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IF YE ABIDE

There is something solid and secure about that word—*abide*. The apostle John used it often in describing the relationship of the Christian with Christ. Jesus himself chose to use this word to explain the vital, personal union believers have with Him.

“I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that *abideth* in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. If a man *abide* not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. If ye *abide* in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples” (John 15:5-8).

Here are some of the most extravagant promises recorded anywhere in the Bible.



by General Superintendent George Coulter

“Ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you” (v. 7).
“The same bringeth forth much fruit” (v. 5).
“So shall ye be my disciples” (v. 8).

Answers to prayer! “Much fruit!” Discipleship! Here is access to God! Here is fruitfulness in life and service! Here is the joy of the true disciple—pleasing the Master! But everything depends on “abiding in Him.” When we “abide in Him” we can ask what we will, for we desire only those things which please Him.

When we “abide in Him” we “bring forth much fruit.” The life of the Vine is poured through the branches for the very purpose of producing fruit! When we “abide in Him,” we live and move and have our being in Him and we become “learners,” “followers,” and “servants.” Much of the feverishness and anxiety of our day could be relieved if we could learn the

lesson of “abiding in Him.” This twofold relationship of “in Him and He in me” gives power, permanence, fruitfulness, and usefulness.

Literally, the word *abide* means to stand fast, to stay, to render, to submit to. Two great truths are involved: residence and permanence. Christ comes to stay, to live with us; not just in the unusual happenings of life, but in all the demanding experiences we may be called upon to face.

To fail to abide in Him ultimately means we are cast off, withered, and fruitless. But to “abide in Him” means that heaven’s doors are wide open—“Ask what ye will,” the Father is glorified and we, in the truest sense, become His disciples. □



JEWEL-LIKE, the verses of Frances Ridley Havergal are found in the hymnbooks of many Christian denominations in many lands. The Consecration Hymn,

*Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee*

is probably the best known of her songs, but could be matched with a number of equally inspired poems composed by a truly born again, sanctified Christian. Nurtured in the Episcopalian faith, her entrance into the experience of full salvation, while receiving the Communion elements in her loved Anglican church, has been told often in pulpit and print.

The experience is revealed in a definite deepening of testimony following the crisis of faith and a certainty of cleansing.

*I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus,
Trusting only Thee;
Trusting Thee for full salvation,
Great and free. . . .
Trusting Thee to make me holy,
By Thy blood.*

Miss Havergal's sense of duty and devotion was as strong and sincere as her grasp of Christian doctrine and evangelical grace. Wet or fine, Sunday attendance at church was foremost in her keeping of the Lord's Day. She ceaselessly urged the following 12 reasons for Christians to attend church, even on wet Sundays.

1. God has blessed the Lord's Day and hallowed it, making no exception for hot or cold or stormy days.

2. I expect my minister to be there. I should be surprised if he were at home on account of the weather.

3. By staying away I may lose the prayers which may bring God's blessing, and the sermon that would have done me great good.

4. My presence is more needful when there are few than those days when the church is crowded.

5. On any important business, rainy weather does not keep me at home, and church attendance is, in God's sight, very important.

6. Such weather will show me on what foundation my faith is built: it will prove how much I love Christ. True love rarely fails to keep an appointment.

7. Though my excuses satisfy myself, they still must undergo God's scrutiny, and they must be well grounded to do that.

8. There is a special promise that where two or three meet together in God's name He will be in the midst of them.

9. An avoidable absence from the church is an infallible evidence of spiritual decay. Disciples first follow Christ at a distance, and then, like Peter, do not know Him.

10. My faith is to be shown by my self-denying Christian life, and not by the rise and fall of the barometer.

11. Yielding to such difficulties makes it easy to yield to imaginary difficulties, until thousands never enter a church and yet think they have good reason for such neglect.

12. I know not how many more Sundays God may give me, and it would be a poor preparation for my



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first Sunday in heaven to have slighted my last Sunday on earth.

Frances Havergal's "duty dozen" cannot be faulted. It is an unanswerable argument, scriptural, Christian, and logical, urging every church member who has made vows and claims a conscience: "Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together, as the manner of some is" (Hebrews 10:25).

Wet or fine, "CH--CH" means nothing without "U-R" in it! □



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JOHN 13:21-30 records our Lord's last supper with His disciples. In this particular passage, two men capture our attention, John the beloved and Judas the traitor. An examination of the contrasts in the lives of these two disciples proves to be quite profitable.

They differed in their manner of following Jesus. John was one of the "inner circle," along with Peter and James. He was always available when Jesus needed him. Judas is never mentioned as being close to Jesus. No great task was ever performed by Judas, except that terrible deed which did not require a close relationship. The impression conveyed in the Scriptures is that he kept his distance.

They differed in how they accepted Jesus' teachings. The self-righteous intolerance John showed toward a certain man who was invoking Jesus' name without authority was replaced by a self-forgetting acceptance. The hateful vindictiveness he showed when suggesting that fire be called down from heaven on some rude Samaritans was replaced by an attitude of loving forgiveness. The selfish ambition he showed when he and James asked to be seated at Christ's right and left hand in His kingdom was replaced by a Christlike humility which, later in life, manifested itself in his references to himself simply as "that disciple whom Jesus loved." Somehow, somewhere, sometime, Jesus' message touched John's heart.

The message never seemed to penetrate Judas. His desire for personal advancement was graphically illustrated at the Last Supper. While John and the others listened intently, hanging on the Master's every word, Judas's mind was preoccupied with a cheap, money-making scheme. He "went immediately out." No longer did he desire the things of the Kingdom. No longer did he concern himself with heavenly matters. No longer was there a tender place in his heart for Jesus. Herein lies a danger against which we should guard: When we leave Jesus, the desire for Him may leave us.

John stayed; Judas departed. What were the results? Those last four words of verse 30 tell the story: "and it was night." It was not only "night" all around Judas; it was "night" deep within him. Darkness always prevails in the soul of a man who leaves the things of God for the things of the devil. Instead of the light of God's love dawning, the darkness of Satan's deception creeps in and truly it is night. What a contrast to the words John later wrote, "This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all" (1 John 1:5).

Judas's departure from Jesus resulted in the unending happiness of a few coins which could never satisfy the deep yearnings of a restless soul in quest of peace. Satan had entered into him at the supper table, and because of his continued yielding to Satan's temptations, he became a Satan-controlled enemy of the Cross.

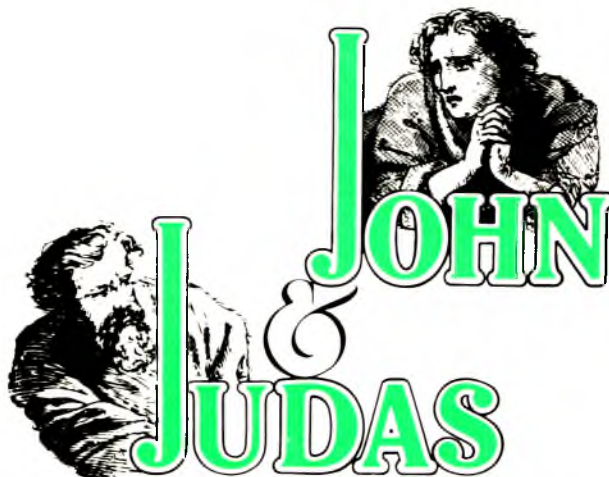
John remained with Jesus. His was the precious, peaceful, enduring happiness of joy and faith that

satisfied his soul's longing. Because he stayed with Jesus, he was among the group who stood before the resurrected Christ when He breathed on them and said, "Receive ye the Holy Ghost." By continually yielding to the Spirit's guidance, he became a Spirit-controlled soldier of the Cross.

The brief days that were left to Judas were filled with despair, gloom, and severe depression which finally climaxed in a horrible death. He was the embodiment of that scripture which says, "But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death" (James 1:14-15).

This truth is further verified in the stories of Achan, David and Bathsheba, Ananias and Sapphira.

John's remaining years were filled with victory, glory, and stirring triumph. It was John to whom Jesus entrusted the care of His own mother; it was John who was chosen as one of God's heralds to pub-



A STUDY IN CONTRASTS

by JOHN H. SHANK

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lish abroad the story of Jesus; and when God opened the heavens to reveal the events of the future and to give us a glimpse into eternity, He chose the disciple who had remained the closest to Jesus during His hardest hours.

Judas left behind a testimony of treason and hatred. All over the world, his name is associated with words like "traitor," "deceiver," and "liar." John left behind a testimony of trust and love. He is known the world over as "the beloved disciple." His writings reflect a deep understanding of divine love and redemption, and over 25 times in his Epistles he calls upon Christians to adorn the doctrine of the love of God in all its personal and social impli-

cations.

John and Judas were two men who had the same opportunities. The only difference was that one took advantage of them, the other did not. Christ has opened the way for all to become beloved disciples. What are you doing with your opportunity? □



MAE GARRETT OF LEBANON, OREGON, SAYS:

“I’M ONLY 101”

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SOME SAY the good die young, but Mae Glover Garrett of Lebanon, Ore., who was 101 the first day of this year, vigorously disproves that. An active member of the Church of the Nazarene for more than half a century, she still joyously and daily ministers to others.

Petite Mae Garrett, who’s all of 4’9”, says she developed a quick, firm stride from walking with taller people. Even today, her stride is still firm. And her alert mind travels even faster. She can pull hundreds of names and events from its memory file. Her alert fingers daily guide quilt tops through the sewing machine at Cascade Villa Home where she’s a resident. “I suppose we’re starting on our second hundred to sell,” she smiles. “I’ve sewed for the church all my life. I don’t see why I should stop now.”

Five years ago, when she was taken by ambulance to Villa Cascade Home, people whispered, “She’ll never get out of bed.” But that spunky “Glover blood” got her on her feet, and soon she was handing out linen and pinning bibs on patients 20 years her junior. Before long, she took command of the sewing machine because no one else seemed able to handle it.

Evidence of that persevering “Glover blood” can be found throughout West Virginia. Many places bear that English ancestral name following an immigration in 1735. Her own father, Jaspas Glover, had need of perseverance many times. Orphaned before he was 12, he married a 16-year-old bride when he was 17. The young couple experienced difficult years, finally moving to Kansas to join the young bride’s brothers. On a government claim they built a log cabin. The wife helped dig a well, hauling up dirt and rocks with a windlass.

Then came 1874, the Year of the Grasshopper. “They ate everything, even the handles of the pitchforks where your hands sweated on them,” they told their relatives in West Virginia where they were forced to return for a brief period. Here at Central Point, on January 1, 1878, Mae was born, the middle child of what was to become a family of nine.

Three years later they were on their way back to Kansas; Mae’s asthmatic condition demanded a change of climate. Again there were weary miles of lumber hauling to build a home. “Father was not the kind of man to sit down and wish for what he wanted,



and I can’t remember any of us children hearing mother complain,” Mae said.

Mae Garrett remembers covered wagons creaking by their home when she was a young girl. One day a wagon stopped and the driver came asking for help; their little one had died. Mae’s father bought lumber—“the kind you can bend by putting a weight on one end and pouring hot water over it. I poured the hot water to make a coffin,” Mae recalls. Sunday they took the parents to church and they both were saved. In that same meeting, Mae went forward and made her first public confession. Later she would become a charter member of one of

the first Nazarene churches in Kansas.

Mae dates her conversion from age five. Because her mother had said that reading the Bible would make one good, she would take down the family Bible when she was punished. Having learned a few letters of the alphabet from the older children, she would cradle the big book in her arms and “read” by picking out “I” and “O” and “S,” saying them aloud until her heart had peace. Her desire to read the Bible never left her. She started teaching Sunday school class when she was 14, and taught for nearly 75 years, stopping only because it got too hard for her to prepare her lessons using a magnifying glass.

Although Mae’s asthma improved, it plagued her schooling, causing her to miss out on a teaching career. But when Joe Garrett came along and they were married at Faulker, near Sugar Point, Kans., in 1897, that ended her schooling. “But I was never sorry,” Mae told friends.

Mae Garrett’s cheerful spirit sometimes makes it difficult for people to realize that her life has been filled with hardships. This was particularly true of the years on the Kansas prairie when she was rearing her three sons.

Pioneer neighborliness was a necessity for survival. Mae’s beautiful spirit in ministering to others made her a favorite. One night a young boy came running. “Mama’s sick; Papa’s gone for the doctor. Could you come quick?” Mae did, and so did a baby boy before the doctor arrived.

In 1954 Mae and Joseph Garrett left the Kansas farm with son Ray, and headed west to Oregon where their two youngest sons lived. “Not so many cyclones and tornadoes,” Mae said. Here she and Joe cele-

brated their 60th wedding anniversary shortly before his death in 1958.

A loving, caring concern for others remained. A bedfast mother-in-law was cheered in her home until death released her at age 96.

She took girls from the Willamette Valley Rehabilitation Center into her home to "mother" them when she was 89. At 95 she made doll clothes for the Lebanon Christmas baskets, a project of the Lebanon Community Council. She's the nation's oldest active member of RSVP (Retired Seniors Volunteer Program) and today cheers and helps other guests at Villa Cascade Home, all younger than she.

The impact of loving acts for others during nearly a century will not be forgotten. When asked about her labors of love she replied, "Just what all I did I can't remember for I never kept books on the things I try to do. But I know I'm the happiest when I have people who need me."

But others remember. The people at Lebanon Church of the Nazarene remember she helped paint and clean the new parsonage when she was in her 80s.

It was appropriate that she should turn the first spade of ground for the new church in Lebanon in June, 1967. After all, she was still planting a garden at age 89. And people who offered to give her a ride were frequently spurned as she merrily pushed her shopping cart to town, nearly half a mile away.

For those months in her 90s when her health temporarily failed, she was in and out of the hospital.

