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## Pay as You Leave

General Superintendent Young

SIN is of such a nature that it seldom demands, on first indulgence, full or complete payment of the attendant price. Rather, it operates frequently with a beginning deposit that is small, to be followed inevitably with easy, regular payments that are eternal. Sometimes a large demand note appears after a period of light payments. But whether gradual or sudden, the breakdown always follows. Then comes the shocking revelation of sin's folly. The gaiety of the Prodigal Son disappeared with his money. But with the awakening, wisdom entered in. Penitent, he arose and went to his father.

There are too many today who never seem to realize their need. At least they crush any feeling of guilt as ignoble, throw off hint of their own inadequacy as expression of weakness. These are they whose bank balances remain until the end. After they have paid for the drinks there is still enough money left for tips and then another spree. They are too clever to run afoul with the law; they know the right people. Even when their own homes fall apart for lack of integrity, they try again with another partner whose record is equally shoddy.

Even God seems to have nothing to say to them, for they won't listen. Sunday is a convenient accident of industrial life, for pleasure or for overtime. The Bible itself seems archaic and rather dull, likewise the church and her ministry; for while they sing the story of the Cross, it all seems so whimsical, so curiously unreal. Sin is so fashionable.

With such as these Augustine described God's helplessness: "God wants to give us something, but cannot, because our hands are full—there's nowhere for Him to put it."

But the crash will come. These moral houses must fall, for they are built on the shifting sands of sin's false security. Winds, rains, and floods are inevitable. Only those who have built on Him who is the truth will abide. In that terrible hour of judgment the recent comfort of company will dissolve with the storm. Alone, every man must face God with his own sin. Oh, while there is yet mercy, flee to the Rock, for that rock is Christ!

*For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord (Romans 6:23).*

## TELEGRAMS

**Louisville, Kentucky**—Broadway Church of the Nazarene, Louisville, just closed the greatest revival in its history with Rev. Holland B. London, pastor of First Church in St. Louis, Missouri. Nearly three hundred people sought God to be saved or sanctified in seven nights. On Sunday, December 2, over \$6,000 was raised for new pews. This church, under the leadership of Rev. D. D. Lewis, pastor, has become one of the outstanding churches in the movement.—**L. T. WELLS, Superintendent of Kentucky District.**

**Walla Walla, Washington**—Northwest District, under the effective leadership of District Superintendent E. E. Zachary, has seen a gain of over eight hundred in average Sunday-school attendance for each of the last two months. Over eighteen thousand visits reported in five-week visitation program. Dr. and Mrs. A. S. London have just concluded a successful and inspirational three-month tour with services in forty-seven churches. God is blessing in a wonderful way.—**J. PAUL DOWNEY, Northwest District Church School Board Chairman.**

**Portland, Oregon**—Organized two churches near Portland, December 9; Gresham, with twenty members; Ardenwald, fifteen; B. F. Wininger and C. W. Millen respective pastors. Good prospects. Both churches operated as missions since before last assembly.—**W. D. McGRAW, JR., Superintendent of Oregon Pacific District.**

## NEWS IN BRIEF

Rev. I. F. Younger has resigned as pastor of First Church in Huntington, Indiana, to accept the appointment as pastor of First Church in Nampa, Idaho.

Rev. James W. McNeely has resigned the pastorate in Auburn, California, due "to his prolonged illness and failure to make such improvement as would enable him to resume his pastoral duties in the near future."

After nine years as pastor of the church at Collegeville, Arkansas, Rev. M. H. Kirkpatrick has resigned to enter the evangelistic field.

Pastor J. B. Rice sends words from Olive Hill, Kentucky: "Revival spirit is on; over \$250 pledged last Sunday (Dec. 2) for revival. Looking for best revival in history of church."

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## If I Am Too Busy—

**By J. Kenneth Grider**

**I**F I AM busy learning, then that is good. God calls me to equip my mind for His service; and He does not miraculously do the equipping for me. He expects me to acquire it the tedious, laborious way. But if I am too busy learning—even if I should be in a Nazarene institution—to do visitation evangelism, then I am too busy.

