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"What God Hath Joined"

General Superintendent Powers

ONE OF THE most searching tests of character is to be seen in the way a man uses power, be it political, financial, ecclesiastical, or otherwise. Many abuse it and utilize it for selfish purposes and unworthy ends. For this reason divine guidance should be sought and great care should be exercised in the choice of leaders in both state and church, for power apart from character can be disastrous.

But in God's spiritual kingdom He has set up an eternal safeguard—power and holy character are forever wedded—"Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." The basic purpose of Pentecost was to produce holy character—"purifying their hearts by faith." The true power of Pentecost in the lives of men cannot be found apart from pure hearts.

Christ did have power to "save himself" from the Cross, but He refused to do so and thereby thwart the divine purpose. Thus it is in every sanctified life; God, rather than self, is at the controls. The sanctified man does have power, but not for sensational, spectacular, or selfish display. His power is "the power of God unto salvation." It is power that has found its issue and channel in holy character. Only a holy man can be entrusted with power.

If we are weak and constantly defeated in our Christian lives, we should seek a pure heart and in finding that experience we will inevitably find the "power of God." God has forever joined "holiness and power" and what God hath joined together let not man put asunder.

"FOR THIS IS THE WILL OF GOD, EVEN YOUR SANCTIFICATION" (I Thess. 4:3)

NEWS IN BRIEF

Dr. G. B. Williamson and Dr. H. C. Benner left Kansas City on December 2, arriving in San Antonio, Texas, on the same day, and leaving immediately for Monterrey and Mexico City, Mexico, for the purpose of holding the Mexican assemblies. During this time there will be a division of the districts. Plans are for them to return to San Antonio on December 11.

Dr. C. Warren Jones sends word—"Have been on the road for three months in week-end holiness conventions and missionary services in many of our churches across the Southwest. We certainly have some great pastors and a most wonderful people. Mrs. Jones and I should know, for we have met so many of them across the years. In a few days we are going home to Bethany, Oklahoma, to enjoy a little home life until after the holidays."

Pastor Dennis E. Wyrick sends word from Charleston, West Virginia: "Davis Creek Church concluded on November 9 a six-week Sunday-school contest sponsored by *Christian Life* magazine. For the six weeks we averaged 742 per Sunday, a percentage increase of 75 per cent. On November 9 in our giant rally, we saw 1,116 in our Sunday school. Thousands of personal contacts were made during the six weeks. The local press and radio stations co-operated beautifully throughout this drive."

After serving for more than four years, Rev. T. A. Shirley has resigned as pastor of First Church in Sylacauga, to accept the call to the Ensley Church in Birmingham, Alabama.

Evangelist Arthur Gould has left the field to accept a call to pastor one of the Nazarene churches in Hammond, Indiana.

Pastor L. H. Perot sends word from Tatum, New Mexico: "We have just closed a good revival with Rev. L. M. Payne as evangelist. Souls were saved and sanctified, and the Sunday school broke all records for four years."

Mr. and Mrs. Ira D. Stevens will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on December 23. They have been members of the Church of the Nazarene since 1923; converted in Vincennes, Indiana. They were married in Ohio, but have made their home in Alameda, California (1014 College Ave.), now for more than twenty-three years. Mrs. Stevens was Miss Joanna Faries.

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THINK—

—how that which you read affects your life and your outlook. Often the Holy Spirit has used some paragraph or statement as a means to plant His divine truth in a heart. How vital it is then that the right kind of literature be constantly accessible in your home! The HERALD OF HOLINESS should always be there.

OVER THE TOP!

These churches, according to the district campaign managers' reports, made or exceeded the quota of 60 per cent of the church's membership:

Church	Percentage
Springfield, Ohio, Erie Ave.	152
Toledo, Ohio, Manhattan Blvd.	76
Springfield Gardens, New York	91
Sioux City, Iowa, First	60
Wichita Falls, Texas, Central	227
New Lexington, Ohio	85
Portsmouth, Ohio, Nauvoo	211
Gloucester, Ohio	100
Payne, Ohio	93
Ames, Iowa	67
Petersburg, Texas	77
Sidney, Nebraska	122
Newcomerstown, Ohio	105
Wagoner, Oklahoma	67
Eaton, Ohio	65
Grover Hill, Ohio	67
Manchester, Ohio	156
St. Marys, Ohio	63
Williamsdale, Ohio	100
Shady Grove, Tennessee	67
Lisbon, North Dakota	82
Pataskala, Ohio	83
Rowsburg, Ohio	130
Marion, Ohio	104
The Plains, Ohio	131
Wooster, Ohio	167
Owensville, Indiana	105
Powell, Wyoming	61
Oskaloosa, Iowa	62
Lancaster, Ohio	72
Wood River, Nebraska	67
Miamisburg, Ohio	70
New Hampshire, Ohio	110
Houston, Texas, Irvington	60
Lufkin, Texas	62
Morristown, Tennessee	200
Pleasant View, Tennessee	75
Middletown, New York	150
New Milford, New York	119

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Echoes from Gideon

By Oscar Hudson*

THE STORY of Gideon and his achievements reveals the fact that success in the work of God is not wholly dependent upon numbers, wealth, fame, or culture, as Gideon possessed none of these. His qualifications consisted largely of a personal knowledge of God and determination to do His will. His father's family was small, untrained for leadership, impoverished and unknown; but when Gideon was sure that God had called him to deliver Israel from the marauding Midianites, he stepped out boldly and destroyed his father's altar built for the worship of Baal, destroyed the grove, and made a call for soldiers. Only 32,000 responded, and with this small band he started to the battle. The Midianites covered the hills and valleys like grasshoppers, and had camels without number.

A large portion of this small army began looking at the difficulty and their courage melted. They lost sight of God, who has said: "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee," and, "Nothing shall be impossible unto you." The Lord told Gideon that he had too many: not too many soldiers, but too much junk. God cannot use discouraged workers. They are in the way when the battle is on. So He told Gideon to send everyone home that was discouraged and fearful—22,000 returned! With this reduced army of 10,000 Gideon pressed forward. Again God told him he had too many—of the kind. As they marched through the desert, they became parched by the desert sun and choked with the desert dust. They approached a stream of clear, cool water. The Lord told Gideon that two classes of soldiers would be revealed when they came to the stream. One class would kneel down and scoop up the water, while the other class would lap the water like a dog, using their hands; and to send all of those home that kneeled down and scooped up the water. All but 300 turned back.

What does this signify? The one class decided to have a drink at all costs. There was nothing wrong in getting a drink. In fact the body must have water or die. If they could slake their thirst and then win the battle, they would do it; but they must have a drink! The other class, while suffering with thirst, showed by their actions that they were determined to win the battle whatever the cost. If they could slake their thirst and still win the battle, they would do so, but winning the battle came first. This is the type of consecration that will enable us to do the job that we are called to do.

God has raised up the Church of the Nazarene for just such a time as this. It may be God's last call to a lost world, and for the Bride to prepare herself for the coming of the Bridegroom. No class or organization ever faced the opportunity and responsibility that we face. We are called

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and especially equipped to send a sweeping revival throughout a sin-cursed and Communist-enslaved world. Let no one say that we cannot do it. Send those home who say that we cannot. They will prove a hindrance in the final analysis. They might assist in the erection of greater buildings and in building an ecclesiasticism, but that is not our primary task. *Evangelize, evangelize, evangelize the whole world is our job!* If we fail, it will stem from incomplete consecration; because we put legitimate things first—things that hold no evil of themselves, but are allowed to become more important to us than the work that we are called to do. When finer homes, bigger cars, better television sets, etc. call for and monopolize money that should be used to send the gospel to the nations blinded and enslaved by sin, we are getting on our knees to drink.

Harmon Schmelzenbach spent more than a quarter of a century in Africa without a furlough. Many things had developed in this country during that time of which he was ignorant. When he was called home a while before he died and looked upon our soda fountains, he was astounded as he saw Nazarenes spending money for unnecessary refreshments. Is there anything wrong in taking a cold drink? No! But he wailed, "Oh, what that money could do for poor, darkened Africa!"

A rising young physician in one of our larger cities, with an office practice that was reaching toward \$30,000.00 a year, walked into a meeting of the General Board and coolly laid down an application for appointment as a medical missionary. The board was dumfounded. They asked him if he had carefully considered what he was contemplating, and he replied that he had, and was only doing that which he felt God had called him to do. They asked him if he knew what salary he could expect if given an appoint-

A New Morning Prayer

By Norman C. Schlichter

*Gracious Master, all this day
May I love Thee well, I pray.
Kept by Thee from every wrong,
Singing out a cheering song,
May I bring to hearts that weep
Thine own comfort sweet and deep.*

*May I gather to Thy fold
Little children, trembling, cold;
May I thirst and ache dispel
With the water from Thy well;
Feed the hungry both with bread
And the Word which Thou hast said.*

*May I show in look and deed
Thee for whom all men have need.
Yea, my Master, all this day
May I love Thee well, I pray.*

ment, and he said that he did: \$50.00 per month for himself, the same for his wife, and probably a pittance for the support and education of his two small children. He was not satisfied with just tithing his income. God had called for his all, and he was cheerfully giving it. When position and salary enter into our decisions, we are not 100 per cent Gideon soldiers.

The Lord asks no more sacrifice of this man than He does of every Nazarene; and when this degree of consecration fully pervades the church, the revival will become irresistible. No condition or situation will be able to stand before us. It is the water that gets on the inside of the boat that slows it down and causes it to sink. With this small army of 300, who had gone all out for God, Gideon accomplished that which he would not have been able to do with 32,000, the most of whom were selfish and looking out for themselves.

The skeptic claims that these three hundred that lapped water like a dog were fanatics, did not carefully consider the course they were choosing, and won the battle by accident. But careful examination of the record shows that they used their heads as well as their hearts. They planned their attack with masterly strategy, attacking from three sides to confuse the enemy. At a given signal they broke their pitchers, sweeping away the last thing that kept their lights from shining to the nth degree, blew their trumpets, and shouted: "The sword of the Lord, and of Gideon," and the Lord did the rest. Perfect consecration does not impair but quickens reason. "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind" (II Tim. 1:7).

Think on These Things

By F. Lincicome*

THE CHURCH grows the fastest when the fires of evangelism burn the hottest. "The church that does not evangelize will soon paralyze. Blood that does not flow coagulates; coagulation means death." Winning the lost is not secondary, it is primary; it is not incidental, it is fundamental. We cannot have a revival in these days without the power of God. We can have a series of meetings without His power, but we cannot have a revival. A church can be filled with activity without having vitality. We can be well equipped physically for our work without being qualified spiritually. If the world is to be evangelized, our churches must be revitalized. Until we are equipped with God's power, we are static; when we are endued with His power, we are dynamic.

We are as impotent to work up a revival without God's power as we are to produce springtime by bringing together tallow candle lamps and electric lights, in order to bring about a change in the seasons. Painting a pump in order to purify the water in a well would be just as effective as trying to have a revival apart from God's power.

"A paralysis of worldliness has chilled our compassion, muffled the Church's voice, retarded her influence, compromised her testimony, made decrepit her step, shifted her emphasis, and rendered impotent her efforts. Formalism has supplanted evangelism in many places, many preachers are more apathetic than they are prophetic." Revivals can't be worked up, they are prayed down. To work up a revival is to save men by mechanics, but to pray down a revival is to save men by dynamics.

Many people shrink from being different because of fear of being called peculiar. Whether it is style for dresses, a model for hats, or a cut of a suit, most people prefer what is popular with others. The restraining influence of the fear of being different is much more powerful than most of us think it is. We are not to be controlled by the social, moral, or ethical standards of society. Christ urged His followers not to conform to the common standards of those about them. Paul said, "Be not conformed to this world." God's children are in the world but not of the world. In going to heaven one travels at right angles with the world, with the world's opinions, with the world's desires. The children of God live by another standard. It requires a lot of courage for one to assert his own personality and stand out like a unit in the midst of the multitude, but unless one does it he becomes nothing less than a moral and spiritual nonentity.