Her asthma returned. She had a stroke. In the hospital she developed arthritis. That was too much. "It didn't seem hardly fair," Mae said. "I didn't have arthritis when I went in so it didn't seem fair to have it when I came out." She entered Villa Cascade Home an invalid. But that "Glover blood" fought back, and she was soon up and doing for others again.

On her 99th birthday the Lebanon Church of the Nazarene helped her celebrate. The 99 cupcakes, in the form of a cross, each wore a lighted candle.

When she was 100, January 1, 1978, the church gave a reception in the Fellowship Hall in her honor. President and Mrs. Carter sent greetings. Sam Brown, national RSVP director, telegraphed. Dozens of relatives and friends greeted her under a canopy of roses. When the program in her honor started, she popped up and headed for a front row seat: she didn't want to miss a thing.

In May of last year she was Grand Marshall for the Strawberry Festival Parade in Lebanon. Smiling and waving at the crowds, she thoroughly enjoyed the experience. "Not even a century can slow her down," one viewer exclaimed.

Today, with mind alert but vision dimmed, Mae Garrett continues her daily devotions, using her magnifying glass to spell out the words in her cherished Bible. And the Holy Spirit who sees the intent of every heart, continues to illuminate her spirit, bringing to her His peace as He first did nearly a century ago. □

TIME WAS WHEN . . .

If turning back the clock would keep down Nazarene Publishing House production costs, Manager M. A. (Bud) Lunn might be tempted to try it.

The accompanying photo from the past underscores what your Publishing House is facing. The thoughts of "Uncle Bud" Robinson were not recorded, but the *Herald of Holiness* poster in the background speaks volumes: "One Year—One Dollar."

Unfortunately those days are a part of the Church of the Nazarene's glorious past. Today Nazarene Publishing House must face squarely this fact:

1975 *Herald* mailing cost—
\$56,000 per year
1979 *Herald* mailing cost—
\$138,000 per year (projected)

This is almost a 140 percent increase in four years. Of course, editorial and production costs must be added to this.

Anticipating a new subscription campaign season, it might be wise to recall Bud Robinson's tongue-in-cheek quotation, "A heathen is a Nazarene who does not read the *Herald of Holiness*." Incidentally, Robinson was a one-man subscription machine. In a letter dated December 28, 1940, written to E. O. Chalfant, Uncle Bud wrote: "Here is my *Herald* list. I have turned in 45,560 subs, and \$36,644.50 in cash in the 20 years of my work for the *Herald* . . ."

That is the kind of support that the *Herald of Holiness* needs to have today. □



"Uncle Bud" Robinson, a *Herald of Holiness* enthusiast.

ABORTIONS

As I Saw Them

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FOR A LONG TIME I have tried to begin, searching for the proper phrasing, wondering as to the wisdom of public disclosure, and weighing the risk of open conflict against the tension of serene but haunting silence.

I begin very simply, therefore, by telling you that earlier this year I made a trip to two abortion facilities, one in Wisconsin, the other in Michigan. I spent a day at each place. Careful preparations for the visits were made.

"Yes," I told them, "I am an activist pro-life physician. But I want to learn; I want to know."

You see, I was trained in an era when induced abortion was a criminal act, and I had never seen one. Now, almost daily, I am seeing women whom I am referring for legal abortions, and I need facts. They are so hard to find, you know, even in medical textbooks.

"Fine," they said, "please come; we will show you all."

I was met by courteous personnel at the airport and greeted by doctors and nurses with kindness and respect. And I saw all.

I was impressed by the glistening floors, the plush carpeting, the comfortable furnishings, the modern equipment, the immaculate nurses, the medical efficiency, the sterile instruments and procedures, and the concern—yes, even tenderness, with which women were treated who passed through these fast closing doors.

Certainly no back alley abortions here, I thought, and was momentarily comforted.

I sat in the waiting rooms to get a feel for what was happening. I listened to the counseling given. I ob-

served the nurse's interview and medical work-up. I stood beside the doctor and observed closely every detail of the abortion procedure. I sat with women in the recovery room and then saw them discharged.

I went through all of this six times. I was more comfortable now. Breathing was coming more easily. It really wasn't all that bad. It is a routine that can be quickly learned—simple, and effective. But let me back up to details.

The uterus does not yield its contents easily. The suction tube is a little smaller than a garden hose. It is inserted under anesthesia into the previously opened uterus. The suction machine is turned on and the force is considerable—30 times more forceful than a vacuum cleaner.

Even then, rotary movements of the tube with full suction force are required for 30 to 60 seconds, before the developing body is torn loose and evacuated into the receiving jar with an accompanying ripping and gushing sound that is audible above the constant, rather loud whir of the machine.

At one point, I asked if I could examine the gross specimen.

"Oh, that is done by one of our technicians."

"I know, but could I see, please?"

"Yes, of course, but are you sure you wish to?"

"Yes, I'm sure."

With gloved hand, I felt the bony parts—the legs, the arms, and the skull. Less recognizable were the internal organs, but they were there. It was all there, the mangled remains of one human life.

The doctor did ask one woman, just before beginning, if she felt comfortable about what was about to be done. Her answer was disturbing.

STOP THE PRESSES:

As of June 1, the U.S. government has imposed another substantial postage increase that averages 19 percent for all classes of mail.

"Well, I've thought about it a lot; but you know it's legal and so many of my friends have had one. It can't be all that wrong, can it?"

"I understand. I think you're doing the right thing," was his reply.

I spent some time in the recovery room, where as many as six women would be waiting on comfortable cots for an hour or so before discharge. I sat beside them. I looked deeply into their eyes. I tried to discern their thoughts but I couldn't.

There were tears in the corners of a few eyes, but for the most part blank, expressionless faces. There were no words. But the nonverbal "vibes" were heavy and powerful, like the nuclear waste.

On one day six women came in, too far along for suction abortion. Ultrasonograms were done to determine exactly how old the baby was in each case. The oldest was 24 weeks. These all entered a nearby hospital where the same doctor would abort them by a salting out procedure. This is a trickier technique requiring 12 to 24 hours of hospitalization.

I asked the doctors how they had gotten into this. They were all expert, Board-certified, obstetrician-gynecologists. One said he had begun a few years ago doing four or five a month.

"And how many are you doing now?"

"About 100 a month."

"And what about the rest of your obstetrical practice?"

"I now do only one day of other gynecological procedures per week."

I asked a second doctor the same questions.

"I started three years ago doing four or five per month."

"And how many are you doing now?"

"Two hundred per month."

"And what about the rest of your OB-GYN practice?"

"Abortions are all that I do now."

I sank into my seat on the plane that would bring me home. I purposely sat in the smoking section, in the last row, closest to the engine noise. I don't smoke, but for once I needed that bluish stuff along with the noise to insulate me from the real world. I needed transition time back to family, my own office, my own examining rooms, stethoscopes, patients, and familiar surroundings.

What had escaped me during those two days suddenly came crashing into my consciousness. I had almost overlooked the incredible atmosphere of sadness of all that I had seen and felt and heard. And in the midst of it all, those people had slowly and subtly fallen victim to an irrational logic leading them to sincerely believe that they were doing the world a much needed service.

I recalled in vivid detail the handling of freshly killed tiny human beings. And then I thought back to my first training in human anatomy some 28 years earlier.

I, along with a beloved classmate, had fully dissected a human cadaver. We did it meticulously and methodically, but with awe borne out of reverence for life, instilled into us by mentors who made it clear

that we were privy to the wonders and complexities of the human organism. We were to be healers and protectors of human lives entrusted to our care.

But it is now 1979. Have we lost our way? To be sure, we have witnessed some near medical miracles, and I, along with others, have not only given but been the recipient of this care which has dramatically improved the quality of life.

From whence, then, did this monstrous absurdity derive that we could also be party to the violent destruction of over 1,000,000 tiny human lives every year? And for the first time ever I experienced a sense of shame in being part of a profession which wittingly or unwittingly, court or no court, free choice or no choice, finds itself the sole segment of society which can both heal and kill—and do so legally.

I was jarred to reality by the slightly bumpy touchdown onto the runway. As I descended the ramp steps, an old biblical statement flashed from memory to conscious thought: "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death" (Proverbs 14:12). I was now sure that description was an accurate account of what I had experienced for two days.

I am home now. I have learned. I have the facts. And with this knowledge has come the growing conviction that with a sensible and cool design I must lovingly but vigorously fight to my last breath this hideous evil which, like a tidal flood, has left us morally awash. □

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CONTENTMENT

*Here oaks along steep hillsides cling,
And touched by breezes sparkle, gleam,
As soft the little leaflets sing.
They do not know a meadow stream,
Nor mountain peaks of crystal snow,
Nor pinewoods thick with cooling shade;
Where God has set them, there they grow,
And in the way that He has made,
They stretch towards heaven's arching blue
Through wind and rain, or sun-gold days,
And send their roots down deep and true,
While leaves make alleluia-praise.
Lord, I would live as joyfully,
Accepting all Your plan for me.*

—JEAN HOGAN DUDLEY
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"THE STRONG-WILLED child"

by Dr. James Dobson

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The Most Common Mistake in Parenthood

Let's examine the most common error in disciplining children, and perhaps the most costly. I am referring to the inappropriate use of anger in attempting to control boys or girls. There is no more ineffective method of leading human beings (of all ages) than the use of irritation and screams of protest. Nevertheless, most adults rely primarily on their own emotional response to secure the cooperation of children. One teacher said on a national television program, "I like being a professional educator, but I hate the daily task of teaching. My children are so unruly that I have to stay mad at them all the time just to control the classroom." How utterly frustrating to be required to be mean and angry as part of a routine assignment, year in and year out. Yet many teachers (and parents) know of no other way to lead children. Believe me, it is exhausting and it doesn't work!

Consider your own emotional system. Suppose you are driving your automobile home from work this evening, and you exceed the speed limit by 40 miles per hour. Standing on the street corner is a lone policeman who has not been given the means to arrest you. He has no squad car or motorcycle; he wears no badge, carries no gun, and can write no tickets. All he is commissioned to do is stand on the curb and scream insults as you speed past. Would you slow down just because he shakes his fist in protest? Of course not! You might wave to him as you streak by. His anger would achieve little except to make him appear comical and foolish.

On the other hand, nothing influences the way Mr. Motorist drives more than occasionally seeing a black-and-white vehicle in hot pursuit with 19 red lights flashing in the rearview mirror. When his car is brought to a stop, a dignified, courteous patrolman approaches the driver's window. He is six-foot-nine, has a voice like the Lone Ranger, and carries a sawed-

off shotgun on each hip. "Sir," he says firmly but politely, "our radar unit indicates you were traveling 65 miles per hour in a 25-mile zone. May I see your driver's license, please?"

He opens his leatherbound book of citations and leans toward you. He has revealed no hostility and offers no criticisms, yet you immediately go to pieces. You fumble nervously to locate the small document in your wallet (the one with the horrible Polaroid picture). Why are your hands moist and your mouth dry? Why is your heart thumping in your throat? Because the course of action that John Law is about to take is notoriously unpleasant. Alas, it is his *action* (not his anger) which dramatically affects your future driving habits.

Disciplinary action influences behavior; anger does not. As a matter of fact, I am convinced that adult anger produces a destructive kind of disrespect in the minds of our children. They perceive that our frustration is caused by our inability to control the situation. We represent justice to them, yet we're on the verge of tears as we flail the air with our hands and shout empty threats and warnings. Let me ask: Would you respect a superior court judge who behaved that emotionally in administering legal justice? Certainly not. This is why the judicial system is carefully controlled to appear objective, rational, and dignified.

I am not recommending that parents and teachers conceal their legitimate emotions from their children. I am not suggesting that we be like bland and unresponsive robots who hold everything inside. There are times when our boys and girls become insulting or disobedient and our irritation is entirely appropriate. In fact, it should be revealed, or else we appear phony and unreal. My point is merely that anger often becomes a tool used consciously for the purpose of influencing behavior. It is ineffective and can be damaging to the relationship between generations.

If anger is useless in the control of children, what will take its place? What approach will encourage an independent child to cooperate? The answer is found in the judicious use of *action*. Instead of "getting mad" about the misbehavior, *do something* about the

This article is one of a series, abstracted from Dr. James Dobson's most recent best-selling book, *The Strong-Willed Child* (Tyndale, 1978). The theme of this series is the discipline and training of more assertive boys and girls who are inclined to test the limits of adult leadership.

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misbehavior. Require the defiant youngster to sit on a chair for 30 minutes of thoughtful boredom, or confine him in his room, or let him take a nap, or give him a few stinging swats with a small switch, or do whatever seems appropriate at the moment. These are the responses that will get your child's attention, especially when he has ignored your screams and hand-wringing complaints. Furthermore, the action should occur *early* in the conflict, not as a "last resort." Once your boy or girl has learned that your action-line occurs moments after he has disobeyed your *first* instruction, he will subsequently live contentedly within that boundary.

It is also interesting to me that the earlier you apply the action during a period of conflict, the less punishment is necessary. In some instances, it is sufficient to administer a small squeeze of the trapezius muscle (which lies equidistant between the neck and the shoulder). When you squeeze this muscle it sends little messengers up to the brain which says, "Avoid recurrence at all costs." I do not, however,

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recommend that mothers weighing less than 90 pounds try to pinch the shoulder muscle of their big teenagers. There are definite risks involved in that procedure. The general rule to follow is, "If you can't reach it, don't squeeze it."

Dr. Benjamin Spock recognizes the need for action, despite his undeserved reputation for ultimate permissiveness. He wrote, "Parental submissiveness [by that he refers to parents who will take no action] doesn't avoid unpleasantness; it makes it inevitable." (If you don't take a stand early, a child is compelled by his nature to push you farther.) Dr. Spock wrote further that the child's defiance, then, "makes the parent increasingly more resentful, until it explodes in a display of anger." That is precisely what I have been attempting to say for the past 13 years!

Contained in this statement is an understanding of children which some adults grasp intuitively, while others never quite "feel it." It involves the delicate balance between love and control, recognizing that a reasonable and consistent application of action does not assault self-worth, but represents a source of security for an immature child.