If I am busy earning that, too, is good. God expects me to work for my keep and for the keep of those for whom I am responsible. To go about my daily work, therefore, is certainly within God's purpose for me. But even although my work is of a constructive nature, and even if I tithe and give offerings of all I receive, if I am too busy earning to do visitation evangelism, then I am too busy.

If I am busy burning, that, of course, is good. If my heart is aflame with Christ's love, and if that experience is sending me forth to burn out my life in Christ's service, then I am fulfilling the chief purpose for which I was redeemed. But if I am too busy doing Christ's work, whatever the phase of it which engages me, to do visitation evangelism, then I am too busy.

If I am physically and mentally well, and if I am a Nazarene, whether I am a layman or a minister, a leader or a follower, I am too busy with other tasks if I am too busy to knock at Mrs. Smith's door and engage myself personally in this Mid-Century Crusade for Souls.

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*And they all with one consent began to make excuse (Luke 14:18).*

They had no reasonable excuse to offer for refusing to attend the wedding supper, so they had to manufacture one.—**EARLE F. WILDE.**

## Our Promises to Pray:

At the close of many a conversation, you have said, "Pray for me," and I have said, "Yes. You pray for me." And each of us has gone his way and done nothing about it.

Wouldn't it be better if we took more seriously our promises to pray? Wouldn't it be better if we said, when necessary, "I'm sorry, but really, I haven't the time"? Perhaps then we would get to where we really would do more praying.

Just so long as we treat lightly our promises to pray, just that long will we treat carelessly the Throne of Grace.—**C. G. McCAULL.**

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# Revival Tide Is Rising in Guatemala

## General Superintendent Williamson

**I**T IS ALMOST four years since my last visit to our Nazarene mission in Guatemala. The progress of the work in all its phases in that period of time is indeed gratifying.

Our veteran missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. Robert Ingram, who have been in leadership on the field for so many years, have always known that the first and foremost responsibility is the evangelization of the area occupied by the Church of the Nazarene. Therefore, they have been steadily lengthening their cords each year. As a result, we have thirty-one organized churches. We have now entered the capital city. There we have a good church and a promising mission. The plan is to establish a number of churches in this thriving metropolis in the immediate future. Many other communities have been opened to the preaching of the gospel. As is to be expected, the progress has been accelerated in these recent years. There are more than one thousand in full membership in the church, and at least five hundred hold probationary membership.

In the assembly there were between eighty and ninety persons who had the power to vote. The work of the assembly was done in a most thorough and systematic manner. The national pastors and delegates bear practically all the responsibility save that of chairmanship. Perfect freedom was enjoyed by them in discussions and decisions.

The most inspiring part of the assembly was the ready and large response to evangelistic appeals. In three days there were four exceptionally fruitful altar services. The messages were very effectively translated by Rev. Honorato Reza, editor of the publications of the Spanish Department of the Nazarene Publishing House in Kansas City. Once he preached with power and blessing without interruption by his traveling companion. A large measure of the credit, humanly speaking, for the success in soul saving was due to his able ministry as interpreter and preacher.

This response to the altar call was a noticeable contrast to my experience on the occasion of both of my previous visits. This is evidence that the revival spirit is rising and that the stream of salvation in Guatemala is gathering momentum and power. These results are not the fruit of a few days' ministry; they could be witnessed only because the seed has been sown by missionaries and national workers in the months and years preceding. Now the harvest is being gathered. The revival tide is coming in.

There are other signs of progress in the field also. A new Bible training school is being built. It will teach not only the Bible but vocational guidance, and preparation will also be given to the students. In other respects the educational program is being broadened and deepened.

Medical work is limited in Guatemala, but there are now three nurses on the missionary staff and also several national nurses. A fine young man is an advanced student in medical school. A mobile dispensary could be used to great advantage in the remote and more inaccessible villages.

Brother William Sedat is making a splendid contribution to the work among the Indians by reducing their language to writing and translating the New Testament.

