battle for the youth of our time, the first and foremost task is to get them saved.

And from this point, our responsibility increases rapidly. When a young person finds Christ, he immediately finds conflict at school, among old friends, and often at home. He wants something different now, a place to serve and to grow like Christ. Here's my church's big moment to invade the school life, weekday life, fun life, and home life of this newborn soul. We must do it. All the wise people are saying that inadequate homes, careless parents, unharnessed energy, idle hours are reaping a terrible harvest among our youth. Here then is our chance.

We may increase our responsibility for our teen-agers by:

1. Planning some weekday activity under the guidance of the church. The Pioneer Activity

League so fits this need that at least it should be tried.

2. By alerting our people to open their homes, their cars, their hearts to those who are trying to go with God. An open-hearth fellowship, like a big-brother plan, has done wonders.

3. By encouraging, sponsoring, and organizing Bible clubs on or near the campuses of our high schools.

4. By giving more attention to sending out gospel teams and Christian workers' bands.

5. By challenging our young folks with missionary goals and projects worthy of their faith.

These suggestions are not new, although much could be said, explained, and a notebook full of material supplied on every item. The issue for the church is clear: It must reach the teen-agers, must bring them to Christ, must encourage them, must train them, must guard them, must enlist them, must challenge them. And, friend, you won't do anything just sitting around hoping, groaning, complaining. Right now, pray one of these projects through, and arise and get started.

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January 29—February 5

# Youth Week

LAURISTON J. DU BOIS  
General N.Y.P.S. Secretary

## What Is It?

Youth Week is designated by most of the Protestant denominations as a time during the year when the local church can give special attention to its young people. It is a time when the pastor, working with his youth council, can show the young people that the church really cares.

Youth Week emphasizes the importance of youth in the church—and the importance of the church to youth.

Youth Week draws attention to the program for youth in the Church of the Nazarene and gives opportunity to boost youth materials and periodicals.

Youth Week makes opportunities to display the talents and abilities of our youth and lets them get the feel of working in the church and in winning souls. In so doing it also helps youth develop spiritually.

Youth Week challenges the church to find a solution to the problems of their young people.

## What Will Be Done?

Any one of a number of plans have been used to highlight Youth Week. The local N.Y.P.S. Council and pastor will work out the plans in your church.

Some groups have sponsored a youth revival. This has met with good success. It is important for young people to see the importance of evan-

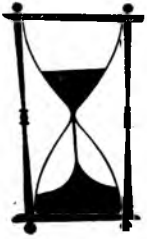
gelism in the local church. By carrying responsibility in planning, in giving, in singing, in being faithful in attendance, in working around the altar, in carrying a spiritual burden, in praying, the young people will grow in grace and be of greater value in the future to the evangelistic program of the church. By all means, every adult should back the youth revival in every way possible.

Some churches have planned a night-by-night program, with something different every evening. This program combines various phases of youth work such as fellowship, visitation, projects, evangelism. This variety is indeed the "spice of life" for youth. We can aid our youth by opening our homes and making available to them the resources of the church.

Other churches have put their youth to work in the church during Youth Week. Young people help in the regular services, plan a special service for prayer meeting, and the like. Now and then some have gone so far as to elect youth officers for the entire church. This follows the idea of "youth states" and "youth cities." Here your youth will get a vision of just how the church is operated, and they will surprise us with the good ideas they will bring forth for the better functioning of our church.

## Our Opportunity

Youth Week affords all, young and old, an opportunity which is unmatched during the church year. Let us make Youth Week, 1956, the best that our church has ever known. Let us major in evangelism to see youth saved and sanctified and tied to the church. The church will be important to youth in about the same ratio as the young people are important to the church.



By **EARL  
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Schools

## Quotations On Stewardship

THE FIRST SIGNIFICANT thing about the tithe is the fact that it is the first tenth which is set aside. The reason for this

was twofold. It was a matter of theological priority. The people of God were to be reminded constantly that man's first obligation is to his Creator. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God." God was never to be an afterthought. He came first. However, there was also a practical consideration in the designation of the first tenth as the tithe. The demands of life and our own desires are generally greater than the resources we possess. If we look to these first and give only the leftovers to God, we usually discover that we have nothing to give Him. We have spent all that we had, and find that we must come before the Lord empty-handed.—DR. THOMAS P. LINDSAY.

***Giving is not just a way of raising money; it is God's way of raising men.***—Author unknown.

Our gifts and attainments are not only to be light and warmth in our own dwellings, but are also to shine through the windows into the dark night, to guide and cheer bewildered travelers on the road.—HENRY WARD BEECHER.

***No excuse for not doing will ever equal doing.***—Lincoln University Bulletin.

*One smile can glorify the day,  
One word new hope impart;  
The least disciple need not say  
There are no alms to give away  
If love be in the heart.*

—Author unknown

***Discipleship is life under new management.***—Author unknown.

A Christian making money fast is just a man in a cloud of dust; it will fill his eyes if he be not careful.—C. H. SPURGEON.

***It is not the fact that a man has riches which keeps him from the kingdom of heaven, but the fact that riches have him.***—J. Caird.

There is a burden of care in getting riches; fear in keeping them; temptation in using them; guilt in abusing them; and a burden of account at last to be given concerning them.—MATTHEW HENRY.

***Time is the one loan which even a grateful recipient cannot repay.***—Seneca.

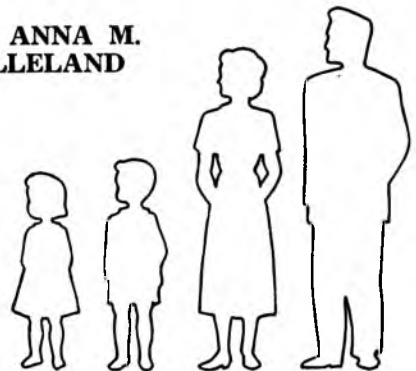
Stewardship of all our talents,  
Stewardship of all our prayer,  
Stewardship of time and service—  
These are needed everywhere.  
But throughout each steward's conduct  
Runs another type of gift;  
'Tis the stewardship of money,  
Which can help some loads to lift.  
Times of poverty and hunger  
Call from many war-wrecked lands;  
For the stewardship of dollars—  
This is what today demands.

—Author unknown

## Your Place . . .

***Your place of service may be found  
Where men by Satan's chains are bound;  
Where there is misery and woe  
And the torch of hope is burning low.  
Your place is where the Lord may lead  
To minister to souls in need,  
Casting out their doubt and fear  
By words of comfort, hope, and cheer.  
Your place is in the battle line  
As a soldier of the One divine,  
Fighting with your strength and might  
For the cause of truth and right.***

By **ANNA M.  
GILLELAND**



## IX. THE AFFLICTIONS OF CHRIST AND THE MINISTRY OF THE GOSPEL

*Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church: whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God (1:24-25).*

By H. ORTON WILEY

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1. *The ministry of St. Paul.* These verses are introduced by the last clause of the previous verse, which is again repeated in the twenty-fifth verse as indicated above. Why does Paul introduce himself so abruptly? Perhaps because he is so impressed with the dignity of his office, as involving the offer of salvation to the Gentiles, that he takes pleasure in magnifying it. At the same time, says Lightfoot, this office enables him to link himself in close sympathy with the Colossians, for he passes on at once to a consideration of his relations with him.

2. *St. Paul's rejoicing in afflictions.* He now sees the glory of bearing a part in this magnificent work, and it is this that turns his sorrow into joy. His ministry of service is now hindered by a prisoner's chains, but he finds new joy in the midst of his sufferings, as he reflects upon their significance.

3. *Filling up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ.* The words "fill up on my part" form but a single Greek word and a double compound verb. The Apostle does not use the Greek word *pathemata* or "passion" of Christ, but the *thlipseon* "afflictions," or "tribulations" such as all good men suffer who bear testimony against the evil ways of the world. There is no theological difficulty here, for the sufferings of Christ must be viewed from two standpoints: (1) as satisfactions, and (2) as edifications; the former atoning, the latter sustaining. The passion of our Lord was complete and perfect as an atonement; but as an inspiration, it prompted and sustained sufferings on the part of the apostles and martyrs. Two errors stem from this position: (1) the Romanists view these afflictions as meritorious, leading to the doctrine of indulgences; and (2) the Protestants are tempted to empty the words "fill up" of their proper meaning and force. The Greek verb

is in the present tense, indicating that the words "fill up" are not a completed act, and there will ever be a deficiency until the Church's struggle with sin shall be brought to a close at the second advent of Christ.

4. *The ministry and the mystery.* "Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God; even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, . . . which is Christ in you, the hope of glory" (1:25-27). These verses set forth the character of St. Paul's ministry. (1) It was a stewardship (from the Greek word *oikonomian*, which means a dispensation or an economy). St. Paul was therefore the steward or administrator of the gospel for the Gentiles. (2) "To fulfil the word of God" means to preach the gospel fully to all peoples. St. Paul was the first "full gospel preacher" of the Christian dispensation and no one has a right to his primacy. (3) St. Paul preached the mystery that was revealed to him, which he sums up in seven infinitely significant words, "Christ in you, the hope of glory."

5. *The goal of St. Paul's ministry.* "Warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom"—this may be considered his method; "that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus"—this was his goal. This perfection does not come by growth, for we shall doubtless increase in wisdom and in the knowledge and love of God throughout eternity. It is rather the perfection of entering into the full provisions of the new covenant, in which it is said, "I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; and their sins and iniquities will I remember no more." We enter the fullness of this new covenant through the baptism with the Holy Spirit, which cleanses our hearts from sin and imparts the nature of Christ within us.

# A Rendezvous With God



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A CARTOONIST ONCE PICTURED A WOMAN arising from her knees beside her bed. The caption underneath read: "Excuse me, Lord, while I answer the telephone." How often have we done the same? We can stand the persistent ringing of the bell just so long.

"Hello?" we say, with a question mark in our voices.

"Wrong number. Excuse it please," comes the answer. Or perhaps the caller has hung up and we torture our minds with "Who was it?" The spirit of prayer we were in has taken flight.

"It's so hard to really wait upon the Lord these days," a Christian remarked. "Just as sure as I get down on my knees," she continued, "the doorbell rings. If I don't answer it, I wonder who it was. I'm worried. Perhaps it was Mary. I'd promised to help her cut out a new dress when she was ready. Perhaps someone was ill and really needed me. Perhaps . . ."

And yet how much we need that renewing of the inner man that Paul mentions in his Epistle to the Corinthians! "The inward man is renewed day by day" (II Cor. 4:16). The inward man needs spiritual food. If Christ is our Bread of spiritual life, then we must go to Him for our daily portion, or we shall become anemic. Our spiritual health and vigor come from Him.