The Christian is a peculiar person—peculiar because he is different. He is different in his nature, in his desires, in his ethics; and the very day you shrink from being different, that very day your power evaporates. You do not need

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The Light and the Height

(Matthew 5:14)

By E. Wayne Stahl

*They have their home on "Christian Hill";
This is the name which people will
Give to a certain stately height
Of this great city where I write.
They have their pleasant dwelling place,
This family filled with truth and grace,
Beside a way which, broad and neat,
Is designated "Beacon Street."*

*The Saviour said, "Ye are the light
Of this dark world," a beacon bright;
"A city on a hill," also He did
Declare, "Cannot at all be hid."
And spiritually indeed can be
A residence for you and me
(God making thus our lives complete)
On Christian Hill and Beacon Street.*

any originality to lose your soul; you don't need any creative genius to find your way to hell. All you need to do is to follow the crowd. The crowd is hellward bound.

Too many followers of God are conforming to the prevailing customs, morality included. Thus it comes about that we dress very nearly alike, engage in about the same talk. Not many dare to strike out for themselves. We are desperately afraid to walk in the loneliness of our convictions. The thought of the woman who said, "Better be out of the world than to be out of fashion," is appropriate to the spirit of this age. The philosophy of many is, "When in Rome, do as Rome does." The Church needs to cause men to change that dictum to read, "When in Rome do not as the Romans do but as the Romans ought to do."

Starting a Negro Sunday School

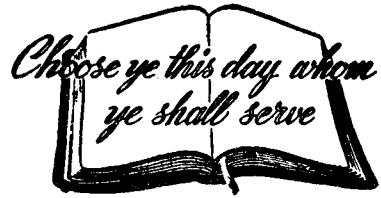
By Edwin E. Hale*

IT IS TRUE that there are many problems to face in any kind of home-missionary work, especially among the Negroes. While we are making some progress, the process of getting workers is especially slow. Not for many years can we hope to have plenty of workers and always, as in our churches everywhere, quality leadership will be at a premium. But there is one thing that literally hundreds of our churches can do, and on almost all of our districts. Just to be located near a Negro settlement makes this task possible and in most cases practical.

Of course, we speak of starting a Negro Sunday school. It can be started as an auxiliary to the present Sunday school. The local pastor and Sunday-school superintendent should take the lead. Some of the local Sunday-school staff may serve as workers, while, if there are colored workers to help, these should be used, increasing their numbers as is possible. A superintendent or director should be appointed by the local church board, recommended by the pastor. And a unified program should be worked out and followed, so that there will be official leadership and that there be no question as to who has authority—a project headed by the pastor.

It may develop that some part of the church, such as the adult department, the men's Bible class, or the N.Y.P.S., would like to make themselves responsible for the rent on the building for certain periods at a time. Or it may be that the district, and no doubt the general church, will soon be glad to help purchase property for the project, depending of course upon developments. And it may be that the start may be in a home, if such seems practical.

Most likely the new Sunday school can be conducted in the afternoon. This will prove to have several advantages to start with; it will make



possible the attendance of some who are attendants at other Sunday schools. It will make possible, for those who desire and have the energy, to work in two Sunday schools. It will make possible the use of the Sunday-school bus, if the local church has one.

After the Sunday school is started, or even before, children's services will prove effective. In one place the "Happy Hour" idea is working beautifully. Both through the Sunday school and with the "Happy Hour" will be found an entrance into the homes, to the hearts of the parents, and eventually to the deeper and more lasting work of evangelism and the establishing of a Church of the Nazarene. However, we should go into such a program with the idea of carrying on with no time limit in mind. Even if there should not be the development of a church for years, still such a program will prove to be a good investment.

Near Weirton, West Virginia, is a small Sunday school which has been running some twelve years, largely under the leadership of certain persons from Weirton First Church: Rev. Mrs. Frank Bleakney and Rev. Mrs. Bessie Gossett, with some assistance from Rev. George Stewart, of New Cumberland, West Virginia. While in a very small community, there has come from this small work Rev. William Smith, who is showing unusual ability, vision, and leadership. He is now ready to take a pastorate. Such will be the case in most instances. Which of our white churches, even if ever so small, has not developed worthy preachers and others of leadership ability?

The actual starting of the Negro Sunday school is not the great problem which some may think. Proper advertising may be used, such as the announcement printed on the local church bulletin stock, something prepared by the printer, etc.; but always, it seems, to us, that the little folder prepared by our publishing house, *The Church of the Nazarene*, should be used. (The latest edition of this tract should be ready for distribution now and is not expensive.) But a complete canvass should be made of the colored sections of the city or community by those of the local church and Sunday school and chosen by the pastor, or someone whom he may have designated as a superintendent or director.

In most cases it will be found that the Negro will not be so ready to respond as we would like, due to the fact that these folk have been exploited in so many different ways. But when they are convinced of a sincere friendship in Christ, and that the purpose of such a work is for the unselfish purpose of spiritual benefit, there will be found the desired response.

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Give Ye Them to Eat

By Mary Alice Holden

*"These need not depart," the Master told them,
"Give ye them to eat of bread today.
Heaven's stores are rich with great provisions—
Ye can feed them all in faith's own way.*

*"What if here we have but two small fishes?
What if here we have but little bread?
Yonder in the storehouse waits salvation;
These and many more will yet be fed.*

*"Faith can take the lunch of one disciple
That a mother's care has well supplied,
Make it reach the thousands that are needy—
Give ye them to eat, ere some have died."*

*Multitudes were fed with loaves and fishes
From the hand of Jesus Christ that day.
But the Bread of Life that He has given
Fills more hearts with joy along His way.*

*And the water of the Spirit's blessing
Quenches thirsty souls once parched by sin.
Bread and water now of life He tells us
Must be given to the world of men.*

What Is Our Answer

To Teen-Age Delinquency?

By Dwayne Hildie*

A YOUNG MAN died today in Nevada's penitentiary gas chamber. Although he has not yet reached his majority of years to be regarded a man, his crime records read like the most fantastic crime fiction, and climaxes in the slaying of two Reno policemen, for which crime he has been executed.

A few weeks ago a moderate-sized Midwestern community was shocked when police dragged the body of a lovely young high school girl honor student from a river bottom where she had been placed after being brutally murdered by a fellow honor student of the high school.

Almost daily, large city newspapers carry stories of teen-age drinking parties with the actual details too sordid even for the lurid publicity of modern newsprint. We read these items in the papers, or hear of them on the air, and still are a bit inclined to smugly pull our garments the more closely about us and be thankful that "our community" and "our children" are different.

As the father of two boys, I wish for my own sake, and theirs, that I could believe that these tragic happenings occur in a world apart from the cloistered world in which we of the church

often live. But every now and then complacency is shattered when, from within the ranks of the young people of our Sunday-school and church group, we find that even we have delinquency in our midst. I no longer feel that I can afford the luxury of complacency with regard to the welfare of my young family, and I am stirred to some grave considerations of the causes and effects of the moral conditions of the world in which I must raise my family.

The moral delinquency of the youth of our nation reflects first of all a moral breakdown of an entire generation. Any nation which will foster or tolerate moral corruption and political infidelity within the state cannot hope to breed a generation of youth with the highest moral ideals. Still we have regarded shocking revelations of political corruption in high places with sufficient complacency as to repeatedly return corrupt politics to power among us.

Coincident with the decay of purity in statesmanship has come a marked decline in the power of evangelism in all churches, until in the capital city of the state of California, with a population of upwards of 150,000, less than 15 per cent of the population claimed to be members of any church, Catholic, Jew, or Protestant. With the Church of Jesus Christ the only agency through which permanent moral reform can be effected, and with so great a percentage of the nation virtually untouched by the evangelistic arm of the Church, the prospects for betterment within the next generation seem rather bleak.

We have stood by in shocked amazement at the extremes to which this generation of boys and girls have gone, and have wondered how it could be. Some have blamed the influence of the period of war through which we have come the past few years, and the uncertainty of the Korean struggle in which we are now engaged. But few have remembered that this generation of "crazy teenagers" was spawned by the boys and girls of yesteryear who walked out of Sunday-school doors a last time, bade farewell to the doors of the church, and as Sunday-school absentees became permanent absentees from, not only the church, but the standards of righteousness which it taught. Had there been a stirring revival among youth twenty-five to forty years ago, had the Church been able to save a good portion of the boys and girls enrolled in her Sabbath schools of that day, I wonder if the story of this generation of delinquency would have been different.

If there is any solution to our crazy, fantastic problems of today, it must begin with an aroused Church. Not only in a "two-revivals-a-year" evangelistic emphasis, but in a "grass roots movement" which will rekindle the altar fires on cold family altars, and refill the "family pew" on Sunday night as well as on Sunday morning, bringing a renewed emphasis on a Christian home. The demands of the day in which we live will not permit us to be content with an evangelistic program which is not reaching those for whom it is intended, but will send a Spirit-filled

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and God-called church out in systematic visitation evangelism to carry the message of salvation into the open door of homes—the same homes whose doors have been opened by the Sunday school.

If we are to make an impact on this and succeeding generations, we must see our church ready to meet and answer the needs of boys and girls in the field of weekday activity as well as evangelism. We must give constructive answer to the question of "What shall I do on Friday night when all my friends at school are at the dance?" We can, we must, and under God we will, meet the challenge of every problem faced by our present generation of boys and girls with a positive solution.

When asked by a news reporter for his final statement, the young man who was executed in Nevada for the murder of two policemen issued a stirring plea to dads and mothers of this day to surround their boys and girls with the feeling of love, protection, and security which he had been denied, and which lack had contributed so greatly to his delinquency. In short, from the lips of one whom our generation has failed, who died the death of a murderer, has come the call for old-fashioned, God-fearing, sanctified homes.

VISION

By T. T. Liddell

VISION is an important factor of life, both humanly and spiritually speaking. Without vision, progress is impossible. Three things are necessary in order that vision may exist:

First, there must be light. Physically, that light comes to us either from the sun or by artificial means, and reveals obstacles, courses, and possibilities. Spiritually, our light is a revelation of Christ through the Holy Spirit, and it likewise reveals obstacles, courses, and possibilities—and a fourth revelation, namely, condition.

Second, there must be eyes to see. In normal birth this is taken care of, but subsequent attention must be given to maintain sight. So it is with spiritual vision; we must be "born again," and we must care for our spiritual eyes.

Third, there must be a direction of vision. Unless eyes are directed by choice, little will be seen. A blank stare reveals nothing. Spiritual vision must be directed first to Christ; then after our focus is obtained in Him, our vision should be directed to His will, His plan, His provision, the need, and our relationship to it all.

God give us vision—for "where there is no vision, the people perish."

There is nothing more alarming than to see men planning their future without divine direction—HENRY T. BEYER.

THE EVANGELISTIC PULPIT:

This Is Salvation

By D. Shelby Corlett*

Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved (Acts 16:30-31).

HERE IS a man in great need calling for help beyond himself. As such he is the example of the whole race of men who in moments of need and helplessness call for help beyond themselves—to be saved. Paul and Silas, saved men, gave the only answer to this universal heart cry, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved."



To be saved is an individual matter—"What must I do to be saved?"

Much of human life is lived in crowds or with others. Because of this we become influenced by and dependent upon others. But the most important matters of life are personal; we are not born in crowds, we do not make our noblest decisions in crowds, we are not married in crowds, we do not die in crowds. We are not saved in crowds. All of these matters are personal.