The number of young people has increased noticeably. They are also showing greater capacity for leadership. It was my honor and privilege to ordain three promising young preachers.

Nowhere are we more successfully developing a national church. In the spirit of self-reliance and aggressiveness the Guatemala people excel. They are developing leadership qualities steadily. Best of all, there was a wonderful spirit of fellowship and Christian love among missionaries and nationals and between the two groups. There are great days ahead for the Church of the Nazarene in Guatemala.

## LINKED BY LOVE (6)

By T. M. Anderson\*

*If a man love me, he will keep my words (John 14:23).*

**I**N THIS study we continue to place emphasis upon keeping the words of our Lord. Let us ever have in mind the fact that our love and obedience link us with His promise to manifest himself. If we keep His words, He will faithfully keep His promise.

The Saviour manifests himself in His words about peace. "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid" (v. 27).

Christ came into the world to guide our feet into the way of peace; and just before He left this world, He gave us His words of peace. Where in all this turbulent and restless world can one find abiding peace except in Jesus?

He left His peace with us at Calvary, where He planted His invincible cross for all men to see that they can be justified by faith and have peace with God. Our God planned peace for us in His immutable Son before the hill called Calvary was ever carved on the wrinkled face of mother earth, and long before the first tree had grown in her fertile soil. When the first man failed to keep God's words, peace departed from the earth; but God promised to return this forfeited inheritance by sending us the Prince of Peace.

The inspired prophets saw Him in the words of God; and men of great faith obtained His

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peace by believing the words of God. Jesus of Nazareth, a Man approved of God, is the Author of our peace. He was the Man of Sorrows, "who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree." He suffered that we might have peace through the blood of His cross.

Jesus said, "My peace I give unto you." When He said, "My peace," He directed attention to the peace which He possessed in His own divine nature. In these words He promises to impart His own peace to our troubled hearts.

We are witnesses to this truth if we know the joy of saving grace. We know the peace imparted to the heart when the Saviour pardons our sins. We know the deep, settled peace of soul that is imparted by the sanctifying grace of Christ. This peace is not of this world, but it can be experienced in this world through faith in Jesus. Blessed Lord, be pleased to keep our hearts and minds in Thy peace. Enable us to keep these words of peace in our hearts.

## The Revival We Need (1)

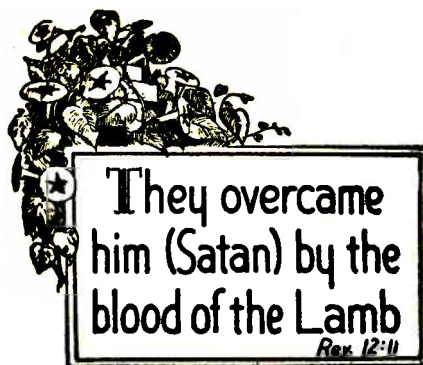
By Vernon L. Wilcox\*

WHEN THE WORD revival is used, our minds immediately turn to the ordinary concept of revival: an "outside" evangelist, a singer or some musicians, a given time of the year, catchy publicity, and possibly a little sensationalism. Granted that some of these things are very essential, and all may have some value, yet none of them is fundamentally important, so that we could say that God never comes in revival power without that particular one. Some of the great spiritual upheavals, notably the Welsh revival, had almost none of the above elements.

This is not to decry proper advertising, choice of time, and, most of all, the prayerful choice of effective and Spirit-filled workers. But we must realize that a revival is subjective before it can be objective. When the church has been sufficiently stirred, there is no way to keep the church from stirring the unsaved world. Paul and Silas received some free publicity from the town council at Thessalonica: "These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also." When God has His way with our hearts and with our churches, sinners will be affected and converted.

*We need a revival of enthusiasm.* There was a time when it meant something to have special services. Men planned their work to allow time to attend camp meeting or revival, women got their families ready in time to attend, and children considered it a privilege to go. Today we are confronted with an anomalous situation. Many church members have no intention of attending the night services of their own church (even on Sunday, not to mention week nights). Many other church members go because of a sense of duty, and hope the preacher won't hold them past nine o'clock. Families seldom go as a unit, and less

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often sit together in family groups. Children who can go to any other kind of meeting and participate in any other kind of activity are not encouraged to attend a revival meeting, for reasons of rest or study.