Job, reminiscing on the days of his prosperity, said, "My glory was fresh in me, and my bow was renewed in my hand." In his day, the bow was a means of livelihood to many. Yet when the bowstring sagged, it was useless to hunt until it was renewed. If our spiritual bowstring sags, we can't pray our blessings down any more than the hunter can bag his game.

Do you recall the moment, the hour, the day when the Shekinah glory was fresh within you? Have you lost the glow? Then right now, this very second, is the time for a renewal. You want to finish reading this article? It can wait. You can't afford to.

David sings in Ps. 104:30, "Thou renewest the face of the earth." In the spring, the buds appear on the trees' bare branches but not until *the sap starts flowing*. A green carpet covers the bare ground. Crocuses and daffodils burst into radiant bloom. The whole earth is renewed, but the human race is more concerned about renewing home

furnishings and wardrobes or painting houses and fences.

Today we view with concern the loss of power in hundreds of our churches. Magnificent buildings, beautiful stained-glass windows, deep pile carpets, pipe organs, and sometimes a campanile. But where are the worshipers? Pleasure seeking? Lazing at home? If the men and women absentees would make the same excuses to God they make to their ministers for nonattendance, they would hide their faces for shame. So many who once started to walk with Christ have turned back. Paul wrote: "Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world" (II Tim. 4:10). Demas had lost his touch with God.

What is the reason people have lost power today? They have permitted their spiritual batteries to run down. What a frustration to step on the car's starter and receive no response! The tank is full of gasoline, the oil gauge indicates the proper amount, air is in the tires. To outward appearances, the car is ready for service. Yet the lights are very dim, if they can be seen at all, and the horn may not sound.

Are your lights dim? Is your voice lifted up to cry out against sin, or plead with sinners, or is your battery dead?

Isaiah spoke truly when he said, "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength" (Isa. 40:31). Then waiting for God's voice and His touch is the secret of power. But so often we don't take time for a full "charge." We would be foolish to return our battery to the car with a half-charge. Half-charges don't last long; nor does the Christian with a half-charged prayer life.

Every child of God needs a daily renewal. Christians need to revive the Biblical prayer closets, where they can shut eyes and ears to the sights and sounds of the world. Yet, even there, the moment we bend the knee, we may be confronted with a seemingly endless stack of mending that should have been done last week. We'll remember those overdue library books. We should look them up right away. And we haven't made out our marketing list or prepared the starch. The load of clothes in the washer will have to come out soon. "I'm awfully busy this morning, Lord. If You'll excuse me, perhaps I'll have more time this afternoon." Did we hear the devil snicker?



We can't miss the P.T.A. meeting though, and we promised to talk on school lunches. We shouldn't have left it until the last minute. Where's *God's Minute*? We'll just read that, or a sentence thought for the day. "I'll do better tomorrow, Lord," we promise. But tomorrow—it's raining. Tommy's home with a sore throat. There's that big ironing to be done and . . . and yet, if we will forget the countless tasks to be done and give ourselves wholly unto prayer, a great change will take place. We'll emerge from our dry little cocoons, glorious butterflies. Our work will take wings. We'll be amazed at the amount we accomplish.

How necessary this renewing is if the Christian's life is to run smoothly! We need all the power we can imbibe to meet the daily petty vexations. If each individual church member would take time to really wait on God daily, the church would be transformed into new life.

When was *your* last rendezvous with God when you renewed the inner man or woman?

## At the Cross There's Room

(Romans 3)

By HAROLD M. DANIELS

Pastor, North Hill Church, Spokane, Washington



### IT DOES NOT TAKE

a cynical eye to observe sin everywhere about us. Sin has corrupted the very fountain of life—the heart. Sin is heard from men's lips, is seen in men's actions, and is hidden in men's thoughts. Sin is found in the barroom and the gambling den, but also is uncovered in high places. At the very core of life, we find that man's nature is in disorder.

Paul, quoting from the Psalms, writes, "There is none righteous, no, not one" (Rom. 3:10). And again he writes these strong words: "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Rom. 3:23). Because of this rebellious nature, man has neglected the measure of light God has given to each man to heed. In his neglect, he has rejected goodness, stepping downward into the awful realities of sin. He has committed sins against God, against himself, and against his fellow man.

No one is free from this taint of sin. It ever pulls downward, bringing defeat to every man away from Christ. W. H. Griffith Thomas wrote:

## NEWS in PICTURE



Pictured here is the opening session of the recent annual meeting of the general N.F.M.S. Council in Kansas City. Mrs. Louise Chapman, general president, standing, and seated at her left is Miss Mary Scott, general secretary for the N.F.M.S.

"It has often been pointed out that the morality of a Christless heart may be beautiful, but it will not last, since the soul is full of evil seed. Many a social restraint may keep this seed from springing up, but nevertheless it is there, and liable to come forth under proper conditions."

Because of man's sin, it is utterly impossible to attain justification or righteousness through any good works of our own. Stifler wrote: "One might as well attempt to cross the river on a millstone as to get into heaven by works of law."

But God has provided a way to live righteously, even though we cannot earn salvation by the good works we endeavor to do. Paul tells us in Rom. 3:20-28 that man can have the guilt of past sins cleansed away, by faith in the death of Jesus Christ. Christ died for the sins of the human race. He who knew no sin bore the penalty of our sin and died that we might be delivered from sin. If we repent, and have faith in Him for our own personal cleansing from guilt, then God's gracious gift shall be ours. We then shall stand before Him free of His judgment and cleansed from guilt; just as if we had never sinned. He justifies "freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus" (Rom. 3:24). Through faith in Him we overcome sin.

*Oh, that all the world might know,  
At the Cross there's room!*

"The gospel excludes none that do not exclude themselves."

# The Highest Way of Prayer



*It is important to know that there is a place within our souls where we can consciously meet God and commune with Him*

THOMAS R. KELLEY, THE beloved Quaker professor whose life on earth ended all too soon, of whom it was said: "The thought of him was always a beatitude, a great light, a wind of courage," gave us a beloved book, *A Testament of Devotion*.

By  
**KATHERINE BEVIS**  
Houston, Texas

In this book, among the nuggets of gold, we find these words: "One can have a very busy day, outwardly speaking, and yet be steadily in the Holy Presence. Walk and talk and laugh with your friends. But behind the scenes keep up the life of simple prayer and worship. Keep it up throughout the day. Let inward prayer be your last act before you fall asleep and the first act when you awake. And in time you will find as did Brother Lawrence that those 'who have the gale of the Holy Spirit go forward even in sleep.'"

It is possible for prayer to become an attitude of mind and heart that unifies us with the good, unchangeable, eternal nature and will of God.

There are many things that prayer is, but "prayer is not a conquering of God's reluctance, but a laying hold of God's willingness."

No prayer, however earnest it may be or however worthy the person who prays, ever changes God; but true prayer does change the one who prays. It quickens his awareness of God, increases his understanding, and makes him receptive to the good that the Father is eternally seeking to give without limit. "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom," said Jesus.

The purpose of prayer is not to help us in emergencies, but to develop us spiritually, to quicken our awareness of the presence of God, to harmonize our desires and our will with His divine will.

We cannot study the Word of God without being awakened to the purpose and true way of prayer. When the disciples asked Jesus to teach them how to pray, He warned them against making a display of their praying in order to make an impression on others. Read Matt. 6:1-18. It is in this passage that Jesus points out the true way of prayer, that of going into the inner chamber and praying in secret.

In this reference to the inner chamber Jesus was not speaking of a literal bedroom or closet. He was referring to the place within one's own being where he can meet and commune with God, regardless of time or place or circumstance.

The Psalmist of old refers to it as the "secret place of the most High." It has been called the

**THROUGH AN OPEN WINDOW A LARGE MOTH ENTERED THE ROOM and settled upon the rim of a mirror. There it seemed content to stay—inert, insensitive to the things around it, no movement from its wings.**

**Wanting to set it free, I carefully cupped my hand over it and carried it back to its own environment, the out-of-doors. But was it grateful to be liberated? Evidently not, for it beat its wings against my hand with all the strength and fury it possessed.**

**Poor moth! It did not realize it was beating the protecting dust from its wings in the struggle against the pressure of my hand! Upon being released, it could never attain such heights as before.**

**How like the moth are we, beating our spirits against the gentle pressure of God's hand; fearing to be moved from a place where we have settled down! But much is lost and good delayed by anxiety and resistance, for the pressure is necessary to our growth. Therefore rest, secure in your Father's hand, until you too are released into a larger place!**

## Moving Day

By  
**NELLIE MORTON**  
Los Angeles  
California

"inner sanctuary," "the holy of holies." Jesus referred to it as "the kingdom . . . within you."

It does not matter what we call this inner chamber, but it is important to know that there is a place within one's soul where he can consciously meet God and commune with Him. The wording of our prayers may be formal or informal. Sometimes words are not needed at all. There are occasions when we become so immersed in the presence of God that we are unaware of anything but His radiance and His peace. It is as though we were enveloped with a holy light that floods our minds with inspiration and our bodies with ease and serenity.

We cannot improve upon the methods of prayer suggested by Jesus: "When thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret." This is the highest way of prayer.

By  
**BESS A.  
OLSON**

Los Angeles, California



## The Circle You Touch

LADY SELINA HUNTINGDON, WHO LIVED in England in the eighteenth century, was known for her grand parties. Not only the nobility came to them, but most of the great writers, musicians, and artists of that day.

Then Lady Huntingdon learned the truth of salvation through the blood of Christ and accepted Him as her Saviour. She became burdened for her highborn friends who seldom heard the gospel. She continued inviting them to her home, but she also invited George Whitefield, Charles Wesley, and other preachers to tell them of salvation. She also gave her own testimony. Many of the nobility were saved through her influence.

You may not have the station in life that Lady Huntingdon did, but you have your own circle of influence, perhaps great, perhaps small. "For none of us liveth to himself, . . ." (Rom. 14:7). Some may never be reached by anyone else. Do you reach them for your Lord?

## Social Security for Ministers



Although we are now in 1956, **IT IS NOT TOO LATE** for the minister to have his 1955 income covered under Social Security and receive the full benefit of an almost immediate full protection for himself and his family.

If one desires this protection at the earliest possible time, he should mail his "waiver" to the Internal Revenue Service NOW and pay his Social Security tax to the Federal Government with his Federal income tax not later than April 15, 1956.

The Social Security tax must be paid if the minister joins Social Security and has \$400.00 or more net earnings from his ministry in 1955. The Social Security tax must be paid even though his earnings, less deductions, do not necessitate his paying Federal income tax.

