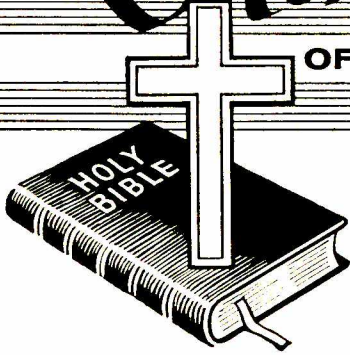


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Peter Marshall once said, "While you may beware of the man who tries to explain everything, we must also beware of the man who insists on having everything explained." Thus a man may be judged by his questions as well as by his answers. This is a true test of the intellectual skeptic and the complainer alike. Much of the religious skepticism of our generation (as in former years) is actually gratuitous. The questioner frequently sets up his own definitions and frames of reference. Then he wonders why God does not give a direct reply. But even in the hours of His great compassion and death, Jesus answered some questions with silence. He had nothing to say to the irreverent or to the insincere. Their questions themselves had to be revised.

In His constant clash with the scribes and Pharisees, Jesus laid bare their superficiality and probed their insincerity. Once they came

## Asking the Right Questions General Superintendent Young

*If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.*

John 7:17

asking, "Is it lawful to give tribute unto Caesar, or not?" But the question itself was a booby trap. He saw through it and asked for a coin, then queried with, "Whose is this image and superscription?" They answered, "Caesar's." He followed with, "Render . . . unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's."

What are your questions today? Are you asking God to write on the sky for you when He has already written plainly in His Word? Are you dwelling on technical abstractions in order to avoid actual obedience and the way of the Cross? Do you keep asking God for a sign or a miracle instead of letting God make a miracle out of you? Do you avoid the issue of heart holiness by theological hairsplitting and thus fail to become crucified with Christ in your own experience? Do you hide behind the faults of others and rejoice that you are better than the worst professed Christians that you know? Do you make your own private judgment and self-vindication the bases for fault-finding? Is the church always wrong, and are you always right. Then let some of the questions of Jesus probe your inner man today:

1. Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?
2. Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts?
3. For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?
4. If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

My heart prays today: "Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting" (Psalms 139:23-24).

# LATE NEWS

## Telegram

**Bethany, Oklahoma—Last Sunday night (April 14) we closed one of the best revivals in the history of Bethany. Every night the altars and front seats were filled with people seeking God. Rev. Curtis Smith, field secretary of Bethany Nazarene College, was the evangelist. His ministry was signally anointed and blessed of God. We praise God for His blessing upon the college and the church.**  
—E. S. Phillips, Pastor.

Word has been received from Evangelist W. F. Miller of Williamstown, West Virginia, requesting special prayer for his wife, who is critically ill. He was called home from a meeting because Mrs. Miller had had two severe heart attacks.

Pastor T. T. May reports from Lexington, Kentucky: "First Church, on April 14, broke all previous attendance records with 456 present in Sunday school. Now in the midst of the best year in the history of the church, with bright prospects for the days ahead."

Rev. Glen W. Abla has resigned as pastor of the Sapulpa, Oklahoma, church to accept the pastorate of First Church in Clovis, New Mexico.

Rev. W. Q. Sheridan writes that he has resigned as pastor of the Chattanooga Valley, Georgia, church and has entered the evangelistic field.

**I SAW  
A MAN WEEP  
TODAY**

**By W. R. WISE, Pastor  
Renton, Washington**

Of all things! He was weeping because he was called on to work on Wednesday night and therefore would have to miss the midweek prayer meeting.

Let me tell you about this man: He was saved and brought into the church through the Sunday school and the Boys' Club from an unchristian home. Two years ago he was elected to our church board and was elected by the board as our church treasurer, although he was just twenty-one years old.

It is no wonder that Dick has the

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### Next Week . . .

**Four pages of special material on the work of our Nazarene Radio League, and "Showers of Blessing"**

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confidence of all the church. He is a consistent Christian. He loves not only prayer meeting, but every service of the church.

Dick went to his boss and told him that he sure hated to have to work Wednesday evening and miss prayer meeting, since he was already having to work some Sundays and miss the Sunday morning worship service. The result was that he not only gets Wednesday evenings off but also has Sunday as his day off.

Thank God for such men who love the Lord and the church supremely!

## "Do You Think He's with the Lord?"

By MARY SANDERS

A few moments after the funeral the aged widow drew me aside to whisper, "Do you think he's with the Lord?"

Such a question coming from her was totally unexpected. For during the years I had known her she often expressed her antagonism toward churches and was quite frank in voicing her distaste for any reference I might make pertaining to religion. At all times there had been an underlying sense of warning lest I bring up the forbidden subject while in the presence of her atheistic-minded husband—the eighty-four-year-old man who had been buried that day.

Before others began to press in around us I tried to formulate a quick reply. Wanting to give an honest answer, yet longing with all my heart to comfort the grief-stricken woman, I remembered the thief on the Cross and so whispered back, "Perhaps he is—we cannot know what takes place between a person and God at the very last."

In answering thus I was also trusting that the written message I had sent him some time before had somehow found lodgment within his heart. It had been a message explaining the simplicity of salvation, explained as though to one who was hearing it for the first time, for being aware of his godless background I was sure such was the case. Knowing that he had but a short time to live, I felt the full responsibility for his soul that day as I wept and prayed for wisdom while writing the simple gospel message. The grim realization that—without much doubt—I was the only one during his lifetime who had actually taken an interest in his spiritual welfare brought with it an unusually heavy burden.

However, the receipt of that letter was never mentioned to me by either the man or his wife; I could only wonder if its contents brought a sense of conviction or merely aroused further antagonism. However, I felt I had done what I could.

Yet, being brought face to face with the trembling question, "Do you think he's with the Lord?" I wondered—Had I done *all* I could? Or had I unknowingly let some golden opportunity slip by, an opportunity made uniquely mine through the divinely wrought process of circumstances.

In the midst of our "labours abundant" let us ever pray that we do not willfully ignore our God-given opportunities for personal evangelism, lest perhaps they arise to condemn us on that final day when we all are permitted a full view of the golden opportunities which have slipped by us, unknowingly.

# The Witness of the Spirit

By **EVANGELIST ROBERT EMSLEY**

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It seems to me that to understand correctly "the witness of the Spirit" one must divide the experience into two separate parts.

The first one comes when at the altar of prayer we lean upon the promises of God and accept the benefits of Calvary and the Holy Spirit for regeneration or sanctification.

The second one is a progressive experience and is not only (as Wesley puts it) "an inward impression on the soul" but is also an outward expression of living a life in harmony with the will of God and in the light of His Word.

Concerning the first experience Rev. E. E. Wordsworth has written: "We can sing, 'Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!' and we have passed from the guessing—hope so—think so—stage. We *know* we have passed from death unto life."

Wesley's Aldersgate Street experience gave him the testimony that "I felt I did trust in Christ, Christ alone for salvation, and an assurance was given me that He had taken away my sins—even mine—and saved me."

Dr. J. Glenn Gould states that this "inner assurance" is threefold in nature: (1) the witness of the seeker's own heart (I John 3:21); (2) the witness of God's Word (Romans 8:16), and (3) the inner illumination of the Holy Spirit (Romans 10:9-10).

Arvid Grady when he wrote to Wesley about the "witness" said it comes when we

- (1) "Repose in the blood of Christ."
- (2) "Have a firm confidence in God."
- (3) "Have a persuasion of His favour."

John Wesley himself, in his famous sermon on the subject, emphasized that the heart should be "resting in the arms of Jesus, . . . be clearly satisfied that God is reconciled, iniquities forgiven, and sins covered."

To quote E. E. Wordsworth again: "To *sustain the witness* we must trust and obey, pray, read the Bible, have right relationships, keep a steady faith, a good testimony, and a sober walk. Keep our eyes upon Jesus, and the promises of God and not on our feelings."

The progressive experience of the witness of the Spirit (the "outward expression" rather than the

"inward impression") should be present not only in the regenerated but also in the sanctified. In fact, John Wesley says, "By the fruits which He hath wrought in your spirit, you shall know the testimony of the Spirit." "The immediate *fruits* of the Spirit ruling *in the heart*, are love, joy, peace, bowels of mercies, humbleness of mind, faithfulness, meekness, gentleness, goodness, and long-suffering. The *outward fruits* are the doing good to all men, the doing no evil to any, the walking in the light, and a zealous uniform obedience to all the commandments of God."

In another place Wesley emphatically states, "I lay it down as an undoubted truth—the fruit of the Spirit is the witness of the Spirit."

We should remember that, whilst the *outward* fruits should ever be displayed, the *inner* witness can vary. In Wesley's *Plain Account* he says the inner witness is (1) not always clear, (2) sometimes it is stronger, (3) sometimes it is fainter, (4) sometimes it is withdrawn (for instance during sickness and low physical strength), (5) yet should be clear and steady.

Failure to note these truths has caused many heart searchings, doubts, and perplexities. Perhaps we should also note Samuel Chadwick's mention of what he calls the "nine graces" of the Spirit. He places them in three divisions but points out that all nine belong to all three divisions.

In relation to God: love—a loving heart; joy—a merry heart; peace—a tranquil heart.

In relation to men: long-suffering— forbearance; gentleness; goodness.

In relation to ourselves: faithfulness; meekness; self-control.

Finally, St. Chrysostom (A.D. 398) wrote, "When the Spirit beareth witness what further hesitations can exist?"

"And God, which knoweth the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost, even as he did unto us" (Acts 15:8).

"Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith . . ." (Hebrews 10:22).

"Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit" (I John 4:13).

# Benjamin Must Go!

By J. J. STEELE, Pastor, First Church, Coffeyville, Kansas

"All these things are against me," cried Jacob when only nine of his sons returned from their first trip to Egypt to buy food in the days of the famine in Canaan. Simeon had been held hostage by the ruler of Egypt until they could return to their home and bring their youngest brother, Benjamin, to Joseph's house. But Jacob was afraid to give up his beloved Benjamin, youngest son of his dear, departed Rachel. "Ye have ye bereaved of my children: Joseph is not, and Simeon is not, and ye will take Benjamin away" (Genesis 42:36).

His sons had reported that no more food could be bought in Egypt, and they were to see the face of Egypt's ruler no more, unless Benjamin was with them: "And Judah spake unto him, saying, The man did solemnly protest unto us, saying, Ye shall not see my face, except your brother be with you" (Genesis 43:3).

But Jacob stubbornly refused to let Benjamin go. Little did he know that he was holding up the

great program of God, and of world redemption, by his refusal to surrender his dearest treasure. He could not see that the very things he thought were against him were the things that would lead to the most wonderful event of all his long life—his reunion with his supposedly dead Joseph. For this glad reunion was postponed at least several months by his own fear and lack of understanding.

Could it be that we hinder God's plan for us personally, and the whole program of God generally, by refusing to surrender our own "Benjamin"? Are we so blind to the divine plan that we think His plan is against us? How often we cry, "These things are against me," when we are asked to make some sacrifice, or endure some affliction! We misinterpret God's dealings with us when the way gets rough. We doubt His love when things go wrong, when the hardest things in life may be incidents leading to the fulfillment of our fondest dreams.