Possibly we cannot go back to the old ways or the old days in every regard. Perhaps some excuses are valid, and we will doubtless have to recognize the fact that some are kept away for good reasons on occasion. Very likely more enter into the situation than we have been able to show in a few sentences. Yet it will be almost universally accepted as a fact that we do desperately need a revival of enthusiasm in the church. While some churches are closing on Sunday night and eliminating revivals from their schedules, we need to arouse ourselves and make our evangelistic efforts more effective by soul passion, holy zeal, and fervent enthusiasm.

A little girl came home from church one Sunday morning and was asked by her father what the preacher had preached about. She replied that she had not been able to understand the text—that it was something about a big animal of some kind (a seal, she thought) that was eating up the church. Her father finally remembered that verse which says, "The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up," and said: "I don't think you need to worry. I know that church pretty well, and there is no danger of its being eaten up with zeal!" How true that is of so many of our churches! Oh, that we might awaken from our drowsiness, and be consumed with zeal for God's house and God's work!

*We need a revival of personal devotion.* I believe that our Christians today are as sincere as they have ever been, that they want to do God's will, but that generally speaking there is a spiritual leanness prevalent in the Church. We are low on vitality because we are low on vitamins. Nothing can take the place of Bible reading and prayer. It does not matter how valid we think our excuse is for not spending more time in personal devotion—the effects of failure along this line will be just as disastrous. In order to live, we must eat and breathe. The Word of God is our bread, and prayer is the breath of spiritual life. There can be no substitutes for these.

It is alarming how little time most Christians take for these most essential practices. So many

of us pray just enough "to keep from backsliding," or do we? A revival of personal heart devotion and intercessory prayer is greatly needed today—prayer that loses sight of time and place and people, and holds on until the victory comes. Not long ago I heard Billy Graham say that anyone could have had the results he had had if the same backing of prayer were given.

Whether we would agree with this humble servant of God or not, we surely must realize that the fundamental, motivating power of a revival is heart-searching, interceding prayer. Without it there are spiritual failure, futility, and fruitlessness; with prayer having its rightful place in our lives and churches, there are spiritual victory, power, and salvation.

*(To be concluded)*

## Pentecost and Preaching

By Ross E. Price\*

JUST AS the experience of the Pentecostal baptism with the Holy Spirit made a great difference in the effectiveness of Peter's witnessing and preaching, so it has done with preachers since his day.

Men have labored with woeful ineffectiveness to promote the cause of Christ and the gospel until their hearts were cleansed and empowered by the Holy Spirit. Such was the case with men like Wesley, Moody, Finney, and Bresee. Some of us have heard personal testimony from some of our leading present-day evangelists to the fact that their fruitfulness was multiplied once their hearts had been purified.

Such was the case with John Tauler, of the fourteenth century. His preaching attracted large attendance and was doing much good in the city of Strasbourg. Then he experienced a "second blessing." A certain pious layman from near Basel who was a member of the mystic order known as "the Friends of God" came to hear him preach. After listening to him several times, he sought an interview with the famous preacher and told him that he was not yet fully enlightened. He persuaded Tauler that he needed a further experience of things divine, which would achieve for him a true losing of himself in God.

Tauler was convicted. He gave up preaching, and with fasting and prayer sought this "higher life." After about two years of seeking, he found a new and more vivid spiritual life. Again he offered to preach at the cloister chapel. A large crowd gathered, but Tauler was so overcome with concern that he could not preach—he only stood before the people and wept. After some days a second opportunity came for him to preach. Now he spoke with such power that men and women groaned, wept, and fell under mighty conviction.

From then on, Tauler preached often and with great effectiveness. He spared nobody's sins, he felt for everybody's distresses, and was a faithful

prophet of the truth of God. He was able now to point each one to the Saviour as the only Refuge from sin. He also appealed to men to enter a holier life of real union with God.