To be saved requires a personal contact with Christ. It means leaving the broad way of the crowd to enter the narrow or individual way of personal repentance and faith in Christ—the way which leads to life. When an individual is willing honestly to face himself before God he is well on the way to being saved.

What does it mean to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ? It means much more than mental acceptance of or assent to any great truth about Christ. In this manner even the devils believe and tremble, but they are not saved.

To believe is a matter of the heart—"With the heart man believeth unto righteousness" (Rom. 10:10). To believe is to give an inward response to, and to have a full confidence in, Christ and Christ alone for salvation (Acts 4:12). St. John explains this saving faith thus: "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, . . . of God" (John 1:12-13).

Someone has said that the act of believing is like the act which closes the electric circuit, which act at once releases power. Isn't that what St. John says here?

To believe on the Lord Jesus Christ to be saved is to receive Christ into our hearts. To receive Christ is to believe on His name. To receive

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Christ or to believe on His name is to become a child of God. To become a child is to be born of God. The steps are: *Believe, Receive, Become.*

What does it mean to be saved? To be saved means that God through Christ does something about our past life; He forgives our sins, pardons our wrongs, removes the guilt of sinning, and breaks the power of sin and sinful habits over our lives.

To be saved means that we become a new kind of person; "born again," "a new creature" in Christ, with new joy and triumph in the soul. There is a new, spiritual relation with God which brings His power into our lives, through which we overcome evil and live a righteous or Christian life—"old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (II Cor. 5:17).

To be saved means to have the assurance of Christian sonship now (Rom. 8:15-16), and security or safety for the future as we are kept by the power of God through faith (I Pet. 1:5).

Believing on the Lord Jesus Christ is the act which releases God's power of salvation into our lives.

Millions have asked this question, "What must I do to be saved?" since it was first asked by this jailer at Philippi. Millions have believed on the Lord Jesus Christ and they have been saved. Are you saved? Do you know the true assurance of a right relationship to Christ? If you do not, why not now, at this moment, believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and be saved?

Epistle to the Philippians

By H. Orton Wiley

XXIII. Christ, the All-sufficient Saviour

For the Tests and Trials of Life

I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content. I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me [literally, in Him who infuseth strength into me] (Phil. 4:11-13).

DR. WHITBY tells us that the fathers observed three things concerning this text: (1) that the virtue of contentment requires much exercise, learning, and meditation; (2) that it is as difficult to learn how to be full, as to be hungry; abundance having destroyed more men than penury, and exposed them to pernicious lusts; (3) that our proficiency in this or in any other virtue is to be ascribed, not to ourselves, but to the divine assistance. Christ has ever infused new strength into His people in times of trial, and enabled them to be victorious in every conflict of life. The lives of the martyrs and confessors are a source of inspiration and faith to those who take the time to peruse their testimonies.

When the aged *Polycarp* was to be burned at the stake, being given an opportunity for a testimony, he said, "Eighty and six years have I served Him and He has never done me wrong. How can I deny my Lord and Saviour!" When the fire was lighted, the wind blew the flames away from the aged confessor, and he was put to death by other means and his body burned. Thus testified one of the earliest martyrs of the Church, perhaps a contemporary of St. John, the apostle.

John Huss, the rugged pioneer of the Reformation was to be burned at the stake the next day. That night God so filled him with joy that he danced about his bedpost and shouted, "Tomorrow will be my wedding day!"

A *young man* was covered with honey and hung up in a basket for the bees and the wasps to sting him to death. Peering over the edge of the basket he exclaimed, "How am I exalted above you who are below!"

Another *young man* was stretched out on the rack, his body almost pulled asunder. When taken off the rack he cried out, "Put me back. While on the rack an angel wiped the sweat from my brow but now he is gone."

Still another was placed on a hot grid, but facing his tormentors he calmly said, "I fancy I am roasted on this side; will you now turn me over?"

In the midst of such great trials as these, Christ was an all-sufficient Saviour. Can He not infuse strength into us to suffer lesser trials that come to us day by day! Yes, His grace is always sufficient for us; and He has promised with every temptation to make a way of escape that we may be able to bear it.

A Prayer—

Dear God in heaven and earth, this day we ask Thy blessings upon the general superintendents of our church.

Their lot is to leave their homes and travel constantly, dealing with all types of people. Give them strength, both physical and spiritual, to withstand hard words, lonesomeness, and fatigue.

Many men, O God, have literally given their lives serving in this position. We need these godly men; bless them today, dear Father, with the richest of Thy blessings.

Give them, we ask in Jesus' name, courage, strength, and fortitude. Cheer their hearts and make them to know their lives are very worth while. Amen.

Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven (Matt. 6:1).

The doing of good things, just to be seen by and commended by others may satisfy our sense of ego, but will never please God, or open the gates of heaven for us.—EARLE F. WILDE.

Don't Postpone Making Your Will!

There are many good church people who discharge a faithful stewardship in life and also wish to discharge a faithful stewardship in death. In view of the fact that we have had a good many inquiries from Nazarenes regarding the making of a will, we felt that an article which appeared in the September Reader's Digest, written by Jerome Beatty, should be reprinted for the benefit of our people who wish information along this line. We have obtained special permission from the Reader's Digest to reprint the article, which we consider one of the best we have seen regarding wills.

For the benefit of those who wish to include the general church in their wills, we are giving the legal name of the corporation. Bequests should be made to the General Board of the Church of the Nazarene, a corporation of the state of Missouri, with its principal offices in Kansas City.

Any of our people who do not have lawyer friends, or some reliable party who understands the making of a will, may write to John Stockton, general treasurer, for assistance or information.

Even if you have a will, it may need revision Don't procrastinate!

ABOUT HALF of those who die and leave property do so without having made a will. The result is confusion, injustice and, often, serious want. And it is a paradox that the less you own the more likely you are to need a will. If you die without one your wife may get only one-third of your estate.

Some people believe it's bad luck to anticipate death and so refuse to make a will. One of these was a New England businessman with an estate of \$100,000, a wife and a married, childless son. Instead of making a will, he gave the bulk of his property to his son, with instructions as to the care of it. A few months later, the son was killed in an auto accident. The son left no will, so the probate court divided his estate according to state law: first the daughter-in-law received \$5,000; then one-half the remainder went to her and one half to the son's father and mother. Thus the father lost more than half of all he owned to his daughter-in-law, who soon remarried. In some states she would have inherited *all* the money.

A simple will usually costs \$25 or less. One that disposes of a large, complicated estate runs higher, although Edward H. Harriman, the railroad magnate, disposed of millions of dollars through a will that might have cost as little as \$10. It contained only 99 words and left everything to his widow.

Every father and mother with minor children ought to make a careful will. For if the father should die intestate—that is, without a will—the law is devised to protect his children from possible extravagance or selfishness on the part of his wife

—and that it does with a vengeance. In most states the wife will get just one-third of the property; two-thirds will be divided equally among the children, who, even if they want to, can't give their shares to their mother until they become of age. The court will appoint an administrator and a guardian, usually the mother, who will have to be bonded. She probably will have to employ a lawyer to arrange for the guardianship and go to court to get permission for allowances for the care of the children and for the sale or rental of property.

The same laws apply to an intestate wife. Furthermore, many a husband puts in his wife's name a home in which he has invested almost all his savings, and in some states, if the wife dies first, childless and without a will, part of the estate in her name can go to her relatives. Also, a wife usually has cherished possessions that she wants to pass on to children or other close relatives; if she leaves no will they eventually may go to a new wife.

Your will should be checked frequently. In many states a will is revoked, at least in part, by the birth of a child. Don't scratch out some things and write in others. That usually invalidates it. A simple codicil—an addition, witnessed—may do the job.

In most states divorce does not revoke a will. A man left everything to "My wife, Eugenia" and later divorced her for infidelity. He remarried and assumed that his will automatically applied to his new wife. When he died, however, Eugenia received a large part of his estate—even though she, too, had remarried.

You may have made specific bequests that should be revised because of changes in your financial condition or that of your heirs. You may have been worth \$50,000 and made a will leaving \$5,000 to my brother Lucius." Perhaps today you're worth only half that. To protect the other heirs, you should have left Lucius "one-tenth, which in no event shall exceed \$5,000."

Inheritance and estate laws vary greatly. When you move from one state to another look over your will minutely. You should leave enough



cash or liquid assets to cover taxes without forced sales of your property.

How are your U.S. Savings Bonds made out? A widow invested most of her husband's estate in Savings Bonds, payable upon death to her sister. The widow married again and, forgetting the way the bonds were made out, made a will leaving them to her husband. When she died the sister got them, in spite of the will.

Don't leave will-making until the last moment. Facing death, many a person deals unjustly with his heirs, remembering a well-to-do cousin who attended him in his last illness and forgetting a hard-up sister whose savings years ago paid his way through college. Sometimes people dying of tuberculosis, cancer or heart disease impulsively leave everything to one of the funds set up to combat these killers, or to a hospital. This is a noble idea, but it is often unfair to the heirs.

Give deep thought to the distribution of your personal possessions, many or few. Unless the bequests are specific, confusion and hurt feelings can surround the distribution of the Persian rug, the jewelry, the television set, your car. Bequests of personal property to minors should be made to their parents, to be held until the children become of age.

If you have no children and want to leave everything to your spouse, you may need no will. Don't make that decision, however, without a lawyer's advice. If life insurance or U.S. Savings Bonds are payable to the wife, she gets them, will or no will. If real estate, bonds, savings and checking accounts are jointly owned by husband and wife, they go directly to the survivor. In some states the first \$5,000 of the remaining property goes to the surviving spouse, and parents, brothers and sisters may have a claim on what is left.

If a husband and wife who have used the joint-ownership plan die in the same accident, leaving no children, relatives of each often attempt to prove that their blood relative died last so they'll get a share. A will with a "common disaster" clause can prevent this. Such a clause stipulates where the property shall go if husband and wife die within 30 days of one another.

In 19 states a will entirely in your own handwriting, and dated, is legal provided it is obvious that it is a will and not an informal letter or memorandum. If a printed form is used, or any part is printed or typewritten, it must be witnessed. If you write merely, "I give all my property to my wife. This is my will," and sign and date it, it's a good will in those 19 states. It's good anywhere if it is properly signed by three witnesses.

Often, however, more language may be necessary, and without legal advice on wording you may ball things up. In Arkansas a widower wanted to divide his estate equally among his 23 nieces and nephews; his will declared that the estate should be "divided equally between all my nephews and nieces on my wife's side and my own niece [naming her]." The court decided that

"equally between" didn't mean "equally among"; half was distributed to his wife's 22 nephews and nieces, and half to his own niece.

Courts require an exact procedure for witnessing a will. In the New England states, except Rhode Island, and in Georgia and South Carolina, three witnesses are called for; two are sufficient in the other states. However, it is always advisable to have three, as it will be easier to locate enough to prove the will.

The witnesses must be adults who have no interest in the estate. They need not know what is in the document but must be together, preferably in a closed room. You must declare clearly, "This is my last will and testament and I want you to sign as witnesses." They watch you initial each page and watch you sign at the end. Then all present watch each witness write his or her name and address.

Some states allow a self-proving affidavit. After the witnesses sign the will, they also sign a notarized clause stating that the will has been properly executed and the maker is of sound mind. Then, if the will is not contested, witnesses need not appear after the maker's death. The executor is saved the sometimes arduous and costly task of trying to find the witnesses, or of proving the signatures of those who cannot be located.

If your will contains no self-proving affidavit, anticipate and prevent trouble by checking up on your witnesses about once a year. Be sure they will be easy to find and co-operative. If any have died or cannot be found, or if you or they have moved to another community, make a new will with new witnesses. Have your old will typed word for word if you want no changes, and have it witnessed. You can do this yourself.