Fathers often comprehend this principle better than mothers, for reasons which escape me. Thus it is very common for a mother to say to me: "I don't understand my kids. They will do exactly what their father demands, but they won't mind me at all." The behavior of her children is no mystery. They are bright enough to notice that Dad draws his action

line earlier than Mother. She screams and argues, while he quietly acts.

Near my home in Arcadia, Calif., is a tanned gentleman who certainly understands the way children think. He owns and operates Bud Lyndon's Swim School. Mr. Lyndon must be approaching 60 years of age now, and he has been working with youngsters most of his life. He has a remarkable comprehension of the principles of discipline, and I enjoy sitting at poolside just to watch the man work. However, there are few child developmentalists who could explain why he is so successful with the little swimmers in his pool. He is not soft and delicate in his manner; in fact, he tends to be somewhat gruff. When the kids get out of line he splashes water in their faces and says sternly, "Who told you to move? Stay where I put you until I ask you to swim!" He calls the boys "Men of Tomorrow," and other pet names. His class is regimented and every minute is utilized purposefully. But would you believe it, the children love Bud Lyndon. Why? Because they know that he loves them. Within his gruff manner is a message of affection that might escape the adult observer. Mr. Lyndon never embarrasses a child intentionally, and he "covers" for the youngster who swims more poorly. He delicately balances his authority with a subtle affection that attracts children like the Pied Piper. Mr. Bud Lyndon understands the meaning of discipline with love.

When I was in the ninth grade I had an athletic coach who affected me the same way. He was the master of the moment, and no one dared to challenge his authority. I would have fought wild lions before tackling Mr. Ayers. Yes, I feared him. We all did. But he never abused his power. He treated me courteously and respectfully at a time when I needed all of the dignity I could get. Combined with his acceptance of the individual was an obvious self-confidence and ability to lead a pack of adolescent wolves who had devoured less capable teachers. And that's why my ninth grade gym coach had a greater influence on me than any other person during my 15th year. Mr. Craig Ayers understood discipline with love.

Not every parent can be like Mr. Lyndon or Mr. Ayers, and I would not suggest that they try. Nor would it be wise for a mother to display the same gruffness at home that is appropriate on the athletic field or at the pool. Each person must fit his approach to discipline within his own personality patterns and the responses that feel natural. However, the overriding principle remains the same for men and women, mothers and fathers, coaches and teachers, pediatricians and psychologists: it involves discipline with love, a reasonable introduction to responsibility and self-control, parental leadership with a minimum of anger, respect for the dignity and worth of the child, realistic boundaries that are enforced with confident firmness, and a judicious use of rewards and punishment to those who challenge and resist. It is a system that bears the approval of the Creator himself. □



IMPRESSED VALUES



by **BETTY MARTIN**

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Even before boarding the plane, I felt the sultriness of the Chicago August evening embracing my body.

The late arriving jet had been an international flight and the passengers who were continuing on the same flight remained in their seats during the brief stop at O'Hare Airport.

Boarding the plane I carefully chose my seat, trying to avoid one particular person. His slothful appearance repelled me. With dark circles under his eyes, face unshaven, hair uncombed, and suit rumpled, he seemed strangely out of place among the passengers.

I selected a seat to myself to ponder the new ideas and methods I had learned while attending a writers' conference.

During a delay before takeoff, I discovered my seat belt did not function properly. The stewardess suggested I move. A quick glance revealed only one available seat. Of all places, it was next to the man I had carefully chosen to avoid.

The loudspeaker announced another delay in departure and the airplane's air conditioning was lowered, confining us in the warmth of August's nighttime.

As the waiting stretched to hours I learned about the man and his situation.

Sometimes he walked the aisle, while telling his recent experience. Everyone within hearing distance listened.

Except for a short interval in Iceland, he had been on a plane for 26 hours.

His vacation in Austria had been aborted when the Russian armies started moving in.

Walking the aisle and running his fingers through his disorderly hair, he detailed what he had witnessed.

He described people leaving behind their homes, cars, savings, and everything they owned. They left carrying only a loaf or two of bread, and perhaps a few belongings, but basically just the clothes they were wearing. They never complained, all they wanted was their freedom. Nothing else mattered.

He had no idea where his luggage was or if he would ever see it again—and he did not care, he was just grateful to get out in time. Possessions seemed unimportant to him.

He left behind a vacation, fun, and relaxation. They left behind homes, cars, and loved ones. He felt keenly aware that he was the lucky one.

Someone said, "Freedom is like a coin. It has the word privilege on one side and responsibility on the other."

Years ago my Swedish grandfather left his beloved Stockholm and sailed for a "New Frontier" that promised freedom of worship.

His wardrobe consisted basically of what he wore. He spoke no English and no occupation awaited him in the new land.

The trials and perils of the long trip and unknown future were bearable with the hope of worshipping God in the church of his choice.

His prayer was that his children and grandchildren be able to experience the privilege of walking into church and feeling the thrill of God's presence, the power of conviction, and the joy of walking by faith.

After arriving in America, Grandfather found a holiness church that believed in sanctification as a second definite work of grace.

Grandfather lived and taught his children the importance and satisfaction of victorious, sanctified living.

Sometimes on a hot, sultry, summer evening, I remember the incident at Chicago's O'Hare Airport.

At this present moment, while writing this article, I am not threatened with a communist takeover. I have no concern that I may need to leave my home and belongings with only a loaf of bread and warm clothing—no looking back, just grateful to leave in time.

My greatest concern is spiritual complacency and a preoccupation with materialism—temporal things that so soon are gone.

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I am concerned regarding some issues the church faces today; the cancer of compromise, apathy, prayerlessness, etc.

I am thankful for my grandfather who looked beyond comfort and materialism, stepping out to a "New Frontier."

He chose things eternal, that could not be lost or taken from him. In doing this he impressed upon future generations the importance of choosing life's values that are everlasting. □

THE UNKNOWN CHRISTIAN



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J. B. Jones tells of visiting one of his nation's magnificent buildings. The man giving the guided tour pointed out the beautiful architecture and extraordinary detail in workmanship of the two beautiful towers at the west front of the edifice. Then quietly he added, "And no one knows who built them." Workmen had built a beautiful edifice for thousands to enjoy, but were never remembered themselves.

No one likes to think he will fade into obscurity after he dies, nevertheless that is what happens to most of us. For example, how many martyrs for the Christian faith in the first century can you name, or for that matter any other century? And what about those who were scattered abroad to preach the Word (Acts 8:4)? Hundreds left the comforts of home and family to take the good news of Jesus Christ to men who needed to hear the gospel. Who were these obscure, unknown men? Why were the rich, the influential, the famous, the successful not chosen by Jesus?

For example, why did Jesus call an obscure, unknown like James to be an apostle? Nothing is known about him except his name and who his father was. As one writer has said, "Only his name is graven on the pages of the gospel of history, but his life and labors are hopelessly sunk in obscurity."

Some men are adept at leaving a mark on the world, but most of us, like James, are not naturally endowed with the gift of making an indelible impression on the world. When you think about it, though, much of what has been accomplished in the world has been done by those about whom the world knows very little.

Recently I came across *Yank*, a magazine devoted to the fighting men and women of World War II. I

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looked through several issues hoping to locate someone I might have known. The names, as well as the faces, were unfamiliar. Nonetheless, however unknown the names or faces were to me, what they did is not insignificant. Without those men who marched, fought, and laid down their lives, I would not enjoy the freedom I do today.

There are many in the Lord's army who feel they are unimportant or that what they do has little value.

But that is not true, for often what seems unimportant is more significant than one realizes.

For example, one snowflake may not seem very important. I remember, though, being holed up in the parsonage for three days in the winter of 1978. What at first appeared beautiful and uneventful turned out to be a disaster. The entire city came to a sudden halt when that blizzard of snowflakes hit.

And what about one drop of rain? It doesn't seem like much until a raging torrent uproots trees, rips buildings from their foundations, floods whole cities, and devours human life.

And which is more important, bread or rubies; water or pearls; farmers or great statesmen? In each case the first is infinitely more important to life than the latter. Therefore, the insignificant is often more significant than we realize.

James's work may have gone unnoticed on earth but it did not go unrewarded in heaven. His name has been immortalized on one of the 12 pillars of the Eternal City (Revelation 21:14). Faithfulness was the criterion for eternity's reward.

We may never be a Wesley, a Fletcher, a Luther, or a Billy Graham, but we can be faithful! And when we stand before the King of Kings, and hear the words of our Savior, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant," the significant and insignificant will join hands for all eternity. Those unknown on earth will be known in heaven. □

ASSURANCE

*One thing we never should forget,
God still is on His throne!
Midst all life's strife and enigmas
We do not stand alone.*

*What though life's problems oft
perplex?*

*True faith in God makes strong;
For He does reign in righteousness,
Prevails against the wrong.*

*Let not the fears of men disturb
Or cause you to distrust;
God's testimonies ever stand,
Depend on Him we must.*

*With confidence look unto Him,
His goodness does assure;
As long as He reigns over all,
In Him we are secure.*

—BYRON H. MAYBURY
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DEALING WITH

ANXIETY



by LYLE P. FLINNER

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Are you anxious over anything? Join the crowd. This is a problem we all face.

Anxiety is often associated with long-range goals. If it is doubtful that you can achieve them or if you face extremely tough competition on the way, your anxiety will be intense. On the other hand, anxiety arises from either temporary or permanent frustration.

In fact, anxiety is caused by a variety of situations. The encouraging aspect, however, is that such anxiety can be met and tempered by Christian attitudes.

Let us look at some of these situations which often lead to intense anxiety, especially in the spiritual realm.

1. Anxiety may arise from guilt over acts already committed.

Real guilt is what the Atonement is all about. Confession of your sin and faith in the redeeming power of Christ will lift that heavy load of guilt and make you whole again. "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). Only be sure that, when Christ forgives you, you also forgive yourself.

2. Anxiety may arise from fear of acts you are tempted to commit.

Faith in God's Word will help you to handle this anxiety. 1 Corinthians 10:13 states clearly, "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it."

3. Anxiety may arise from a conflict of motives.

Indecision at choice-points tears us apart if we have a pull in both directions. What we really need is to make sure that our motives are cleansed by the baptism with the Holy Spirit so that whatever choice we make is morally and ethically right. If your heart is pure, your motives will be pure and the choice will be between two good things.

4. Anxiety may arise from vague threats that lie in the future.

We need to take our cue from the patriarch Abraham who "went out, not knowing whither he went." We need the calm faith that will face the future with confidence because we are firmly committed to, and settled in, the will of God—willing to let His will take us wherever it may.

POINT TO PONDER: How can I be anxious when my faith is in the sure providences of a loving God?

Becoming a
Whole Person



Dave Anderson

DO YOU RESPECT YOUR PASTOR?

by DEAN WESSELLS

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THE REGARD you have for your pastor may be reflected rather clearly by his salary. Have you ever considered that? Admittedly, this may not be true in your church's situation. On the other hand, one criterion your community likely uses to judge your concern for the ministry of the preached Word is the way you, as an employer, treat your pastor.

The purpose of this article is not to argue for high salaries, but to help you come to terms with a fair salary for your pastor. This is an issue you will need to settle with other members of your church, but there are some factors which every church must consider in determining a fair salary.

PREPARATION. Your pastor has spent years in preparation for fulfilling God's call to the ministry. A great number of Nazarene pastors are college graduates and more and more are seminary graduates. Nearly every Nazarene minister received additional training at PALCON, and many have taken advantage of other continuing education opportunities. You might consider the salary of others in your community with similar education (the high school principal, for example).

EXPERIENCE. How long has your pastor been in the ministry? Experience—particularly when it has



been evaluated—is often the best teacher, and should be considered when determining a fair salary.

COST OF LIVING. A very respectable salary 5 or 10 years ago just isn't sufficient for meeting the needs of most budgets today. This is as true for your pastor as it is for you. In 1978, according to a U.S. Department of Labor study, a hypothetical family of four would require \$10,481 a year for a "low" standard of living, \$17,106 for an "intermediate" standard of living, and \$25,202 for a "high" standard of living.

Your church is to be commended if you have been adjusting your pastor's salary to keep up with the rise in the cost of living, assuming you were paying a fair salary to begin with, of course.

ACHIEVEMENT. Have you rewarded your pastor for the good job he's doing? A raise to keep up with the rising cost of living is important, but a *merit increase* on top of that is also important.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS. There may be some special factors in your pastor's budget that you will want to consider in determining a fair salary. What is fair for one man may not be fair for another, depending on various family and financial circumstances. This is an item you will probably want to discuss with your pastor. In fact, it might be a good idea to discuss with him this whole issue of fair compensation.

Your pastor is not in the ministry for financial gain, but because of a desire to fulfill God's call upon his life. He will not go on strike if the pay is inadequate. He will not move to another church just for a higher salary. Nor is he likely to initiate discussions concerning his salary. He depends on you and the other members of your church to treat him with fairness and dignity.

Using fairness as the criterion, would the people in your community say you have high regard for your pastor? □

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Book Briefs



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DISCOVERY: THE ART OF LEADING SMALL GROUPS

Out of the hundreds of books available on Home Bible Studies, one of the best is just off the press, written by Marion Rich.

Mrs. Rich, whose background of experience includes the mission field as well as the manse, has blended in the right amounts, her practical understanding with a strong biblical base. Significantly, her conversion was the result of an invitation to a small-group fellowship of teenagers.

In her book which deals with "how," Mrs. Rich makes two strong points:

1. Local church/neighborhood home study groups should begin with the pastor's blessing and encouragement.
2. Having one group leader is preferable to having various class members taking turns at leadership.

Mrs. Rich approaches the subject from several angles, such as: the outreach group, the new convert group, the prayer group, and the class for untaught Christians.