We must consider John Tauler one of the most evangelical, devout, and effective preachers of his age. One often wonders how different the Reformation might have been had Luther, who was influenced by Tauler, experienced a similar "second blessing." But the world had to wait for the Wesleys of England to take up Tauler's emphasis and give it a central place in their experience and preaching.

Only a cleansed heart, free from all selfish motive and fully yielded to the will of God and the management of the Holy Spirit, will enable the preacher to speak with fruitfulness to the indifferent hearts and ears today. With the fire of purity in the intention, the love of God in the heart, and the passion for souls in every occasion of service, the truly sanctified minister becomes effective in turning men to God. Is it any wonder that Jesus commanded His followers to "tarry until" they were endued with this power from on high?

If we are to have more than a cold formality of professionalism in the pulpit today, our twentieth century preachers must be sanctified wholly. This alone gives one a heart united with pure motive, a lip anointed with burning truth, and a message that melts the evil heart of unbelief to surrender and obedience to the call to holiness.

Pentecost makes a difference in one's preaching. Let us ask God for men intelligently sanctified, to swell the ranks of those whom He has chosen as ambassadors of heaven. Then the messages they proclaim will be "good news" indeed and the results of their labors will be victories in abundance.

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## A Servant of the Lord

By Lloyd M. Hearn

*"A servant of the Lord"—how oft  
One with that humble name  
Has seemed to bear all heaven's hope,  
Heedless of fear or fame!*

*A Moses on a mountaintop,  
A Paul by tempest tossed—  
Elijah on a desert rock,  
And Christ upon the cross.*

*They dared the depths of worldly shame,  
And lost themselves for God;  
But from their loss a glory came,  
To light the way where saints have trod.*

*Then let me be the smallest slave  
Delighting in God's Word:  
In seasons glad, or seasons grave—  
"A servant of the Lord!"*

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## Reporting Results

**S**IX YEARS ago the Central Church of the Nazarene at Dayton, Ohio, had about ten members and no property.

At the recent district assembly this church reported 199 members, a fine church building paid out of debt this year, and a growing congregation eager to participate in the church's program of world evangelism.

Speaking of the \$2,974 which the church gave for the general program, Pastor G. B. Breese says: "This is a little better than 10 per cent. All of our other budgets and local bills are paid, with money in the treasury. We feel this success has been largely due to God's blessing because we have been liberal according to our ability to the cause of world missions. We plan to do more next year."

—GENERAL STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

## Personal Soul Winning

By Ernest W. Moore\*

**L**AST WEEK at our Young People's Institute on the San Antonio District, Rev. Ponder Gilliland spoke to us on "Personal Evangelism." I took those messages to heart and came back to my local church determined to do the work of a personal evangelist. Last Sunday I had my first opportunities and, by the help of the Lord, made the most of them. On a regular hospital call on one of my Sunday-school pupils, I had the opportunity to talk with an old man seventy-nine years old who was dying of heart trouble. After I had prayed a prayer with him, he smiled and took my hand and said: "It is all right between me and God." The last thing he said to me was, "Continue to pray for me." I am remembering him in prayer.

Later in the afternoon, I had my regular jail service at the county jail. I was determined to deal specifically with the men about their souls this Sunday afternoon, instead of dealing with them in a general way, as had been my previous custom. The Lord helped me to preach with the unction of the Holy Ghost that afternoon, and all during the sermon one young man wept behind those bars. After the benediction, I asked that young man to come aside with me and prayed definitely that the Lord Jesus would save him right there. He did, and I would that you might have seen that young man's face as he testified that Jesus had come into his heart.

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It works. Praise God, it works! At last I have found the secret to personal evangelism. The Mid-Century Crusade for Souls can be a huge success if we will all become personal evangelists.

## LAST NIGHT

### In Prayer Meeting

By Paul Steele

**L**AST NIGHT I observed the universal touch of Jesus, expressed in the prayer meeting testimonies. People from many walks of life were there, but each had one thing in common—a personal experience of salvation through Christ.