The famine in Canaan forced Jacob to final surrender. After many months of holding up the program of God, he said to his sons, "Take also your brother, and arise, go again unto the man: and God Almighty give you mercy before the man, that he may send away your other brother, and Benjamin. If I be bereaved of my children, I am bereaved" (Genesis 43:13-14).

This was desperate consecration. This was final capitulation to God's program. It took this to move forward to that thrilling moment when Jacob would see Joseph, his long-lost son. If he had refused, his fondest dream would never have been realized.

By our refusal to surrender our dearest "Benjamin" we can hold up God's program, hinder His blessings, prevent His fulfilling our fondest hopes, and shut ourselves completely off from the divine program. Only by surrendering our "Benjamin" can we hope to see the faces of dear, departed loved ones, and most of all, our own blessed Lord. One unsundered "Benjamin" can hinder the whole program of redemption.

What a meeting! What a reunion that was when Jacob met Joseph in Goshen! It was beyond all that he could ever imagine. And what great surprises, beyond all our thinking, await those who bear patiently the sufferings, the sacrifices (so often misunderstood), we endure in this life! What a time God has getting some of us to make the surrenders necessary to work out His program for us!

## Neighborly

By JESSIE WHITESIDE FINKS

*My violets spilled through the fence  
Into my neighbor's yard;  
And beautified a barren spot . . .  
An embossed calling card!  
Then ragged robin and larkspur  
Grew very friendly too.  
They lifted their bright faces  
Full in my neighbor's view.  
And . . . strange to say . . . my own yard  
Was lovelier than before,  
Because my flowers spilled themselves  
Before my neighbor's door.*

*That I must always give and share  
Is the lesson plain to me . . .  
Any loveliness I may have  
That other friends may see;  
And so be led to seek the Source  
And Fountain that I know.  
Yes, give myself in loving deeds  
As through this world I go!*

Thank  
God  
for

I recently had an experience with our local church board which gave me cause to once again thank God for laymen with conviction. Two giant outdoor signs had been standing, throughout my pastorate, on the property adjoining the church, as close to the line as possible. To some extent they blocked the view of the church. The representative of the sign company came to me one day with the news that they were going to have to move them off the property and of course wanted to move them over the line onto ours. I tried

## Laymen with Conviction

By H. RAY DUNNING, *Pastor, First Church, Maryville, Tennessee*

to discourage him but he was persistent, even offering to make some other concessions in addition to the regular rental fee—so I took the only course of action that was left; I referred it to the church board.

With them it was not a matter of the money involved, which to a small, struggling church would have been a good boost, but it was a question of the advertising matter. One asked the question, "Don't they advertise beer?" to which I replied, "While I've seen beer ads on this company's signs, there have never been any on these adjoining the church."

But another spoke up and rejoined, "They advertise TV and *it* advertises beer, so what's the difference?" Other things along the same line with reference to advertisements of nudity and other objectionable features were raised until finally the N.Y.P.S. president observed, "I don't think we need the money bad enough to let the devil advertise on church property," and the chorus of "Amens" told me it was time to take a vote.

I had stood on the side lines and waited to see their reactions. And I thank God that there are still laymen in the Church of the Nazarene who have rock-ribbed convictions that will not let them compromise one inch, even for a financial remuneration for the church.

In a day of bustle and din we need to discover the value of . . .

## Sacramental Silence

By WOUTER VAN GARRETT

We are living in a day that is filled with restless seeking. Many of us deceive ourselves into thinking that activity is the only thing that really counts. There are those who feel convinced that what the world needs is "sacramental silence." And what is sacramental silence?

It is the silence that grows out of quiet and medi-

tation and prayer. We may well ask, "How can we achieve that kind of life?" Surely man knows of his value in this scheme of things. He is aware of his purpose in this world. He is also aware that with most people this purpose can be achieved if there are patience, courage, and a willingness to achieve. Confidence in self and in one's mission goes a long way to bring about an adjustment, and with the right attitude there is a good prospect for success in life's effort.

There is a great need for quiet and silence, so that there may be time to think and to listen to the voice of the Spirit. "Be still, and know that I am God," (Psalms 46:10) said the Psalmist of old.

The popular obsession of our day is a nervous

restlessness, an impatience to be on the move. We feel impelled to be doing something, not concerned so very much whether or not it is worth doing. We feel that it is a great hardship if and when we are compelled to remain quiet or silent. Our present generation knows little of the virtue of silence. We feel normal when there is a continuous rush and noise. Many a man looks upon stillness with suspicion; he thinks it means inactivity or even laziness.

We have schedules to follow, meetings to attend, appointments to keep, and so we rush from one place to another; and all for what? We are alert upon our feet, but have so little time on our knees. The time is now upon us when leisure is bringing us more free hours than ever before, and for the thoughtful person this means that we have more time for quiet and silence. As we use the periods of silence properly we discover a new reality in living; we find ourselves.

The serious-minded man wants to live effectively, not merely exist. No one could hear a great symphony if he kept rushing up and down a busy city street. No one could talk about sensitive things in a noisy factory. Great souls are never brought intimately close together in a confused and nervous crowd. Few of us, except those with trained ears, could hear the song of a bird above the noise of a train. The Psalmist of old called people back to a trust in God. He called them away from the noise and bustle of the crowd.

In our busy world, with its many avenues all claiming to point to real living, we must not be carried away by false sounds and signs. The world needs men and women who are prepared to lead not merely in things of the material world, but even more needful are the leaders who can lead in the spiritual realm. Every Christian has a contribution to make to this great need, and he can best make it by living the right kind of Christian life. Each one can so maintain contact with his Christ that he is aware of God's power within himself.

Friendly discussions with other followers of the Lord, the preaching of God's Word, the reading of the Holy Bible, all these are aids, but we can use other channels to bring about the realization that the Spirit of God lives in the hearts and lives of His people.

There is no great mystery in learning the value of silence as part of the divine program for life. Steady self-discipline, good habits, simple prayer life, moments of meditation, and a daily living of the light of life as it is revealed to us—all these will help. We analyze and rationalize, and as a result we may get some sort of picture of the whys and wherefores, but it still is true that the central value of life is in Christ, our Saviour.

We are more than cogs in a monotonous ma-

chine; we are sons of God. Day by day as we strive for quiet and meditative silence, we steadily and increasingly hear the voice of God within us. We need to transform our lives by trying to avoid haste, rush, impatience, and tension. As we manage to lay these disturbing elements aside we become more and more aware of the voice of the Infinite.

## *The Influence of* **A TWO-DOLLAR BOOK!**

*By* A. S. LONDON, *Sunday School Evangelist*

When I was but a small lad my mother bought a large, red-backed, two-dollar book on *The Life and Work of D. L. Moody*, and gave it to me. Mother was not a highly educated woman, but I will always believe that she bought that book purposely to help influence my life for Sunday school work. She used psychology!

I sat down on the floor in the north room of the old home place and looked at the pictures in that book, and prayed out of my childish heart that God would permit me someday to do what Mr. Moody was doing.

The fact that he started a class of boys in Chicago with 14 the first Sunday, and in twelve months had 650 enrolled impressed me deeply. Mr. Moody later preached to five and ten thousand people in his evangelistic campaigns. He won a million people to Christ. He was not highly educated, had but little money; nevertheless he stirred two continents in the work of evangelism. He started a movement that was felt around the world before he died at the age of sixty-two.

When Mr. Moody was on his deathbed he asked for his Bible. Propped up in his bed he read the fifth and sixth chapters of John's Gospel. Then he took his pencil and wrote on the margin: "If God be your Partner, make your plans large."

Reading about Mr. Moody with his black horse and buggy, out visiting, seeking for boys who were out of Sunday school, brought tears to my eyes as I sat on the floor turning the pages of the two-dollar book. Mr. Moody was not an ordained preacher. He went to his grave as a layman. It was my privilege to talk with one of the ladies who helped to lead the great evangelist into a deeper Christian experience. I also talked with a man who for years traveled with Moody in Sunday school work.

Just recently it was a great joy to speak in the Moody Memorial Church of Chicago to 525 people in their annual dinner meeting of the Greater Chicago Sunday School Association. I thought of



# LIKE A TREE

## III. DELIVERED FROM DISEASE

By **CARLTON P. GLEASON**, *Pastor, Grace Church, Toronto, Ontario*

We are so much like the trees in many ways. The tree, like all life, is a beautifully functioning organism that must conquer many foes and find fulfillment for many needs, that it may survive. It has respiratory, circulatory, and digestive systems and must therefore eat, drink, breathe, and in most climates also sleep. It is subject to the inroads of time, disease, and many other mortal enemies. It can fall victim to bacteriological and pathological diseases, and once so infected it must conquer to survive.

You have, no doubt, seen tree surgeons fill cavities in valuable trees and thought no more of it than you would of a mason patching a sidewalk. However, if that surgeon is to be successful in saving the tree there are vital issues with which he must contend and principles of life to which he must conform. Cavities are usually formed where a limb has died or been torn off by the wind and the exposed area has deteriorated as decay-producing pathogens have found lodgment there.

Before the surgeon operates, that cavity is filled with decay and topped with toadstool-like fruiting bodies. To save the tree it is necessary first of all to remove all dead and dying wood fibers and chisel back to solid wood. Should one assume this were sufficient he would be sadly disappointed, for we still have the decay-producing pathogen to contend with. The mycelium or feeding roots of a

pathogen are implanted deep within the sound wood and if left there will continue to grow behind the cavity-filling, producing yet more decay and fruiting bodies.

To prevent this the surgeon applies a solution of bichloride of mercury to the wood about the infected area, destroying the mycelium. This having been accomplished, the cavity is properly shaped, prepared, and filled with a substance that will provide a sound surface, excluding all else and forming a protecting covering for the formerly exposed areas. The life principle of the tree functions to produce healing about the injured area as the cambium growth seals off the wound.

How tragically like the tree we are! Exposed to the inroads of spiritual disease, we become morally decadent within and marked by the fruiting bodies of sin without. Thank God, there is a Heavenly Surgeon! He comes to the yielded heart and takes away the accumulation of sins and removes the moral decay from the heart, making us new creatures in Christ Jesus. But that is not all! God's Holy Spirit in refining, purging fire reaches deep within our natures and destroys the roots of the disease, the mycelium of sin. Then He fills our hearts with His presence until all that defiles and destroys shall be excluded from within and we are sealed by His abiding love to grow and completely recover from our disease.

"Like a tree . . . his leaf also shall not wither"  
(Psalms 1:3).

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the red-backed book as I spoke to an enthusiastic audience. I thought of Mr. Moody, his life and work, and was deeply moved. It must have been that Mother was looking over from another world, giving gratitude to Christ that she was a regular attendant at Sunday school, and thought enough of her boy to buy him a two-dollar book. That was much money in her day!

Mr. Moody said for thirty years he never missed a single day asking someone to become a Christian or to become a Sunday school pupil.

The annual dinner meeting was held in the

Sankey room of the Moody Church; Sankey, the singer, who immortalized "The Ninety and Nine." I saw his picture in the red-backed book as he sat at his little organ and sang to the multitudes. Tears would flow down my cheeks as I wished I could sing like Mr. Sankey, and be a Sunday school worker like Mr. Moody.

Well, after thirty years in this same kind of work, I am still striving, praying, and working, as the result of the red-backed book, Mother's influence in my life, and the fact that I found Christ at the age of nine years. The red-backed book lives on!