This book pinpoints the importance of keeping the small-group Bible studies on target as a "spiritual organism within the larger body of the Church." □



by Marion K. Rich
Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City

To order, see page 23.

the editor's STANDPOINT

AN OFFICE GENERATES CRITICISM

Any office generates criticism and dislike. The administration of the office is an expression of authority, and all authority will be challenged and resented from time to time. For this reason, a person who is eminently likeable as a private individual may become intensely disliked because of certain decisions made and actions taken in the discharge of his office.

Take a pastor, for example. Some people have taken a dislike to a man as their pastor whom they would have admired as a friend. As a pastor he said and did things to which they objected. Others in the congregation may agree with the pastor and yet remain in unstrained fellowship with those who disagree. The one-to-one relationship is affected by office and function as well as, and sometimes more than, by personality. Every pastor has probably had the experience of being better liked by some *former* parishioners than he was as their pastor. Just as *retired* general superintendents are better liked by some pastors than when they still held office.

Everybody to somebody

*Villain is or hero,
But a General when he goes
As a General never knows
Whether he
This time will be
Apostle Paul or Nero!*

A good man may receive a bad reception because people are reacting to the office and its inescapable authority.

Can anything be done about this? Judging from history, not very much. One thing can help, I think. Get to know a person better, understand his responsibilities, problems, and motives. Listen to his dreams and hopes for the church. And share yours. Our common desires will usually make our differences less significant and less abrasive.

We are called upon to esteem church officers "very highly in love for their work's sake" (1 Thessalonians 5:13). As Leon Morris comments, "If we bear in mind 'the work's sake' we may be more inclined to esteem them very highly in love." □

HOLINESS—BELONGING UTTERLY TO GOD

God is holy and, therefore, all that God takes unto himself becomes holy. To be holy, in the fundamental meaning of the term, is to belong utterly to God.

God's people are called upon to sanctify themselves, to acknowledge themselves as holy, by dedicating everything they are and have to God.

We are creatures of time. To be holy means that our time belongs to God. This does not mean that every conscious moment is to be spent doing something religious. But it does mean that how we spend our time is to be governed by the will of God, not by our personal whims and wishes.

We are also creatures of space. Everybody has to be somewhere. But where we live, if we would be holy, must be determined by God's will. If I could have my way, I would never live away from the seacoast. Few aspects of nature produce the inspiring and helpful effects upon me that the ocean does. But I am presently called, in the will of God, to live and work

where I seldom catch sight of a large puddle. He is Lord of our space.

To be holy means that our jobs and money belong to God. How we make our money and how we spend it must be brought under the lordship of the Holy One. You cannot be a mechanic if God wants you to be a doctor. And you cannot choose to be a preacher if God wants you to herd goats. He knows where He needs us.

An individual is extended through his family. To be holy means that our families must be "on the altar." We cannot be lord of other people's lives. Holiness means "amen" to God's will for our children, whatever our own dreams and hopes for them may have been.

God calls us to belong radically to himself, to devote our time, space, work, money, and family—and all else—to Him. And He responds to our dedication with His claiming, cleansing, controlling love. "Be ye holy, for I am holy!" □

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REJOICING IN SCHENECTADY

I want to share with you some news from our church in Schenectady, N.Y., where Rodger Manning is the pastor. I do not single this church out because they are the biggest or the best. Rather, they represent the kind of spirit that has made possible the work of our church around the world, a spirit of faith, courage, and dedication.

Facing this year's Easter Offering, the Schenectady church had some logical reasons to sound the bugle of retreat. They had lost some members, including a number who faithfully tithed and generously supported the work. With the giving-base reduced there was some reluctance to set high goals.

But the NWMS, under the leadership of Mrs. Dot Darling, together with the church board, put the matter before the Lord. After much prayer, they decided to set their sights on \$1,800. The record Easter Offering in this church was \$1,450. With this kind of leadership, the people responded to the plans used, the prayers made, and the preaching done. Over

\$2,200 was given. The General Budget for the year was overpaid by several hundred dollars. But not at the expense of other budgets; these were all paid in full.

Pastor Manning and his congregation were able to rejoice in a situation of victory and advance, where defeat and withdrawal would have been understandable. Understandable, but not acceptable to these sturdy spirits!

Pastor Manning's stationery carries at the top a sketch of a church with arrows pointing away from its front and sides. On the bottom appear the words, "The Church Pointing Outward." It is the church that points outward, that cares about the lost of earth, that directs its resources in ministry to human needs, that God will bless. When our faith looks upward and our love reaches outward, a spirit of holy optimism will ignore unfavorable circumstances and set new records at a time when it would be easy to retrench. In how many places, by how many churches, we have proven this true! □

SUMMER PROBLEMS

Summer is heavy upon the land. Some folks love it. It takes the heat of July and August to fully thaw January and February from their bones. They stretch in the sun and say, "Ahhh!" nearly unmindful of sweat, insects, and the incessant roaring of power mowers.

But summer poses some special problems for many of our churches.

One of these problems relates to attendance. Vacationing members outnumber the visitors, and a summer slump results. Why doesn't it come out even? If 20 people are away visiting kinfolks, why aren't 20 kinfolks in town visiting the church members? That would be nice, wouldn't it—a sort of people exchange during the summer. But anyone who has pastored knows it seldom works that way.

Another problem relates to finances. When attendance is down offerings are seldom up. People and income are joined together in almost geometrical

ratio in churches. Ideally, we could reason that everyone who is away will send their offerings in—but none of my pastor friends have ideal situations! Expenses continue. The furnace is off, but the air conditioner is on, neither of which can be fueled by promissory notes or old sermon outlines. What you save on snow removal you spend on lawn mowing.

Problems of attendance and finances can create problems of morale. It's easier to get "psyched up" for services when "the gang's all here," but you have to work at it with special resolution when they are gone to the mountains, the seashore, or to Aunt Maudie's farm. On a humid Sunday, when your shirt sticks to the varnished pew, it's harder to give undivided attention to the message.

What's the answer? Faithfulness. Doing what we can with what we have. And cheerfulness—refusing to allow the humidity and vacant spaces to put a sag in our souls. The large look helps too, seeing summer as part of the whole year. Things will be better. □

Daily Goodness + DIVINE MIRACLE

by J. C. COLLINS *Morristown, Indiana*

IT WAS my privilege to bring a devotional message to the "Early Risers" at the Nazarene International Retreat of Golden Agers at Ridgecrest, North Carolina.

The thoughts I shared with the group were related to the theme, "God's Daily Care Plus Divine Miracle." The gist of the message was summed up in the proposition that God's love is expressed in His daily care for His children just as His power is expressed in such miracles as healing. The Father's daily care expresses His goodness. A miracle of divine power reveals His omnipotence. His children are benefited both by His daily care and His divine power according to His purpose and His wisdom.

The present trend to call every action of God in the affairs of His people a "miracle" tends to rob the word miracle of its true content, and tends to discount the greatness of His daily care. When we call every blessing we receive from God a miracle, intentionally or not we put a raise in pay in the same category with a healing of blindness. We are in danger of sacrificing the enjoyment of His daily care and fellowship as we search for special blessings we can call miracles.

I believe that I am alive today because of God's daily love and care. I believe that He could have miraculously healed me in an instant of time—but He didn't. However, He did do any number of things which helped to restore my health completely. For one thing, He created me with built-in healing processes which healed the incisions made by the surgeon's knife after a cancer was removed from my lower lip, and which caused the three-quarter inch graft from the upper lip to grow into the gap in the lower lip. God gave my good doctor and his assistant the knowledge, the skills, and the desire to help Him meet my need. God used many of His children, in and out of the Church of the Nazarene, to provide comfort, finances, and opportunities for service during those three years. Through Jesus Christ, God the Father daily supplied my soul with grace by His Spirit so that I could hold my chin up while it was being rebuilt. To add mercy upon mercy, God gave me an understanding, faithful wife and two lovely daughters who constantly gave me their love and assurance.

Deliverance

"... I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me."
(Psalm 50:15)



I rejoice with all those who can honestly say, "God healed me with a miracle." I would not rob God of the glory and praise due His name for the doctrinal statement in the *Manual* of the Church of the Nazarene which urges our people "to seek to offer the prayer of faith for the healing of the sick. Providential means and agencies, when deemed necessary, should not be refused." Without reflection upon God's power to heal, I would like to praise the Lord *also* for the providential means and agencies which He used to heal my body. Praise God for His daily care plus divine miracles!

I shared with those Early Risers how in 1933 I had hitchhiked to Columbus, Ohio, to attend a revival meeting being held at our First Church there. Rev. Raymond Browning was the pastor and Rev. L. Milton Williams was the evangelist. Although I had never heard a message on how to be saved, and had never witnessed a soul praying through in all my life, God for Christ's sake freely forgave all my sins the very first night I attended the revival. On Friday night of that same week, in the home where I was staying, I received the baptism with the Holy Spirit. No one had urged me to seek the blessing of entire sanctification. The following Sunday morning Brother Browning baptized me and took me into the membership of First Church. That Sunday afternoon they shipped me off to Olivet Nazarene College to prepare for the ministry. Only once after that did I ever visit that wonderful church where I had found Jesus Christ—I went back with David Browning, the pastor's son, for a weekend visit.

As I tried to bear witness to God's miraculous saving power that morning at Ridgecrest, N.C., one of those persons present stood to her feet and said, "I was there, Joe, the night you were saved." She was a member of Columbus First Church.

Now, as I reflect upon these things, I thank God for churches such as the Columbus First Church of the Nazarene where lost souls can seek and find salvation full and free. Although I have never returned to drop one penny in their offering plates, and have never written a letter to express my gratitude for providing me an altar at which to kneel in repentance, I have never forgotten that memorable week. And all this happened to me because I had a wonderful sister who was standing at the crossroad and pointed the way to Calvary.

Thank You, Jesus. Thank you, Hester. Thank you, First Church of the Nazarene in Columbus, Ohio. I am indeed grateful to you. □

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VOLUNTEERS WELCOMED TO DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

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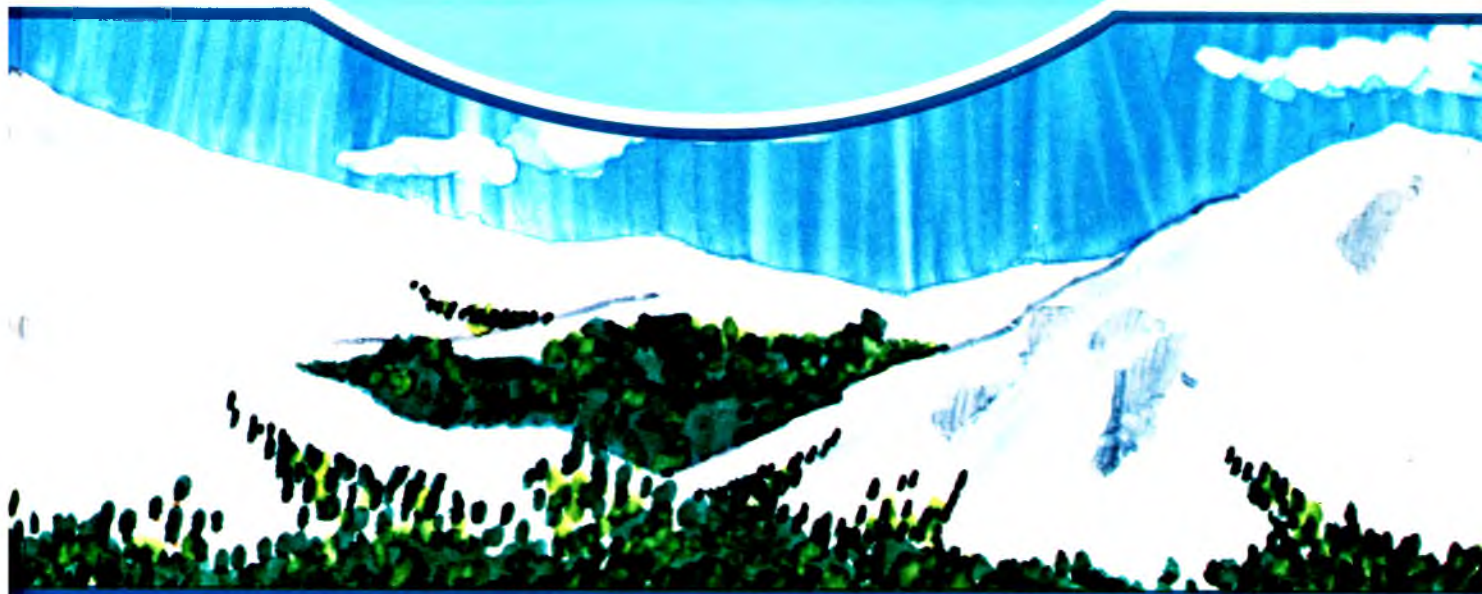
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CONSULTATION ON SPIRITUAL GIFTS...



Raymond W. Hurn



Mildred Wynkoop

One of a series of consultations on spiritual gifts was held in Kansas City, May 16, in preparation for the 1980 denomination-wide CST study of spiritual gifts. The consultation was hosted by the Department of Home Missions.



Paul Orjala



Morris Weigelt



Albert Truesdale

The scholars made ample use of their Greek New Testaments during the consultation.



IN THE NEWS

PEOPLE AND PLACES

OLDHAM JOINS YOUTH STAFF

Bruce Oldham joins the Department of Youth Ministries staff as Special Ministries' editorial assistant, editorial assistant for *Teens Today*, and Summer Ministries' assistant director.



Bruce, a 1978 graduate of Trevecca Nazarene College, received his A.B. in Religion and Communications. He was active in several leadership roles in college, including executive vice-president of the Student Body his junior year. Bruce received the All-School Award for General Activities in 1976 and the Leadership Award in 1978, and the Alumni Student Spirit Award his senior year.

In 1976 Bruce represented the Church of the Nazarene in the Dominican Republic as a part of Student Mission Corps. He also participated the following year in Uruguay.