Although it is now 1956, one should enter 1955 in answer to Question Number Five on the "waiver." By so doing his 1955 income will be covered.

When the stamped copy—Copy "C"—of the "waiver" has been returned to you, send it to our office with the card which we sent you, so you may secure the \$1,000.00 group term insurance certificate.

One of our fine young ministers died suddenly a few days ago and his wife found the Social Security blanks in his desk not filled out. She and her baby are deprived of a thousand dollars because of neglect. Will that be true in your case? Why not fill out and mail your Social Security papers before you sleep tonight?

**T. W. WILLINGHAM**  
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Methodist Bishop Gerald H. Kennedy has a formula he is going to deliver to the next committee that calls on him seeking to get rid of a minister for "inefficiency." His prescription:

1. Look him straight in the eye when he is preaching, and say, "Amen," once in a while. He'll preach himself to death within a few weeks.

2. Pat him on the back and brag on his good points. He'll work himself to death.

3. Start paying him a living wage. He's probably been on starvation wages so long he'll eat himself to death.

4. Rededicate your own life to Christ and ask the preacher to give you a job to do. He'll probably die of heart failure.

5. Get the church to unite in prayer for the preacher. He'll become so effective some larger church will take him off your hands.—Exchange.

## Jesus as a Teen-ager

WE ARE GIVEN TWO VERY IMPORTANT facts about Jesus' teen years. These are definite and clear; no one need misunderstand them. First, Jesus was twelve years old when He went up to Jerusalem with His parents to celebrate the feast. After this, the Bible says, "He went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them." Then for eighteen years we hear nothing more about Him, that is, until He was about thirty, when He was baptized. Between the time of the Temple experience and His baptism, He must have been subject to His parents. These years include all of His teen years. This does not mean that He was in slavish subjection to His parents. Rather, He honored and respected them and relied on their judgment. He and His mother were bound together with a close tie of love, while He and Joseph were real companions in the home and the carpenter shop.

Immediately after we are told that Jesus was subject unto His parents, we have this verse: "And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man." These words indicate that during Jesus' teen years He was developing physically, mentally, and spiritually in a perfectly normal fashion. He was not a twelve-year-old boy in body, mind, and spirit when He became twenty. Thus we know at least two things about Jesus during His teen years. He had a wholesome relationship with His parents, and His whole personality was marked by unusual development during those years.

But this is not all. Jesus must have been tempted during His teen years. The temptation in the wilderness was not the first time He was assaulted by the devil. Undoubtedly temptations came His way, even before He was twelve years of age, and especially were they severe during His teen years. They must have had all of the variety of those in the wilderness, though they were not so prolonged. They touched every realm of life—physical, mental, moral, and spiritual. There were physical appetites which haunted Him, ambitions that would have led Him astray if He had not withstood them, and suggestions to achievements which might have been His that would have glorified Him here and now if He had not rejected them. He faced the same situations as the other teen-agers of His day. Jesus was human as well as divine. He "was in all points tempted like as we are."

Yes, Jesus faced temptation, but remember, He didn't sin. He never made any confession of sin or said anything that would imply it. This is true of His teen as well as His later years. Thank God, He can help every teen-ager not to sin; He knows how to do this in a superb way, for He has been over the road and faced fundamentally the

same difficulties of righteous living that teen-agers today have to confront.

Jesus as a teen-ager also had a growing sense of His divine mission, which must have come to its full fruition at His baptism. He gave an inkling of this when He was twelve years of age in His conversation with the doctors in the Temple. His answer to His distressed parents when they found Him in the Temple proves this: "How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" Then the record goes on to say, "And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them." The parents didn't catch the meaning of those words, but Jesus knew what He was talking about. His questions in the Temple

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were not just an exhibition of a boy prodigy; they tell us that Jesus at that early age was beginning to realize a sense of divine mission, His high and holy relationship to God and man. And this realization did not die away during the "silent years"; it increased and intensified.

This sense of divine mission helped Jesus to hold steady during His teen years, to keep Him from falling into sin, just as it later prevented Him from being swept off His feet in the wilderness where He was tempted of the devil for forty days. Moreover, it was this sense of mission which was His chief mainstay all through His life, until He finally triumphed on the cross.

## Keys to the Acts of the Apostles

### 5c. The Key Activity of the Holy Spirit

IN THE LAST TWO ARTICLES on the "Keys to the Acts of the Apostles," a foundation was laid for the consideration of the key activity of the Holy Spirit. The work of the Holy Spirit during the dispensation of the Father and His activity during the dispensation of the Son were discussed. Now the "key" activity of the Holy Spirit which can be found only in His dispensation is presented.

This key activity is Pentecost, or the baptism with the Holy Ghost unto sanctification. The dispensation of the Holy Ghost was inaugurated by the outpouring on the Day of Pentecost. This was the beginning of a new era that may be set over against the two other dispensations, and here the Holy Ghost was given a pre-eminence He never had



## The Sunday-School Lesson

FLETCHER  
GALLOWAY



Topic for  
February 5:

### Jesus Teaches Gratitude

SCRIPTURE: Luke 17:1-19 (Printed: Luke 17:11-19)

GOLDEN TEXT: *It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord (Ps. 92:1).*

THE STRANGE INGRATITUDE OF the nine lepers seems almost incredible. When we think of the loathsomeness of their disease, the hopelessness of their outlook, and the utter desolation of these poor outcasts, and then remember the thrilling words which fell from the lips of Jesus, giving them help and hope and healing, it looks as though they would have been overwhelmed with gratitude. There should have been a ten-voice male chorus glorifying God "with a loud voice." Ten men should

have fallen on their knees and expressed their love and gratitude to the great, miracle-working Galilean. Instead there was only the Samaritan. No wonder Jesus said significantly, "Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine?"

As strange as was the attitude of the nine lepers, we have its modern parallel enacted over and over in the lives of men today. Those nine ungrateful lepers have nine modern twin brothers.

One of these never returns thanks at the table. Even though "every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, . . .," he never stops to say, "Thank You," for God's temporal care. If God should withhold the rain and the sunshine for just one growing season, the whole world would be thrown into famine. Millions would die. Even the birds, when they drink, seem to lift their heads in gratitude to the Creator. Only man forgets.

Another is the man who takes for granted God's blessings and care, and then quickly grumbles and blames Him when misfortune strikes.

Then how about the blessings of family and friends? The joy of happy human relationships comes indirectly from God's hand. How long since your wife had a compliment on her cooking? She might decide to serve sawdust sometime. How about the breadwinner? Does he ever come in for a real appreci-

ation? Children, what have you done to show your love and thanks? Your friends, especially Christian friends, mean much. Why not tell them?

The man who takes the church for granted is kin to the lepers. You would not want to live in a churchless community. Do you attend? Are you a member? Do you faithfully tithe? Does its pastor know your appreciation? How about its other leaders?

The man who is not a Christian surely must have forgotten what it cost Jesus to make salvation possible. Beautiful words and thoughts about Jesus are empty and meaningless unless we ourselves are transformed by His grace. That is why He died.

In Romans 12, Paul bases the call to holiness upon our debt of gratitude. If we have the light on holiness and still are indifferent to its claims upon us, we take our stand with the nine lepers.

Witnessing to those about us is an expression of our gratitude. If we fail, we are ungrateful.

Foreign missions and evangelism are practical "Thank You's" to Jesus for Calvary.

The nine lepers still have some brothers. What a travesty upon the love of such a Christ!

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### New Address

Rev. and Mrs. C. S. Jenkins, Africa, are now stationed at: P.O. Box 58, Westonaria, Transvaal, South Africa.

### Blessings in Trinidad

By HOWARD SAYES

WE WERE THRILLED AT HAVING Mrs. Louise Chapman in Trinidad, and God greatly blessed us all through her messages. In Point Fortin she spoke in the Sunday morning service to our Sunday-school children and twenty-nine of them came forward for prayer. On Sunday afternoon we went to our Boodoosingh Sunday school and she spoke there to about ninety-five people, many of whom were older teen-agers and adults. God again blessed and most of the group knelt to pray and ask God to save them. We believe God has great things in store for this place.

### REMISS REHFELDT, Secretary

Sunday night, Mrs. Chapman returned to Point Fortin. After her message she took a pledge offering for our new church and the people promised to bring a total of nearly \$600.00. Altogether in cash and pledges for this new church, our people have now given over \$1,000.00 in British West Indies currency.

Everywhere Mrs. Chapman went, God used her to win souls, and to challenge the people to help themselves in building or repairing churches. On the last Sunday she was here we had a quarterly meeting at St. James. God blessed and gave us souls at the altar. In response to Mrs. Chapman's challenge, over \$3,000.00 British West Indies currency was given in cash and pledges for a new church in British Guiana.

We want to thank the Board and the Department of Foreign Missions for letting Mrs. Chapman be with us. We are still praising God for the victories He gave during her visit.

### African Council

WE CLOSED OUR COUNCIL A short time ago and still feel we are on the mountaintop of blessings which we received from having Dr. Samuel Young with us. The service which he gave us in the church here in Bremersdorp saw prayers of many months answered. One of the women who came out to pray has been backslidden for many months. It seemed that she would never come out in the open and confess her sins. This week she has continued to pray and confess until it looks as though at last she has real victory. Praise the Lord!

We are in revival this week. Already four men have confessed a call to preach. We are so busy praising the Lord and praying for others who need to get in that our routine duties have become almost mechanical. I thank the Lord for the work He has given me here in Bremersdorp and am finding great joy in witnessing to those whom we contact here.—IVIS HOPPER, Swaziland, South Africa.

### Something New for Jaen

JUST RECENTLY MRS. TAYLOR, the Torgrimsons, Brother Carrasco, and I went to a zone convention of three

days in Jaen. God blessed all the way through. A goodly number sought God for pardon or cleansing. We had a healing service that was a great blessing. The two-year-old daughter of one of the pastors received a definite healing touch from God which greatly encouraged the faith of everyone. Brother Torgrimson took up an offering for an enlargement campaign in the Jaen church, and in characteristic Nazarene style the good folk raised in a short time 2,000 soles (over one hundred dollars). This is the very first time anything like that has happened there, and in fact, rarely has it happened just like

that anywhere on the district. Another high point was the Lord's Supper on the last Sunday morning. Another, and to us an important, result of the convention was that one of our young pastors made his decision to obey the Lord. He had gotten tied up in a farm venture back in that fertile region. God's Spirit on the service helped him to get his eyes off the good living for his family and the money he could make raising coffee. He is a capable young fellow and soon will move to Sullana to fill the place left by our fine lady pastor who is going to Lima, to assist the Flinners.—IRA TAYLOR, *Peru.*

**Q What do I do when the loan period is up?**

A Nothing. Your loan will be promptly returned to you, with the remaining interest due.