Simple wills for small estates usually name the chief heir as executor, without bond. If the estate is large and its administration complicated, the executor will need expert help. Choose a dependable lawyer or businessman as co-executor; don't name an inexperienced man merely because he is your best friend.

Your lawyer will give you a carbon copy of your will for your files, but don't sign it. A man who signed a duplicate later destroyed it, and the probate court, deciding that he probably forgot about the other one, decreed that he purposely had invalidated his will.

A jointly held safety-deposit box is a safe place for a will, but it is sealed upon the death of one of the renters, and your heirs may have to go through some legal rigmarole to get it. If you name an executor you might leave the will with him. In some states, upon payment of \$1, you may deposit a will with the probate court. Whatever you do, be less casual than 80-year-old Mrs. Harriet Sylvia Howland Green Wilks. She left an estate of \$95,000,000—and her will was finally found under cakes of soap in a tin cabinet in one of her four homes.—By JEROME BEATTY, in the *Reader's Digest*; used by permission.

THE QUESTION BOX

Conducted by Stephen S. White

Q. Does the "Manual" permit a person who raises tobacco to be a member of the Church of the Nazarene?

A. I am not the official interpreter of the *Manual*. However, I know that a person who owns a store where it is sold cannot rightfully be a member of the Church of the Nazarene. On this ground, I judge that a person who owns and operates a farm could not raise tobacco on it and be a member of the Church of the Nazarene according to the *Manual*.

Q. Since the Church of the Nazarene does not believe in sponsoring rummage sales, is it therefore right for its members to go to these sales and buy things?

A. Our church has no specific ruling at this point. In the last analysis, the responsibility for rummage sales rests with those who put them on, and not on the buyers.

Q. Has the Church of the Nazarene taken any official action as to the Revised Standard Version?

A. No. Some of our people are very decidedly in favor of it and others are just as much against it. Much can be said as to its advantages, and certainly it has its disadvantages. I use it for reference and would not be without it. However, I am certainly not convinced now that it will supplant the King James Version for public use. Anyway, let's not any of us get such high blood pressure for or against the Revised Standard Version that we lose our religion over it. If it is as wonderful as some think that it is, it will not have any trouble in finally driving out all of its competitors; but if it is not anything so extraordinary, it will cease to be talked about, as so many other versions have. Time alone will decide as to which of these two courses it will ultimately take.

Q. I read your editorial on "Criminal Negligence" concerning voting. I was in hopes you would say something about women voting. I have heard that the country has gone to the dogs ever since the women have had the right to vote. What do you think? I would like your opinion. I have registered and intend to vote.

A. The election is over, and the women are given much of the credit for the way it went. Time will tell whether they made a mistake or not; and I might add that if they did make a mistake, many others made it along with them. I do not agree with the

claim that the country has gone to the dogs since the women have had the right to vote. I certainly wouldn't blame the moral and spiritual condition of our country within recent years any more on the women than on the men.

Q. Where should one draw the line between soft and cold drinks? Do Christians drink root beer, cider, and ginger ale? As far as I know, pop and root beer are in the same class except that root beer "sounds" worse.

A. Root beer is unfortunately named. However, most people know now that it is a soft drink and, therefore, has no alcoholic content. The same is true as to sweet cider and ginger ale. Sweet cider is nothing more than fresh apple juice and often is just called cider. You speak of cider as being served at the Halloween party at the school which your daughter attends. This was, no doubt, sweet cider, for they would not be allowed to serve hard cider, or cider with alcoholic content, there.

Q. Is it true that when the door of mercy is finally closed against a person the one concerned knows it without a doubt? What if he is not sure?

A. If the person is not sure and is concerned about it, then I would say that the door of mercy has not finally closed against him.

Q. What Bible commentary do you recommend?

A. For the minister, let me say that Dr. Ralph Earle started a series of three articles on this subject in the

July-August issue of the *Preacher's Magazine*. He knows this field much better than I do and will cover it well. He will give you many valuable suggestions along this line. Of course, you cannot buy all the good commentaries he mentions, but remember that he begins with the best for you. He assumes that most of our preachers have Adam Clarke's and Matthew Henry's commentaries, and recommends them highly. If you do not have these, get them—they are rather inexpensive, as Dr. Earle says. Then go on from there and get the other commentaries he recommends in the order in which he recommends them, as you can. As to myself, I seldom use commentaries except for one purpose, and that is to be sure that I am right as to the interpretation of the verse or passage. Therefore, I use a good dictionary of the Bible and one-volume commentaries largely. I use *The Westminster Dictionary of the Bible* and the one-volume commentary on the Bible by Jamieson, Fausset, and Brown. These are both quite conservative. I also use the *Abingdon Bible Commentary* (one volume) quite often. However, it is liberal at a good many points, and I would not advise everyone to get it.

Q. What is the stand of the Church of the Nazarene as to "blowing fire from a burn" and other such practices? Some in this section of the country look upon them as forms of "black art" and of the devil. Others—even ministers—claim that they are good, and when the occasion demands it use these powers that some seem to have.

A. So far as I know these arts have never been officially discussed by the Church of the Nazarene and probably never will be. They are superstitions which should be forgotten in this enlightened day.

"Still Small Voice"

By Marian L. Knorr

I knew there was a whirlwind,
I hid away from view;
And God I could not find at all,
As strong and loud it blew.

I knew there was a fire there,
And trembled at its heat;
But God I could not find at all,
As flames around me beat.

I knew there was a heavy cloud,
It hid the sun from sight;
But God I could not find at all,
Though He must know my plight!

When all was still, I heard a voice,
So quiet and, oh, so sure!
"My child, just keep your faith in Me;
I'll evermore endure."

I may not know the path I'll tread;
But when I hear that voice
I'll feel my Shepherd's arms beneath,
And in His love rejoice!

O Saviour, keep me every day,
No matter what the test,
Through whirlwind, fiery cloud, or
flood—
I know Thy way is best!

A Notable Event

The International Holiness Mission and The Church of the Nazarene Unite

THE UNION of the International Holiness Mission and the Church of the Nazarene was consummated at Leeds, England, on October 29. Across the years, this day will be remembered as an important day in the history of our church. Some reports of this memorable occasion have already appeared in the *HERALD OF HOLINESS*, and others will be published later. Therefore, it is not my purpose now to discuss at length this notable event.

However, I am thrilled at what God has wrought, and I join with our people everywhere in thanking Him for this union. Further, I express my appreciation to Dr. George Frame, superintendent of the British Isles District of the Church of the Nazarene, and Rev. J. B. Maclagan, superintendent of the International Holiness Mission, for their part in helping to bring about this union. I also want our people to know what this union means. It adds twenty-seven new holiness congregations to the Church of the Nazarene in the British Isles and thirty-six missionaries in the Union of South Africa and Portuguese East Africa. God bless all of these churches and missionaries which have so recently become a part of us. They will be a blessing to us, and we trust that we shall be to them.

Dr. Hardy C. Powers, general superintendent of the Church of the Nazarene, and Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt, secretary for foreign missions, were present when the union was consummated. Dr. Powers, as the presiding officer when the last steps leading to the union were officially taken, marked the event with a significant stroke of his gavel amid manifestations of praise to God.

A GOOD DEED

Be Sure to Read About It!

A letter just received from a district superintendent reads thus: "My district is making up Christmas boxes for each member of the staff and faculty of our college in this educational zone. They will contain a tenderized ham along with other edibles.

"I am not writing to have this fact mentioned in any way, for we would not want that; but it occurred to me that if some logical person wrote a brief note in the *HERALD* concerning our consecrated faculty members, shut away from direct contact with the local church, more or less, other districts might do for their school in their educational zone what we are doing here. A mere mention of the fact that one district is not forgetting their faculty might stir up another. It is not too late even for this Christmas. And, we have a Seminary, also.

EDITORIALS

"I get it from the dean of our college that this is the second time in twenty-eight years that its faculty members have been remembered. This should not be!"

It is wonderful what this district is doing and I heartily commend them for their thoughtfulness. I am sure that our people appreciate the officers and teachers in our colleges and want to do their best for them. God bless our colleges and our people as they stand by them. I am glad to print this letter in the *HERALD OF HOLINESS* and am certain that all of our people will be delighted to read it.

Dr. Edwin E. Hale

Shares His Burden with Us

Dr. Edwin E. Hale, president of the Nazarene Bible Institute, Institute, West Virginia, has an article, "Starting a Negro Sunday School," in this issue of the *HERALD OF HOLINESS* which all of us should be interested in. He urges our churches to establish Sunday schools among the Negroes. This can be done, and as our churches succeed in doing this the foundation for Nazarene churches among the Negroes will be laid. This means that many times Negro churches can finally be organized out of these Sunday schools. However, there is little value in starting Nazarene churches for the Negroes unless we have leaders among them to serve as pastors. These preachers cannot be developed at Nazarene Bible Institute unless we can somehow reach young people who will enroll there and prepare for the ministry. Thus these Negro Sunday schools will not only lay the foundation for Nazarene churches among the Negroes; they will also help us to get hold of young people who are called of God and will train for work as pastors and evangelists among the Negroes. Read this article by Dr. Hale, catch the vision, and then go out and do what he suggests under the direction of the Holy Spirit.

THE BEAUTIFUL LIFE

The Goal—"Unto the Perfect Day"

"The path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day" (Prov. 4:18). The first mark of the beautiful life is justness, or righteousness, and the second is progress. These characteristics have been discussed in previous articles. Now we come to the third and last attribute of the beautiful life as set forth in the verse before us—the goal, "unto the perfect day."

Stephen S. White

THERE IS a goal toward which the Christian life, or the beautiful life is moving. We are not going to always be on the way. We do not believe

There Is a Goal in a process which does not get anywhere, or reach any objective. Becoming that is worth while must end in attainment. Progress is meaningless if it fails to bring us to some place. I don't get on the train just to ride around; I board it in order to go to a certain destination. We do not take journeys merely for the purpose of taking them; we take them because we have determined to go to Boston, Los Angeles, Dallas, New Orleans, or some other goal.

The great heresy in this connection is the deification of process, or growth. Many would have us believe that it is more important for us to be on the way than it is to arrive. For them, achievement, or attainment, is a function of process, or progress. Rest, goals, and reality are all secondary to movement and becoming. Change is everything! For such people there could be no "perfect day." They hold a view which is contrary to both my text and life in general.

Man is a goal-seeking creature—better still, he is a goal-finding being. One of the features which lifts him above the animal is his ability to look ahead and fix goals and then deliberately move on until he arrives at them. In education, he decides to take a two-, three-, or four-year course and graduate from the same. He envisions a perfect day out there and drives toward it until he reaches it. The objective he has attained may be as far as he can go in a certain field, or only the first stop on a long journey toward a final destination. The chief thing is that he is not on a never-ending trip, an excursion which is an end in itself, a movement which is no better than going in a circle. Life is full of many perfect days, various types of realized purposes; but "the perfect day" is the end of the beautiful, or Christian, life. Away with the false notion, then, that goals are merely ideals which we shall forever move toward but never actually reach!

Conversion is a crisis-goal. It is preceded by repentance and faith, which lay a foundation for it. Entire sanctification is another instantaneous climax which not only follows conversion but is also preceded by consecration and faith. However, these two supernatural experiences are not ultimate objectives in the Christian life; they are not "the perfect day." Individually, the perfect day will be ours when we receive our glorified bodies in the life beyond.

PAUL, WHO HAD the thorn in the flesh, was especially interested in getting a glorified body. In Philippians 3:11 he says, "If by any

The Nature of the Goal means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead."

This is evidently the perfection, or the mark, which he is pushing on toward but has not yet reached. It is described in verses 12 to 14 in the same chapter and then referred to again very definitely in these words: "For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself" (Phil. 3:20-21).