Most recently, Bruce has served as admissions counselor for TNC.

His responsibilities began in June, participating in Summer Ministries Training Camp. He will serve through the summer as D-Day coordinator. □

ENC BENEFITS FROM NEASE MEMORIAL

Dr. Stephen Nease, president of Nazarene Theological Seminary, announced the establishing of a memorial scholarship fund for Eastern Nazarene College honoring the memory of his parents, Dr. Floyd and Madeline Nease. A smaller fund, established many years ago, will be incorporated with bequests from the estate of Mrs. Madeline Nease, who died May 10, 1979, and gifts from interested friends and ENC alumni.

Among the first to respond was General Superintendent Emeritus Dr. Samuel Young, himself a former student, college pastor, and president of Eastern Nazarene College.

Dr. Nease envisions a fund of between 5 and 10 thousand dollars in a

short time, as other contributions are received by the college. □

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TNC INAUGURATION AND COMMENCEMENT

Dr. Homer James Adams was inaugurated the ninth president of Trevecca Nazarene College, June 2, in the P.E. Center on the Trevecca campus. Dr. H. Harvey Hendershot, superintendent of the Tennessee District and chairman of the Board of Trustees, presided. General Superintendent Dr. William M. Greathouse and Dr. Mark R. Moore, executive director of the Department of Education, spoke. Nashville's mayor, Richard Fulton, proclaimed June 2 as Trevecca Nazarene College Day.

In his inaugural address, entitled "Trevecca Nazarene College in a Turbulent Area," Dr. Adams spoke of the problems facing Trevecca, and all small private schools across America. Speaking of the recent financial campaign, he thanked TNC supporters and urged their continued support. Dr. Adams said a proposal called "Trevecca's Decade of Progress" would be



Dr. Homer J. Adams gives his inaugural address.

presented to the Board of Trustees in the fall.

Sunday, June 3, at 3 p.m., Dr. Mark R. Moore, past president of the college, was the speaker.

Commencement ceremonies were also held in the P.E. Center, Monday, June 4, at 10 a.m. Dr. William M. Greathouse gave the commencement address. According to Academic Dean Dr. William Strickland, 174 seniors comprised the largest graduating class ever.

President Homer J. Adams conferred an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree upon Jack Lee, superintendent of the Georgia District. Lee earned a B.A. degree at Bethany Nazarene College in 1950, and did graduate work at Olivet Nazarene College and Nazarene Theological Seminary. Dr. Lee and his wife Ovida have three children: Rebecca Lynn, Jennifer Edwards, and Dinah Huff. □



Twelve couples recently joined J. Paul and Marilyn Turner in Lansing, Mich., for a weekend of marriage enrichment. The event was held at the church on Thursday and Friday evenings, and all day Saturday. The five sessions dealt with such skills as: communicating responsibly and accurately; building self- and other-esteem; learning to use marital conflict as a growth point; and placing the entire marriage under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. For information on available leader couples in your area, write J. Paul and Marilyn Turner, Marriage & Family Ministries, 6401 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64131.

YOUTH IN MISSION TO ASSIST HOME MISSION CHURCHES

Through its "Youth in Mission" Summer Ministry Program, the Department of Youth Ministries in cooperation with the Department of Home Missions will again engage college students in a summer volunteer service through "CONTACT '79."

"CONTACT '79" is a unique form of outreach designed to cultivate prospects for home mission churches. Contact is a team of eight college students who specialize in music, drama, and puppetry. The team will spend one week at each home mission church, conducting four Backyard Bible Clubs a day in different neighborhoods of the community. During the evenings the team will conduct seminars in puppetry and new teaching techniques,

as well as prepare the church for an extensive follow-up program designed to reach new families.

This program has proven to be fruitful in the past. One pastor wrote, "The club grew from 0-189 in four days. Out of this number we were able to contact the homes of 77 unchurched children."

The CONTACT team under the direction of David Jenkins, a student at Nazarene Theological Seminary, will minister in the following cities: Wilburton, Okla.; Gulfport, Miss.; Tallahassee, Fla.; Clermont, Fla.; New Bern, N.C.; Lockport, N.Y.; Washington, Pa.; and Springfield, Ill. Some of these churches have just recently been planted and will benefit greatly from the ministry of this team. □



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GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT VISITS CUBA

The first visit of a general superintendent to Cuba in 22 years occurred May 30—June 2, when Dr. George Coulter and Dr. H. T. Reza arrived late at night at the airport in Havana. The district superintendent of that country and six ministers met them.

The first day, May 31, was spent in visiting as many churches as hours would permit. An ordination service was held that night. Because no general superintendent had been able to enter Cuba for nearly a quarter of a century, there were no ordained elders there. Several visits had been made by Dr. H. T. Reza, executive director

of International Publications, during that time, and one by the late Dr. George Frame of Britain while he was a member of the Department of World Mission, but no one authorized to ordain elders. Dr. Coulter ordained the District Superintendent, Pedro Morejon, and 13 ministers, including 3 women, Thursday, May 31. Interestingly, this was the largest group Dr. Coulter had ordained at one time.

The credentials of a young minister from another holiness denomination were recognized, giving the Cuban Church of the Nazarene 15 ordained elders.

Dr. Coulter reports that laboring against odds and sensing constant harassment, the Church of the Nazarene

has continued its ministry in that Communist country. He and Dr. H. T. Reza, in their three-day visit, found the Nazarenes heroic and committed. More than 125 people attended the evening service.

There are 17 fully organized churches there which are nearly all self-supporting, and four organized missions. There are 850 active members on the district. Sunday school attendance averaged 1,029 last year.

Dr. Coulter had feared that the church might not be able to reach young people in Cuba, but found to his joy a large number of enthusiastic youth in the congregations. The Bible school, which has extremely limited quarters, is operating with six students.


Dr. Coulter said that the high moment of his visit occurred as he laid hands on Rev. Morejon's head. He felt the Holy Spirit put the seal of God's approval on this courageous and dedicated leader of the Cuba Nazarene church.

The leaders returned to Kansas City Saturday, June 2. □

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CHURCH BOARD COLLOQUY



What is your church doing to help your pastor render God's timeless Truth in today's idiom? He may learn the process at seminary, but the idiom itself is ever changing.

What ways can you help? One way might be for your church to provide a *continuing education allowance* in the annual budget. This provision would enable your pastor to purchase books, or attend seminars or classes dealing with various aspects of ministry. You would be reassured to know your doctor had just attended a seminar on how to treat your particular physical need. Are your spiritual needs any less important?

By the way, a continuing education allowance should be considered an expense of the local church, rather than a part of the pastor's salary.

We commend you if your church already has provided a continuing education allowance for your pastor. You probably are reaping the reward of more relevant preaching.

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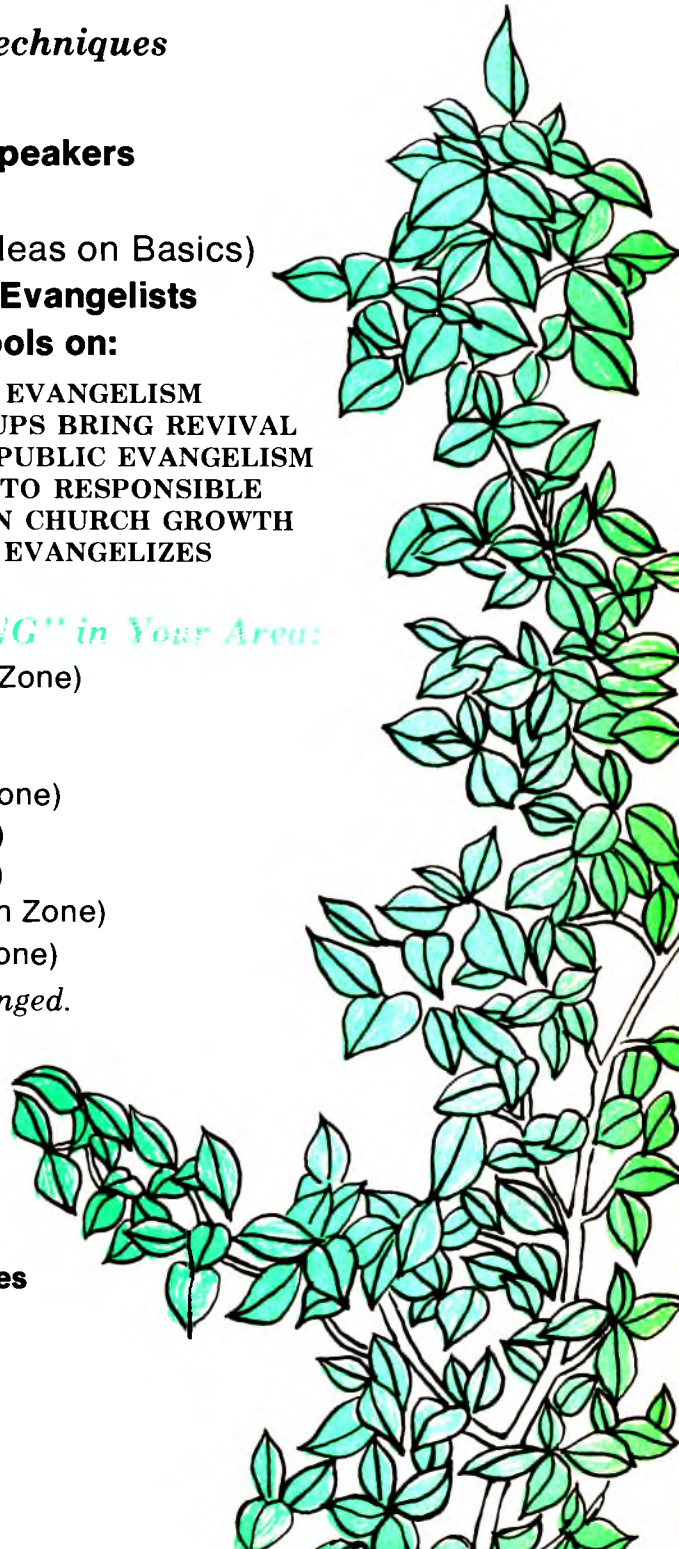
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Four inner-city teams are serving in four metropolitan areas in special ministries this summer. The program is part of the summer ministries sponsored by the Department of Youth Ministries.

Inner-city sites for this summer include: Los Angeles First Church, Rev. Bill Boggs, pastor; Buffalo, N.Y., First Church, Rev. Bill Wiesman, pastor; San Francisco First Church, Rev. William Hodge, pastor; and a new home missions church, Detroit Grace Church, Rev. Bob Hunter, pastor.

Mike Estep, director of the inner-city program, reports the team members will be involved in a variety of ministries. The teams have been trained with each congregation's needs in mind. To facilitate this process, a representative of each of the four congregations was involved in the summer ministries training camp, June 16-24 at Golden Bell Nazarene Ranch in the mountains of Colorado.

The program is financially supported by the Department of Home Missions and Department of Youth Ministries.

Rev. Gary Henecke, executive director of the Department of Youth Ministries, requests continued special prayer for these four inner-city projects and the entire summer ministries program. □

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DETROIT TEAM

Not pictured: Gregory Brown, Johannesburg, South Africa



General Superintendent William M. Greathouse congratulates the district superintendent, José Cardona and his wife, Adelaide, for the four-year recall vote and for the growth of the Eastern Latin American District during the last five years. This year's growth was 7 percent in membership, Sunday school, and finances. The last five years' growth has been 75 percent in finances, 25 percent in membership, and 21 percent in Sunday school enrollment.



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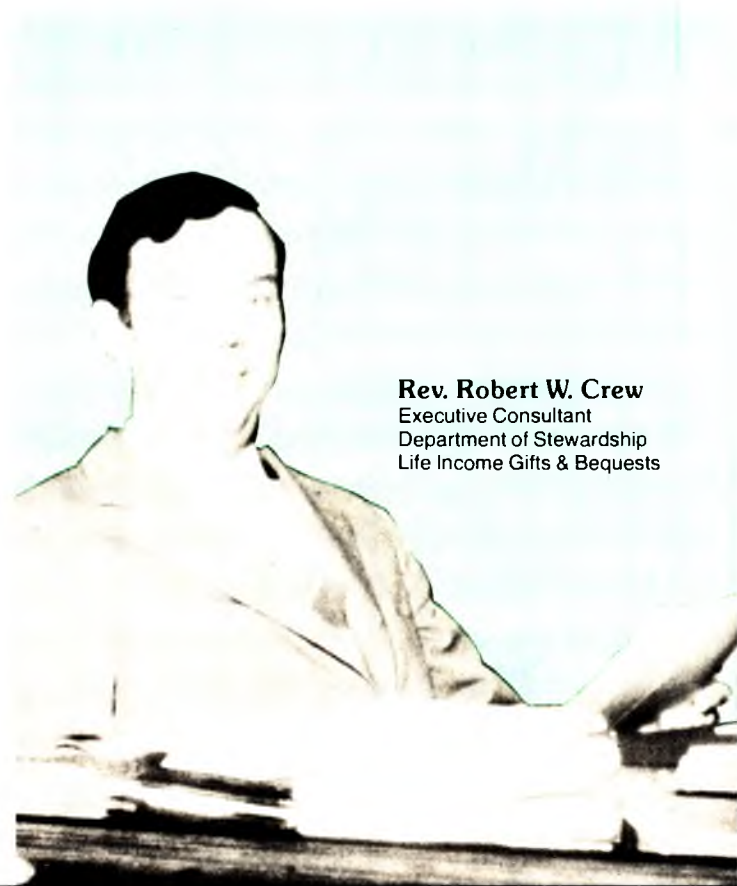
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WEST VIRGINIA—August 1-2. Nazarene Campgrounds, Rte. 1, Box 417, Summersville, WV 26651. Host Pastor: Robert Damron. General Superintendent: Dr. William M. Greathouse.

AKRON—August 2-3. Nazarene Center, 8020 Nazarene Ave., Louisville, OH 44641. General Superintendent: Dr. George Coulter.