**Q What if I want to leave my money in the fund after the date it is to be returned to me?**

A You will be notified in advance that your money is being returned. This will give you an opportunity, if you so desire, to ask to have it left in the fund for the time being. It can then be called for at any time on thirty days' notice.

**Q What if I need the money before the due date on the loan?**

A No provision for this is made in the note, since it is necessary to build the loan fund on the assurance that the money will be left in the fund for a definite length of time. Otherwise, it would be necessary to keep such a large cash reserve that the fund would not be of much value. However, in the event of a real emergency, the Division of Church Extension will endeavor to return the money as quickly as possible. The opportunity to get a little larger return on one's investment somewhere else could not be considered an emergency.

**Q Are the loans to the fund federally insured?**

A No, we know of no church extension loan funds that are federally insured.

**Q In what way is my money safeguarded?**

- A
1. By a note from the General Board of the Church of the Nazarene.
  2. By investments in sound first-mortgage church loans.
  3. A reserve trust fund of \$25,000.00.
  4. By the experience of the Division of Church Extension in making loans to churches since 1947 without one dollar of loss, either of interest or principal.
  5. By God's blessing on our concern to have our money working for His Church.

**Q Why should I lend my money?**

- A
1. The cause of Christ is advanced through needed church buildings.
  2. You receive an excellent interest return.
  3. Any risk on individual church loans is borne by the General Church—not by you.
  4. The best possible security is in back of every invested dollar.
  5. Everybody gains, as Nazarene dollars work for Nazarene tasks.

## HOME MISSIONS & EVANGELISM



ROY F. SMEE, *Secretary*

### Your Questions Answered

#### On the General Church Loan Fund

**Q Why is an appeal being made for loans?**

A The church-wide offering on last June 5 provided only the base for the General Church Loan Fund. It is the plan of the General Board that the fund shall be built primarily through loans to it, rather than frequently recurring special offerings.

**Q What is the need?**

A Loans now approved total \$100,000.00 more than present funds and others are being requested every week.

**Q Why don't these churches get loans from banks?**

A No loan is considered by the Division of Church Extension until the church has tried all possible local sources without success. Many congregations with excellent security and resources are unable to find a lending agency that will make a loan to a church.

**Q Are these church loans safe?**

A Careful consideration is given to each loan application, following a policy established by the General Board. In order to qualify, a church must meet certain requirements as to the value of the property, the ability of the church to repay, and the church's total indebtedness, in relation to the loan asked.

**Q Who may lend to the General Church Loan Fund?**

A Any person, church, or church organization.

**Q How is a loan made?**

A By sending a remittance of \$100.00

or more (check or money order made to the order of John Stockton, treasurer) to the Division of Church Extension, Box 6076, 6401 The Paseo, Kansas City 10, Missouri, giving information as to whom the note should be made payable and for what term. A form will be provided for this on request.

**Q Should I send my tithe as a loan?**

A No, only savings and investment funds.

**Q What evidence of the loan do I receive?**

A A note signed by the officers of the General Board and sealed with its corporate seal.

**Q How long do I have to leave my money in the fund?**

A All notes are made for a definite length of time, for one year or longer as may be desired.

**Q What is the interest rate?**

A Three and one-half per cent interest on loans of five years or more, and 3 per cent interest on loans for a shorter term, compounded semi-annually as of April 30 and October 30, and computed from the day the loan is received by the Division of Church Extension.

**Q How is the interest paid?**

A Checks for interest are sent every six months to all lenders.

**Q May the interest be left to accumulate in the fund?**

A If the interest amounts to \$100.00 or more every six months, a new note representing the interest will be sent to the lender on every interest payment date, if so requested.

**Q How often may I make additional deposits?**

A As often as desired, as long as they amount to at least \$100.00.

Write us for  
any additional information.



# Religious News & Comments

## "Nation of Believers"

UNDER THE ABOVE CAPTION, the editor of the *Daily Oklahoman* writes of the growing membership of churches in America, of growing attendance at church, and, in general, the current religious revival. He gave the following figures: One hundred years ago 16 per cent of the population of the nation was affiliated with the church. Now 60.3 are church members. Never before anything like it. Thirty-nine per cent of the rest of the population count themselves religious. He says: "Judging by these figures and also by the philanthropic and charitable work being carried on, America would be judged the most Christian nation on earth." It is puzzling to him and to many others, why many churchmen are asking, "Is the revival genuine?" They also say, "Gains will be wiped out and the church will be the worse for the revival." He asks, "What is the reason for this foreboding?" So do many of us.

## Pastor Wins

IN GLOUSTER CITY, MARYLAND, the city council turned down a referendum to allow Sunday sale of liquor. It seemed the Baptist pastor was influential in getting it refused and, of course, was happy about the matter. The Tavern Owners' Association secured an order from Superior Court Judge Frank T. Lloyd, Jr., in spite of the council. Bozarth became angry and wrote an article to the city paper criticizing the decision. The judge cited him for contempt. There the Rotary Club took it up and upheld the minister's right to criticize the judge's decision. Result: The judge later produced a fourteen-page ruling in favor of Bozarth, saying: "No official, judicial or otherwise, is exempt from criticism." (*Christian Life*)

Baptists often lead in opposition to civic unrighteousness.

## Collegiate Evangelization

RECENTLY THERE MET IN NASHVILLE, Tennessee, state directors of the Methodist Student movement and others, to discuss "Evangelization of the University." What not to do; what should not be said; and how not to do it and say it, seemed most in emphasis. Among other things the official report said, "Religion should not be shouted from the housetops . . . nor dramatized in a pep meeting." Professor Julian Norris Hart of Yale said, "Revivalism

By A. K. BRACKEN

has no place in the academic community . . . , because it has no place anywhere in the mission of the church." His thought was that it did not minister to the whole person. He said, "We cannot afford any program . . . which will continue to produce fractional and fragmented Christians. It seems the learned doctor would recommend frag-



## the HOME CIRCLE

Conducted by GRACE RAMQUIST

## Each One Teach One . . .

IT IS DIFFICULT FOR ONE WHO lives in the United States and attends the public compulsory schools to realize how fortunate he is to know how to read and write. Teachers? Why, teachers are furnished by the government—city and state. So far as the pupils are concerned, the teacher is always there!

Many articles have been written about the system of *Each One Teach One* which Frank C. Laubach first started in the Philippines. Always these articles have been interesting, but when Dr. Laubach told the story himself, many details were made clearer to me.

It was a few weeks ago now that it was my privilege to hear Dr. Frank C. Laubach speak. I would like to tell you a little of what I heard him say. The words will be my own, but the thoughts and ideas I shall endeavor to present as nearly like he said them as possible.

### O God, I Want to Love Them

It was back in the twenties and Dr. Laubach and his family were working as missionaries in the Philippines. The work and progress were discouraging. The people did not like the missionaries and this fact weighed heavily on the heart and mind of Dr. Laubach. Finally, out of fear, he sent his wife and child up into the mountains. Alone, he remained among the people to whom he hoped to give the gospel message.

One night he was discouraged almost to the point of giving up. He knew he was making no progress and

menting in order to prevent fragmenting. The opinion is far from being expert where the church, evangelization, or revivalism is concerned. (*Christian Herald*)

## Briefs:

*Newsweek* encourages us to believe that we will see polio conquered. In 1955 there were 28,000 cases as compared to 38,104 in 1954. The average number of cases for five years is 37,755. Paralytic polio dropped from 14,180 cases in 1954 to 10,403 in 1955. Thank God for healing scientists and healing science! Thank God for the Great Physician, without whose work all else would be in vain.

yet he knew not how to improve on his methods. He fell on his face before God and began to pour out his troubles. Suddenly in the midst of his prayer, he was impressed with these thoughts: You think you are better than these Moros with whom you work. You know you are white; you are proud of your education; you know you come from a highly civilized country. I love these people and want them saved.

A great desire seized Dr. Laubach. Aloud he cried unto God: "O God, give me love for these people. I want to love them. I want to serve Thee. I don't want to think I'm better than these people. O my God, help me!"

He prostrated himself before the Lord and suddenly a miracle happened to him. His heart was emptied of self and a tremendous love for the Moros came into his heart. He arose from his knees and from that day the power of the Lord led him. He said that from that day the doors seemed to open unto him. He loved every one of the people with whom he came in contact. Whether they were dirty, black, or ignorant made no difference to him. He felt like throwing his arms around them and drawing them unto himself.

Dr. Laubach soon realized that the natives of the island wanted to learn to read and write more than they wanted to do anything else. They seemed to feel that if they could read then they could take their places in an educated world and no one could conquer them. Dr. Laubach was gifted in languages. With the help of God he set about to give the Moros a written



language. He made an alphabet of sixteen sounds, and from that small beginning he wrote simple little books. All his books were about God. He finally wrote the whole story of Jesus and His love for men in simple words. He said that it was as easy to teach the Moro to know about Jesus as it was to teach him to read. He taught both lessons at the same time.

### **The Great Depression—**

Gradually, Dr. Laubach's home church sent him more and more money to pay for teachers. The teachers all followed the system started by Dr. Laubach. Then one day a letter came from the United States. This letter told Dr. Laubach that, because of the great depression, the church could no longer hire the teachers.

That night four hundred teachers met. Dr. Laubach stood before them and simply told them that he could no longer pay them. He had no more money. At first he thought the crowd would kill him. Then, from the back of the room a Moros chieftain walked forward.

"We will not stop teaching," he said. "I know what we will do. Each one will teach one or I will kill him." And thus an idea was born. Dr. Laubach took the first part of the proclamation, *Each One Teach One*, and soon schools were springing up and teachers were teaching for nothing.

Today there are such schools in almost every country of the world. Before a student is accepted, he must promise to teach another as soon as he learns. Gladly he will promise, and so the knowledge goes from person to person.

There is always a great celebration when one returns home knowing how to read and write. He reads his books to everyone who will listen. He soon is teaching one and two and three, and each one he teaches must teach someone else. These readers learn about the Baby Jesus, who was born nearly two thousand years ago. They learn that Jesus died on the cross to save them from sin. They learn that God wants them to give their hearts and lives to Him. They learn the blessed gospel story in simple form, but surely in a real way.

In our own missionary work in India we are using the Laubach method to teach the people to read quickly. This God-given method is being used to teach hundreds where only ten could be taught without it.

Communism feeds on ignorance. Let us help give the light of God to people who sit in darkness. Where there is knowledge, light enters. An old Chinese proverb says, "It is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness." The darkness of communism will soon come to the ignorant of the world if we do not hurry to light candles.