This theme of the resurrection body, the perfect day of the beautiful life, is discussed by Paul in I Corinthians 15. Here are some of his words: "It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: it is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: it is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. . . . Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. . . . So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory" (I Cor. 15:42-54).

SOME LOOK upon the body as the racial, or social, bond—the means whereby social activities are carried on. Thus the glorified body provides the basis for a new race, or brotherhood—a holy community. This social significance of the perfect day is better described in connection with the second coming of Jesus Christ. The kingdom of God will be set up on the earth with Christ as the supreme Ruler. When Christ bade farewell to His followers on Mount Olivet and ascended to His Father, a very definite promise was given as to His return in these words: "And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven" (Acts 1:10-11). The New Testament refers many times to Jesus' second coming and often connects it with an ideal rule on His part on this earth. Thus the kingdom of God will come to its full fruition upon this earth. This may be thought of as the perfect day in which the glorified saints will participate.

Finally, this perfect day—from both the individual and social standpoints—may be tied in with the Bible's conception of heaven. Whatever may be said to the contrary, the Scriptures are full of descriptions of the heavenly state which the glorified saint will enjoy throughout an endless eternity. Certainly, no more perfect day could be pictured than that which is outlined in

chapters 21 and 22 in Revelation. Let anyone who doubts this statement turn and read these two chapters for himself. They tell of a new heaven and a new earth with the holy city coming down out of heaven. There and then God will dwell with His people and "wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away" (Rev. 21:4). Then in the same chapter, in verses 10 to 27, the heavenly city, the new Jerusalem, is described, with its gates; foundations; size—length, breadth, and height; the

fine stones or metals out of which the wall, the foundations, the gates, and the streets are to be made. Added to this will be the river of the water of life, the tree of life, and the ever-shining sunless light. Surely, no one can doubt but that this is the perfect day toward which every Christian is moving. The first two marks of the perfect day—righteousness and progress—will at last lead into the third characteristic—the perfect day of the glorified saints in the new Jerusalem. "The path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day" (Prov. 4:18).

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Remiss Rehfeldt, Secretary

Above the Clouds

HAVING TRAVELED from Leeds, England, after the "Union Convention," we visited two former International Holiness Missions for evening rallies. They are now, of course, Nazarene. In Bolton, where Rev. A. J. Lown and his people welcomed us with a large and receptive congregation, the Lord granted a remarkable service. In Battersea, London, with Rev. J. B. Maclagan, we had the privilege of meeting in the headquarters church of the I.H.M. Dr. Powers preached with the anointing of the Spirit in both services. The missionary work of the church was also presented.

The convention and these two rallies, fellowship with Dr. and Mrs. Frame, Rev. J. B. Maclagan, and other brethren in the British Isles lifted and inspired our hearts.

Above the clouds, the plane now swiftly places England behind us. Lisbon, Portugal, is ahead and we are flying above the clouds. They look like a series of snow-covered mountains and bring to mind the peaks of pure blessing experienced in recent days. The following are a few impressions from the week spent in Britain:

1. *The amalgamation of the International Holiness Mission and the Church of the Nazarene is truly significant. This union will result in the spreading of holiness evangelism over the British Isles.*
2. *The people of the British Isles District and the I.H.M. will unite beautifully and will prove a great blessing to each other. Both groups have something vital to contribute.*
3. *London, the world's largest city, is now a center for holiness work. With the consummation of this*

union, there are seven Nazarene churches in the city.

4. *There is a depth of spiritual understanding and genuine desire for the extension of the holiness message which promises great things for the future.*

Looking from this vantage point one can see only the clouds. There is no break, no view of earth; thoughts soar with the plane. Can there be anything more wonderful than that which has transpired in Britain this week? It is above everything else. It is God's work.

—REMISS REHFELDT
Foreign Missions Secretary

Workers with God

We have had many sad cases in the hospital. Not long ago a child of eight came in with both feet black and gangrenous, the result of some of the high-class witch doctor treatment. She is learning now of the One who loves the little children. Last week the doctors performed a high thigh amputation on a young man with a large osteogenic sarcoma of the left knee. Before the operation he had not accepted Christ as his personal Saviour. He was very toxic and required plasma and penicillin. For a while it looked as though they might lose him. But God spared his life and he now smiles and says he is a Christian. His chest X ray is clear, which indicates that they operated before there was too much spread in the blood stream.

One Saturday, the children, my interpreter, and I went out to Mliba, about thirty miles away, to hold a women's missionary rally which included four of our outlying native churches. Since this was my first year to be district president, I wasn't too sure of what to do or to expect.

If it is my privilege to go again next year, I believe we can make it even more of a blessing. We arrived at 11:00 a.m.; a few were there. About eleven-thirty I asked Mr. Magagula, the native pastor, if he did not think that he should ring the "bell," that we might commence the meeting. He said, "Oh! 'nKosikazi, they aren't all here yet." We waited. Soon he said, listening, "Oh! what is that? Oh, yes, they are coming." He pointed to the hill across the valley. Down the mountain trail they came—the one in front carrying high a white "flag" on a long stick. All seven or eight were singing one of their favorite choruses. Those dear old women—I don't believe one of them is under fifty years of age. As they came into the clearing by the church, they half marched and half danced, still singing and praising God, though I am sure they must have been tired and thirsty. Those dear old dry, wrinkled, black faces smiling and singing! You never see that kind of smile on the faces of the heathen women. May God bless and encourage them as they go back to their kraals and churches. Their path is not a paved nor straight one. How good that crushed corn and stewed beef tasted to us after the long service! "How many were there?" you may wonder. There were only twenty-six or twenty-seven—but Mr. Magagula said that was a good number, so we were encouraged. Let us remember to pray for our faithful native Christians.

—KENNETH AND ANNE STARK, *Swaziland, South Africa*

The call to holiness is a challenge for our utmost and highest endeavor, and our maximum achievement for the advancement of the kingdom of our Lord. . . . Holiness is the answer to the highest hope, aspiration, and desire of the soul to be fashioned in harmony with the complete will of God.—J. C. MCPHEETERS.

The Young People's Society

L. J. Du Bois, Secretary

Sharing the Word

THE SPONTANEOUS reaction of Christians since the earliest days of the Church has been to share the good news of the gospel with others. In earliest times this sharing could be only by verbal testimony and by personal missionary endeavors. In those days, the handwritten copies of the Scriptures were very scarce and were in no way available to the great masses to whom the word of life had been given by the Father.

Of course modern printing methods and modern translation procedures have changed all of this. They have placed into the hands of the Christian Church the possibility of sharing the Word of God with every tribe and race of earth's teeming missions. And because of the spiritual insight and vision of godly men and women in days past, we today have access to the channels by which just this sort of thing can be done. The United Bible Societies have been organized for just this purpose, to give all Christian people, no matter what their particular creed, the opportunity to work together in the all-important task of giving the Bible or portions of it to all men "without note or comment."

And so, we in the Church of the Nazarene have the opportunity of sharing the Word which means so much to us with others around the world through the media of the American Bible Society, the British and Foreign Bible Society, and other allied societies throughout the world. We can take part in this by giving generously to the offering sponsored annually by the Nazarene Young People's Society, which will be taken in most of our churches on Universal Bible Sunday, December 14. Churches in the United States will give to the American Society; churches in the British dominions will give to the British and Foreign Society. But regardless of the channel through which we give, let us all have a part in sharing the Word.

Prayer Tower Requests

December 7-13—Bible Society Offering

For the fourth year the N.Y.P.S. is sponsoring an offering for the United Bible Societies. This offering will be received in the churches on Bible Sunday, December 14. Let us pray for the offering in our local church and in the denomination. Pray too for the Bible Society, that it may be able to meet the great demands for scriptures.

December 14-20 Our Aged Ministers

It is tragic to be forgotten! We are careful to remember everyone on our

list as we prepare for Christmas. But are we as a church forgetting our aged and retired ministers? We must not! Let us pray for these this week. Remember the 414 who are receiving help from the Ministerial Benevolent Fund and the others who have devoted their lives to the ministry of the Church of the Nazarene.

Home Missions and Evangelism

Roy F. Smee, Secretary

Observing A Christian Christmas

THERE ARE many forces pressing for the complete commercialization and secularization of Christmas. As Christians we have a prior claim to the observance of this holiday as the anniversary of the First Advent. We don't intend to let them take this sacred day away!

There are some positive things we can do about making Christmas a Christian holiday, spreading the good news that Christ has come, which is just as much needed today as it was when the angels first announced the good tidings. The Christian observance of Christmas ought to begin in our homes. Our family worship periods at Christmastime ought to be among the most outstanding of the whole year. Our Christmas cards should reflect the Christmas message and use scripture verses. Perhaps we can put a good tract into letters, with checks sent to pay bills, and other correspondence at Christmas.

Our giving at Christmas should also be Christian. Santa Claus, Rudolf the Red-nosed Reindeer, and all such fictitious characters should be given a minor place at Christmas. It is unfortunate when children believe that Santa Claus is as real as the Christ child. Our Christmas gifts should not be for show, nor merely from a sense of obligation. The Christian family will be careful not to spend recklessly beyond its income for Christmas gifts, but will plan to include the church in that giving. Perhaps the church is giving a Christmas box to some nearby home-mission pastor. The entire family may join in planning the family's contribution to that box, and if the family's gift is food or clothing it will be a more joyous, meaningful gift than a sum of money.

The Christian family will join in the Christmas events of the church, such as special programs, Christmas worship services, and carol singing.

There are other positive ways the Christian home can use its influence

at Christmas. Why not write a letter of appreciation to firms that forego the advertising of their products in order to portray the Christmas story, as in store windows, on billboards, etc.? If you hear a radio program that reverently treats the birth of Christ, you would be doing a Christian service to write to the radio station and the sponsor a letter of appreciation.

On the negative side, Christians should discourage and protest office drinking parties that are customary in some places at Christmas. We can write to billboard companies and stores that advertise alcoholic beverages connected with the Christmas season. Intoxicating spirits are not connected in any way with the Christmas spirit. However, let us remember to be Christian in our letters.

The influence of many Christians in emphasizing Christ in Christmas will do much to make this holy day a testimony for the Master throughout our land.

NEW CHURCHES

District Superintendent J. D. Saxon organized a new church at Long Beach, on the Mississippi District, August 18, with seven charter members. The membership has since increased to eleven. A good lot with a building adaptable to church purposes has been purchased and the church is making excellent progress.

District Superintendent W. D. McGraw, Jr., organized a church at Hillsboro on the Oregon Pacific District, on November 9, with fourteen charter members. This is a county seat town sixteen miles west of Portland, Oregon. A good corner lot with a two-story house has been purchased for use as parsonage and for services. Rev. W. O. Fisher has been appointed pastor.

A new church was organized November 4 at Barstow, California, on the Southern California District by

District Superintendent R. J. Plumb. There were fourteen charter members. They are worshipping in a hall temporarily, with plans to build in the near future. Rev. James J. Thomas has been appointed pastor. Barstow is a rail junction town in the Mojave

desert. There are also many servicemen in the area, and Brother Thomas is a veteran with three years' experience overseas.

District Superintendent B. V. Seals organized a new church recently at

Shelton on the Washington Pacific District. Rev. Leslie Laeger has been appointed pastor and the membership is now above twenty. Two good lots have been donated for the church building.

THE HOME CIRCLE

Conducted by Grace Ramquist

To Study the Word—

THERE ARE many periods of the day when a person may study the Word of God. There are numerous occasions when he needs to study the Word, but there is never a time which is better fitted for this study than the early morning hours. When I am planning my day, I often am in a quandary as to what to do first. If I study first, then my housework must be done when the vigor of my body has diminished; if I do my housework first, then when my study time comes my mind has lost the sharpness which it had in the early morning hours. Indeed, whatever I choose to do right after I have awakened from a refreshing sleep is what I do best.