INDIANAPOLIS—August 8-9. Indianapolis District Nazarene Campgrounds, Box 46, Camby, IN 46113. General Superintendent: Dr. Eugene L. Stowe.

IOWA—August 8-9. First Church, 4703 Douglas, Des Moines, IA 50310. Host Pastor: LeDon McAnally. General Superintendent: Dr. Orville W. Jenkins.

TENNESSEE—August 8-9. First Church of the Nazarene, 510 Woodland St., Nashville, TN 37206. Host Pastor: Millard Reed. General Superintendent: Dr. V. H. Lewis.

NORTHWESTERN ILLINOIS—August 9-10. District Center—Manville Nazarene Camp, Rte. 1, Manville, IL 61339. Host: Gweldon Johnson, Caretaker. General Superintendent: Dr. Charles H. Strickland.

VIRGINIA—August 9-10. District Campgrounds, Sprouse's Corner, Box 372, Star Rte., Buckingham, VA 23921. Host Pastor: William E. Colvin. General Superintendent: Dr. William M. Greathouse.

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY REPORTS

SOUTHERN FLORIDA

The Sixth annual assembly of the Southern Florida District met at the Miami Central Church. District Superintendent Robert H. Spear, Jr., completing the first year of an extended term, reported.

Presiding General Superintendent Orville W. Jenkins ordained Lamar Brantley, William L. Chambers III, and William R. Fisher.

Elected to the Advisory Board were elders Joseph D. Benson and Pal L. Wright, and laymen Russell Kleppinger and Ted Underwood.

Mrs. Jan Wright, NWMS president; William D. Norris, NYI president; and Keith Wright, chairman of the Board of Christian Life, were all reelected to their respective offices.

INTERMOUNTAIN

The 67th annual assembly of the Intermountain District convened at Nampa, Ida., First Church. District Superintendent Hoyle C. Thomas, completing the first year of an extended term, reported the organization of a new church, Boise Five Mile Church of the Nazarene.

Dr. V. H. Lewis, general superintendent, ordained James D. Bentley, Justin C. Rice, and Cecil A. Thompson.

Elders elected to the Advisory Board were Charles E. Higgins, Clarence J. Kinzler, and Harold M. Sanner. Laymen elected were Norman Garlington, Wally Howard, and Ralph Shoemaker.

Reelected to their respective offices were Mrs. Jo Kincaid, NWMS president; Rev. James D. Bentley, NYI president; and Rev. Ronald A. Rodes, chairman of the Board of Christian Life.

EASTERN LATIN AMERICAN

The 22nd annual assembly of the Eastern Latin American District met in Bridgeport, Conn.

District Superintendent José Cardona was reelected for a four-year term.

Dr. William M. Greathouse was the presiding general superintendent.

Elected to the Advisory Board were elders Joaquin Torres and Manuel Rivera Negron; and laypersons Juanita Velazquez and Oscar Rene Velez.

Carmen Suliveras was reelected NWMS president; Rosa Lopez was elected NYI president; and Francisco Melendez was reelected chairman of the Board of Christian Life.

BRITISH ISLES SOUTH

The 26th annual assembly of the British Isles South District convened in Leeds, Yorkshire, England. District Superintendent T. W. Schofield was reelected for a four-year term. He reported the organization of a new church in Theftord, Norfolk, East Anglia.

Elders elected to the Advisory Board were Leslie Evans and Len McNeill. Laymen elected were Mr. Percy Davis and Mr. Peter Warman.

Rev. E. Eades was elected NWMS president; Mr. Bruce Lloyd was reelected NYI president; and Mr. David Morrell was reelected chairman of the Board of Christian Life.

NAZARENE CAMP MEETINGS

Aug. 18-26—**NEW YORK**. New York District Center, Camp Taconic, Route 199 and the Taconic Parkway, Red Hook, NY 12571. Special workers: Albert L. Truesdale, Howard Rickey, and singers David and Dana Blue. M. V. Scutt, district superintendent.

Aug. 21-26—**MINNESOTA**. Lake Koronis Assembly Grounds, c/o Rev. Earl Werner, Paynesville, MN 56362. Special workers: William McCumber and singer James Bohi. Virgil K. Grover, district superintendent.

Aug. 28—Sept. 2—**SOUTHEAST OKLAHOMA**. First Church of the Nazarene, 8th and Trudgeon, Henryetta, OK 74437. Special workers: M. Harold Daniels and singer Sharon Daniels. Wendell O. Paris, district superintendent.

MOVING MINISTERS

RONALD M. ADAMS from Trenton, N.J., to Malden (Mass.) First

JESSIE ANDERSON from Sulphur (La.) First to Millry, Ala.

JAMES P. BAILEY from Palisade, Colo., to Denver (Colo.) Eastside

A. TIMOTHY BESS from Newport, Tenn., to Morgantown (W.Va.) Pierpont

JESSE BUCHANAN from Tampa (Fla.) Sulphur Springs to General Assembly Local Arrangements Coordinator, Kansas City, Mo.

BILL BUETTNER from student, Nazarene Bible College, Colorado Springs, Colo., to Caddo, Okla.

VIRGIL BYRER from Newberry, Ind., to Watkins Glen, N.Y.

LARRY CAMPBELL from Kosciusko, Miss., to associate, and evangelist, DeKalb (Ill.) First

RICHARD L. CANNON from Kirwin, Kans., to Raton, N.M.

R. D. CLITES from Cynthiana, Ind., to Tulsa (Okla.) Parkview

LARRY CORNETT from Sinton, Tex., to Kodiak, Alaska

JAMES ALLEN DEAN from Crescent, Okla., to Hooker, Okla.

DON DUNLAP from associate, Nashville (Tenn.) College Hill to Memphis (Tenn.) Park Avenue

CHAPLAIN GERALD EARLES from Fort Sam Houston, Tex., to 421-A, Rossell Loop, Fort Belvoir, Va.

MICHAEL E. FARMER from Rock Mills, Ala., to Huntsville (Ala.) Calvary

JERRY L. FERGUSON from Los Angeles (Calif.) Westchester to Glendale (Ariz.) First

FREDERICK GORDON from Seneca Falls, N.Y., to Butler, Pa.

CHARLES HASELWOOD from Wurtland, Ky., to Louisville (Ky.) Calvary

JAMES HAYNE from Vermontville, N.Y., to Tucson (Ariz.) Northside

CRAWFORD HOWE from Port Huron (Mich.) North Hills to Hammond (Ind.) First

GARY KLINGER from student, Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo., to associate, Auburn, Ind.

ROBERT KNAPP from Deshler (Ohio) Mission to Bryan, Ohio

W. RILEY JAMES from Oak Hill, W.Va., to Clarksville (Tenn.) First

DAVID MAHAN to Somerton, Ariz.

EARL W. MOORE from Denver City, Tex., to Carson City (Nev.) First

CHARLES E. MORTON from Fort Lauderdale (Fla.) Faith to Fort Pierce, Fla.

ROY NICKELS from Grand Rapids, Minn., to Fairbanks, Alaska

DENNIS G. OSBORNE from Portland (Ore.) North to Winston, Ore.

LARRY PHELPS from associate, Sterling, Ill., to Peoria (Ill.) First

J. C. PULTS from Bremerton, Wash., to Cheney, Wash.

KENNETH G. RICE from Cortland, N.Y., to Oakland, Md.

RUSSELL RITCHIE from student, Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo., to Sonoma Valley, Calif.

THOMAS W. ROAT from student, Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo., to evangelism

MICHAEL ROBERTS from Garrett, Ind., to West Lafayette, Ind.

M. BRYAN RUSSELL from Dover (Tenn.) First to Rome (Ga.) First

DON SCARLETT to Gainesville (Fla.) First

STEVE SISSON from associate, Pensacola (Fla.) First to Scottsbluff, Neb.

JOHN R. STACKMAN from Sugar Grove, Ind., to Lagrange, Ind.

DON STUDLEY from student, Nazarene Bible College, Colorado Springs, Colo., to Chadron, Neb.

LEROY SPRADLING from Durant, Okla., to Lufkin, Tex.

RON WADSWORTH from student, Nazarene Bible College, Colorado Springs, Colo., to Hemmingford, Neb.

JOHN WILLIAMSON to Tempe (Ariz.) Dobson Road Mission

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NORMA WILSON, Swaziland, Furlough Address: P.O. Box 164, Aurelia, IA 51005

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chicago First Church of Lemont, Ill., is planning a 75th Diamond Jubilee Celebration, August 22-26. Some of the special features include the Speer Family, August 23; and Sunday morning, Dr. Dick Gross, 2:30 p.m., Dr. Eugene L. Stowe, dedication service; and evening worship, Dr. Howard Hamlin. For further information, contact Pastor R. J. Cerrato or Mrs. Beverly Kelly, secretary of the Jubilee Committee.

The **Kirwin, Kans.**, church will celebrate its 45th anniversary on September 2, 1979. Special services will be held morning, afternoon, and evening. Former pastors and members are invited. Inquiries should be sent to Rev. Richard Cannon, Box 405, Kirwin, KS 67644.

Flint, Mich., West Flint Church, will celebrate its 50th anniversary the weekend of September 29-30, 1979. Dr. Eugene L. Stowe, general superintendent, and Song Evangelists Steve and Sue Caudill will be the special guests. Any former members or friends who desire further information should write to the church to Rev. John Shank, 2254 S. Dye Rd., Flint, MI 48504.

The **Madison, Wis., First Church** will celebrate its 50th anniversary on September 1-2. Pastor Winn O. Allison and the congregation invite all former pastors, members, and friends to attend and/or send greetings, old photos, and current addresses. To send items of interest or for more information write: Mrs. Ellen DeSmidt, c/o First Church of the Nazarene, 5011 Commercial Ave., Madison, WI 53704.

CHANGE

Due to conflict, the **Mancelona, Mich., church's** 50th anniversary has been changed from August 26 as previously announced to Sunday, August 19. Two services, 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., will have as guest speakers Dr. Harry Stanley, district superintendent, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McClintock, missionaries. An invitation is extended to all former pastors, members, and friends.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The *Herald of Holiness* no longer publishes photos and stories relating to Distinguished Service Awards. We discontinued them last year.

The DSA is a World Mission program, and DSA stories should be sent to *World Mission* magazine.

Thank you for attention to this notice.

RECOMMENDATIONS

I recommend REV. AND MRS. CHARLES HAYNES, pastors for many years on the East Tennessee District. Brother Haynes is a very good preacher. Mrs. Haynes an excellent pianist, and they carry a wholesome musical program as singers. My judgment is that they would benefit any church, for they have held a number of good meetings. They can be contacted at Nazarene Publishing House, P.O. Box 527, Kansas City, MO 64141; or 2733 Spring Pl. Rd., Cleveland, TN 37311 (phone: 615-472-3846).—*Glen Jones, East Tennessee district superintendent.*

REV. WAYNE T. LAWSON, elder and commissioned evangelist on the Washington Pacific District, has entered the field of evangelism. He clearly has the evangelistic gift. He will bless the church people and call sinners to repentance and believers unto holiness. He can be reached at Rte. 2, Box 2255, Grandview, WA 98930.—*Kenneth Vogt, Washington Pacific district superintendent.*

I recommend JOHN A. MEHAFFEY, a commissioned song evangelist on the West Virginia District. He directs the choir and is an excellent

singer. He is available for revivals and weekend meetings. He may be contacted at Rte. 2, Box 302, New Cumberland, WV 26047. Phone (304) 387-9801.—*M. E. Clay, West Virginia district superintendent.*

For the past 12 years REV. ROY NASH has pastored on the Southern California District. His work has been characterized by love to his people, energetic work for his church, and dedication to God. He now feels led into the field of full-time evangelism, where he served effectively in the past. I commend Rev. Nash to our churches as a man who loves God and will seek to be God's instrument for service and evangelism. He may be contacted at 10141 Bryson Ave., South Gate, CA 90280 (phone 213-589-4520).—*Robert H. Scott, Southern California district superintendent.*

I recommend REV. BRADY RIFFLE to our churches as an evangelist. Rev. Riffle has been a successful pastor on the West Virginia District and is now entering the field of evangelism. He has had experience as an evangelist in the past. He may be contacted at 4154 Bowman Hill Rd., Huntington, WV 25701. Phone (304) 736-3394.—*M. E. Clay, West Virginia district superintendent.*

VITAL STATISTICS

TWO VETERAN MINISTERS DIE

Two veteran Nazarene ministers died Monday, May 28.

Evangelist Rev. C. B. Fugett, 85, died in Ashland, Ky. He had been an evangelist for 58 years before he retired in 1970.

Thousands had been won through his ministry, and he claimed over 100 missionaries and pastors on the field.

Funeral services were held in the Ashland, Ky., Grace Church, Thursday, May 31. Dr. John May, district superintendent of the Eastern Kentucky district; Dr. M. E. Clay, district superintendent of West Virginia; Rev. Morton Lee Estep; and Pastor William O. Hull participated.

Rev. Fugett is survived by his wife, Elizabeth M. Fugett; three sons, Clayton B. Fugett, Kenton A. Fugett, and Hillman Ray Fugett; two daughters, Mrs. Linda Kaye Fields and Mrs. Roxanna Miller; two sisters, Mrs. Ola Koffman and Mrs. Betty Utter; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Rev. Leonard Brooks Mathews, 83, also died Monday, May 28, in Nashville. He had been in poor health for many months.

Ordained in 1921, he spent 50 years in the ministry as pastor, district superintendent, and evangelist. Although he pastored at Dallas First Church and at Gary, Ind., first, most of his life was spent in the work of the church in Tennessee. He was district superintendent of the Tennessee district (which included the entire state) from 1932 to 1936.

L. B. Mathews retired in 1971 but continued to work as minister of visitation at Nashville First Church until old age and failing strength forced him to leave the position in 1974. He was widely known and deeply loved.