*Be courteous (I Peter 3:8). Sit thou here (James 2:3).*

## They Spell

# WELCOME

## With Seats

By LOUIS McCURDY

A local family who rarely attended church was entertaining week-end visitors who were regular churchgoers. They were discussing the merits and demerits of the seven churches in their small town, trying to choose one to attend that Sunday morning. Presently the host's teen-age boy informed them, "If we go to Bethel Chapel, they always have a back pew reserved for visitors." Bethel Chapel became the choice of the entire group because it was probable that the group of eight could all sit together without having to go too far ahead of time.

In contrast, another church in that area has a seating capacity of sixty-six and, on a Sunday morning during summer holidays, an attendance of eleven were scattered through the sanctuary. Had there been a group of four to visit their church that day they could not all have sat together even though there were fifty-five empty seats! They apparently expected no visitors, had no usher on duty, but they did have an abundance of empty seats.

Another nearby holiness church has a seating capacity of sixty-five, with a summer holiday average of about fifty. Yet in this sanctuary it is seldom

possible for a group of three visitors, coming to church on time, to sit together. The fifteen vacant seats are mostly front seats! This group of people welcome their visitors with many words, warm handshakes, and generous hospitality; yet the lack of seating courtesy has a tendency to repel visitors rather than to attract them.

Any local family with visiting friends like to sit together, rather than be scattered into two or more groups. Therefore any church can profit from this natural desire by careful planning, by efficient ushering, and by the unselfish co-operation of the congregation. A family with week-end guests would be tempted to travel extra miles to the chapel mentioned in our opening paragraph. There they would have a fair chance of being seated together, which makes their guests feel more at home.

We could well afford to pattern after this chapel which enjoys many visitors during the holiday seasons. The local people soon learned of seats consistently reserved for visitors there, and Bethel Chapel has profited by it. Holiness churches could make sure that an usher is always on duty to seat *together* that group of friends who chance to visit our community and who choose to honor our sanctuary with their presence on the Lord's day.

*A foreign accent,  
a dingy room, and poverty  
could not destroy—*

## Her Happy Heart

By FLETCHER GALLOWAY

Pastor, First Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan

The growth of a big city frequently leaves blighted areas in its wake—areas once prosperous and desirable that become run-down. In just such an area stood an old, unpainted house. It had been turned into cheap, one-room apartments rented mainly by old-age pensioners. I climbed the stairs to a dingy back room in this house and there I found a happy heart. I was her pastor for nearly twenty years and I know.

She had very little to make her happy. She had been born in a foreign land to which she had no hope of ever returning. She had no relatives or close friends.

She was no longer young. Youth has a magnetism, but her youth was gone. She was nearing seventy when I first knew her. They say that as people grow older they ought to put forth an effort to make at least one new friend every year.

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I think that is right because old friends drop off one by one and new friends are harder to make the older we get, so it requires effort.

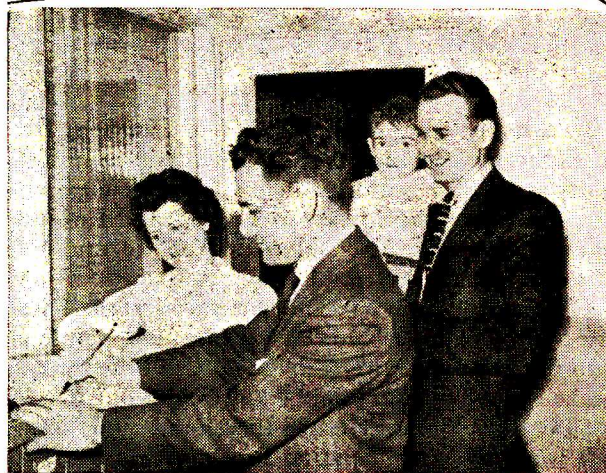
Money is a magic key. Some people have a following because they are wealthy and prosperous. All she had was her pension check.

There are some who have personal magnetism and who are blessed with gifts. She had very few. She spoke with a strong foreign accent. She was not personally attractive and of course could not afford good clothes. Some people can "look like a million dollars" even in "hand-me-downs." She could not. I never even hinted to her that her services were not appreciated because I knew it would break her heart, but I had several people who were new in the church that had telephoned me and requested me to forbid her to call. I did nothing about it because I knew they would appreciate her when they came to know her better.

If anyone ever had a right to be unhappy this woman did. But one day, long years before I knew her, she met the Lord. She had been saved and sanctified and had become one of the charter members of old Chicago First Church. She loved the Lord and in trying to show her love for Him she found the priceless gift of happiness.

She had one talent. She had good health. And so she took her one talent and boarded the buses of the Portland Traction Company and traveled into every nook and corner of the city, seeking out lonely, needy hearts and trying to bring them a little cheer. She took copies of the *Herald of Holiness*, the *Other Sheep*, Sunday school papers, and copies of the church bulletin. Flowers never withered in the church on Monday because she had them on their way immediately to some sick person or shut-in. She made more than one thousand calls

## NEWS in PICTURE



**3,450TH VISITOR** during this fiscal year signs the "guest book" at the Publishing House. **H. Wallace Parker, of San Diego, California, (formerly a member of Los Angeles First Church)** made this written comment in the book: "A tremendous display of organization." **Rev. and Mrs. Harold Morgan and son, pastors in Kansas City, accompanied Mr. Parker (who is related to Mrs. Morgan) on the tour.**

a year and kept going right up to the time when the ambulance carried her to the hospital.

She lived to a good old age and she had a surprisingly large funeral. There was no one to sit in the family room, but as the people filed by her casket many tears fell. She did not have much to give her Lord but she gave Him all she had, and in the giving of it she found happiness for herself. If she was ever lonely it was a well-guarded secret. I never found it out.

### WHAT A GARDEN IS—

By **JUSTA LEE ALLEN**

*I'm glad I know what a garden is—  
I hope that you know too—*

*Cool trailing ivy on the wall;  
Nearby, fair lilies straight and tall,  
Blue hyacinths, and roses red,  
Camelia, mignonette, monkshead;  
Verbenias bow in prayer with me,  
While smilax teaches constancy—*

*Each one, from fern to goldenrod,  
Reflects the attributes of God.*

*I'm glad I know what a garden is—  
You know, if you've dug there, too,*

*In God's good earth, on hands and knees,  
Where burdens lift and hearts find ease  
While learning secrets of the sod,  
While hearing whisperings of God.*

*I'm sure I know what a garden is;  
You know, if you've dug there, too—  
It's an altar of God where, on our knees,  
We find eternal realities!*

Meet  
the man who  
told us to

# "Leave It There"

By ART RAKESTRAW

In a recent issue of the *Herald of Holiness*, Dr. C. B. Strang, of Chicago, calls our attention to this thought in that beautiful hymn "Take Your Burden to the Lord and Leave It There," and I would like to tell our readers something of the unusual history of the author.

Charles A. Tindley was born a slave in the "Eastern Shore" of Maryland, that peninsula extending into the Atlantic between that ocean and the Chesapeake Bay. The exact date is uncertain, but it was 1850 or thereabout. He was therefore a good-sized boy when the Emancipation Proclamation set him free. Education—he had none—being unable to read or write until he was a grown man.

But Brother Tindley was not content to live his life in ignorance. By the aid of children's primers and with some neighborly assistance he learned to read, and from that time on he devoured everything he could lay hands on. I cannot give the details of his conversion or call to the ministry, but when he died some twenty-five years ago he was pastor of a large Methodist church in Philadelphia,

one of the largest in the country and doubtless the largest Negro church anywhere.

He was an unusually gifted orator. My mother related being at one of his services when he presented a touching Biblical scene, and men and women alike wept and sobbed all over the auditorium. He believed in segregation, that is, a voluntary and reasonable segregation, which he evidenced by having a section of his church reserved for the white folks.

One Sunday morning a derelict, a white man, somewhat under the influence of alcohol, staggered up the aisle when the invitation was given, knelt at the altar rail, and was gloriously saved.

Several weeks later this man appeared on the rostrum in the embrace of the pastor. "I have been looking up this man's ancestry," he said, "and found that he came from the same part of Maryland where I was born, and furthermore, that his grandfather owned me when I was a slave." Christianity does just that.

## "If We Neglect"

By E. E. WORDSWORTH

*How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation? (Heb. 2:3.)*

If they who had lesser privileges, lesser light, inferior knowledge than we have, to whom God spake in divers manners by angels, prophets, and dreams, fell under the displeasure and wrath of God, and were often punished by great destruction—how shall we escape the uttermost wrath of God if we neglect our responsibilities in the light of Calvary's cross, the Day of Pentecost, an open Bible, a sanctified ministry, and all the exalted privileges in this full-orbed day of Christianity? If their offense was high, ours is indescribably higher.

The salvation mentioned in this text means the whole system of Christianity. How shall we escape if we neglect it?

Neglecting the things of God for the things of earth.

Neglecting the things of eternity for the things of fleeting time.

Neglecting prayer for another hour of cheaply contrived suspense on the radio.

Neglecting the Bible for the favorite TV program.

Neglecting holy meditation on heavenly things for the cheap story or comic magazine.

Neglecting the means of grace for selfish indulgence.

Neglecting soul winning for passing pleasure and cheap entertainment.

Neglecting the inner man for the outer man.

Neglecting the soul for the body.

Neglecting God for self.

"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?"

Of the many causes of failure, few rank higher than neglect. It operates in every field of human activity. It is more stealthy than a beast of the jungle, more subtle than a serpent, more harmful than strychnine, more deadly than poison. It appears completely innocent of evil intent, yet is eternally guilty. Stripped of its pleasing outer gar-

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A visit to your Publishing House will not only be enlightening from the standpoint of seeing a modern printing plant and a business office using the best and latest in time-saving devices in order to serve you better, but it will be an inspiration to see your publishing headquarters, an institution owned by the church, dedicated to the spreading of the gospel by the printed page, administered and staffed by Nazarene men and women who feel that through

their work at the Publishing House they are contributing their abilities to the work of the church.

So plan to come our way and pay us a visit. You'll be given a warm welcome. We're never too busy to show you around and to chat about matters of mutual interest. After all, the Publishing House is your establishment; it belongs to you and to every other member of the Church of the Nazarene.

*We'll be looking for you. Don't be too long in coming this way.*

*... the folks at your*

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ments, it is a lie, a fraud, a cheat, a swindler of the first magnitude. In any language, it is poor farming, poor business, poor engineering, poor house-keeping, poor bookkeeping, poor religion.

Neglect spells postponement, denial, forgetfulness, indifference, inattention, carelessness, lukewarmness, disregard, death. We do not say the Bible is untrue, but we neglect to read its sacred pages and meditate on its spiritual truths. We do not vote to discontinue the means of grace but find it very convenient to stay at home. We do not denounce having revival meetings but we fail to bear a burden for the lost and try to win them to Christ and the church. We do not oppose having a spiritual church, a sanctified pastor, a Holy Ghost-filled evangelist, but we are conspicuous for our absence on days of fasting and prayer.

How many prize highly the possession of the graces of the Spirit—meekness, patience, temperance, gentleness, goodness, long-suffering, mercy, justice, and such like? How many love the truth for truth's sake? How many kneel bow in agonizing prayer? How many are hungry and thirsty for God and His righteousness? How many are really Spirit-

filled, divinely anointed, heaven-envisioned, and at their very best for God?