According to a legend which has come down to us through the years, King David loved to study the law before anyone else was astir.

You remember the words found in Psalms 108:2, "Awake, psaltery and harp: I myself will awake early." The story is told that David took his psaltery or lute and hung it above his bed each night. He turned the strings of the lute toward the north, so that when the wind blew during the cool of the early morning hours the strings sang out with sweet music and thus awakened him. This is why he with such certainty said, "I myself will awake early."

David did not turn over and take another wink of sleep, but he quickly aroused himself, for he loved to read the law early in the morning. He felt alone with God; his mind was clear. Sometimes he would pause in his study, take his lute or harp, and play and sing praises to God. No doubt while he was young, tending the flocks of his father, he carried the stringed instrument with him and played during the lonely hours spent in the mountains. He learned the joy of being alone with God.

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

The Book of Romans For a Diet

I once had a friend, Dr. N. A. Jepson, who was a devoted Bible student. In his home, everyone learned a new

verse of scripture for each day of the year. A few months ago this good man went to his heavenly reward. Just before he died he told friends who were visiting him that he had read the Book of Romans through every day except Sunday for the last seventeen years. He knew the whole great Epistle to the Romans by heart.

A Safe Guide

A safe guide is the first thing necessary to make a way pleasant.

Near the city of Rome, in Italy, there is a large burial place called the catacombs. It is all underground and extends for miles in different ways. The paths among the tombs cross one another in every possible direction, so that even in the broad light of day it would be a perfect puzzle to find one's way through them. But no ray of light reaches that gloomy place. It is dark as midnight there. Of course, you will easily understand that to enter the catacombs without a guide is a very dangerous thing. So many lives have been lost, in consequence, that the entrances have been closed up, and no persons are now permitted to go in.

Before this was done, however, there was a young man who resolved to explore the catacombs. He furnished himself with a light, and in order that he might not lose his way he took a ball of string and, fastening one end of it at the entrance of the dark passage, he carried the ball with him, that he might guide his way out by it. Having thus furnished himself, he went in, and trod cautiously along, gazing in silence on the different names and memorials inscribed on the tombs in that dark city of the dead.

He spent some hours in this manner; and, dark and dismal as the place was, his way was comparatively pleasant, because he had a guide. But when he was about turning to go back, his light went out. In the alarm which this threw him into, he dropped his string, which was all he had to depend on to lead him back to the outside world of light and life. He stooped

down at once to pick up his guiding string, but he could not find it. He got down on his knees, and felt carefully around in every direction for that precious thread on which hung all his hope of life and deliverance; but in vain. He turned and groped, and groped and turned, till weary with the effort—but to no purpose. Then he began to despair. He felt that he was buried alive. He thought of his home, of his friends, and of the bright and beautiful world without. He wept bitter tears over his folly in entering that gloomy abode.

He soon felt that weeping would do him no good. So he resolved to make a desperate effort to escape before giving himself up to die. He began in utter darkness to grope his way back. But he had no guide. He walked on in darkness until he was compelled to stop and rest. Again he walked, and again he rested. He continued his efforts for hours, that seemed ages to him. But it was for life he was struggling, and so he toiled on and on, till at last his energies were exhausted.

He felt it was no use and thought he must give up to die. Just as he was sinking in utter despair to the earth, he thought he saw a faint glimmer of light. This revived his sinking heart. He struggled on a little farther; he turned a corner of the way; and, oh, joy of joys to him, there was the broad light of day! A merciful Providence had directed his steps in the dark and had brought him out to safety.

Religion's ways are ways of pleasantness, because we have a safe guide in the ways. The safe guide? The Bible is that safe guide! It shows us the dangers in our path and how we may avoid them. It will go with us all through life and never will we be left in the darkness of night lost without hope and without light!

—Arranged from *Rills from the Fountain of Life*, by Rev. Richard Newton, 1856.

Behold, happy is the man whom God correcteth: therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty (Job 5:17).

To fight and quarrel with God, and blame Him when trouble, trial, and chastening becomes our lot, is but to defeat His plan and purpose, undisclosed as yet to us.—EARLE F. WILDE.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON

By Norman R. Oke

Topic for December 14: Jesus Dispels Fear
Scripture: Matthew 14 (Printed, Matt. 14:22-33)

GOLDEN TEXT: *Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid* (Matt. 14:27).

I like those words in today's Golden Text, "It is I; be not afraid." This comes out of one of those thrilling incidents in the life of Jesus, when His disciples realized that being with Christ was anything but a drab existence. They were afraid, yea, they were even scared: for in common language that is one step worse than fear. Don't you see it all: a band of frightened disciples, a rocking, reeling boat, wild and angry waves, a sky as black as the bottom of a mine—then through it all Jesus approached walking on the waves! Right there you have all the necessary elements for a first-rate, modern, spine-tingling story.

Well, what I want to notice is the simple recipe that Christ gave as a solution for fear. The whole world needs that recipe. And the solution is found in the short but eloquent statement I have already quoted, "It is I; be not afraid."

1. Recognize His presence.
2. Then refuse to fear.

It is useless trying to whip up courage in the hearts of people who have not come into acquaintance with Jesus Christ. Where Christ is absent, fear is a star boarder; where Christ is the chief Guest, fear just cannot take over. For if we know where we are going, and how to get there, there is little basis left for fear.

A small, dirty-faced boy was play-

ing in the aisle of a train. A man asked him where he was going. With a shrug of indifference he said that he didn't know. The man then asked the boy if he wasn't afraid. The boy replied: "'Course I'm not scared. My daddy is riding in that seat up there, and he knows where we're going, sooo . . . I'm not scared."

There is the simple wisdom of childhood, and it is more penetrating than the complex reasoning of the philosopher. It is the same formula that Jesus offered. Let's say it again: *First*, recognize the presence of Christ; and *second*, refuse to fear.

O Lord, teach us to be as wise as the children who play around our feet. The only reason to fear is distance from Thy loving presence. When Thou art nigh, fear must depart.

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NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

Rev. Robert Chung writes: "I have had a wonderful time. Our blessed Nazarenes have received my wife, children, and myself with open arms and helped us. I praise the Lord for the privilege of meeting our brothers and sisters all over the United States and Canada. Through your prayers and efforts we are returning

to our native land, Korea, the war-torn country. We are leaving our four children here to continue their education, which is hard for us but we know it is best. We thank you and give you our heartfelt appreciation for all you have done for us and the love you have shown us. Please pray for our Korean work and us; also re-

member our children in your prayers. Pray we may be able to encourage our people in Korea and help them with their churches and get many more to the Lord."

Chicago Heights, Illinois—Our church recently closed an effective revival with Rev. James Crabtree as the evangelist. The church especially appreciated his messages on holiness. We expect to occupy our sixteen-room educational annex soon.—Byron M. Carmony, Pastor.

On October 5, our new church was dedicated. The congregation had a great day praising the Lord for His goodness. The former church became inadequate to house the Sunday school and church, so two years ago the congregation decided to erect a more commodious building. Rev. Harold Berrian was the aggressive pastor then, and the church grew in every way under his capable leadership. Last August, Brother Berrian felt led to go to the Congress Heights Church in Washington, D.C., and our church called Rev. J. E. Turnock to be pastor. He is thrilled with the new building and with the future prospects. On dedication Sunday many of the former pastors returned. The first pastor and organizer of the church, Rev. Monroe Hand, preached in the morning. He told of the early days of the church (1913-24). It was a challenge to the people to uphold the faith of their fathers. In the afternoon Rev. E. E. Grosse, superintendent of the Washington-Philadelphia District, preached the dedicatory message. His message was marvelous, and the presence of the Lord was real. The church and pastor are determined to push for souls. Seekers are being saved and sanctified. There is very little debt on

Rio Grande, New Jersey



the building—just \$7,800.00. The church is valued at \$35,000.00. Also the Sunday school needed a better bus, so last month a new bus was purchased and it was paid for completely last Sunday (Nov. 2). We are

definitely "out in the country" but we are finding plenty to do. The Sunday school is up 20 per cent over last year. Recently we broke the Sunday-school attendance record with 175 present. God is still on the throne.—Reporter.

St. Louis, Missouri—First Church had an eight-day revival with Rev. C. B. Cox, superintendent of the Colorado District, as the evangelist. Brother Cox is a great preacher, and God gave us a fine meeting with him. On rally day we had 617 in Sunday school.—Holland B. London, Pastor.

Pastor Earl W. Powell, of Hollydale, California, writes: "We have recently enjoyed a Holiness Clinic with Evangelist Clem F. Wright as the speaker. We have been working with Brother Wright in meetings for over fifteen years and have never heard this great expository preacher of Bible holiness preach with greater clarity than in our recent meeting. He has committed to memory more than 15,000 verses of the Bible. Attendance was good, and interest ex-

cellent. Sunday-school attendance for October averaged 270 per Sunday; church membership is the highest in the history of church, and property improvement has reached a new high also. We press on with faith in God to greater victories."

Evangelist Eddie Clark has some open time for the new year (1953), which he would like to fill up. Due to a rearranged slate he has some open dates. Contact him at 1114 W. Mountain, Fort Collins, Colorado.

Evangelist R. Newman Raycroft writes: "Due to a recent cancellation I have the following dates open: January 21 to February 1, and February 4 to 15. I prefer to book these two dates in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, or Ohio. Also, have one camp-meeting

date in the middle of August, 1953, open at this time. Would like to book same in the West or Midwest, as we have the Los Angeles District Camp booked for the last part of August. Write me, 109 E. Madison St., Goshen, Indiana."

Evangelist Joseph Bierce writes: "I have an open date for the winter, December 31 to January 11; will be glad to slate it as the Lord may lead. Write me, % Nazarene Publishing House, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri."

Anna Marie Dotsen, song evangelist and musician, writes: "I have some open dates and will be glad to go anywhere I may be called. I rejoice today that I know the Lord as my Saviour and Sanctifier, and that He has called me to work in His vineyard. Write me, Box 31, Honey Creek, Indiana."

Evangelist Andrew Johnson reports: "Recently I conducted a revival meeting, also a three-day convention in Michigan, and am slated for a revival with Pastor H. M. Foster and church in Olney, Illinois. I am making plans for an evangelistic visit to southern California early in the coming year, and will be glad to contact some of our Nazarene pastors out there. Write me, Wilmore, Kentucky."

Evangelist Jack and Ruby Carter write: "We have open dates we would like to give any church needing our services as preacher and singers: January 14 to 25, January 28 to February 8, and February 11 to 22. We would like to fill these dates in the Southwest, Southeast, or South, since we are to be in the South the first of the new year. Address us, Box 527, Kansas City 41, Missouri."

Butler, Pennsylvania—Our church has enjoyed a very fine revival with Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Browning as our visiting evangelists. The meeting resulted in the deepening of the spiritual life of the entire church. Several souls were saved and sanctified. Dr. Browning was at his masterful best. Butler has the victory.—Paul R. O'Brien, Pastor.

Jacksonville, Florida—We praise the Lord for His blessings and answers to prayer since coming to Westside Church last June; also, for the outpouring of His Spirit during our recent revival. Brother Graham preached from September 21 to October 5; then Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Redmon were with us from October 7 to 19. Their messages were clear, scriptural, and anointed of God. There were definite victories at the altar and joyful testimony meetings. Brother Dubberly led the singing, and other pastors and laymen of our churches here were a great blessing. Brother and Sister Redmon received a unanimous invitation to return next year.—B. F. and M. L. Graham, Pastors.