# the Question box

Conducted by STEPHEN S. WHITE, Editor

**Would like to know when, by whom, and why the Lord's Prayer was changed from its original form to what it is today.**

I referred your question to Dr. Ralph Earle, professor of New Testament literature in Nazarene Theological Seminary, and he gave me the following answer. He judged that you had in mind the use of "trespasses" and "trespass" instead of "debts" and "debtors." The latter terms are found in the King James Version, while most of our churches, as well as some other churches, use trespasses and trespass. Wesley was reared in the Church of England, which continued to use trespasses and trespass in its prayer book even after the King James Version with its "debts" and "debtors" came out. This

usage was passed on through Wesley to the Methodist church, and through it to the holiness movement and the Church of the Nazarene. The terms trespasses and trespass were originally taken from a translation which preceded the King James Version, and, as I have already said, the Church of England did not change to the new translation of these words found in the King James Version. I was reared in the Methodist church and like "trespasses" and "trespass" better than "debts" and "debtors" because I became accustomed to this reading as I grew up. Personally, I believe that either reading is acceptable.

**If an unsaved husband proves unfaithful to his wife, who is saved, has the wife, who is the innocent party, a right as a Christian to remarry while the unfaithful husband lives, provided she has been divorced on scriptural grounds—adultery, according to our "Manual"?**

According to my understanding of the *Manual*, I would answer your question

in the affirmative.

**On Christmas Sunday, in a discussion of Mary the mother of Jesus, I took the position that we Protestants should give a greater place to her in our teaching. Shouldn't she be honored above other women of the Bible? If not, how can Luke 1:28 be explained? What about Joseph? Should he receive any special attention? What is his place in the scheme of things?**

I believe that Mary should be honored as any other great and godly woman should be, but I do not think that she should be considered divine or even semidivine. I hold the same as to Joseph and all of Jesus' kinsmen through the flesh. I think that Jesus

himself on more than one occasion taught or implied by what He said or did that none of His kinsmen after the flesh were in any special class because of their relation to Him. Further, I do not believe that my answer conflicts in the least with Luke 1:28.

**According to the Biblical record, "the angel of the Lord" appeared to Hagar, Abraham, Balaam, Gideon, David, Daniel, Elijah, Joseph, Mary the mother of Jesus, Peter, Philip, Cornelius, Paul, and others. Are we to accept this as an actual personal appearance of an angel in each instance, or as a dream, or subconscious reaction which is the result of a fervent longing for divine guidance?**

You use the phrase "angel of the Lord." In this you do not state the situation as it really was in every case. The Angel of the Lord appeared in human form to several Old Testament characters—Abraham, Hagar, and others. An angel came to Elijah and Daniel. Angels had much to do with the birth of Jesus and are referred to in quite a few places in the New Testament. However, there "the angel of the Lord" does not appear on the scene. Many conservative writers have identified "the angel of the Lord" with the Son of God in the Old Testament. There are evi-

dences of the fact that He stood in a class different from the other angels mentioned in the Bible. Angels are spiritual beings and, no doubt, have various ways of making their personal presence known to men. In every case their personal presence could have in some way been physical, although I would not want to be dogmatic and assert that it was thus in every instance. On the other hand, I certainly would not want to explain the personal appearance of angels as nothing more than dreams or subconscious reactions.

**What can we do to get our pastor to stop talking about his past accomplishments and how much he has given up in order to preach the gospel?**

Two ways to help him might be to assist him in achieving more now by your prayers and faithfulness in other

respects and by paying him more, or increasing his salary.



Fort Wayne, Indiana—With Evangelists Alva O. and Gladys Estep as the special workers, God gave us a splendid revival at Riverhaven Church. A good number of souls were saved, and all former Sunday-school records were broken. In one service in which special attention was given to those who were sick, God's presence was unusually manifested. Sister Estep did excellent work in directing the singing and singing special numbers. Brother Estep's presentation of the Scene-o-Felt pictures was most impressive, and his old-fashioned holiness messages were much appreciated. It was a pleasure to have these workers with us.—CLINTON H. TEMPLIN, Pastor.

**Evangelist Joe Norton reports:** "My last meeting for 1955 was with our Lamasco church on the Dallas District—making twenty-one meetings for me during the calendar year of 1955. It has been a real joy to work with our good pastors and laymen. I have an open date, May 23 to June 3. Write me, Box 143, Hamlin, Texas."

**Rev. R. E. Bridgwater writes:** "After having served as pastor of our Central Church in Colorado Springs, Colorado, for the past nine years, Wife and I re-entered the evangelistic field last September, and are enjoying our work to the fullest. We have appreciated the fellowship and spirit of our pastors, also the good laymen who have stood by us so loyally. We are slating now for 1957, with a few open dates for 1956. We are all for Christ and our beloved church. Write us, 116 Wolfe Avenue, Colorado Springs, Colorado."

Brooksville, Florida—Our "infant" church continues to grow, and God is blessing in many ways. The recent Sunday-school attendance was 108, and the auditorium of the new building plan is nearing completion. Rev. and Mrs. William Snyder are our good pastors. We invite tourists coming this way to stop and worship with us; the church is three miles south of Brooksville, just off Tampa Hi-way 41.—VERNA MCCONNELL, Secretary.

Leon, Iowa—Recently we had a good revival with the Leverett Brothers as the special workers. New people attended the services for the first time, and conviction was on hearts until some prayed through in their homes. God has helped our church to be on the Crusade for Souls Now honor roll for evangelism with a 10 per cent increase. The pastor's wife postponed a major operation, so she could attend the services of the revival, and had the operation later. During the meeting a love offering was taken for the pastor.—L. L. WATTERS, Pastor.

**Stigler, Oklahoma—Recently our church had a heart-searching revival with Rev. and Mrs. Russel R. McCollom as the special workers. Brother McCollom preached old-time holiness under the anointing of God, and they brought some wonderful messages in song. We feel our church was moved up spiritually. We appreciated the ministry of Brother and Sister McCollom with us; they carry a real burden for souls.—Charles H. Crandell, Sr., Pastor.**



by BERTHA MUNRO

## "UNSINKABLE"

### Monday:

Those recently published facts about the sinking of the "unsinkable" giant liner, "Titanic," in 1912, are a parable to make us deeply serious. Our world is a vast "Titanic" driving on through time at danger speed. Crowded with passengers of all classes absorbed in play, deafened with jazz, heedless, off guard: "God himself couldn't sink her!"—God help us to see it for what it is, and feel and act accordingly.

### Tuesday:

So certain they are safe, busy in killing time, angry with those who inter-

fere—there is a false security, an easy irresponsibility, a perilous "taking for granted." It isn't enough to "think you're all right." Ahead is an awakening to tragic reality.

### Wednesday:

But tragedy is unnecessary, escapable. Danger is avoidable. Plenty of warnings from a God who knows the seas, plenty of time to change the course and miss the fatal icebergs. God is not willing that any should perish—and He has plenty of lifeboats.

### Thursday:

Some persons are responsible: to study charts, to catch radio messages, to persuade of danger, to fill the lifeboats. They risk—for a time—the ridicule and resentment of the self-assured who think them crazy. They risk, on the other hand—finally—the scorn and bitter self-reproach which come to those who selfishly save themselves, and let others drown. "Am I my brother's keeper?"

### Friday:

We classify ourselves. Are we among the easygoing, falsely confident, disregarding warnings, beating off would-be helpers; absorbed in trifles, gaily self-deceived; refusing offered safety, clinging to friends who will not be saved? Then, panicking at the last moment, thinking to escape as one of a privileged class?

Shall we be among the few who risk their lives to rescue those trapped in a doomed ship? Or know the anguish of learning too late what our lethargy has cost others?

### Saturday:

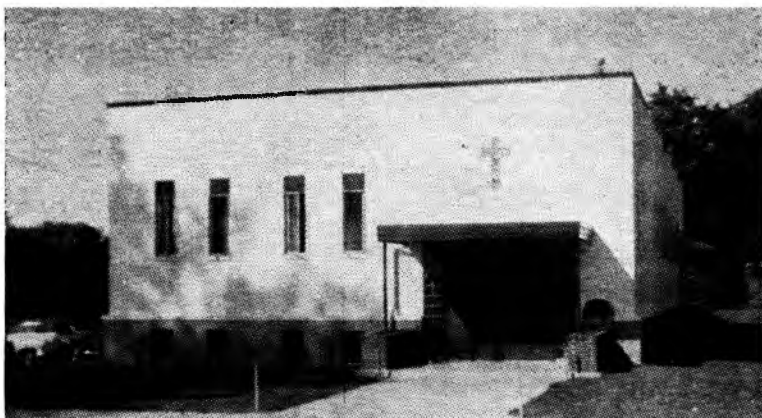
Three pictures of tragic awakening and remorse: the builder of the "unsinkable," whose high claims had led so many to false confidence, now standing stunned and deaf in the deserted smoking-room, awaiting the end; the captain, who had disregarded five warning messages, now at the very last standing on the deck, megaphone still in hand, remembering; the rich owner of the line, who had pushed others out to make room for himself in a lifeboat, now stumbling into a room on the rescue ship to hide from the face of man, a recluse for life. What can be the shame of those who know, yet do nothing about a shipwrecked world?

### Sunday:

Wherever there is self-assurance, there is an individual "Titanic." Wherever men live "at ease in Zion," trusting in an organization to bring them through, or in finespun theories or philosophic acumen, or in pleasures or their own lazy ways—in anything but a living faith which brings peace and right living by way of daily dependence on a Person—there is danger, grave and imminent.

**FIRST CHURCH**  
**St. Joseph, Missouri**

Sunday, October 2, 1955, marked a day of love and thankfulness to God from members and friends of St. Joseph First Church as they dedicated their new sanctuary to the Lord. The church was built in the summer of 1955. Dr. Jarrette Aycock, district superintendent, brought the dedication message. In May of 1951, we came to pastor this church; one year later we saw the vision of a new sanctuary and began to preach and pray to that end. We give God all glory and praise for this new building, and thank Him for the godly men who laid a good foundation. The new building is 84 x 40 feet, and will seat about 350, with full basement for Sunday-school rooms, study, and nursery. In the fall we had a good revival with Evangelists



Dick and Lucille Law as the special workers. The church certainly appreciated their challenging messages.—E. M. ELROD, Pastor.