"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?" *How?*

If a mother neglects her baby, she lacks affection. If a doctor neglects his patient, he is guilty, if not a criminal. If a soldier neglects his duty, he is a slacker. If a businessman neglects his business he is a failure. If a sea captain neglects his ship at sea, his ship, crew, passengers, and cargo sink in the depths of the ocean. If a farmer neglects the ripened grain, he loses his harvest.

O friend, beware of the stealthiness, deception, guile, subtlety, and danger of neglect. Beware of the heartless, deliberate, mocking cruelty of this evil thing—neglect.

Take heed! Be not deceived! By any custom—by any habit—by any indulgence—by any prosperity—by any anxiety—by any pressure. "Let no man deceive you."

"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?" *How?*

How will you escape the awful judgments of God? How will you escape being eternally lost in hell? How will you escape the endless punishments of the doomed and the damned? **HOW?**

## **Boys' and Girls' Camps Are Tops!**

There's nothing which brings me more pleasure than boosting something in which I believe. Since this is the case, I am happy indeed to write an article in behalf of our boys' and girls' camps. I travel over the country quite a bit, and everywhere I find that those who have tried the boys' and girls' camps, without exception, praise them. This is easily understood when the results of these camps are considered.

Last year 98 camps were reported from 57 districts. In these camps there were 14,262 campers, 1,500 more than in 1955. But here is what ought to rejoice all of our hearts: More than 8,000 junior and teen-age youth responded to the call of God during these camps. I'd like to know where you will find anything else in our church that can reach as many of our youth for God in the same length of time and for as little money as these camps do.

Of course, the preparation for what is accomplished in these camps, the foundation which is laid, must be credited largely to our Sunday schools and church services. Nevertheless, in the local church there is not the opportunity for bringing about decisions that is found in these boys' and girls' camps. They are the climax of our work among our boys and girls.

It is almost criminal to let a summer pass without having camps for the boys and girls. These camps are usually held from Monday through Friday, on a district level. The program includes worship, study, training, and recreation. Here is a summary of the advantages of the boys' and girls' camps as they have been formulated by Rev. Lyle K. Potter, director of camps and caravans:

"1. In a program of twenty-four hour living together the camp situation helps teach our youth the real meaning of applying their Christian experience to the whole of life.

"2. In the inter-personal relationship between eight or ten young people living together with their counselor, the counselor has an opportunity of personal work at its best for a whole week.

"3. Nearness to the handiwork of God in nature adds to the possibilities of learning and evangelism.

"4. Provide fellowship with other Christians of the young person's age-group which has meaning to the full development of Christian character.

"5. Many of life's greatest decisions are made in these summer camps."

Every local church ought to feel responsible for getting every boy and girl it can into these summer camps. In addition, in homes where there are boys and girls, every effort should be made to provide a way for them to go to these camps.

I can't here go into the suggestions for promoting

the summer camp, but I have read them over carefully. There are ten of them on the sheet which the director has sent me. Personally, I think they are all good and legitimate suggestions. Why not send a card to him, asking for the sheet giving these ten suggestions for promoting the summer camp? Write Rev. Lyle K. Potter, 6101 The Pasco, Box 6076, Kansas City 10, Missouri.

## **Little Talks on the Holy Spirit:**

### **15. The Work of the Holy Spirit in Conversion**

In the last article of this series of "Little Talks on the Holy Spirit," the work of the Holy Spirit in conviction was discussed. Now the activity of the Holy Spirit in conversion is considered. The word

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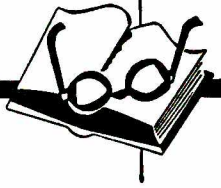
*conversion* is used on purpose, because it includes justification, regeneration, adoption, and the witness of the Spirit. In other words, it has to do with everything which occurs when one passes through the first crisis in religious experience. The theme which was presented in article fourteen in this series prepared the way for repentance and faith on the part of the sinner. Then repentance and faith followed, if the individual yielded to conviction and co-operated with the Spirit of God. As a result, there was conversion. In thinking about justification, regeneration, adoption, and the witness of the Spirit, the various phases of what is popularly known as conversion, especially regeneration and the witness of the Spirit will be emphasized. This is done, not because the others are unimportant, but rather because regeneration and the witness of the Spirit are more closely associated with the agency of the Spirit in the Bible.

First, it is God who justifies, and God who adopts into His family. These are legal terms which have to do with man's standing in relation to God. Also justification by faith, in the New Testament, is often contrasted with justification by works, or by the works of the law. Christ and the New Testament writers were anxious to stress the truth that man cannot be justified by the works of the law; he must be justified by faith in Jesus Christ. Further, as we have indicated before, the Holy Ghost is the active Agent in justification by faith and adoption into the family of God. He is not so often, as we have already stated, associated with these aspects of conversion as He is with the other two—regeneration and the witness of the Spirit.



# The Sunday School Lesson

MELZA H. BROWN



Topic for May 19:

## Intercessory Prayer

SCRIPTURE: Genesis 13; 18:1-19:29  
(Printed: Genesis 18:20-33; 19:29)

GOLDEN TEXT: *Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself* (Leviticus 19:18).

Preceding the lesson of today is the scripture concerning the separation of Abraham and Lot. Abraham permitted Lot to make his choice concerning the land. Lot chose temporal prosperity and the riches of the land of Sodom. Sodom was of the world and a city of great wickedness. Lot not only pitched his tent toward Sodom, but he landed in the city. To take a wrong direction and make a wrong choice means in the end the wrong destination. We need to ask ourselves, Which way am I traveling and where will my pathway lead me in its final destination?

Today's scripture lesson gives us the account of God's pronouncement of judgment, a judgment of doom, upon the city of Sodom. But Lot was in that city and Abraham went to prayer in behalf of the city. This is one of the remarkable illustrations of the power of intercession. God did not refuse Abraham a single time but He came to the place, in answer to the prayer of Abraham, where He agreed to spare the entire city for the sake of ten righteous. Surely the righteous are the salt of the earth.

Lot was in the city of Sodom. Worldliness had captured his soul. Lot had no altar in Sodom. He had risen in the eyes of men until he was able to sit in the gate of the city, the judge's seat. Lot wanted the riches of this earth and the standing among men that earthly possessions gave him. He got what he wanted, but he had to take the consequences. Worldliness is that which characterizes a life that thinks in terms of the temporal rather than the eternal, that puts trust in things rather than in God. Worldliness always leads to spiritual destruction. Lot lost all of his possessions in the fire; he lost his family to the devil, and he was saved only because God remembered Abraham.

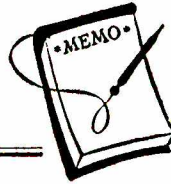
Abraham was magnanimous in his surrender to Lot and in his choice. Abraham took the hill country, both

literally and spiritually. Abraham lived where he could have the blessing of the Lord and wherever he lived he built an altar unto the Lord. Where are we living today? Do we have altars? What holds our affections, and in what do we trust, the temporal or the eternal?

We read in Jude 7, "Even as Sodom and Gomorrhah, . . . are set forth for an example."

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# SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE REPORT



Enrolled

March, '56 March, '57 No. Increase in March

### SOUTHWEST ZONE

Los Angeles	9,539	10,806	1,267	
Southern California	11,855	12,301	446	203
Northern California	16,171	16,490	319	
Arizona	4,215	3,903	-312	
Colorado	6,864	6,527	-337	
New Mexico	3,532	3,186	-346	416

District not reporting: Hawaii

### NORTHWEST ZONE

Minnesota	2,060	2,331	271	126
Alaska	619*	786	137	64
Oregon Pacific	7,902	8,028	126	621
North Dakota	1,692	1,763	71	81
Rocky Mountain	2,456*	2,522	66	128
Nevada-Utah	968	962	-6	
South Dakota	936	801	-135	
Northwest	7,800	7,217	-583	

Districts not reporting: Idaho-Oregon, Washington Pacific

### CENTRAL ZONE

Northwest Indiana	5,291*	6,256	965	
Central Ohio	14,205	15,038	833	839
Eastern Michigan	8,902	9,577	675	
Western Ohio	15,258	15,675	417	1,864
Iowa	6,413*	6,746	303	
Wisconsin	2,237*	2,131	-197	199
Indianapolis	9,071*	9,169	98	
Chicago Central	6,210	6,212	2	
Michigan	9,288	9,097	-191	
Illinois	9,448	9,222	-226	795
Northeastern Indiana	10,830	10,470	-360	232
Northwestern Illinois	6,024	5,641	-383	
Southwest Indiana	10,176	9,719	-457	362
Missouri	8,122	7,641	-481	319

### SOUTHEAST ZONE

Florida	7,793	8,366	573	873
Virginia	3,234	3,554	320	320
Kentucky	5,787*	6,020	233	482
West Virginia	12,361	12,391	33	563
Tennessee	8,887	8,891	4	
North Carolina	3,979	3,892	-67	184
South Carolina	5,206	5,042	-164	179
Mississippi	3,052	2,828	-224	100
East Tennessee	6,268	5,946	-322	
Georgia	6,444	5,951	-493	
Eastern Kentucky	5,753	5,048	-705	624
Alabama	8,040	7,170	-870	

### EASTERN ZONE

Washington-Philadelphia	10,665*	11,686	1,021	
Akron	12,001	12,646	642	549
New England	7,165	7,793	628	
Albany	3,520	3,397	-123	60

Districts not reporting: Pittsburgh, New York

District	March, '56	March, '57	No. Increase	Enrolled in March
<b>BRITISH ISLES-CANADIAN ZONE</b>				
British Isles South	3,228*	3,377	149	
Canada Pacific	1,143	1,257	114	94
Canada West	4,812	4,879	67	215
Canada Central	1,863*	1,912	49	
Maritime	1,041	967	-74	10
<i>Districts not reporting: British Isles North, Australia</i>				
<b>SOUTHERN ZONE</b>				
San Antonio	3,780*	3,672	-108	103
Nebraska	2,950	2,801	-149	19
South Arkansas	4,292	4,118	-174	225
Northeast Oklahoma	4,431	4,227	-204	
Southwest Oklahoma	6,335	6,054	-281	608
Kansas City	9,827	9,517	-310	
North Arkansas	3,960	3,605	-355	
Houston	4,150	3,780	-370	
Dallas	5,611	5,013	-598	350
Southeast Oklahoma	4,300	3,695	-605	100
Abilene	6,131	5,466	-665	308
Northwest Oklahoma	6,429	5,673	-756	170
Kansas	8,938	8,158	-780	386
Louisiana	4,242*	3,350	-892	
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>				
North American Indian	1,123	1,213	90	
<i>Estimated Average for March, 1957</i>		418,988		
<i>Decrease from average for March, 1956</i>		2,983		
<i>Percentage of decrease</i>		.71		
<i>No. reported enrolled in March</i>		12,774		

ERWIN G. BENSON, *Field Secretary*

\*Average attendance last year

has begun in the Nazarene work in Cuba.

One of the outstanding elements in the camp was a constant spirit of earnest prayer. There were many who fasted also. And the camp was preceded by much prayer. Our ministers are agreed to carry on the plan of Monday night ten o'clock prayer meetings among themselves. We want more of this same good thing that God has revealed to us at our 1957 camp meeting.—LYLE PRES-COTT, *Cuba*.