A middle-aged widow was there, having come twelve miles from her home in the country. Her face was drawn and lined, showing overwork was her common lot; her hands were calloused and knuckles were rough. Her straightly dropped hair was straggly; it had been black but was now generously gray. Her clothing was that of a poor woman. With incorrect grammar she testified to the joys of salvation and requested prayer on behalf of her unsaved loved ones. Christ was hers.

An elderly maiden lady soon stood; she had come from the office where her many years of faithful service had led to her being considered almost a fixture. She was neatly clothed and evidenced a considerable sense of security; as she stood there, well-poised, one could realize that, although she seemed to have a sense of well-being, it had come to her only by hard work. She testified to the saving and sanctifying grace of Jesus. Christ was hers.

A young father stood next. In the pew at his side were all of his family. His wife held the youngest child, and three other small children were seated there. The father was not well dressed, but he was very clean. Quietly he spoke of the confidence he had found within himself since he had found Jesus as his Saviour. He told of the inner peace and the assurance that were his, of how anxious he was each day to live a godly life in the presence of his family and fellow workmen; he told of the benefits his family derived from the family altar. After prayer meeting, his little family would get into an old car that was hardly dependable and drive five miles across the city to their home. Christ was theirs.

An elderly grandfather was next to testify. Years had taken their toll and now he stood quite bent and thin. He had been a hard-working farmer all his years. Just recently he had moved into town. He sat quite near the front of the auditorium; because his voice was low and quiet, only a few could hear him speak. But he was speaking of the inner strength that was his because of his Master. Christ was his.

A man well past middle years, but erect and solidly built, was standing next. His deportment was itself stately, and his words were well chosen.



He had once been a farmer and had cleared thousands of acres of timber, both for the lumber and also to make the soil tillable. In more recent years, however, he had gone into state government as a representative in the legislature. For years he had rubbed shoulders with governors, senators, educators, lawyers, and physicians. He spoke now as one of culture and experience, yet with humble thankfulness to God, as he told how wonderful it was to be saved and sanctified, with both experiences working and up-to-date! The legislator sat down. Christ was his.

The next to speak was a man of considerable means. He had been a successful businessman for many years. His home was almost a mansion at the edge of town. As he stood there, in tones softened with deep emotion, he told that it had been more than twenty-five years since Jesus had sanctified him in a revival meeting. He continued by saying that never once had he lost this grace in all those years, and that it was burning within his heart right then. Almost unable to speak because of such deep feelings within, he closed his testimony by saying, "I love Him more right now than ever before." Christ was his.

A high school girl was next. She was the only one of her Senior class who made a profession. She was alone at school, alone at her part-time job, and almost alone at home as far as being a

Christian was concerned. Her words were random and jumpy, but she told of her love for God and her determination to be true. Christ was hers.

A young widow stood. While very young she lost her husband and, with three small children to care for, she went to work. Her husband had once been a wealthy doctor, and the adjustment required now was almost beyond her ability. Nevertheless, she was working at a shop to earn the family income, and she was working at her home nights to keep it in order. She testified to the goodness of God in protecting her family while she was away, and to the real peace that was hers moment by moment through His grace. Christ was hers.

A college girl followed, then a schoolteacher, then a mother who had recently lost a son, then a nurse, then a farmer's wife, a carpenter, a small boy, a small girl, an elderly woman, a man out of work, a retired farmer, another schoolteacher, a lumberman, a housewife, then the pastor's wife. All testified to their love to God and to their devotion to His cause. Christ was personal to each of them; each one honored Him as his Lord. Those of high esteem were not vaunting themselves; those of the lower had no inhibitions; all had found real satisfaction in Jesus . . . the great Commoner of mankind.

And is this not the way of our Christ?