**Charleston, West Virginia—South-east Church recently had one of its very best revivals, with Rev. D. K. Wachtel as evangelist, and Brother A. C. Wakefield as the singer. The attendance and spirit were good from the very beginning, and the victories around the altar were unusual and outstanding. On the last Friday night the Holy Spirit came in such power that there was no room for preaching. Then on Saturday night, and both services on Sunday, God blessed and the long altar was lined with hungry, seeking hearts. A class of thirty-two members was received into the church—the largest class of members in a long time. The Lord is with us as we march on to victory, and it is a joy to serve this wonderful people—now in our fifth year with them.—Hadley Hall, Pastor.**

Pastor Blanton Cook reports from Hawaii: "We arrived in Wahiawa, Oahu, on April 12, of 1954, and found a most loyal group of folks. God helped us to see the Sunday school increase from an average of 82 to 122, and more than 300 souls bow at the altar seeking God for spiritual help, within eighteen months. New friends were made for the church and many servicemen found help. A number of servicemen were reclaimed and gave glowing testimonies. Fourteen members were added to the church. We were privileged to have some of our best speakers and evangelists with us—Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Purkiser, Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Widmeyer, Dr. C. Warren Jones, Dr. R. J. Plumb, Dr. Hardy C. Powers, Rev. R. Newman Ravcroft, Evangelist Leila Dell Miller, and our own loved district superintendent, Rev. Cecil Knippers, with the Dee Rushing Family as singers. Also Rev. and Mrs. Sidney Knox and son were with us en route to New Guinea. After much prayer we felt led to accept the call to our Hilo church, arriving here last November 2. We are enjoying the blessings of God."

LaFayette, Georgia—First Church recently had a wonderful revival with Rev. Hugh Slater as the evangelist. He is a very sincere preacher with a burden for lost souls on his heart. We appreciated his ministry with us. Our church is going forward for God with souls finding victory in nearly every Sunday's services.—CLIFTON HUTCHINSON, Pastor.

**East Liverpool, Ohio—During November the LaCroft Church enjoyed a very fine revival with Evangelist George P. Woodward. His messages stirred the hearts of sinners, and thrilled and blessed the souls of God's people. More than one hundred seekers bowed at the altar of prayer, and nine new members were added to the church. A wonderful spirit was manifested throughout the meeting, and the attendance was encouraging. We shall not soon forget the wonderful blessings of this meeting. God is blessing the work spiritually and numerically; our average attendance in Sunday school during November was 215. At the close of the revival Evangelist Woodward took up a love offering of sixty dollars for the pastor to help on the purchase of a new wrist watch and a set of snow tires.—LeRoy M. Hastie, Pastor.**

St. Louis, Missouri—These are special days of victory and blessing for the Overland Church. Sunday, November 6, we were privileged to have District Superintendent E. D. Simpson and wife with us, and a new Hammond organ, recently purchased by the church, was dedicated for service to the Lord. Dr. Simpson's prayer of dedication and message of truth blessed and lifted all of us. On Sunday, November 20, Dr. and Mrs. C. Warren Jones were with us, and his message on missions gave us a greater vision of the need of sending the gospel to other lands. Our Thanksgiving offering amounted to \$1,254.95. Our Sunday school has a 10 per cent increase over last year; average attendance for November was 250.—A. R. ALDRICH, Pastor.

**Evangelist C. M. Whitley and wife write: "In December we conducted our fourth revival with the Bickfords in Fort Worth, Texas. God blessed and gave a fine meeting and we enjoyed working with these wonderful people. We have an open date, February 1 to 12, and would like to slate this time in Arkansas, Missouri, or Illinois, but will go anywhere, for freewill offerings. Write us, c/o our publishing house, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri."**

Evangelist Bernice L. Roedel reports: "Of the past eight years spent in evangelistic work, 1955 proved to be one of the most fruitful and best. During the year it was my privilege to work with the following churches, pastors, and singers in revivals—in Indiana: at Oakland City with Rev. J. C. Collins and Singer D. F. Slack; at Newburgh; at Winamac with Pastor T. Carter and Singers Norman and Connie Franklin; at Salem, with Rev. Denzil Liebert; at Springs Valley Church, West Baden Springs, with Rev. G. Osborne and Miss Violet Coulter; at Halesburg, Vallonia, with Rev. Paul Hoskins; then to St. Francisville and Smithfield, Illinois (Rev. R. B. Knudson); at Francisco and Mt. Vernon, Indiana; to Holcomb, Missouri, with the Campbell Family as singers; and Chandler, Indiana, with Rev. and Mrs. I. Loveless, pastor and singers. Also, I supervised vacation Bible schools in four of our churches, and conducted special or week-end services in six of our churches in Indiana. I am glad to accept calls as they come, and go as the Lord may lead, for freewill offerings and entertainment. Write me, 423 E. Maple Street, Boonville, Indiana."

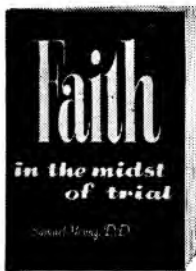
**Sharon, Pennsylvania—Our church had a good revival recently with Miss Wilma England as the evangelist. She was assisted by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. White. Miss England's rugged preaching was wonderfully supplemented by the Whites' ministry of music.—E. E. Johnson, Pastor.**

**Nebo, Illinois**—Our church recently had an effective revival with Rev. W. H. Phillips as the special worker. Brother Phillips walks close to God, is a positive, Bible preacher, and knows how to dig down deep. I am sure that pastor and people will never be the same. We thank God for His blessings.—Ben I. Dale, Pastor.

**Bloomington, Indiana**—These are good days for First Church. Last spring our Sunday school won the district contest for showing the greatest gain in the "over 200 group"; and the school showed a gain of 38 in average attendance for the entire year. We have a good start on our building fund and hope to do something about classrooms soon. The first Thanksgiving here we received one bushel basket of money; the second year we used two bushel baskets, heaped up; and this past November we "filled a barrel with money." Recently we paid off \$8,000.00 indebtedness on the property, in twenty months, without taking a special offering. We are seeing a number of young married couples saved and sanctified, and bringing new life into the church. God is blessing and shouts of victory are heard. If you have friends in Indiana University here, write us and we'll be glad to contact them.—GRANT M. BARTON, Pastor.

**Saugus, California**—Forrest Park Church recently closed one of the most outstanding revivals since it was organized six years ago. The evangelist was Rev. Andy Hayes, pastor at Glendale First Church; he was blessedly used of God in the salvation of souls. His messages were timely, Biblical, and Spirit-anoined. The Eastwood Family, of Tujunga, were in charge of the music, and the beautiful renditions of this talented group blessed and inspired us again and again. During this ten-day meeting many of our own people were brought into a deeper experience of grace, as well as new people won to God, with some outstanding conversions.—Wendell W. Woods, Pastor.

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**Pastor John Lambert reports from Minneapolis, Kansas:** "In late November we had a revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Glenn Slater and Danny as the special workers. God met with us in the services, many people found help at the altar of prayer, and on the last Sunday morning without any preaching God came on the scene and gave us a good altar service. Our people were blessed and given new courage and determination to go forward and do all of God's will. We appreciated the fine ministry of the Slaters with us."

**Sarasota, Florida**—In November our church had a wonderful revival with Rev. Cletus Franklin as the evangelist. He preached with the anointing of God, a good number of souls prayed through to definite victory, and the church was strengthened. We are encouraged with the gradual increase in Sunday-school attendance since we came here six months ago. Sarasota Nazarenes are a wonderful group of people who cooperate in prayer, personal visitation, and sacrificial giving. Since June, God has answered prayer in a miraculous way and helped us to get the loan we needed to pay off the church debt—we are able to make the payment to our local bank with only 4½ per cent interest. We thank God for His goodness to us.—ROBERT E. DAVISSON, Pastor.

**Evangelist A. J. (Jack) Hoof writes:** "I have had a happy ten months in the harvest field for the Master. I spent seven years in pastoral work, the last three being in Natchez, Mississippi, where God helped us in buying a nice large lot, and in the erection of a nice modern parsonage with full basement, and later a 40 x 60-foot brick church. When we left, the church debt was only \$7,000.00, with a low interest and payments of \$60.00 per month. The membership had increased from nineteen to fifty-one. Since our being in the field God has opened doors to us for twenty-one revival meetings, two of which were week-end meetings. I have some time open for the spring and am willing to go anywhere. Write me, 1610 S. Grand, Monroe, Louisiana."

**Providence, Rhode Island**—The Lord has been blessing the work of First Church. Last spring we were favored in having Evangelist Kenneth Wells and wife with us; their ministry in sermon and song was appreciated. In November, Rev. Clyde B. Rodgers, evangelist, singer, and chalk artist, was with us; thank God for his old-time revival preaching. A goodly number of seekers responded to the altar call, seeking God for regeneration and heart purity. Our people have been doing visitation work under the leadership of Pastor Kenneth E. Sullivan. It is now a little more than one year since People's Church and Wesleyan Church merged, and we give God praise for bringing the two groups together. On November 3 we enjoyed a blessed zone missionary rally, with Miss Nellie Storey, from Africa, as guest speaker. District Superintendent J. C. Albright, District N.F.M.S. President Mrs. Albright, and Mrs. Katherine Benson were present in the rally.—LURA HORTON INGLER, Reporter.

**Evangelist Jimmie Fuller writes that he will be in a meeting in Huntington, West Virginia, January 18 to 29, then has open dates for February due to a change in his slate. Write him, P.O. Box 81, Nashville, Georgia.**

**OREGON PACIFIC DISTRICT**

Our district has added two more churches, with the organization on December 4 of the Mt. Pitt Avenue Church in Medford, and on December 11 of the Sutherlin church.

Pastor Raymond W. Hurn and his Medford congregation are not only providing the nucleus of a dozen or more members for the new congregation, but have raised in cash and subscriptions nearly three thousand dollars with which to purchase property and pave the street in front of it. God is blessing them in their efforts to expand the Kingdom.

Also, Pastor Robert D. Hempel and his Roseburg congregation are giving about 10 per cent of their numerical strength to the work in Sutherlin, a thriving little city ten miles north of Roseburg. Property has been purchased there, and services are scheduled to begin this month (December).

These are the fifteenth and sixteenth new churches organized on our district since last General Assembly. Our goal is twenty-one for the quadrennium.—W. D. MCGRAW, JR., District Superintendent.

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## PREACHERS' CONVENTION Alabama District

The Alabama District Preachers' meeting convened December 5 to 7, at First Church in Jasper. Many of the "old-timers" said it was the best ever held, to their knowledge.

The messages of Dr. G. B. Williamson could not have been excelled; they were informative, constructive, and inspiring, delivered in an atmosphere of God's presence.

Rev. C. E. Shumake, our loved and respected district superintendent, presided with his usual ability and grace, and time after time warm response was given to his challenge to the preachers to move ahead on the district.