## Revival in Chota

*By NOREEN GRANTZ, Peru*

The last of January we began a revival campaign in Chota which was to last nine nights. Although a series of services of this length is common in the States, here we do not usually have more than five or six night services in one series.

Twice a year in Chota we have our young people's and missionary conventions for the zone of the Sierra or Mountain. This year we felt a need for an extra series of meetings to revive the local church and reach the unconverted in this needy town.

The meetings were a success from the very beginning. Rev. Baltazar Rubio brought clear, convincing messages every night with souls seeking God after every service. There were several new converts and many reclaimed. The last Sunday morning was climaxed by a heart-searching sermon on the steps to



# Foreign Missions

REMISS REHFELDT, *Secretary*

## Prayer Request for Bolivia

The Bolivian government is making a brave effort to get its country on a sound basis, and is having a tremendous struggle with unemployment and hunger. These conditions could play into the hands of those who would like to overthrow the present government. Since the present officials are favorable toward evangelical preaching, Christians should pray much for Bolivia these days.—*EFMA Newsletter*.

## For Mexico

I would like to ask the prayers of the Nazarene family that God will give us the entire peninsula of Lower California for Christ. This area, especially the states of Durango and Sinaloa, are new fields for our church. We need your prayers.—CARLOS STOFANI, *North Mexican District*.

## Guatemala Awaits Revival

*By Mayme Alexander*

We would like to tell you that God has been blessing the work here in Guatemala. In the last few days we have had some good services, with souls finding help. We feel that God is ready to give us a real revival. I know there

has been much prayer offered for this field, and we feel this is the time to see some of the results. Keep praying for us.

## New Missionary

Donna Jean Owens arrived at 4:00 a.m., April 12, in Seoul, Korea. Cable states: "She is beautiful like her mother. Both doing fine."

## Cuban Camp Meeting

We have just closed the most wonderful camp meeting of our history.

The second night of the camp one of the national pastors, Hildo Morejon, who recently lost his wife and infant son, sang a special song and the glory of God came down upon the camp in a manner to equal anything that I have seen in the homeland. Never again can our people be satisfied with little blessings.

During the altar services scores of new people sought God. Backsliders were reclaimed and folk who had sought holiness for several years were beautifully baptized with the Holy Spirit. Differences were made up and hearts were warmed to a new love for Christ and His church. We feel that a new day

## Outdated Literature Needed

Rev. David Browning has just written from British Guiana saying, "We had an average attendance of over 1,800 in our Sunday schools last year. Most of our literature for these schools is from the packages of used and outdated materials sent to us. Our supply has dropped to a mere trickle. Please call the people's attention to our need."

These materials can be sent to either Rev. David Browning or Rev. Donald Ault, P.O. Box 170, Georgetown, British Guiana, South America. Mark packages: "PRINTED MATTER. Used literature for free distribution."

Brother Ault will be on the field by June, 1957. He is at present on furlough. It would be best to use the name of Rev. David Browning until that time.

sanctification: crossing the Red Sea and the Jordan River into Canaan land. Afterward, Communion was shared by forty-one believers. Praise God for this week of victory.

### God's Protecting Hand

Sometimes we feel so unworthy of the love and protection and help the Lord gives us. Again this week we were made to realize how He keeps His hand upon us. Dennis and the little neighbor boy were playing in their yard about a quarter of a mile from our house. They heard the dog barking furiously and looked up to see a big mamba snake fighting with the dog. It was right by their house. The snake was standing up about two and a half feet high. The dog continued to go for the snake until Dennis finally came running home and told Elmer to get his gun. We went down but by then the snake had climbed up in a small tree at the side of the yard. Frikkie, the little boy who had been playing with Dennis, had shot it a couple of times with his .22 rifle, and had broken its back. Elmer finished it off. When we had time to look at the dog, we found two little marks on the end of its nose which were bleeding. We gave

him all the treatment we could but he died in about forty-five minutes. How we do thank God for His protection over those little boys!

This is a bad time for snakes just now, as it is very hot. One doesn't have a chance if one of these mambas bites him. This one we killed measured 6 feet 4 inches.—MARY SCHMELZENBACH, *Africa*.

### Ashes from the Sky

By **LESPER HEFLIN**, *Nicaragua*

We were almost buried under ashes this morning. The volcano on the island has been active for a few weeks, rumbling and roaring, throwing off smoke, fire, and huge stones. Last evening we saw no fire, but ashes began to fall, and

this morning it looked as though it had so bad if all the ashes fell on the roofs and the ground, but they have sifted through the ceiling of our house and snowed in Nicaragua. It would not be have been blown in through the windows until they cover everything.

The wind is blowing stronger this afternoon and is taking the ashen clouds farther away. Overhead there is a wide area that looks like a dark rain cloud extending from the volcano as far toward the horizon as I can see. On either side the blue sky is clear. The people living several miles from here are feeling the effects of this more than we, just now, but tonight when the wind calms down we will be showered again. I hope it doesn't continue many days.

**HOME**  **MISSIONS**

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NEW CHURCHES    OVERSEAS FIELDS    CHURCH EXTENSION    MINORITY GROUPS IN U.S.

**ROY F. SMEE**, *Secretary*

### New Churches

The Boulder Chapel Church, a rural church near Elkton, Maryland, was organized March 31 by District Superinten-

dent E. E. Grosse with twenty-five charter members. Twenty-one of these came in on profession of faith. A church building has been purchased and is free of

## Servicemen's Corner

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### From Morocco, North Africa:

"One of the greatest shocks of my life was when I arrived here at Sidi Slimane and found the church services as they are. I have been to Stateside camp meetings, and to find the services here on an equal keel with those at home, I was truly surprised. When I arrived here I found another Nazarene in my hospital unit. That was a blessing to begin with. Then he began telling me about the evening services they were having each Tuesday and Saturday nights, conducted by this Nazarene himself, with something like eight or ten denominations represented. To hear the singing, praying, and testifying you would think you were home in the church of your choice. Also we have seen God work in His mysterious ways and several fellows have answered the call to special work for our Master. There is one over-all understanding with everyone that attends very many of the services—if he has a burden, or a request for prayer, he doesn't mention it to the group unless he is in earnest for an answer. Another blessing experienced over here in Morocco, North Africa, was when we had the opportunity to meet several families of missionaries working in this part of the world for the Master.—**DAVID N. CRAPO, JR.**"

### Fruits of Labor:

Chaplain Everett D. Penrod from Norton Air Force Base, California, reports: "During this quarter the Annual Preaching Mission was conducted at each radar station within the 27th Air Division. This covers three states and two overseas islands. Rev. Frank C. Watkins, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene in Bloomington, California, was selected as the evangelist. He and I traveled by airplane, boat, and auto to each station and held three-day revivals with wonderful results. A total of sixty-six men gave their hearts to Christ. Over forty of this number were first-time conversions. Each service was characterized by the close presence of God and a spirit of yielding on the part of the GI's.

"Nazarene churches over the district were much in prayer for these special meetings and certainly their prayers were answered by the revival spirit in the services and number of men that accepted Christ.

"We are now busy organizing these converts into Bible study groups."

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debt, but the congregation has already outgrown this and has launched a \$5,000 building fund program. Rev. Gene Faile has been appointed pastor. It is located on the Washington-Philadelphia District.

A church was organized in Green River, Wyoming, on the Rocky Mountain District on February 11 by District Superintendent Alvin L. McQuay. Rev. Lowell Henske is the pastor of this work, which shows very good promise.

District Superintendent John L. Knight organized a new church at Cocoa, Florida, on March 17. The congregation is now worshipping in a new parsonage-chapel building. Rev. R. Lester Hale has been appointed pastor. Florida is the second district with four new churches since the General Assembly.

District Superintendent Leo C. Davis organized a new church at Fort Branch, Indiana, on March 10. The district is giving some assistance to the young congregation in the beginning. They are worshipping in a hall and Rev. Mrs. Walter Bailey is the pastor. Fort Branch is a town of about 2,500 population on the Southwest Indiana District.

A new church was recently organized at Big Lake, Washington, on the Washington Pacific District by District Superintendent B. V. Seals. This little town in the Northern part of the district is located in a fertile valley near Mount Vernon.

## All Can Help in Home Missions

We are now in the time of the year for some of our greatest home mission activity. The responsibility of starting new churches to reach people with the gospel does not rest on the general church nor on our district organizations, but must be shared by all of us if we are to meet the need of holiness evangelism today. While the district superintendent and home mission board may give leadership and direction and planning to this task, if our local churches and laymen do not help, it cannot be done.

It takes money for home missions. This money has been called the "best invested dollar in the church." Our home missions budgets are important today when property and building costs are high and locations are important. But the contribution of the local church is needed beyond the amount of its home missions budget. Churches can help in a summer tent meeting, a home mission revival, a branch Sunday school, a vacation Bible school, looking forward to a possible new church. Young people can be challenged to sing for a home mission campaign, help in a vacation Bible school in a new area, or conduct an opening community enroll-

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# the Question box

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Conducted by STEPHEN S. WHITE, Editor

**Will you kindly outline, step by step, the necessary action to be taken to fill the office of president of the N.Y.P.S., or the N.F.M.S., in the event of the death of the president?**

If I were a pastor of the church where this happened, I would see to it that the *Manual* was followed. The new president will have to be elected just as the old one was, the one who died. The specific directions are given on page 261 of the 1956 *Manual*, article 5, section 3, as to how the president of the local N.Y.P.S. is elected. These directions should be followed when any president of the N.Y.P.S. is elected. Likewise, on page 272 of the 1956 *Manual*, article 4, section 2, specific directions are given for the election of the

president of the N.F.M.S. These directions should always be carefully followed when a president of the N.F.M.S. is elected. I know of no other answer I could give you to your question, and I am sure if I were pastor of a church I would want to follow the *Manual* carefully. Both of these offices are very important, and the *Manual* has indicated how the officers are to be elected. They should be chosen with prayer and, let me say again, according to the method indicated in the *Manual*.

**Is it right for a preacher to preach in the Church of the Nazarene when he declares that he believes in holiness, but not in the way in which the Church of the Nazarene believes in it?**

I certainly would not want such a preacher to preach in my pulpit if I were pastor of a church, especially if he takes the liberty to publicly make such a declaration. He should have enough respect for the church in which he is preaching not to make such a state-

ment in it. I would add also that, as a rule (there are exceptions to most any rule), I would not want him to preach in my pulpit if he made such a statement anywhere. I think a Nazarene pastor should be very careful whom he permits to preach in his church.

**Is the communion table the place for the preacher to invite everyone to come and partake? In other words, should sinners be invited to the communion table?**

I would say that, as a rule, the preacher who has charge of the communion service should not invite sinners to come to the table of the Lord. Some have misunderstood Wesley at this point. He did, as I understand it, open the way for the sinner to come and take Communion, but it was with the understanding that he came repenting and believing for salvation. It wasn't that he could come as a sinner and take it and get any good out of it. In fact, he ran the risk of bringing damnation upon himself if he came and partook of those sacred elements without a

heart that was given over to repentance and faith in the saving grace of Jesus Christ. I would not object to a person in my audience coming to the table of the Lord if truly in his heart he was ready to repent and believe in the saving power of Jesus as he came. Really, then, he wouldn't be partaking of the elements as an unsaved person; he would be partaking of them as a saved person, for the minute a person repents and believes, he is saved. In general, then, we make the invitation only to Christians.