A memorial service was held in Nashville First Church, Wednesday, May 30. Pastor Dr. Millard Reed and General Superintendent Dr. William M. Greathouse officiated. District Superintendent Dr. H. Harvey Hendershot gave a tribute and read Scripture.

Rev. Mathews is survived by his wife, Berneda.

His autobiography, published a year ago, carries the title *I've Had a Good Time*.

DEATHS

E. DIXIE BORNEMAN, 76, died May 31 in Norwood, Ohio. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Morris Chalfant. She is survived by a sister.

SENA ETNA BROTHWELL, 68, died May 6 in Great Falls, Mont. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. John W. Bullock. She is survived

by 4 sons, Ray Eugene, George L., Norman L., and Larry; 13 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; 2 brothers; and 2 sisters.

MRS. ELIZABETH CLEMENTS, 76, died March 4 in Millville, N.J. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Richard A. Frank. Surviving are 4 sons, Walter, John, Harry, and Paul; 1 daughter, Mary Tozer; 10 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

REV. MARSHALL E. COPEN, 53, died May 23 in Augusta, Ga. His 20 years of ministry included churches in Tennessee, Florida, West Virginia, and South Carolina. Funeral services were conducted in the Langley, S.C., Church of the Nazarene. Officiating were District Superintendent D. Moody Gunter, Rev. J. D. Blackmon and Rev. Earl D. Powell. He is survived by his wife, Gladys Copen; one son, Donald; one daughter, Mrs. Marcia Looman; one brother; and four sisters.

MRS. DELLA ANN CUNNINGHAM, 90, died May 24 in Atwater, Ohio. A memorial service

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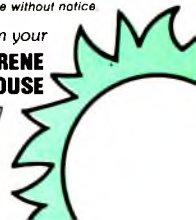
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was conducted by Rev. Steve Feazel. She founded the Atwater church nearly 48 years ago in her home. Surviving are three daughters; a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and a sister, Bessie Oldham.

MISS WILMA JEWELL FOSTER, 58, died Apr. 21 in Bethany, Okla. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Sam Stearman and Rev. Floyd Rowe. Survivors include a brother, James Foster; and five sisters, Mrs. Charlie B. Carlton, Mrs. James F. Holcomb, Mrs. Larry C. Lemmon, Miss Thelma T. Foster, and Mrs. Joy Wilson.

JAMES L. FRITTS, 59, died April 28 in Lenoir City, Tenn. Funeral services were conducted by Revs. Charles A. Fountain, Charles Patton, and Tim Bender. He is survived by one brother, Kenneth L. Fritts, and one sister, Mrs. Gladys Wright.

MRS. MARK (KAY) GOODWIN, 33, died of cancer June 5 in Bryan, Tex. The funeral services were held at the Bryan church where Rev. Goodwin pastors. Services were conducted by Rev. Hugh L. Smith, District Superintendent D. W. Thaxton, and Dr. James Hamilton. She is survived by her husband, Mark, and one 3-year-old daughter, Lisa.

EVANGELIST GLEN H. MADISON, 69, died June 2 in Nashville. He had been an evangelist for 14 years. Before entering the evangelistic field he pastored churches in Florida, Alabama, Texas, and Kentucky. Funeral services were conducted in Nashville by Rev. Bob Hoots and Rev. Harold Latham. Burial was in Jasper, Ala. Rev. Madison is survived by his wife, Lucille; two sons, Rev. Bob Madison and James Madison; and one daughter, Mrs. Margaret Thompson.

MRS. RUTH B. NUZUM, 76, died May 26 in Akron, Ohio. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. G. Coburn. She is survived by her husband, Rev. D. R. Nuzum; two daughters, Loretta Rowlett and Lois Skidmore; five grandchildren; and one sister.

MRS. IDA NABORS POWELL, 74, died May 28 in Memphis, Tenn. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Talmadge Lane. Survivors include 1 son, Hiram N.; 4 daughters, Mrs. Ida Morrow, Mrs. Martha Hatchett, Mrs. Evie Waldrip, and Mrs. Curley Kimbrell; 16 grandchildren; and 8 great-grandchildren.

MRS. EDITH RICHARDS, 74, died Apr. 26 in Vicksburg, Mich. Funeral services were conducted by District Superintendent Harry Stanley and Rev. U. B. Godman. She is survived by her husband, Evangelist William Richards.

BIRTHS

to **RICK AND DEBBIE (PARKER) BRADFORD**, Corsicana, Tex., a boy, Jeremy Kyle, May 18

to **JOEL AND CHARLOTTE (ARNOLD) CAPPS**, Jacksonville, N.C., a girl, Christa Marie, May 26

to **REV. RONNIE AND BEVERLY (PENNEBAKER) CLITES**, Cynthiana, Ind., a boy, Ronnie Dale, May 20

"Showers of Blessing"

PROGRAM SCHEDULE



July 22
"Why Trouble Jesus?"
 by W. E. McCumber

July 29
"Rulers Who Serve"
 by W. E. McCumber

RELIGIOUS DONOR STILL PACES VOLUNTARY GIVING IN THE U.S. Charitable giving in the United States reached a record \$39.56 billion in 1978, with religion continuing to receive the largest single share—\$18.4 billion, or 46.5 percent of the total.

The other major distributions for the 1978 contributions, according to the 1979 annual report of Giving USA, published by the American Association of Fund-Raising Counsel (AAFRC) Inc., are: Education, \$5.52 billion, 14 percent of the total; Health & Hospitals, \$5.45 billion, 13.8 percent; Social Welfare, \$3.99 billion, 10 percent; Arts & Humanities, \$2.49 billion, 6.3 percent; Civic & Public, \$1.14 billion, 2.9 percent; Other, \$2.57 billion, 6.5 percent.

Total giving in the U.S. increased by 9.4 percent last year, slightly more than the rate of inflation, according to Giving USA researchers. □

ADOLESCENT SUICIDE, SAYS WRITER, IS MAJOR PROBLEM OF NEXT DECADE. Leading mental health experts consider the increasing problem of adolescent suicide one of the major challenges of the coming decade, says a new Public Affairs pamphlet by Arthur S. Freese.

"The statistics are startling," said Mr. Freese, a medical writer. He said one estimate shows that about 400,000 young people from age 15 to 24 attempt to commit suicide each year and more than 4,000 succeed.

Suicidal teenagers in the United States come from all economic groups, from all levels of education and every social class, from every ethnic and racial background, Mr. Freese said. He said health experts agree that suicides and suicide attempts are cries for help, usually preceded by early warning signals which people can learn to detect. Studies show at least 75 percent of suicide victims give warnings.

The problem of suicide is complex and difficult to handle, partly because it is still the subject of severe social taboos, Mr. Freese said. He noted that suicidal death is often concealed by certifying physicians and the victims' families. The "hush-hush" attitude toward suicide makes it difficult to discuss with potential suicide victims, he said. □

BRITAIN NO LONGER CHRISTIAN, EVANGELICAL LEADER DECLARES. Britain "is no longer a Christian country and millions are dying without Christ," according to a leading evangelical in London.

And Dr. Clifford Hill, the Evangelical Alliance's secretary for Evangelism and Church Growth, added grimly: "Our nation is experiencing the death traumas of a decadent post-Christian era. The time is short. The need is great. We have to take urgent steps to bring Christ to a sick society. The Evangelical Alliance believes the time for talking about evangelism has gone. The time for action in evangelism has come."

Dr. Hill was writing in *IDEA*, the quarterly news journal of the Evangelical Alliance, which embraces more than 700 churches, societies, and fellowships throughout Britain, about the Alliance's plans for a decade of evangelism starting next year. □

MISSIONARIES MUST PAY INCOME TAXES. Missionaries from the United States will now have to pay income taxes, many of them for the first time, under legislation which became effective in 1979. Until now, American employees overseas have not had to pay income taxes if they earned less than \$25,000 a year, which includes most, if not all, missionaries. Under the new law taxable income will, however, be less for those living in extremely high-cost overseas areas. □

to RALPH AND JANE (HOSETH) DELONG, Great Falls, Mont., a boy, Martin Douglas, May 30

to RALPH AND ALICE (STOUT) GOODWIN, Oak Park, Mich., a boy, Randall Charles, May 10

to REV. DAVID AND SHARON GRAVES, Monroe, N.C., a boy, Michael David, May 19

to HARLAN AND KATHY (GILLEY) HANSEN, Bethany, Okla., a girl, April Linnette, Apr. 30

to THOMAS AND SHELLEY (FAULK) JENKINS, Alexandria, La., a girl, Bethany Francene, Jan. 27

to RAY A. AND CHARLOTTE A. (SMITH) LOGHRY, Duncan, Okla., a boy, John Brendan, May 24

to REV. ROBERT E. AND DEBORAH (WHITE-HEAD) MASON, Beebe, Ark., a boy, Christopher Scott, Apr. 19

to JACK AND KAY (THOMAS) MYERS, Florence, S.C., a girl, April Kay, May 10

to DOUG AND ELAINE PERKINS, Portland, Ore., a girl, ELISE RENEE, June 3

to ED AND BERNITA (ASH) RUNYON, Olathe, Kans., a girl, Amy Marie, May 17

to BILL AND BECKY SELVIDGE, Delphi, Ind., a girl, Jennifer Lynn, May 31

to REV. AND MRS. CLARK STRUEBING, Naponee, Neb., a boy, Kelly Scott, May 9

to EUGENE AND KAREN WARD, Elkins, W.Va., a boy, Jeremy Eugene, May 3

to DANNY AND RACHEL (LYNCH) WRIGLEY, Beebe, Ark., a girl, Shanunna Marie, May 19

MARRIAGES

CATHY LAVONNE SPOTLOE and TERRY LEE MILLER at Philippi, W.Va., Apr. 7

JODI MARIE ABRAMS and DAVID AMES BROOKS at Keene, N.H., June 2

ANNIVERSARIES

May 16, the Lakeland, Fla., South Florida Heights Church honored MR. AND MRS. PORTER DARNALL with a reception to celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary. The Darnalls are from Buckhannon, W.Va., and spend their winters in Lakeland. Mr. and Mrs. Darnall are

93 and 91 years old respectively. Rev. John M. Gardner is the senior pastor of South Florida Heights.

REV. AND MRS. LLOYD DAWSON of Lansing, Mich. were the guests of honor May 26 at an open house to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. The event was hosted by their children and spouses: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mael. Mr. and Mrs. John Bott, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Dawson, all of Owosso, Mich.; and Miss Dora Dawson of Wisconsin. Rev. Dawson, who is retired, is a former pastor of various churches on the Michigan District. They have nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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THE ANSWER

CORNER

Conducted
by W. E.
McCumber,
Editor

So often I hear that questions sent in to the "Herald of Holiness" are never seen in print. Is it because so little space is allotted to the Answer Corner? Or are the questions considered so unimportant that they are discarded for those thought more special? Or is it that you have no adequate answer and no attempt is made to put it in print?

It would seem that there are so many people with questions who wait months and never see their question in print, that one or two more pages of Answer Corner might be the best investment the "Herald of Holiness" could make.

I have talked personally to folk that say not one of their questions ever appeared in the "Herald," even after special request and when it was of special interest to a Sunday school class or Bible study group.

Would you answer this question in the Answer Corner? Many of us need to know so please, no personal letter.

Most of the questions submitted to me are answered, either in this "corner," or in personal correspondence.

There is no way that questions can be immediately answered in this column. Copy for each issue of the *Herald* must be submitted six weeks before the issue date.

Many questions received are similar or identical to those already answered in print, and it would be pointless to keep repeating them.

It is necessary to keep the whole readership of the magazine in mind. What is of interest to one may not be of interest to many.

Lots of questions are demands for "official positions" on matters where the church has no official positions, but to keep repeating that in print seems to aggravate the questioner, judging by return mail.

Many questions are submitted by persons obviously seeking public ammunition for private quarrels. The *Herald* is not designed to intervene in problems that should be handled on the local church level.

To be frank, I do not always have an adequate answer. There are questions that no honest scholar can answer definitely and finally. Those who pretend to have all the answers are convincing only to themselves.

A question of interest to a Sunday school class or Bible study group, answered in a letter, can easily be taken to the group by the one getting the letter.

Many of the questions received could be readily handled by a phone call to the pastor, part of whose work is to teach the people. They are usually happy to do this.

I have no one to do research or share the writing for this "corner." It must be fitted into a full and busy schedule of activities. Honestly, I am trying to do my best within the limits of my time, knowledge, and ability, which are rather severe limits.

Your understanding and prayers will be deeply appreciated. □

Our pastor teaches that the church will be raptured after the Tribulation. Have we old-timers been wrong who preached that the Rapture would occur before the Tribulation?

There has never been full agreement on this issue, even among the old-timers. We have premillennialists and postmillennialists and amillennialists in the church, and we have pre-tribulation rapturists and post-tribulation rapturists among the premillennialists, just as most other denominations have. I think the church was wise in its refusal to make an issue, on which so many wise and good men differ, either a ground for fellowship or a condition of membership. Our "official position" is that Jesus is coming and we ought to be ready, but we are willing to live with charitable diversity in details of doctrine concerning Rapture, Tribulation, and Millennium. □

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COLLOQUIUM COMBINES CHURCH GROWTH PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE

The Institute of Church Management, a continuing education program of Olivet Nazarene College in Kankakee, Ill., devoted its entire curriculum May 28-31 to a Great Commission Colloquium on church growth principles.

Dr. Donald McGavran, founder of the world church growth movement, was the scheduled leader. He was unable to attend because of the nationwide grounding of DC-10 jetliners.

Two Nazarenes who are completing doctorates in the field of church growth became the instructors. They were Rev. Bill Sullivan, district superintendent of the North Carolina District, member of the Nazarene Scholars Symposium on Church Growth, and a doctoral candidate at Fuller Theological Seminary; and Rev. Kent Anderson, pastor of Eugene, Ore., First Church, and doctoral candidate in church growth with concentration on "gifted theology."