Several papers, presented by the preachers on various subjects relating to the work of the ministry, were pertinent and interesting.

Rev. Paul Stewart was our genial host, and looked after every detail of our comfort in a wonderful way.

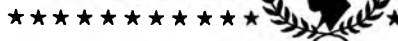
One delightful aspect of the convention was the presence of Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Chaney, from Hawaii. Brother Chaney spoke in one of the sessions on "Evangelism Abroad."

God's wonderful presence throughout, the ever-growing spirit of co-operation among the preachers, and the self-sacrificing efforts of the fine laity, all bespeak the fact that Alabama District is on the march for God.—J. E. COMPTON, Reporter.

*Rockford, Ohio—God has given our church an old-fashioned, Spirit-filled revival. The meeting continued for four weeks with Rev. Cloyce Elsea and wife as the special workers. God wonderfully blessed and used them. The beautiful Scene-o-Felt pictures presented each night by Mrs. Elsea were blessed of God, and Brother Elsea brought Spirit-anointed messages from night to night. A group of our people had been prevailing in prayer for several months, in cottage prayer meetings—this was the secret to this revival. God gave some great altar services, and one woman was definitely healed of arthritis. A nice class was received into the church, and a good love offering given to the pastor and wife. We thank God for the ministry of Brother and Sister Elsea with us.—O. W. Bowsher, Pastor.*

Charlottesville, Virginia—November 27, 1955, marked a milestone for our church. The building had been redecorated on the inside, a beautiful new tile floor installed, and the outside repainted. The mortgage had been recently paid, and now free from debt, the building was dedicated by District Superintendent V. W. Littrell, and the mortgage burned with the trustees and Pastor Warren O. Holloway participating. God's glory filled the sanctuary and His presence was real. It was a great day! Sunday-school average attendance for November

# Servicemen's Corner



## Civil Air Patrol

A NUMBER OF OUR PASTORS ARE finding a fruitful field of contact with families of their communities by serving as chaplains of their local Civil Air Patrol units. While the C.A.P., as it is called, has been organized for a number of years, the work of the chaplaincy has only recently received due attention. Following is a list of men who are serving as C.A.P. chaplains in this area. If there are others, whose names we do not have, please let us know.

Rev. J. F. Hamm  
Hot Springs, Arkansas  
First Church

Rev. E. Roy Darden  
Tyler, Texas  
First Church

Rev. James C. Wolstenholm  
Spokane, Washington  
Spokane South Hill Church

Rev. Ellis L. Martin  
Carson City, Nevada

Rev. Robert Hempel  
Roseburg, Oregon

Rev. James N. Arechuk  
Huron, South Dakota

Rev. Gordon V. Woods  
Daytona Beach, Florida

Rev. William Lawson Brown  
McAllen, Texas

Rev. Ellis G. Blythe  
Miami, Florida  
Miami North Church

Rev. Norman E. Hoskinson  
Opportunity, Washington  
Spokane Valley Church

Rev. Paul D. Swisher  
Danville, Illinois

Rev. Wayne M. Butchart  
McMinnville, Oregon

Rev. A. G. Blacklock  
Bakersfield, California  
First Church

Rev. Ellis Teasdale  
Shelby, Ohio  
First Church

On January 1, Chaplain John T. Donnelly assumed the duties of base chaplain of Eglin Air Force Base. In this capacity he will direct the religious program for more than 12,000 air force personnel and supervise the work of 8 chaplains.

## NAZARENE SERVICE MEN'S COMMISSION

*Al DuBois* DIRECTOR

was seventy-three; one year ago it was forty-eight. The organized visitation program of the Sunday-school superintendent is counting for God. Our church has made great progress during the past two years under the energetic leadership of Pastor Holloway.—MAUDE HUME: WHITE, Secretary.

## ANNUAL PREACHERS' MEETING Maritime District

The annual preachers' meeting of the Maritime District is history. The gathering was held in the Oxford, Nova Scotia, church with Pastor H. M. Burgess as host.

All the preachers, except three, were in attendance at some or all of the sessions. Many good papers were read by the various pastors, and a lively discussion followed the reading of a few.

We were indeed privileged to have as our guest speaker Dr. T. W. Willingham. His messages were full and rich with the good things of God. The Holy Spirit's presence was manifest throughout the entire meeting. All who heard the Wednesday morning message will never be the same again. Truly, we sat in heavenly places!

The Oxford people were wonderful hosts. On the closing day the ladies of the church served supper to all the preachers and their wives. All who attended were agreed it was one of the best preachers' meetings they ever had been in. We give God glory and praise for His goodness to us. Pastors and people of the Maritimes are united and determined to press the battle for God and holiness.—Reporter.

## IDAHO-OREGON

### Preachers' Conventions and College Church Revival

The Idaho-Oregon District and Nampa College Church were greatly blessed and helped by the ministry of Dr. Hardy C. Powers in the month of October.

October 23 to 30, Dr. Powers was the evangelist for the fall revival of Northwest Nazarene College and College Church. His anointed preaching in the chapel and evening evangelistic services was used of God in a mighty way. In service after service the long altars were lined with earnest, seeking hearts. Dean Culver, of the college, has stated that she cannot remember a time when so many students testified to the experience of entire sanctification as in the first midweek prayer meeting following the revival.

Following the week of revival, Dr. Powers officiated at the dedication of two new churches on the district. On Monday evening, October 31, he and District Superintendent I. F. Younger conducted dedicatory services in the new church at Elgin, Oregon, with Pastor Walter Goehring and his people. On Wednesday evening, the dedication of the new church at Buhl, Idaho, was held with Rev. Wayne Hagemeyer. Both

of these churches have been constructed with a minimum of indebtedness and constitute splendid additions to the physical facilities of the district.

Then, on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday of that week, Dr. Powers spoke at three area preachers' conventions at Ontario, Oregon, Buhl, and Meridian, Idaho. Large, enthusiastic crowds were present at each meeting with the signal blessing of the Lord in the services. Each evening Dr. Powers presented his message on New Guinea and stirred our hearts again for the great cause of foreign missions.

Idaho-Oregon District is solidly united behind its good leader, Rev. I. F. Younger, and the program of the general church, and we are facing the future with holy optimism.—Reporter.

### Preachers' Meeting New England District

The annual New England District preachers' meeting was held November 28 to 30 in the South Portland (Maine) church, with Rev. Richard Howard as host pastor. An interesting and helpful program had been arranged by Rev. J. C. Albright, district superintendent and chairman of the convention.

Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt, special speaker, brought inspiring messages from God's Word. The simplicity of his messages, his good sense of humor, and his ability to adjust his message to the time available made it a joy to sit under his ministry. At the conclusion of his first message, Dr. Rehfeldt conducted a communion service. This is an annual event in the New England District preachers' meeting.

One of the most helpful events was a period when questions were presented concerning the work of the ministry. The three wise quiz-men who answered the questions were Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt, Dr. J. Glenn Gould, and Dr. Mel-Thomas Rothwell.

Two fine papers were presented by Rev. Joshua C. Wagner and by Rev. Anthony B. Sampson. Eastern Nazarene College was represented by President E. S. Mann, Business Manager Paul Wells, and Rev. Floyd Flemming, assistant pastor of the College Church. Reports of the district N.F.M.S. and N.Y.P.S. were given respectively by Mrs. Florence Albright and Rev. Arthur Hughes. Rev. Neale McLain reported for the District Church School Board, and Mrs. Faith Hathaway for the district Junior Society. Brief devotional messages were brought to the convention by Rev. G. Emery Pratt, Rev. Curtis L. Stanley, Rev. George Teague, and Rev. David Thomas.

The hospitality of Pastor Howard and his people was greatly appreciated by the nearly one hundred ministers and more than fifty wives who attended the convention. This was the largest number of wives ever to attend such a gathering on the New England District.

We realized once again the tremendous value of the district preachers' meeting. The fellowship with God's ministers and the manifest presence of God's Spirit as felt in this convention strengthen our courage to press forward and do the whole will of God.—DUDLEY C. HATHAWAY, Reporter.

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## ANNUAL PREACHERS' MEETING Canada Central District

The annual preachers' meeting, November 28 to 30, at Owen Sound, Ontario, was almost unanimously attended by Canada Central preachers. Graciously welcomed by Host Pastor Cyril Palmer, we were highly elated by the presence of Dr. Roy F. Smee—and thoroughly examined.

Rev. E. J. Wilson, veteran but active saint among preachers, led the opening communion service, at which time the Lord was richly present. The Holy Spirit nourished and refilled our waiting hearts and satisfied our need.

District Superintendent H. Blair Ward presided over the program with dispatch and grace. Department heads brought reminders of the district program in their respective areas. Board meetings were held in our spare time, between courses at the restaurants, to work on urgent district business.

Instructive and inspired papers were read by Cyril Palmer, E. Whitmore, J. Holstead, L. Tattrie, climaxed perhaps by an up-to-date report given by R. Fletcher Tink on "Holiness in the British Isles."

Never was so much work done in such a short time by so few. We'll never be the same again. Confidence in the early gains reported in the short period of Brother Ward's superintendency gave us an optimism which, coupled with the whole tenor of the meeting, supplied a real need in this year's program and personnel. There's victory ahead!—ROLAND STANFORD, *Reporter*.

**Lovington, New Mexico—Recently our church had a good meeting with Evangelist B. H. Wooton. God answered prayer in giving souls, and the church was richly blessed. On the last Sunday morning Brother Wooton presented a challenge to our people to give for the new church building. Our wonderful people readily responded with pledges of more than \$8,000.00, and \$900.00 cash. Actual construction will begin in January on a sanctuary building, 45 x 95 feet. We came here last March, conducted our own spring revival, and God blessed. District Superintendent R. C. Gunstream was with us for five days in August, and again God came in blessing and salvation. We thank God for His blessings upon the work here.—Bernard W. Culbertson, Pastor.**

## ANNUAL DISTRICT ASSEMBLY Puerto Rican District

From November 17 to 19 the Puerto Rican District celebrated its seventh annual assembly in conjunction with the annual missionary convention in the city of Ponce. God was pleased to beautify the occasion with His presence and blessing, and pastors and delegates returned home with new vision and blessing, and a disposition to work to reach the goals presented at the assembly.

The assembly was presided over with dispatch and efficiency by our much-loved foreign missions secretary, Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt. Under his leadership,

the business sessions went ahead in a spirit of brotherly love. We thank God and the Board of General Superintendents for allowing Dr. Rehfeldt to visit us.

The host pastor, Rev. Angel Hernandez, had everything well organized and the assembly was well cared for. We are grateful to the members of neighboring churches who opened the doors of their homes to give us rooms to accommodate our people.