**I know it is wrong to play Bingo for expensive prizes in a hall or at some benefit affair; but is it wrong in a small gathering of close friends as a party in the home? The prizes on such occasions are usually small articles, not amounting to much. I know many Christians who do this, and I have myself. It doesn't look too good if one should get his name in the paper as winning a prize. All in all, it seems to be a form of gambling, and if one has to be ashamed of his name being made public as the winner of a prize, it should be shunned. I would like to have your opinion on this.**

I think you have answered your own question. It is filled with doubt, too much doubt for you, or anyone else who is a Christian, to indulge in the playing of Bingo. You might as well

argue for "white lies" as to argue for a little bit of gambling. Besides, Bingo doesn't have a very good reputation, and this is enough in itself to cause one to exclude it from his life.

ment for a new home mission. They will grow spiritually as they enter into this work for the Lord and the church.

The population of our country is on the move. New suburbs and communities are springing up; many cities are without a holiness witness. Working together, we can all help in the church's home missions responsibility this year.

### Overseas Slide Sets

The demand is still great for our slide sets on Australia and New Zealand, as our church in these countries is the subject of the last chapters of the missionary study book, *Our Pacific Outposts*. Some societies were disappointed in not getting to see the slides of Alaska and Hawaii in the earlier part of the assembly year. These sets are now available without delay. A review of our work in these countries through the slide sets will add much interest to a missionary service. Write today for rental of a set, or for the list of all the home missions slide sets and an in-

formation sheet. Address the Department of Home Missions, Box 6076, Kan-

sas City 10, Missouri. Other sets are available in addition to these.

## Nazarene Young People's Society and Nazarene Junior Society

PONDER W. GILLILAND  
Executive Secretary

### Juniors in Australia

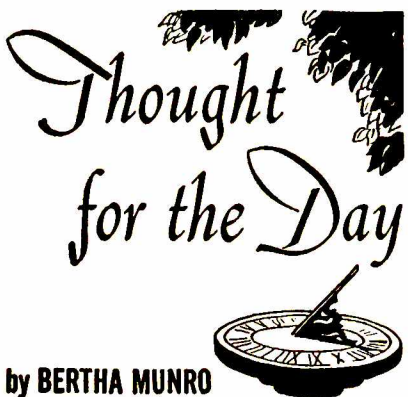
Saturday afternoon of our district assembly was the N.Y.P.S. convention and Junior Society convention. The juniors were wonderful as they did their play for the group. Before we went up we had a prayer meeting in the tent, and each of the juniors that was in the play prayed. God blessed us there, and He blessed the people as they listened. The tears flowed. As we were leaving the platform we sang "Jesus Died for All the Children." As we finished, one of our preachers rose and asked the N.Y.P.S. president to have Peter (one

of our juniors) to lead in prayer. He prayed and again asked the Lord to give us a Junior Society in every church on the Australian District this year. This is our aim this year.

MICHAEL JOHNSON  
District Junior Society Director

### From Washington

Our Connell juniors wish to make a report concerning our February meetings. I think the lessons in the last quarter of *Junior Society Leader* were the best we have ever used. Our boys and girls truly learned very much about alcohol and enjoyed the lessons. We



by BERTHA MUNRO

### Thank You, Lord!

#### Monday:

I am thinking this morning of the chorus we sing so often—as I thank the Lord for "saving my soul" and thank Him also for "making me whole."

Sin was the *quicksand* into which I was sinking steadily, inescapably. Hugo writes of the traveler who "recognizes with indescribable terror that he is caught in a quicksand." He pulls his feet out, only to sink in deeper: sand up to his ankle, to his knee, to his thigh; with every cry he is dragged a little lower; he yells, he writhes, he sobs, trying to hold by a pebble; he raises himself on his elbows to tear up a weak seaweed. Now the sand reaches his shoulders, to his neck. "The mouth cries, the sand fills it, then there is silence. The eyes still look, the sand closes

them, and there is night. The forehead sinks, a hand emerges, and disappears. It is the sinister effacement of a man." This is sin. Thank You, Lord, for drawing me out while there was yet time—I could not do it myself—and setting my feet on the solid rock. (Psalms 40:1-2.)

#### Tuesday:

Sin was the awful *loneliness* of lostness and frustration. It was Franz Kafka's confused young man, summoned to appear at the great castle on the overhanging cliff, setting out blindly, taking ways that double on themselves, his path blocked at every turn. Sin is the loneliness of the alien in a strange land; it is the frustration of wandering in darkness. Thank You, Lord, for sending the light; thank You for making me a citizen of the Kingdom whose law is love. (Ephesians 2:12-13.)

#### Wednesday:

Sin was the mysterious, deadly *virus* that spread a contagion of evil through my system, tainting every thought and action with self, and making my influence on others deadly rather than life-giving. It was subtle, weakening disease that kept me impotent and useless; I could not shake it off. Thank You, Lord, for the spiritual antibiotics that went to the root of my trouble; thank You for the Blood transfusion that sent health and healing deeper than the stain. (Isaiah 1:5-6; Romans 8:6; Zechariah 13:1.)

#### Thursday:

Sin was the barrenness of a land

where no water is. It was the empty negation of frozen cold or desert waste. Thank You, Lord, for sending the melting spring rains of grace and touching my life to fruitfulness. (Isaiah 35:6-7.)

### And Keep Me, Lord

#### Friday:

The approach to sin was listening to another voice than God's, a questioning, mocking voice that cast doubt on *God's love*. Sin was born of a disloyal thought. Thank You, Lord, for giving me a trusting love for You, and help me to keep that love untainted by suspicion. Your will is for my good, always. (Genesis 3:1, 4-5.)

#### Saturday:

The first sin was disagreement with *God's judgment*. Eve looked at the fruit and decided that she knew best. "Unbelief is the killing sin." Lord, keep me humble enough always to believe that You know best. Keep my mind simple and direct enough to trust Your word even when my limited reason might plead the contrary. (Genesis 3:6.)

#### Sunday:

The second sin was disagreement with *God's will*—disobedience, and death. Milton, in *Paradise Lost*, makes Adam see clearly what he was doing, but out of loyalty to Eve choose the creature above the Creator. Help me, Lord, never to pray, as did the little girl, or dream it could be so—"Lord, please make me good, but not 'bedient'" (W. W. Clay). I want nothing to do with sin.



**Nazarene Junior Society, Connell, Washington**

had a number of experiments in which the children took part. We had our town doctor talk to the children one evening for about an hour, with the children asking questions. Some of the children interviewed leaders of the town and got statements from them about alcohol, which mainly consisted of ad-

vice. These were put in the booklets for the juniors, and the ones making the statements autographed them. Our children prepared posters, with a prize given to the one who submitted the best one.

I do believe God has blessed our meetings, and if any of our children

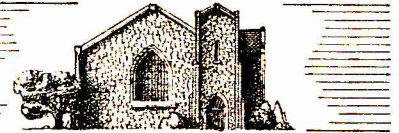
should ever drink alcohol they surely would have no one to blame but themselves, but I don't believe any one of them ever will because of these wonderful lessons you gave us. The picture is of our society and our pastor.—MRS. CLARENCE FINKBEINER.

### **Lamplighters in South Arkansas**

The young people of the South Arkansas District have demonstrated that being true Lamplighters is not so much a matter of belonging to a League, but it is a matter of carrying out the principle of witnessing in personal evangelism.

Rev. Bob Lindley, district president, reported a recent holiday rally in which 350 persons took part. Following a brief afternoon service, in which attention was given to personal evangelism, the young people went to previously assigned sections of the city to spend one hour witnessing at the homes of people. A great service followed that evening, and there were many testimonies and notes of encouragement as the young people witnessed to the meaning of the day to their own hearts. South Arkansas young people have recently taken the Crossett church as their new home mission venture to be supported by the N.Y.P.S.

## **NEWS of the Churches**



Richmond, Missouri—On March 17 we closed a good revival with Evangelist and Mrs. L. B. Mathews. Brother Mathews is an old-fashioned, dynamic, holiness preacher and a man of prayer. Our new altar was dedicated by a number of seekers, many of whom were sanctified; one lady, past ninety years of age, was gloriously sanctified, also several young people. Mrs. Mathews, a gifted singer, led the song services and sang specials. Since December of '55 we have been worshipping in our new sanctuary, which was erected on the basement that served as the church for a number of years. Our new driftwood-stained pews and altar were installed in March. God is blessing with souls, for which we give Him praise.—PHIL WILLIAMS, *Pastor*.

Evangelist Ernest E. Orton writes: "On Sunday, April 7, we began a three-Sunday meeting with our church in Clinton, Oklahoma; will close here on Easter Sunday. It was good to come for this meeting in the church I pastored in 1944-45, during which time God helped us in the erection of a new church and educational building. Because of a fire where we were living, my home address now is 816 E. Oklahoma, Enid, Oklahoma. I have some open time and will be glad to go wherever the Lord may lead."

South San Gabriel, California—We are closing our first year here, which has been one of the most enjoyable of our entire ministry. God has given us some wonderful people with whom to work, and we have seen gains in attendance, finances, and spirituality. Recently we had a very successful revival with Evangelists C. C. and Flora Chatfield. The attendance was very good, a goodly number sought and found God, and fifty-two people were in our church for the first time. We count it a privilege to serve this wonderful people, and to work under District Superintendent Shelburne Brown.—VOLA L. VAUGHN, *Pastor*.

Wheelersburg, Ohio—The glory of God was manifest from the very beginning of our recent revival with Evangelist C. B. Fugett. He preached with the anointing of God and with liberty. Again and again the altar was lined with seekers, some finding God for the first time and others being sanctified wholly. God came in waves of glory until the church was lifted spiritually to higher ground. A fine class of members was received at the close of the meeting, making twelve new members thus far in this assembly year. Brother Fugett was given a call to return next year. We give God praise for His rich blessings upon us here.—W. W. WINDINGTON, *Pastor*.

High Point, North Carolina—Calvary Church recently closed a good revival with Evangelist P. E. Kuykendall. Several new families were won to the Lord, and the church was greatly helped. God has been good to us here, and the work has shown increase and improvement each year since we came in 1951. We give God the praise.—A. H. JOHNSON, *Pastor*.

Willow Springs, Missouri—In March we had an eight-day revival with Evangelist Harold L. Thompson. Attendance was the best in the history of the church, with the Sunday school record broken on the closing Sunday of the meeting, and a good number of seekers bowed at the altar. Brother Thompson preached with a great love and compassion and stirred the church to greater efforts for God and lost souls.—LAVERTA SEAL, *Pastor*.

Evangelist J. W. Thomas writes: "Recently we had a good revival with Rev. Loyd Milburn and the Knapp Memorial Church in Vilonia, Arkansas. God encouraged both pastor and people, and also gave seekers for regeneration and heart holiness. I go next to Hugo, Oklahoma, and from there to Newkirk, May 1 to 12, after which I have some open dates. Write me at my home address, 615 Cedar, Yukon, Oklahoma."