Rev. Sullivan provided the practical keynote to the colloquium when he drew upon research to identify an invisible barrier to church growth somewhere between 150 and 250 in membership.

Much of the teaching load at the colloquium fell on Rev. Anderson. He

NEWS OF EVANGELISM

Ferndale, Wash.: The church recently had a revival, Wednesday through Sunday with *Evangelist Wayne Lawson*. This was the first revival as a new home mission church in Ferndale, Wash. It was one of the best I have ever attended. Many were helped, some were saved, and others reclaimed. We closed with a healing service. □

—William M. Rogers, pastor

Chillicothe, Ohio, Westside Church has recently experienced a great revival with *Evangelist Terry Edwards* of Frederick, Okla. Over 40 people responded at the altar during the week-long campaign. Rev. Edwards's messages were dynamic and spiritually uplifting. Backsliders were reclaimed, believers were sanctified, and members of church leadership reached a deeper relationship with God. □

—C. William Parsons, pastor

Altus, Ark.: The church experienced an excellent revival with the pas-

tors on the Fort Smith Zone as the evangelists. Through prayer and the moving of the Holy Spirit, eight young people were saved, one lady was reclaimed, and many of the congregation received spiritual help. □

—Dave L. Biggs, pastor

THE CHURCH SCENE

The first **Golden Agers' Retreat** sponsored by the **South Carolina District** was held at the campground, April 20-21 under the direction of Rev. Harry Widener. Fifty-one Golden Agers were in attendance for a time of inspiration, recreation, and fellowship.

Morning devotions were brought by Rev. Marion Pressley. Rev. E. N. Gunter, retired elder, brought two outstanding messages: "Called unto Holiness" and "The Heritage of Our Church." The group participated in a discussion on "These Changing Times," moderated by Rev. Widener. A singspiration time produced solos, duets, and instrumental numbers by volunteers. □



Dr. Raymond W. Hurn and Dr. John Riley dialogued before the colloquium participants.

provided a step-by-step recitation of how the Oregon Plan for Church Planting grew directly out of an indepth study of the Word of God.

The Oregon Pacific District, under the leadership of District Superintendent Carl Clendenen, recruited 30 pioneer pastors to start new churches in Oregon this summer.

Rev. Anderson teamed with Rev. Sullivan on the final day for an application of the biblical teaching on spiritual gifts to the spiritual nature of church growth itself.

As Dr. Hurn also told the Colloquium, "There is no church growth unless someone is converted."

Dr. John Riley, president-emeritus of Northwest Nazarene College and consultant to the Department of World Mission, attended each session.

When asked for his comment, Dr. Riley said, "Praise the Lord and pass the ammunition. It's almost as if the Lord has given a special vision from heaven. I'm almost ready to go back



Some of the participants

and start a home mission church someplace myself."

Sullivan and Anderson also held a question-and-answer period in which they responded to questions from the seminar audience.

In presenting the Oregon Plan for Church Planting, Rev. Anderson referred to the doctrine of the harvest as presented in John 4. "We are told to look on the fields," he said, adding that the Greek word for "look" was a word denoting intense study "as if under a microscope."

He added, "The scripture . . . plainly tells us that the harvest is great and Luke 10:2 tells us that the only reason that the harvest is not being reaped is because of a shortage of laborers."

This became the backbone of the Oregon Plan for Church Planting.

- (1) Thorough research
- (2) The time of harvest is now
- (3) The harvest is great
- (4) Recruit laborers

The Oregon Church Growth Committee formulated a plan of organization based on the scriptural doctrine



Rev. Kent Anderson . . . "We must value what God values . . . God values people."

of the harvest and set it into motion by recruiting laborers.

The Oregon Plan for Church Planting is patterned after the mission district development as outlined in the *Manual*.

A sponsoring agency is required. Usually the sponsoring agency is a local church. In at least one instance, the sponsoring agency is a consortium of local churches in the Eugene-Springfield metropolitan area where plans currently are to launch 20 new churches.

As soon as the pioneer pastor has gathered a group of people who declare their intention to become a fully organized church, that location is termed a "preaching point."

A district master-planning team then develops a plan and when that plan is approved, the work is designated a chapel.

The new work continues in the chapel status until it is self-supporting, self-governing, and self-propagating.

Such are defined as meaning the organization could sustain a 15 percent loss in financial support or membership or both in a single year and continue as a viable organization.

The work then becomes a fully organized Church of the Nazarene.



Rev. Bill Sullivan . . . "in a word, change."

The invisible barrier that seems to prevent churches from growing beyond the 150 to 200 mark was identified by Rev. Sullivan as "in a word, change."

"A church of 300 is a different kind of organization from a church of 100," Rev. Sullivan said. "A church of 100 is a big, happy family. A church of 300 is an organization."

"A small church is not a microcosm of a large church," Sullivan said. The small church is what sociologists have defined as a primary group. It can only grow to the limit of its members



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to maintain intimate, trusting, and knowledgeable relations with each other. When that limit is reached, usually at 50 to 75 persons, growth stops.

The larger church is an organization composed of more than one primary group.

The best way to penetrate the invisible barrier is forcefully and rapidly. Sullivan pictured the containment of growth as a cube with three dimensions represented by place, program, and personnel. He suggested several

strategies including (1) a great revival, (2) a bus ministry, (3) a programmed blitz.

Sullivan concentrated his remarks on the third strategy which he called the programmed blitz. This concentrates time and money on a certain time frame for evangelism after carefully planning to contain the results of growth by expanding the physical facilities, the program, and personnel.

This blitz could take the form of national personalities, music groups, newspaper and television program-

ming, intensified personal evangelism, etc.

Accelerating through the "invisible barrier," Sullivan said, provides a viable option for the church that intends to grow.

This blending of the church growth theory and practice between the district assembly in Bend, Ore., and the colloquium in Kankakee, Ill., created what Home Mission Executive Director Raymond W. Hurn called a "watershed moment" in the Church of the Nazarene. □

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

by BERNICE E. BELDEN
Spokane, Washington

LARRY AND LESLIE and their darling little two-year-old son, Ryan, were our new neighbors. I'm not normally a particularly curious person, but we were especially interested in this young couple. They were our closest neighbors, and we had been told before they moved in that Larry had leukemia.

Before many days passed, we were chatting back and forth over the fence. Then we got to visiting each other . . . a Coke with them in their yard . . . a Pop-sicle on our deck. We became comfortable with them and learned to love little Ryan. We even set up a pair of sawhorses—one on each side of the fence for easier access.

My husband witnessed to Larry but he didn't seem interested in spiritual things at first. Larry was in remission now and seemed to think he was going to be all right physically and would have time to think about God later. But now and then, he would let Ralph know that he was searching and felt a need to have the hunger in his heart satisfied.

Then Larry got sick and entered the hospital. Our hearts burned with desire to share our Lord with this precious couple whom we had grown to love so dearly.

We began to pray.

Larry was in and out of the hospital.

We became closer.

He grew worse.

We prayed harder, and fasted.

One November morning while Larry was in the hospital for the third time, I saw Leslie drive up into her driveway. Until that day, I had never had the experience of having the Lord speak to me. That morning, the Lord said, "Get out on the deck." I quickly grabbed the broom with the pretense of

sweeping. I tried to be careful because I didn't want to appear to be a snoopy neighbor.

When I got out there, Leslie walked over to the fence. She seemed in utter agony; she leaned against the fence without saying a word. I ran down the flight of steps two at a time. Not a word was spoken, she just slumped into my arms sobbing with grief.

Finally, when she could talk, she cried out, "They just told me it is terminal—it's not fair—it's not fair! Our little son needs his daddy." In that moment, Les became as precious to me as a daughter. God gave me words—"Les, don't become bitter, bitterness changes you. You are too sweet and precious. Les, please stay that way."

Within the hour, I was down to see our pastors. Between sobs, I told Pastor Tapley and our associate pastor about Larry's hunger for something, he knew not what. Without a moment's hesitation, they were both on the way to the hospital. They followed through, visiting Larry and counseling Leslie continuously for two months. When Larry died in January, Leslie was not alone. Our pastor and his wonderful wife were by their sides. Praise God!

Larry had given his heart to the Lord and expressed his desire to "be a Nazarene." Leslie followed through. After experiencing a very real conversion, she joined our church and now teaches the first grade Sunday school class. Praise God! Since that day at the fence, I have never heard Leslie repeat those words of bitterness.

Another miracle! Last week we had the privilege of seeing Leslie's sister, Teri, accept the Lord through a small, intimate Bible study. I thank the Lord that our pastor's wife took time out of her busy schedule to lead the Bible study and be prepared to share step-by-step the plan of salvation.

Sunday, there were nine people in our church because of Leslie's influence! How glad I am for the neighbor to neighbor witnessing that has led to a whole chain of spiritual victories. □

**"By ALL MEANS...
Save Some"**

JORDEN TO SPEAK AT NMAF

Dr. Paul J. Jorden of Wheaton, Ill., will speak at the Nazarene Medical Action Fellowship at Breech Academy, Kansas City, Kans., August 31—September 1.



Dr. Jorden is a graduate of Northwestern University Medical School. He is a specialist in Orthopedic surgery at Carol Stream, Ill.

He has been a Sunday school teacher of high school and college students, as well as young married couples, for more than 25 years.

He and Mrs. Jorden have nine children and two grandchildren.

The entire family spent one year in Africa on a short-term mission experience. He has had five other short-term missions with part of the family.

For the past 20 years Dr. Jorden has been active in the leadership of the Christian Medical Society.

Dr. A. F. Crumley, who was elected president of NMAF in 1978, urged Nazarene physicians to plan to attend the conclave. He said that in addition to Dr. Jorden's address, the conference would hear Dr. Jerald Johnson, executive director of the Department of World Mission, and Dr. Orville W. Jenkins, general superintendent.

Nazarene Medical Action Fellowship which was established three years ago, has already established an enviable record both in assisting in emergencies, such as the earthquake in Guatemala and starvation in Haiti. It has also been helpful in arranging short-term experiences for doctors in mission hospitals where they are sorely needed. □

—NCN

JAMAICA STRUCK BY FLOODS

Heavy rains and flooding have made 150,000 people homeless in the western part of Jamaica recently. District Superintendent Noel Williams says that some of these are Nazarenes.

At least one church and another parsonage have been damaged. Communications are out but it is known that some Nazarenes have lost everything but the clothes they had on. The Department of World Mission has sent money from Hunger and Disaster Funds for immediate relief. More will be needed.

Executive Director of the Department of World Mission Dr. Jerald Johnson said he was grateful that

there were funds that he could turn to in such an emergency. He hopes that soon the fund will be replenished by gifts so that other such unexpected tragedies can be helped. □

—NCN

CHURCH BUILDING PURCHASED IN NAMIBIA

A ground unit of a building that was originally planned as a three-story Dutch Reformed Church was purchased in Windhoek by the Church of the Nazarene.

Since all church-designated property has been taken in the capitol city, this purchase made it possible for the denomination to have its first church in Namibia.

At present, the building has a flat roof. Rev. Harmon Schmelzenbach, district superintendent, says, "We hope that as soon as possible funds will be available for us to put an A-frame roof on with some much needed classroom space."

The German and Afrikaans European congregation numbers around 50. □

—NCN

HAITI CHURCH DISPERSES CANADIAN FOOD

"FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY," a Canadian humanitarian group, sent \$32,000 worth of foodstuff to the Haitian Church of the Nazarene to be distributed to undernourished people there. The Canadian government absorbed the \$10,000 cost of the shipment.

The three containers of foodstuff left Montreal by ship May 22. It was consigned to Mr. Charles Morrow, Nazarene missionary in Port-au-Prince. □

—NCN

SALGADO ON "LA HORA NAZARENA" IN 1980

Rev. Jonathan Salgado, missionary in Guatemala, is the speaker on "La Hora Nazarena" during January, February, and March, 1980.

"La Hora Nazarena," the Spanish-language program of the Church of the Nazarene, is broadcast on 375 stations covering the Spanish-speaking areas of the world. This broadcast is financed by the World Mission Radio offering which is received in local Nazarene churches throughout the world in July. □



Jonathan Salgado was born in Honduras. He is a fruit of Christian missionary activity. He graduated from the Nazarene Spanish-American Seminary in San Antonio, and received his master's degree from Point Loma College in San Diego.

He has done pastoral work in Idaho and California. Before being assigned to his present post of director of the Nazarene Theological Institute in Guatemala City, in 1975 he taught at the European Nazarene Bible College in Switzerland. He is currently a guest lecturer at extension classes of Nazarene Theological Seminary in Mexico City.

The preparatory school which he now heads, Nazarene Theological Institute, serves the Church in Central America, Colombia, and the Dominican Republic. □

—NCN

PASTOR'S WIFE ROBBED AND MURDERED

Mrs. Norma Page, whose husband, James, is the pastor of the St. Cloud, Fla., church, was robbed and murdered June 21.

An assailant entered the parsonage while her husband was away at a youth camp, and took her and her two children (Adam, four; and Stephen, two) hostage. He forced them to go with him to the drive-through bank where Mrs. Page was made to cash her husband's salary check. He then returned to the parsonage, beat the pastor's wife to death, and escaped.

The police have not made an arrest as yet. The lieutenant in charge of the case is a member of the St. Cloud church.

Mrs. Page was president of the NYI in the St. Cloud church, a church of about 50 members on the Central Florida District.

The community has been shocked and deeply moved by the tragedy. A large crowd attended the funeral June 25, which was conducted by Dr. J. V. Morsch, district superintendent, and was held in the Baptist church because of the crowd. Members of the Ministerial Association were the pall bearers.

Rev. James Page spoke in his own pulpit Sunday morning, using as his text, Psalm 37:1: "Fret not thyself because of evildoers . . ." A large altar service followed his message.

At the funeral he again testified, telling the community how God's grace had sustained him, and that he held no bitterness. □

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