The district superintendent, Rev. H. L. Hampton, brought an encouraging report of the work accomplished during the past year. The high spot of his report was his challenge to the pastors and laymen to bring, as a net gain, one hundred new members in full communion into the church during the new assembly year. All the pastors hilariously accepted the challenge, and each one stood and set a personal goal for himself and his church of new members to be added. The superintendent's report spoke of the progress in all departments of the work, and reported two new churches organized during the past year.

The assembly was preceded by the annual missionary convention, presided over by the district superintendent. The district missionary president, Mrs. Gladys Hampton, gave a good report, showing gains made in all the different phases of the missionary endeavor. Medical boxes were sent to our mission hospitals, the prayer charts were introduced and are now in service, there was a gain in offerings and membership in the Prayer and Fasting League, the Alabaster boxes brought in almost \$450.00, the special project of \$250.00 to help Guatemala buy an ox team and cart was paid in full. Briefly, the district society raised approximately \$1,400.00 and has gone forward in a wonderful way. The district project for the new year is to raise \$400.00 to send to Barbados to help in the reconstruction of the churches damaged by Hurricane Janet.

Since November 18 was the superintendent's birthday, it was declared by pastors and delegates to be "Superintendent's Day," and he was presented with a gift in the form of a check for a new suit, and Mrs. Hampton and the children were given gifts which were appropriate and rich in sentiment.

The high light of the assembly was the evening service on November 18 when God powerfully used Dr. Rehfeldt. After preaching a wonderful message, Dr. Rehfeldt called the pastors forward for a time of rededication, and then called the delegates forward to kneel behind their respective pastors in symbol of their support and backing. Tears flowed freely and fervent prayers ascended to God. The atmosphere was such that a general altar call was made and the altar was lined with seekers, who became victorious finders.

Saturday night a service was held to dedicate the new Ponce church edifice. Dr. Rehfeldt brought a timely message of dedication. We thank God for this new church building.

The Puerto Rican District is grateful to God for all His mercies and goodness to us. Pray for us in the days ahead.—*Reporter*.



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*Nazarene Radio League*

THE FAMILIAR WORDS "... around the world," by Dr. Mendell Taylor as he introduces "Showers of Blessing," mean just that. While we are working here or sleeping, people on the other side of the world are doing the opposite. When we are thinking of noonday lunch on Tuesday, those around Goa, India, are listening to the 9:00 p.m. broadcast of "Showers of Blessing."

Up into Karachi, Pakistan, went the radio message of "Showers of Blessing," where it gripped the heart of an interested listener; and soon a letter of inquiry started on its two months' journey to the radio station in Goa, then on to their representative in New York City, then to Kansas City, and finally to the Radio League office. Here is what we read as we opened the mail:

"Last night I was able to hear your religious talk and was much impressed by the same. As these sermons and talks are very illuminating, I shall be thankful if you will give me details of your program so that myself and family can listen. We call for God's blessings on your mission and hope for more like we are to be interested in them, and more of our erring brethren are brought back to the fold, as well as others to whom God's grace descends whilst listening to these messages.

"I am a seeker after truth and much interested in arriving with the assistance of the Holy Spirit at clarification of the various differences in the interpretations and observances of God's word by dissenting denominations.

"I am sure this purpose of mine is quite necessary in these times when it is later than you think for the advent of the 'Bridegroom.' Therefore please let me have any tracts or literature you may have."

We know that "the the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." Join us in prayer that multitudes now in darkness may see the Great Light and hear of salvation from the fifty-three stations overseas that are preaching the gospel week after week.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WEDDING BELLS**

Mary Ann Wagner of Charleston, South Carolina, and Mr. Charles H. Nicholson were united in marriage on December 25 in West Ashley Church of the Nazarene, Charleston, with Rev. Hugh W. Hill officiating.

ENFM Larry Boston and Miss Geraldine Allen, both of Nampa, Idaho, were united in marriage on November 7, in the Nazarene parsonage, by Rev. C. L. Wooten.

Mr. Phillip Younger and Miss Betty June Coffman, both of Nampa, Idaho, were united in marriage on November 4, at the North Nampa Church of the Nazarene, by Rev. Carl Lindbloom, uncle of the groom, assisted by Rev. C. L. Wooten, pastor.

A3/c Maurice Keene of Scotts Field Air Force Base, Illinois, and Miss Barbara Pewlitt of Nampa, Idaho, were united in marriage on December 23, in the North Nampa Church of the Nazarene, with Rev. C. L. Wooten, pastor, officiating.

BORN—to Mr. and Mrs. John Bauerle of Mansfield, Illinois, a daughter, Jo Nell, on December 28.

—to W. D. and Melva Dean (Moore) Kiser of Norwalk, California, a daughter, Debra Ann, on December 28.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Wilson of Norman, Oklahoma, a son, Robert Keith, on December 21.

—to Professor Don and Frances Bowman of Newport, Kentucky, twin girls, Connie Kaye and Cathy Faye, on December 17.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Marvin E. Powers of Albuquerque, New Mexico, a daughter, Patrice Suzanne, on December 17.

—to Dr. and Mrs. Vernon A. Snowbarger of Bethany, Oklahoma, a son, Steven Roy, on December 17.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Cole of Kansas City, Missouri, a son, Paul A., Jr., on December 10.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sturtevant of Weiser, Idaho, a daughter, Jerilyn Sue, on December 2.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a young Christian girl in Illinois for the salvation of an older brother who is getting farther away from God each day;

by a reader in Pennsylvania for a "problem in our home, and a special unspoken request";

by a friend in Oregon: "I can't get the victory by myself, so ask you to help me to pray"—an unspoken request concerning home and loved ones and a little, ten-year-old daughter;

by a lady in Illinois "that circumstances may be better for me within and without," and also for an unspoken request.

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**Pastor Albert B. Schneider reports:**  
"After serving our First Church in Vincennes, Indiana, for six years, we accepted the call to our First Church in Columbus, Indiana, and have been here now six months. We left some wonderful people at Vincennes, and now the Lord is graciously blessing us here in Columbus. The buildings are of red brick and Bedford stone, with opportunity for much growth. All departments of the church are showing a good growth. Especially the Prayer and Fasting League has taken a new hold, which brought a remarkable response in our Thanksgiving offering for missions—\$700.00; three times the amount of the offering last year. Recently we had a wonderful revival with Evangelists C. W. and Florence Davis and the Homer Madroxes as special workers."

**DEATHS**

ROBERT C. "JACK" EASTIN was born November 29, 1896, in Nebraska, and died of a heart attack on August 23, 1955, in Johnson, Kansas. In 1935 he was converted and sanctified, and from that time on his main business was serving the Lord. For five years he was superintendent of the Bethel Nazarene Sunday school. He was faithful to his work and to his church; his going is keenly felt by the church and community. He is survived by his wife, one son, and one daughter. Funeral service was conducted by his pastor, Rev. A. C. Tunnell, assisted by Rev. Ray Jellison.

REV. J. W. ADAMS, pastor at Dothan, Alabama, for the past three years, died September 30, 1955, at Marianna, Florida. Brother Adams fell from a moving truck while he was moving his furniture and suffered a brain concussion. He was a devout Christian, a humble minister of the Church of the Nazarene. Funeral service was conducted in the Church of the Nazarene at Blountstown, Florida, with the pastor, Rev. F. A. Blackwell, in charge.—C. E. Shumake, District Superintendent.

FRED ALBERT BOAZ was born at Pittsburg, Kansas, November 15, 1897, and died in a hospital at Elkhart, Kansas, on August 11, 1955. He came to Morton County as a boy, and grew to manhood on the farm of his father. In 1921 he married Grace Bitner. His later years were spent in Elkhart, where he was saved and sanctified and united with the Church of the Nazarene; he lived a life of service to God and his fellow man. He was a trustee in the local church, and teacher of the men's Bible class. He is survived by his daughter, Janet Lee White; also one brother and five sisters. Funeral service was conducted by his pastor, Rev. Dallas McKellips, with burial in the Elkhart cemetery.

JOSEPH INSTONE died September 1, 1955, in a hospital in Orlando, Florida. He was born June 29, 1886, in Smethwick, Staffs, England. He was converted at the age of nineteen in a Salvation Army hall in Birmingham, England, and sanctified at the Church of the Nazarene in St. Louis, Missouri. He came to the United States at the age of nineteen. He was united in marriage to Marian Miller in 1915 in Chicago. Since retiring four years ago Mr. Instone had made his home in Orlando, where he was a member of Central Church of the Nazarene. He is survived by his wife, one son, and three daughters. A memorial service was held in Orlando with his pastor, Rev. Mr. Irwin, officiating; and another service was held in St. Louis, with Rev. F. A. Welsh in charge, assisted by Rev. Robert Harding.

MARILYN BERNADINE, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leppert, of Phoenix, Arizona, died October 18, 1955, at the age of seven years and one month. She was born in Kansas City, Missouri. Marilyn's short life was one of suffering and pain from the time she was born, but her smile and cheery disposition made her a blessing to all who came in contact with her. Beside her parents, she is survived by her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Riddle and Edward Leppert, also other relatives. She was preceded in death by a sister, Diane Christine. Funeral service was held at the Church of the Nazarene in Chariton, Iowa, with Rev. Glenn Williams officiating, and interment in the Chariton cemetery.

CAPTAIN VIRGIL PAUL SWIM, U.S. Air Force, lost his life in a mid-air explosion of the B-47 he commanded, on October 3, 1955. The accident occurred on a routine formation flight near Tatum, New Mexico. Paul grew up in Newton, Kansas, where with his family he attended the Church of the Nazarene. He served his country in the navy, Pacific area, until January, 1946, and in the U.S. Air Force from 1949 until his death. Paul left a firm testimony of his purpose to live for God as a Christian father and citizen. He and his wife were members of the Catalina Methodist Church near his base at Tucson, Arizona. At the time of his death he was thirty-one years of age. He is survived by his wife, Harriette Stanley Swim, Emporia, Kansas; two children: Janet Anne, eight; and John Stanley, six; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene W. Swim, of Newton; also one sister and seven brothers. Memorial services were held at Tucson and at his home church in Newton, with Rev. Clifton Norrell, Nazarene pastor, officiating, assisted by Rev. Wilson Lanpher of Hutchinson. Interment was at the National Cemetery, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

LLOYD H. BOWLBY, one of our very finest members in First Church of the Nazarene, East Liverpool, Ohio, died September 20, 1955. He was received into First Church on November 23, 1925, and served as a trustee of the church for many years. Funeral service was conducted by the pastor, and burial was in the Riverview Cemetery.—Lloyd D. Morgan, Pastor.

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