Brandon, Manitoba, Canada—Recently we had a glorious revival meeting with Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Sharples as the evangelists—the most successful meeting this church has ever had. Evangelist Sharples is a powerful preacher and excellent soloist. Mrs. Sharples is an outstanding musician; her piano and vibra-harp solos thrilled those present, as did her vocal duets with Mr. Sharples. We greatly appreciated the splendid ministry of these workers. Souls were saved and sanctified, church members stirred to do better service, and in a healing service several claimed the healing touch of God. Finances came easily, and the church is in a much better condition as the result of this meeting.—E. LOUIS MILLER, *Pastor*.

Hillsboro, Texas—Early this year we had a revival with Evangelists R. E. and Dorothy Bridgwater. They did some wonderful preaching; the church was encouraged. God gave fifteen seekers, and two new members were received. On March 30 and 31, Rev. Homer Land was with us as special speaker, and his ministry was a blessing to all. There were a good number of seekers, and in spite of rain all day Sunday, we had a fair attendance. Rev. A. E. Duke is completing his twelfth year as our pastor, and the church recently extended the call for another year.—MRS. IRA LEWIS, *Secretary*.

Evangelists Betty Wagner and Helen Lavelly report: "God has been blessing and giving us some gracious revivals. During this assembly year we have worked with Brother Shifley in Dahlgren, Illinois; Rev. H. M. Myrick in Indianapolis, Indiana; Rev. L. Snively, Noble, Oklahoma; and back to Metropolis, Illinois, with Brother K. Kelly. It was a real joy to work with our home church and our good pastor, Rev. Paul Lee; then to Russellville, Arkansas, with Rev. J. W. Thomas; to Ozark, Arkansas, with Rev. John Thomas; with Pastor Fred Berger, in a revival on the Mt. Vernon Zone; at Union City, Tennessee; and our last two meetings in Illinois at Hull, and Bethel Church near Beardstown. God has given a number of souls praying through to victory, and new members added to the church. We have an open date in May, also some open time in July and August, which we'll be glad to slate as God may lead. Write us, c/o General Delivery, Mt. Vernon, Illinois."

Pastor M. E. Scutt reports: "Accepting a call to First Church, Connerville, Indiana, we moved here last August. We have found a fine people, loyal, cooperative, and considerate to us as their pastor. This is one of the oldest churches in the denomination, having been organized in 1910. The church is making progress along every line and we are happy to serve these fine people. They have given us a unanimous one-year call, and a nearly unanimous three-year call to continue as pastor. District Superintendent Luther Cantwell is a wonderful man under whom to work. We want to serve God and the church loyally and faithfully."


Ropesville, Texas—In February we had a good revival with Evangelist Walter S. Patterson. He was tender, yet very direct in his messages, and God honored His Word. There were seventeen professions, with seven joining the church, six of these by profession of faith. Our people said it was the best revival we have had in years. God blessed in the preparation for the revival in the week of prayer just preceding the meeting. Since our assembly last May we have added five much-needed Sunday school rooms to our building, redecorated the outside of the entire building, and it is all free of debt. Harmony prevails and every department has made progress this year.—DAN D. JONES, *Pastor*.

cians and song evangelists and also, if desired, will do the preaching. During the past fifteen years our ministry has taken us to all but three of the states as well as every continent except Australia. July 7 through 14 we will be at the New York District Camp and will be glad to schedule meetings in that area either before or after this date. Also, we have the first two weeks of November scheduled at First Church in Kansas City and will be glad to schedule other meetings in that area about that time. Write us, 5023 West 30th Street, Little Rock, Arkansas."

The thirty-second annual camp meeting in Lakeland, Florida, was the largest in attendance and most fruitful in results of its history. On the final Sunday afternoon there were people present from forty-two states, four Canadian provinces, three foreign countries, representing thirty denominations. Many times the blessings of God overflowed the hearts of worshipers, resulting in genuine manifestations of the Holy Spirit. The long altars were filled repeatedly with some wonderful cases of conversion, reclamation, and sanctification. As a result of much praying and deep spiritual emphasis there were miraculous instances of divine healing. Special workers this year were Dr. T. M. Anderson, Dr. Lawrence Hicks, Professor and Mrs. J. Byron Crouse and daughter, Charlotte, and the writer. The camp is under the expert direction of Dr. and Mrs. H. H. McAfee, ably assisted by their daughters, Mary and Ruth. The board of trustees is composed of twelve persons from all parts of the country and representing six denominations. Lakeland is a real holiness camp attended by thousands of people from nearly every denomination. The dates for the 1958 camp are February 13 to 23.—RUSSELL V. DeLONG, *Reporter*.

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Creston, Iowa—Recently our church gave our pastor, Rev. H. F. Smith, a unanimous three-year call; he has been with us less than a year. He has been well received and is a great church leader. God has been helping him to preach splendid messages on regeneration and heart holiness and new people are looking our way. Our Sunday school average for February was eighty-seven as against sixty-nine one year ago. Recently we had a week-end revival with Brother Robert T. Collins, a senior at Olivet Nazarene College (he is preparing for missionary work), and the Treble Tone Trio, also from Olivet. Brother Collins is a fundamental, dynamic speaker and carries a burden for souls. Waves of glory filled the chapel as the trio sang, and the people were blessed and the church edified. We thank God for His blessings.—D. ROSS CROXIN, *Secretary*.

Rev. David K. Kline writes: "Mrs. Kline and I have resigned our position as ministers of radio and music at First Church in Little Rock, Arkansas, and are entering the evangelistic field as musi-

### Western Ohio District Preachers' Meeting

Another helpful and challenging Western Ohio District preachers' meeting was held, March 25 to 27, in Springfield First Church, with Dr. Samuel Young and Dr. V. H. Lewis, guest speakers.

Our beloved district superintendent, Dr. W. E. Albea, had a full and varied program, planned with emphasis on evangelism. His direction of the convention, challenging us to put into practice what we heard, and encouraging us with his warmth of personal interest, points toward still greater achievements on the Western Ohio District.

General Superintendent Young with his ready wit "drove home" many a practical point for preachers and challenged our best efforts to advance God's cause. Dr. V. H. Lewis, secretary of the Department of Evangelism, in his first trip to our district, stirred us with his intense interest in winning souls and impressed us with his grasp and apt analysis of our church's evangelistic problems and needs.

Heart-stirring devotional messages centering on evangelism in the departments of the church were presented by Harold Frye, district Junior Society director;

Carl Clendenen, Jr., district N.Y.P.S. president; and M. E. Clay, district church schools chairman.

Rev. J. W. Swearingen, field secretary, spoke on the fiftieth anniversary objectives of Olivet Nazarene College; Rev. Dean Wessels represented the Department of Ministerial Relief, speaking on Social Security; and Mr. Elvin Hicks was welcomed as the Publishing House representative.

Rev. George M. Galloway, pastor of Springfield First Church, was an excellent host.—PAUL G. BASSETT, *Reporter*.

Evangelist Olen C. Granger reports: "Recent meetings have been at Liberal and Garden City, Kansas; Kempton, Illinois; and Peniel Church in Hutchinson, Kansas. God blessed in these meetings, with 45 praying through to victory at Liberal, 90 in Garden City, 8 at Kempton, and more than 100 at Hutchinson. Again and again God came and gave victory at the altar. I am happy in my work as evangelist, and praise God for our church and our fine pastors and laymen. I have some open time and shall be glad to go wherever God may lead. I have time open in September and November and, because of a change in pastors, I have two open dates this spring, May 22 to June 2, and June 5 to 16. Write me, 2351a Louisiana Avenue, St. Louis 4, Missouri."

### Northwestern Illinois District Annual Preachers' Meeting

The ninth annual preachers' meeting of the Northwestern Illinois District was held March 18 to 20, at Bloomington First Church, with District Superintendent Lyle Eckley presiding. Brother Eckley had planned well and prayed much—God came in a wonderful way.

Dr. Samuel Young was a great inspiration to the entire meeting. His preaching was the best, and we here in Northwestern Illinois have great respect and admiration for the judgment and ability of Dr. Young. It was a great privilege to have him among us for these few days.

Brother Eckley told us of his many plans for the district. God is leading on and the future looks bright. Our district superintendent is loved and appreciated by all who labor with him in this great work of God's kingdom.

Brother Edward Ferguson, district Sunday school chairman, presented plans for the Sunday school work, as did District President Riley Laymon for the N.Y.P.S. District Director James Morsch spoke for the juniors, and Roger Fleming, campaign manager, built great enthusiasm for the *Herald of Holiness* drive.

Rev. John Swearingen, field secretary, represented Olivet Nazarene College, and gave an encouraging report of the work of the school.

Many visitors and friends were present to share in the blessings which God gave. Rev. Arthur Nutt, host pastor, cared for us in a wonderful way; his kindness was greatly appreciated.

Best of all, God was with us, and we all returned to our posts of duty, greatly encouraged.—H. C. HATTON, *Reporter*.

Shawmut, Alabama—Our church is glad to report victory in Jesus, with a wonderful revival spirit in our midst. Last June we had a wonderful meeting; then in September the church had a home-coming with Rev. Wallace Smith and wife as the workers. Wonderful crowds attended, and the preaching and singing of Brother and Sister Smith were much appreciated. Again in March we had a splendid revival with Rev. Barney Brumbelee and family from Birmingham as special workers. Night after night the church was filled, and best of all was the wonderful presence of God. The church has moved up spiritually. The church has given us a wonderful vote of confidence as we begin our third year with this fine group of folks.—J. H. KING, *Pastor*.

Evangelist Hugh Slater writes that he has two open dates in May, also an open date June 20 to 30. Write him c/o Nazarene Publishing House, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri.

Ironwood, Michigan—Recently we had a great revival with Evangelist John W. Harrold. The church was greatly helped by the well-rounded gospel preaching of Brother Harrold. We so much appreciated his good holiness ministry. There were twenty-six seekers at the altar, and all prayed through to victory. We had a good healing service with twelve receiving a divine touch from God. Through the help of the evangelist, the church board increased the pastor's salary ten dollars per week, which we greatly appreciated. We gave Brother Harrold a call to return for a meeting in '58.—CHARLES T. COOK, *Pastor*.

Atlanta, Georgia—Riverside Church recently enjoyed a revival meeting with Evangelist Hugh L. Slater. He delivered old-time messages with unctio, eloquence, and effectiveness. God came on the scene; souls were saved and sanctified and the whole church benefited from Brother Slater's ministry. We are inspired to trust God for greater victories under the able leadership of our beloved pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Elmer Carter.—LUTIE B. PRUITTE, *Secretary*.

Evangelists Alva O. and Gladys Estep report: "After more than two decades in the field of evangelism without a break it is still a thrill to see souls find God in regeneration and entire sanctification, and see our Sunday schools get off to a fresh start. Thus far during this assembly year we have been privileged to be with the Bassetts at Yuma, Colorado—we return for a meeting in '58; at Wright View Church in Dayton, Ohio, with the Nash family; at First Church, Kalamazoo, Michigan; to Collinsville, Oklahoma, for our second meeting; to Lenoir City, Tennessee, with John Bradley; at First Church in Muskogee, Oklahoma, with the Lakes; at Fort Wayne, Indiana, for our second meeting with the Templins and River Haven Church; at Miami, Florida, with the Bensons; at Austin, Texas, with the Dennises and First Church; at Helmer, Indiana, with the Howard Welches; back to Dayton, Ohio, for our second meeting at Dayton View with Max Karns; and to Danville, Kentucky, where we are just closing our first meeting. We have one summer date open as yet, and also an open date in October. Write us, Box 238, Losantville, Indiana."