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Kingston, Ohio—We have recently closed a Spirit-blessed revival with Rev. Harley G. Hart as our evangelist. Souls were saved and sanctified at an old-fashioned mourners' bench. Our members were greatly refreshed in their souls and are more determined than ever to build for God's kingdom. Brother Hart has a burning passion for lost souls. He has built a holiness church that is flourishing for God today. He is an old-fashioned, Bible holiness preacher.—W. N. Whitt, Pastor.

Providence, Rhode Island—People's Church has been moving on under the leadership of Pastor A. Lewis Payne, and we have added some new folks to our membership. In July we had a very interesting and profitable service with Rev. M. Kimber Moulton, Jr., son of a former pastor. October 1 to 12 we were in a revival effort with Rev. Arthur W. Gould as evangelist; he brought soul-stirring messages in sermon and song. A number of souls responded to the altar call, for which we give God the praise. Many who had known Brother Gould in previous years were happy to meet him again and sit under his ministry. On the closing day he was presented with a beautiful Bible, which was a token of love and appreciation from members and friends of Brother Gould's home church. On October 17 we had a stirring home-mission rally, with our district superintendent in charge, assisted by Rev. Robert B. Fowler, who is now employed by the district for home-mission work. Up-to-date information was given about the home-mission work, and colored pictures showing the progress of the work during the months since the district assembly were shown. The service was well attended and a good offering received for the work.—Lura Horton Ingler, Reporter.

Plainfield, Indiana—On October 26 we closed an old-time, soul-searching revival with Rev. Fred Bouse and Homer and Martha Maddox as the special workers. Several souls sought God, and the church people were definitely helped. God came in the morning service and waves of glory swept over the people of God as we worshiped before Him. This service lasted more than an hour and a half without any preaching. The evening service was a time of deep searching of the Spirit. These workers will be returning to us again next fall, if Jesus tarries. We accepted a call to this church, coming to the field in September. Rev. Gorden Dawes, former pastor, labored with these people for about seven years and did a wonderful work; he is loved by the people. We have taken over the building program where Brother Dawes left off, and God is helping us. We have a fine group of people, whom we have learned to love and appreciate. God has manifested His grace, power, and love to our own hearts as we labor, preach, and pray for souls.—S. F. Cook, Pastor.

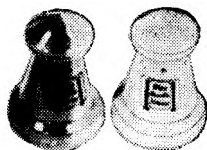
Rev. Ira E. Fowler writes: "In August of this year I left the evangelistic field to accept the pastorate at Chelyan, West Virginia. We have a loyal, spiritual, and aggressive group of Nazarenes, and our services are times of refreshing from the Lord. Shouts of old-time victory are often heard. In the spring we enter a building program; the needs of our congregation demand that we expand. Our people have responded well to the command, Let us arise and build. Already we have learned to appreciate and love the West Virginia Nazarenes. Our district superintendent, Dr. E. C. Oney, is a man of vision and spiritual power. Pray for our labors in Chelyan."

Kuna, Idaho—Special services were held at our church, October 12, to dedicate the new annex to the church building. District Superintendent I. F. Younger preached the dedicatory sermon. The building program has begun a year ago under the direction of the pastor, the Rev. Clarence A. Griffin. Much of the labor was donated. The new addition has increased the seating capacity of the main auditorium and includes a new classroom, pastor's study, young people's auditorium, choir loft and rostrum, and rest rooms. We thank God for the progress that has been made both materially and spiritually.—Mrs. Dick Aman, Secretary.

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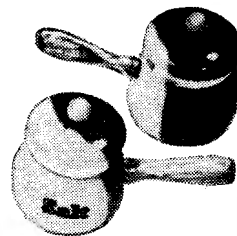
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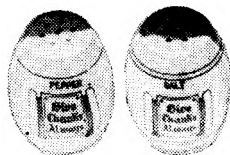


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Evangelist R. F. Lindley reports: On the last Sunday of the revival we broke the all-time Sunday-school record with 220 present. God is still praying through to definite victory.

India Council Meeting

The Forty-third Annual Council of the Church of the Nazarene Mission in India was held at Basim, Berar, September 23 to 26. Our chairman, Rev. Leslie Fritzlan, presided. On Monday evening Mrs. Mary Anderson spoke and her message was applicable and inspiring.

On Tuesday morning Rev. L. C. Fritzlan gave a challenging message on being sealed with the Holy Spirit. On Wednesday morning Rev. Samuelrao Bhujbal, district superintendent of the Indian church, gave the devotional message, emphasizing the power of love to draw people to Christ. The Thursday devotional message was given by Rev. J. W. Anderson.

Those present were Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Fritzlan, Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Anderson, Rev. and Mrs. Bronell Greer, Rev. and Mrs. C. Cleve James, Dr. and Mrs. Ira Cox, Dr. Orpha Speicher, Mrs. Ruby Blackman, Nurses Geraldine Chappell, Jean Darling, Alberta Fletcher, and Esther Howard.

We missed the presence of Rev. and Mrs. P. L. Beals. When we received the news a few months ago that Mrs. Beals would have to be flown to America for an emergency operation it was a real blow to all on the field, but God has sustained. We were glad the Andersons were flown out to take their places. We were also glad to have Misses Jean Darling, Esther Howard, and Mary Harper, and Dr. and Mrs. Cox and family arrive just before Council meeting.

As reports were read, all were thankful for the blessing of God upon the past year's work. Rev. Leslie Fritzlan was re-elected as chairman. His service in this office has won the praise and support of all the council.

We all appreciate the wonderful spirit of fellowship among the missionaries. Council time is a great joy to all because of the opportunity of fellowship, the joy of victories won, and the vision of things to be done through the help of God. We are going forward with Him.

C. CLEVE JAMES, Reporter

"Showers of Blessing" Stations In Northwest Education Zone

Idaho			
KGEM	Boise, Idaho	1140 kc.	12:45 p.m. Sunday
KBIO	Burley	1230 kc.	3:00 p.m. Sunday
KRPL	Moscow	1400 kc.	1:30 p.m. Tuesday
KFXD	Nampa	580 kc.	9:45 p.m. Sunday
KFXD-FM	Nampa	101.9 meg.	9:45 p.m. Sunday
KROK	Nampa	*	*
KSPT	Sandpoint	1400 kc.	8:45 a.m. Sunday
KEEP	Twin Falls	1450 kc.	9:00 a.m. Sunday
KWEI	Weiser	1240 kc.	9:15 p.m. Thursday
Minnesota			
KDGE	Fergus Falls	1250 kc.	*
KAAA	Red Wing	1250 kc.	10:45 a.m. Monday
KWLM	Willmar	1340 kc.	1:30 p.m. Sunday
Montana			
KBMN	Bozeman	1230 kc.	9:45 a.m. Sunday
KGEZ	Kalispell	1340 kc.	2:15 p.m. Sunday
KGCX	Sidney	1480 kc.	7:45 a.m. Sunday
Nevada			
KELK	Elko	1340 kc.	8:30 a.m. Sunday
KELY	Ely	1230 kc.	9:15 a.m. Sunday
KLAS	Las Vegas	1230 kc.	9:15 a.m. Sunday
North Dakota			
KSJB	Jamestown	600 kc.	10:00 p.m. Sunday
KLPM	Minot	1390 kc.	12:15 p.m. Sunday
Oregon			
KGON	Oregon City	1230 kc.	8:30 a.m. Sunday
KWJJ	Portland	1080 kc.	8:45 a.m. Sunday
Utah			
KNEU	Provo	1450 kc.	2:45 p.m. Sunday
KJAM	Vernal	1340 kc.	10:15 a.m. Sunday
Washington			
KBKW	Aberdeen	1450 kc.	8:45 a.m. Sunday
KCLX	Colfax	1450 kc.	6:15 p.m. Sunday
KXLE	Ellensburg	1240 kc.	8:45 a.m. Sunday
KRKO	Everett	1380 kc.	8:15 a.m. Sunday
KELS	Kelso	1490 kc.	1:00 p.m. Sunday
KPUY	Puyallup	1450 kc.	4:00 p.m. Sunday
KAPA	Raymond	1340 kc.	8:30 a.m. Sunday
KTW	Seattle	1250 kc.	4:15 p.m. Sunday
KNEW	Spokane	790 kc.	4:45 p.m. Sunday
KREW	Sunnyside	1050 kc.	7:30 a.m. Sunday
KTEL	Walla Walla	1490 kc.	3:30 p.m. Sunday
KJMA	Yakima	1460 kc.	9:00 a.m. Sunday
Wyoming			
KVWO	Cheyenne	1370 kc.	9:30 a.m. Saturday
KOVE	Lander	1230 kc.	8:15 a.m. Sunday
KOWB	Laramie	1340 kc.	12:45 p.m. Sunday
FWRL	Riverton	1450 kc.	* a.m. Monday
KWOR	Worland	1490 kc.	9:45 a.m. Sunday
New "SHOWERS OF BLESSING" STATIONS			
WTUS	Tuskegee, Alabama	580 kc.	9:45 a.m. Tuesday
WMYR	Fort Myers, Florida	1410 kc.	8:45 a.m. Sunday
WKTG	Thomasville, Georgia	700 kc.	1:15 p.m. Saturday
WBOC	Salisbury, Maryland	960 kc.	*
KTTR	Rolla, Missouri	1490 kc.	12:15 p.m. Sunday
KRES	St. Joseph, Missouri	1550 kc.	7:45 a.m. Sunday
WHKK	Akron, Ohio	640 kc.	8:45 a.m. Saturday
WHAT	Philadelphia, Pa.	1340 kc.	7:30 a.m. Sunday
WHAT-FM	Philadelphia, Pa.	105.3 meg.	7:30 a.m. Sunday
WIRY	Plattsburg, N.Y.	1340 kc.	9:45 a.m. Sunday

*Consult local newspaper for exact time.

Georgia District Assembly

The twenty-eighth Georgia District Assembly convened in Thomasville, October 1 and 2, in the First Baptist Church. Rev. Hugh Mincey and his fine people did a splendid job of entertaining the assembly, and pastors and people of other churches in the city received us graciously.

The Church School and N.F.M.S. conventions were held prior to the assembly on Monday night and Tuesday respectively. Rev. Dallas Baggett, pastor of First Church, Birmingham, Alabama, brought a stirring message to the Church School Convention on Monday evening.

On Tuesday, Mrs. Herman Ward, of Dalton, was chosen on the nominating ballot as the new district N.F.M.S.

president. This choice was made after Mrs. Bruce B. Hall, who had served faithfully as district president for the past two years, requested that she be not considered for re-election.

It was Georgia's good fortune to have Dr. Hugh C. Benner, newly elected general superintendent, to preside over the assembly. His messages were deep and challenging; his spirit was firm and positive, yet tender and gracious; and his manner was that of Christian refinement. Dr. Benner won a place in the hearts of the Georgia Nazarenes that can be filled by none other.

Superintendent Mack Anderson, who has served the district so well for five years, was re-elected on the nominating ballot with only seven dissenting votes. This indicates a spirit of unity and is concrete evidence of the harmony which exists throughout the entire district. Georgia's progress and well-being are assured as long as we keep God's Spirit upon us and have unselfish leadership such as is found in Rev. and Mrs. Mack Anderson. General Superintendent Benner received a fine love offering of approximately \$170.00 for Brother Anderson.

Rev. E. E. Hale of Institute, West Virginia, was on hand to represent our colored work. He spoke on Tuesday afternoon using missions as his theme, especially missionary work with the colored people.

Dr. T. W. Willingham presented the work of the Nazarene Radio League, and the new retirement plan for ministers. On the first night of the assembly he delivered a wonderful message to an appreciative audience.

Dr. A. B. Mackey and Rev. Clifford E. Keys spoke briefly in the interest of Trevecca Nazarene College.