## DEATHS

MRS. W. B. MCCOLLOM (nee Lucy Eugenia Bartlow) was born December 19, 1895, near Mulhall, Oklahoma, and died at Kingman, Kansas, January 26. In 1919 she was united in marriage to Rev. W. B. McCollom. To this union were born four sons and one daughter; the second son, Kenneth, died in infancy. In 1925 her husband accepted his first pastorate in the Church of the Nazarene; they were serving the church at Kingman at the time of her death. During the years of ministry, Mrs. McCollom was a faithful helper to her husband. She was a kind and sympathetic woman, unselfish in her devotion to her family and friends. Besides her husband, she is survived by three sons: Ray of Seattle, Washington; Rev. Russell McCollom, of Severy, Kansas; and Bill of San Diego, California; also a daughter, Mrs. John Hyler, of Kent, Washington; and a brother, Earl Bartlow, of Carmen, Oklahoma. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. Ray Hance, district superintendent, assisted by Rev. Vernon Bridgewater, with interment in the Larned cemetery.

PATSY LENORA, beloved daughter of Maurice and Effene Dyer, died February 5, in a Kansas City hospital. She was born August 14, 1948, at Warrensburg, Missouri, and dedicated to the Lord on November 13, 1949, by her parents and godparents, Rev. and Mrs. Leon Chambers. On February 14, 1954, Patsy knelt at an altar of prayer and gave her heart to Christ. Funeral service was held in the Countryside Church, Centerville, Missouri, with the pastor, Rev. M. Schoonover, and Rev. Leon Chambers of Nashville, Tennessee, officiating.

LONNIE W. STRICKLAND, age sixty-two, of Savannah, Georgia, died unexpectedly at his work on December 25, 1956. He was born in Wayne County, Georgia, July 16, 1894. He was married to Miss Ruth Gill in 1917. To this union were born four children. He was a member of the Savannah Central Church of the Nazarene, served in various official capacities, and also at one time was a member of the district advisory board. He will be remembered for his kind and efficient labors in the church. He is survived by his wife and four children, L. W., Jr., Beverly, Mrs. Kathrine Bradley, and

Mrs. Doris Johnson. Funeral service was in charge of his pastor, Rev. H. J. Eason, with interment in Bonaventure Cemetery.

ARVID FREDERICK MITZIT was born in Riga, Latvia, October 10, 1904, and died January 22, 1957, at Chicago, Illinois. He had been a faithful and devoted member of the Austin Church of the Nazarene in Chicago for the past fourteen years. He had served on the church board and was teacher of the Friendly Bible Class at the time of his death. He taught the class on Sunday before his home-going on Tuesday. He is survived by his wife, Mary; and three daughters, Eileen, Patricia, and Jeanette. Funeral was conducted in the Austin Church with his pastor, Rev. James C. Hester, officiating.

ADELBERT F. SUTTON, one of the founders and a faithful member of the Sunrise Church of the Nazarene, South Point, Ohio, died January 10, at the age of seventy-three. He was born at South Point, June 23, 1883. On December 31, 1904, he was married to Charlotte Woodruff; they observed their golden wedding anniversary in 1954. In March of 1914 he was converted, and sanctified in October of that year. Two years later he became a charter member of the Sunrise Church and gave the site where the present church was built. He was a devout student of the Word of God, always a contender for the faith and the doctrine and experience of heart holiness. He is survived by his wife, Charlotte; six children, Sterling and Wynemia of South Point, Merle of Garfield Heights, Ray of Ironton, Paul of Kettering, and Payson of Chesapeake, all in Ohio; also one sister. Funeral service was at the Sunrise Church, in charge of the pastor, Rev. J. E. Stackhouse, assisted by Rev. Carl Smith. Burial was in the Woodland Cemetery at Ironton, Ohio.

ORA B. GRIFFITH, member of the Church of the Nazarene at Corydon, Indiana, died of a heart attack in his home on December 28, 1956. He was seventy-three years old. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Verna R. Griffith, and three children: Mrs. Kenneth Sparks, of Harvey, Illinois; George, of New Albany, Indiana; and Perry, of Long Beach, California.

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 New York ..... July 5 and 6  
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**WEDDING BELLS**—Miss Martha Kismar of Ft. Reno, Oklahoma, and Mr. Larry Campbell, Scott Air Force Base, Belleville, Illinois, were united in marriage on April 9, at the El Reno Church of the Nazarene, with Rev. J. Louis Emmert, uncle of the groom, officiating, assisted by Rev. Carl Prentice, Sr., pastor.

**BORN**—to Gene and Barbara (Falkbaum) Hudgens of Pasadena, California, a daughter, Heather Gail, on April 8.

—to Rev. and Mrs. D. R. O'Kelley of Nashville, Tennessee, a daughter, Cynthia Renee, on April 3.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Arland Gould of Milford, Illinois, a daughter, Debra Mae, on February 21.

**SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED** by a Christian lady in California that God will convict, convince, save, and sanctify her husband—for his soul's sake as well as the sake of their two daughters;

by a Christian lady in Michigan for a relative who has backslidden and taken up with a belief in reincarnation and is now beginning to influence her family—also for an unsaved daughter and her family;

by a reader in Ohio for assurance of salvation for a teen-age son, healing for his wife, and the solution of a personal problem;

by a lady in North Dakota that she may get to the place where she knows she is saved—has been in her present state for some time—also for her health, as she is very nervous.

by a Christian lady in California for solution of a personal financial problem.

## District Assembly Information

**ARIZONA**—Assembly, May 15 and 16, at East-side Church of the Nazarene, 24th Street and Oak, Phoenix, Arizona. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly to the entertaining pastor, Rev. C. W. Elkins, 24th Street and Oak, Phoenix. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

**WASHINGTON PACIFIC**—Assembly, May 15 and 16, at Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene, 3619 Main St., Vancouver, Washington. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly to the entertaining pastor, Rev. H. S. Palmquist, 613 West 44th, Vancouver. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

**NORTHERN CALIFORNIA**—Assembly, May 15 to 17, at Beulah Park (District Center), 100 Beulah Park Drive, Santa Cruz, California. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly to the entertaining pastor, Rev. Frank True, 100 Beulah Park Drive, Santa Cruz. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

**WASHINGTON-PHILADELPHIA**—Assembly, May

15 to 18, at the Christ Lutheran Church, 124 South 13th St., Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Entertaining pastors: Rev. James Boggs, 24 Ross Ave., New Cumberland, Pennsylvania; Rev. Jas. Bender, Paxtonia, Pennsylvania; and Rev. Robert Mitchell, 716 Wilhelm Rd., Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o Rev. James Boggs, 24 Ross Ave., New Cumberland, Pennsylvania. Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

**FLORIDA**—Assembly, May 21 to 23, at Church of the Nazarene, corner 16th Avenue and 13th Street, Bradenton, Florida. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. Charles Oliver, P.O. Box 352 (home address, 1305 16th Avenue), Bradenton. Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

**OREGON PACIFIC**—Assembly, May 22 to 24, at Church of the Nazarene, 730 West 8th Avenue, Eugene, Oregon. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the church. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Jerald D. Johnson, 609 West 16th Avenue, Eugene, Oregon. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

**NORTHWEST**—Assembly, May 29 and 30, at First Church of the Nazarene, Nora and Wall Streets, Spokane, Washington. Entertaining pastor, Rev. P. J. Bartram, 3604 Northwest Boulevard, Spokane. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o Rev. Bartram, First Church of the Nazarene, Nora and Wall Sts., Spokane, Washington. Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**—Assembly, May 29 to 31, at First Church of the Nazarene, 936 Fourteenth Street, San Diego 2, California. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Joseph F. Morgan, 936 Fourteenth St., San Diego 2; send mail and other items relating to the assembly in care of Brother Morgan at this address. Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

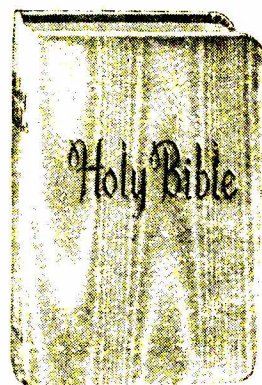
**BRITISH ISLES NORTH**—Assembly, June 1 to 4, at Sharpe Memorial Church of the Nazarene, Burgher Street, Parkhead Glasgow, Scotland. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Sidney Martin, 33 Muirfauld Drive, Glasgow, Scotland. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o Rev. James Macleod, Church of the Nazarene, Ballynaris, Dromore, Co.

Down, North Ireland. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

**NEVADA-UTAH**—Assembly, June 6 and 7, at First Church of the Nazarene, corner 5th South and 6th East, Salt Lake City, Utah. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. Lowell Drake 468, South 6th East, Salt Lake City. Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN**—Assembly, June 6 and 7, at Rocky Mountain College Auditorium, Poly Drive, Billings, Montana. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. Murray J. Pallett, 835 Alderson Avenue, Billings. Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

**BRITISH ISLES SOUTH**—Assembly, June 8 to 11, at First Church of the Nazarene, Daubill Crossing, Bolton, Lancashire, England. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. T. Crichton Mitchell, 334 Hulton Lane, Bolton, Lancs., England. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.



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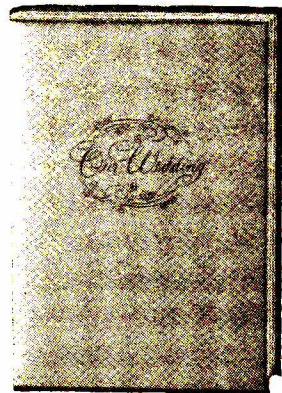
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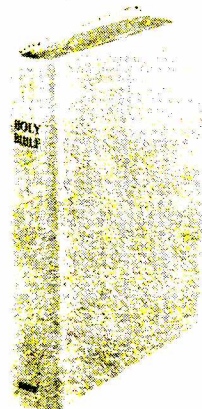
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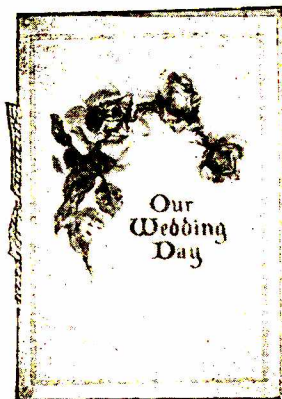
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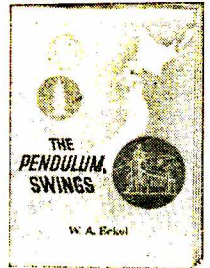
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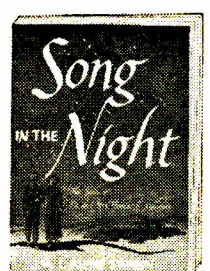
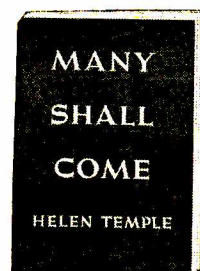
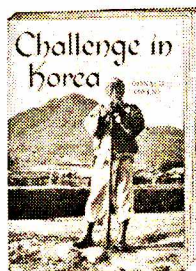
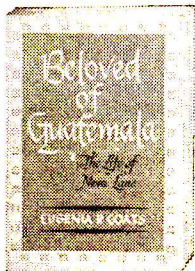
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