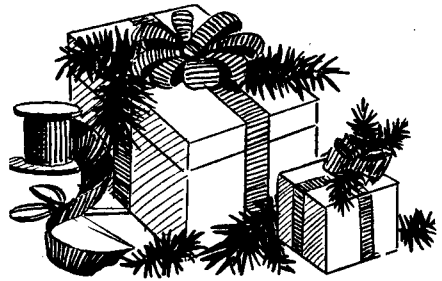
The Nazarene Publishing House was represented by Mr. Elvin Hicks, who is well known and well loved by the people of Georgia. Among the other visitors were Rev. John L. Knight, superintendent of the Florida District.

The close of the assembly was highlighted with a very fine ordination service in which one of the largest classes ever to receive elder's orders was consecrated to the ministry: W. P. Smithson, J. C. Whitener, Ralph L. Moulton, John O. Taylor, George McRae, R. L. Merriman, G. A. Fender, Louis Pennington, and Ralph Mattingly.

Statistics compiled by District Secretary L. E. Humrich at the close of this year revealed splendid progress made on the district during five years of work under the leadership of Rev. Mack Anderson. During this time the number of churches has increased 18; number of church members increased 862; Sunday-school enrollment increased 1,969; Sunday-school average attendance increased 1,485; giving to general interests was \$11,985.00 more this year than the amount raised for general interests five years ago; and the total paid for all purposes this year was a gain of \$102,637.00 over the same item five years back.

BYRON E. LEJEUNE, Reporter

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**Western Ohio District
Sunday-School Convention**

The Western Ohio District Sunday-School Convention was held at the Central Church in Dayton, Ohio, October 20 and 21. The leaders of our district say it was the best and greatest convention ever. It was estimated that over four hundred delegates and friends packed the church on Monday night.

Miss Mary Latham was the special worker in the convention and used, in each session, a paper written by a

ANNOUNCEMENT

The 1952 edition of the MANUAL of the Church of the Nazarene is now ready for distribution, and from the date of this issue of the HERALD OF HOLINESS all its regulations are in effect according to Paragraph 592 in the 1948 edition.

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member of the convention as the basis of her talk and for a discussion. She held us spellbound as she demonstrated both good and bad methods of teaching in our Sunday schools.

Miss Joy Latham was also present and spoke effectively on the Nursery Department work, which she will soon head for our entire church. We are looking forward to progress in this department with her.

We feel that this convention has given us a new vision for greater things in Sunday-school work on the Western Ohio District. This entire district appreciates the leadership of District Superintendent W. E. Albea, and our district church school board chairman, Rev. O. A. Singleton, who together have taken us to new heights in attendance and other accomplishments in Sunday-school work. Our attendance for the October 12 rally was 14,016.

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"Golden Wedding" Anniversary

Fifteen hundred friends gathered in the Nazarene Memorial Auditorium on the campus of Pasadena College to join in the celebration of the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. H. Orton Wiley, on November 11.

Coming in conjunction with the fiftieth anniversary of the college, the golden wedding celebration was held on Alumni Home-coming Day, and in connection with the Northern California District Caravan.

Following the wedding anniversary service, Dr. and Mrs. Wiley were escorted to an old-fashioned horse-drawn surrey and driven about the campus. On the traditional "Heart" they were presented with a new power-glide Chevrolet as the anniversary gift of the college faculty and student body, members of the alumni association, and the churches of the three California districts.

A 27-pound wedding cake was cut by Dr. and Mrs. Wiley after the presentation of the car, and refreshments were served to the host of friends present.

Participating in the anniversary service were Dr. W. T. Purkiser, who brought greetings from the college; Mr. J. Wesley Mieras, speaking for the Alumni Association; Rev. W. Shelburne Brown, for the home district; Rev. J. George Taylorson, for the Wileys' home church; Dr. George Coulter, who read telegrams and greetings from all over the church; and Dr. R. J. Plumb, who gave the benediction.

A special feature of the service was a tape recording prepared by Dr. G. B. Williamson, as secretary of the Board of General Superintendents, which conveyed the greetings of the general church. This transcription was played over the public address system of the auditorium.

Dr. Wiley is president emeritus and professor of theology at Pasadena College, and has given forty-two years of service to Christian education in the Church of the Nazarene.

REPORTER

DEATHS

REV. JOHN WARREN YOUNG, one of the fine young pastors on the Northwest Indiana District, died October 11, 1952, a victim of polio of four days' duration. He was born October 18, 1917, in Buchanan, Michigan. He was united in marriage to Florence Kuhl on September 23, 1939; to this union were born three children, John, Jr., Jerry Lee, and Jana May. He joined the Church of the Nazarene in 1934, and after a period of service in the armed forces in World War II (1945 and 1946), he entered Olivet Nazarene College. He graduated in 1949 and was ordained on August 25, 1950. His first pastorate was at Hessville, Indiana, where he served the church faithfully, and erected the superstructure over the original basement church during his three years of ministry there. He was actively engaged in the work of the district, and faithful in whatever task was assigned to him. Accepting a call to Southside Church in Frankfort, Indiana, he assumed his duties there on August 27, and had won his way into the hearts of his people and the constituency in a remarkable way in this short time. Beside his wife and children, he is survived by his mother, Mrs. Daniel Opala, five sisters, four stepsisters, and three stepbrothers. A short funeral service was conducted at the local church on Tuesday morning of October 14, at Frankfort, with Rev. Arthur F. Grobe officiating. That afternoon a second service was held in the First Church at Mishawaka, with Dr. George Franklin, district superintendent, officiating, assisted by Rev. Grant Barton, Rev. Lester Zimmerman, and Rev. Arthur F. Grobe.

REV. JACOB A. CHENAULT was born June 12, 1870, at Castalian Springs, Tennessee, and died November 9, 1952. He was saved at the age of fifteen, and sanctified wholly in 1901 in a holiness revival at Monterey, Tennessee. Coming to the Church of the Nazarene in 1909, with his wife, Mrs. Minnie Upperman Chenaunt, he served as our missionary to Japan, opening our work in Kyoto and superintending our work in that country. For four years he was superintendent of the Tennessee District. When Brother Eckel went to Japan, he took over the work among the Japanese in California. Through the years he served faithfully as a pastor until at the age of sixty-five he retired, due to ill health. However, in 1949 and 1950 he was again pastor, in the church at Doyle, Tennessee. He is survived by his wife and seven children. Funeral

service was conducted at Grace Church, Nashville, the pastor, Rev. Ralph Schurman, being assisted by Rev. W. F. Collier, Rev. S. P. Cashdollar, Rev. Sadie Agnew Johnson, Rev. Don Jernigan, Rev. Mr. Cottrell, and Rev. J. L. Roby.

REV. ARTHUR GREEN was born May 29, 1872, in Independence County, Arkansas, and died October 9, 1952, in Bethany, Oklahoma. He was united in marriage to Sarah Ann Lloyd at Waco, Texas, in 1894. To this union three children were born, Clair May, Ray Hubbard, and Virgie Ann, all of whom preceded their father in death. He was a faithful and devoted husband and father. He was converted at the age of eighteen, and soon started his work as a preacher of the gospel, in which work he continued for over fifty years. He joined the Church of the Nazarene in 1908. He was a pastor whom his people loved and respected, a shepherd of the flock. He served as pastor in Hollis, El Reno, Duncan, Frederick, Edmond, Guthrie, Watonga, and Kingfisher, Oklahoma. Brother Green had an all-consuming passion for souls, and held seventy-eight tent meetings in Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Texas. He was instrumental in the organization of a number of good churches, one of which was Bethany Eastside, of which he was a member at the time of his death. He caught "the vision" early in life, put God first in his life, and lived for the future, with a real concern for others. He was never too busy to help his friends in pushing the battle for God and holiness. He preached the gospel, and lived the gospel which he preached. His passing was victorious; he did not die—the Lord just took him home. He is survived by his wife, three grandchildren, and a multitude of Christian friends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BORN—to Rev. and Mrs. Archie E. Jessee of Union, Oregon, a daughter, Retha May, on November 14.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Ellis I. Young of Bethany, Oklahoma, a son, James Clarence, on November 12.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin DeForest of Lansing, Michigan, a son, Daniel Alan, on August 14.

WEDDING BELLS—Miss Loretta Jean Woolman of Bethany, and Mr. Edward E. Browning, Jr., of Pocasset, Oklahoma, were united in marriage on September 1, in First Church of the Nazarene, Ponca City, with Rev. J. Russell Brown, pastor of the Penn. Ave. Church of the Nazarene in Oklahoma City, officiating.

RECOMMENDATION—Rev. L. L. Silvey, 528 N. Main St., Joplin, Missouri, is now entering the evangelistic work. Brother Silvey has been pastor on my district for several years; he is a good preacher, and during the years has held a number of good meetings. He will bless your church and give you good services. Mrs. Silvey travels with him and is a good worker. Call him.—Jarrette Aycock, Superintendent of Kansas City District.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a lady in Illinois for a friend whose home has been broken up by drink—he has quit drinking and is trying hard—that God will give him complete deliverance from sin;

by a mother in Pennsylvania that her daughter may get back to God, also for herself in these "trying days" and for a grandson in the U.S. Navy and his family;

by a young man in the U.S. Army, "have been a very active Christian in the past . . . since being in the service I am losing my happy experience," stating he needs prayers so very much;

by a Nazarene mother in Illinois for her son who is in the service and is having hard trials, also for an unsaved son and daughter-in-law, and three brothers and their wives;

by a lady in Ontario for a very special unspoken request, a situation that needs changing and only God can do it, that it may be changed for His glory.

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SERVICEMEN'S CORNER

CHAPLAIN Herbert J. Van Vorce writes: "This has been a good month in every way. We have had a few positive victories and more hands lifted for prayer that they might soon become Christians than any month since I have been here. At the close of the last Sunday morning service an officer, and father of two children, came forward to the altar and prayed and wept his way to real victory in Christ. We gave him a copy of the *Come Ye Apart*. Yesterday morning we visited his office to see how he was getting along, and found him meditating and studying it with great interest. We have much to praise God for, and ask a continued interest in your prayers for all our men."

"I wish to thank you for the literature I am now receiving. I am so glad that God can be with me here on the ship. I read as much of the literature as I have time to and then try to pass it on.

"Our ship is in dock for repairs. My wife is here with me and we are attending Calvary Church of the Nazarene, San Francisco, California. We are trying to be as active in the church as we can. A revival that just passed has drawn both our hearts closer to the Lord.

"I have met another Christian on the ship who I believe will be a real blessing to me and also give me Christian companionship."—GLEN A. CRUM.

"I received your letter this afternoon at mail call and was very glad to get it. I am writing to say that I would really enjoy receiving the Nazarene books for reading and learning more of God.

"I have been saved only about six weeks and everything is quite new to me and it is very hard for me to understand all that being a Christian really means. I do know that I truly love God and do accept Jesus as my personal Saviour and want to know more about Him. I am sure the books will help me a lot. Last week I joined the Church of the Nazarene here in Killeen, Texas, where I was saved and sanctified.

"Being in the army, and especially in the Wacs, where there aren't many real Christians, there are lots of temptations that one must go through. But I believe that, with the prayers of other Christians as well as my own, God will see that I and others like me will always stand true to Him."

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Sometime during the month of December every church takes a Christmas offering for retired ministers. Surely nothing pleases our Christ more than this act of recognition, appreciation, and compassion. Nothing else that the church can do in the homeland or in the foreign field so definitely demonstrates Christ-like compassion as this remembrance of those who have toiled unselfishly to promote the gospel. Let us remember them this Christmas as a special offering is taken in each local church. Let us reward them liberally, rejoicing in the privilege of giving to those who have not withheld of themselves and their means.

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