## Coming to Jesus

(Matthew 11:29)

By Fred Scott Shepard

*Come with your sins to the Saviour;  
Gracious He waits to forgive.  
Come and in Him find redemption,  
Cleansing and power to live.  
Why wander longer in darkness?  
Jesus will lighten your way.  
Open your heart to receive Him—  
Welcome the Saviour today.*

*Come with your griefs to the Saviour.  
Come unto Him and find rest;  
He is the great Burden-bearer—  
Coming to Him souls are blest.  
Weary ones here will find comfort;  
Burdened ones, happy release;  
For in the presence of Jesus  
Sorrow and sighing will cease.*

*Come with your joys to the Saviour.  
He is the God of all grace.  
Give Him your heart's adoration;  
Seek His safe guidance to trace.  
He, as a constant Companion,  
Shares all your pleasure and pain;  
Sanctifies all to His glory,  
Making life's mysteries plain.*



# The Cure of Quirks

By James Whitworth\*

NOT EVERYONE is crazy, but all of us do some queer things. Whether we like it or not, we are just about as funny as other people. We call these odd traits peculiarities.

The second crisis experience of grace does not eradicate these eccentricities. Carnality is something very different from personality quirks. Entire sanctification makes perfect within but not without. However, grace does have an effective way of improving personality. This process is known as growth in grace. When properly applied, it has a dynamic effect on every part of the person.

Holiness people sometimes terminate their dependency on grace when the sin principle is removed. This leads to many devastating perils. When the individual peculiarities are retained in their crude form under a cloak of holiness, the sanctified life is terribly misrepresented. Many potential candidates do not want the blessing because of the little things which they see in the lives of professors. Usually these inconsistencies grow out of human ailments which are not carnal in themselves. In the carnal state, abnormal behavior is to be expected; but in the sanctified life, these odd traits must not be encouraged. The most obnoxious thing is for one to become proud of his eccentricities. Occasionally, one flaunts his stupidity as a mark of superior individuality. When it comes to this, there can no longer be holiness in the life.

Little good would be accomplished by naming such idiosyncrasies. You might not recognize your own fault; yet everyone knows the little things

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## An Early Exemplar

By Norman C. Schlichter

*I wish I could have known her,  
That Christian praised by Paul,  
Phoebe, helper of many—  
Would we were Phoebes all,*

*Whose names are on church records,  
Who go to Sunday schools,  
Who live within the bound'ries  
Of general church rules.*

*Would we were genuine Phoebes,  
Helping far and wide  
Many in need around us;  
Living to divide*

*Things of the spirit gladly,  
And as gladly our daily bread,  
With others whose souls and bodies  
Are in need of being fed.*

that should be eliminated. Our best friends will not tell us what is really wrong with us. However, grace has a way of refining the personality and making it glow with the beauty of holiness. "The man with a shining face" is not always the instantaneous product of the second work of grace. It is rather the inevitable result of a holy man's close walk with God.

## "He That Winneth Souls Is Wise"

By Ralph Fox\*

THE MAIN thing in the hearts and minds of individuals in the world today is knowledge and wisdom—that is, knowledge of the material world, and what one can do in order to get ahead. The Word of God tells us that wisdom comes from God. "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally" (James 1:5).

Wisdom from God cannot be obtained for material and selfish purposes. God says, "He that winneth souls is wise" (Prov. 11:30). Wisdom is given as we are willing to use wisdom.

How is it possible for me to be a soul winner? Can I be a soul winner if I have not been called to a special work—preaching or singing? If God does not see fit to call me, what can I do? The answer to these questions comes in two words—*personal work*. Personal workers today have the greatest opportunity of all for winning souls.

Sometimes we sit back and wait for a special opportunity to do something for God instead of using our seemingly small opportunities to win souls.

A story is told of a prospector who took his pan and went to the stream to search for gold. He saw several small nuggets, but passed them by and let the water wash them on down the current of the stream. He was waiting for a large nugget, so he could be rich all at once. He let the little nuggets slip through his fingers and wash away. Had he taken advantage of his opportunity, he would have grasped all the small nuggets, placed them in his bag, and taken them to the furnace, where they would be melted, the impurities taken out, and the little ones all together would have made the large nugget he wanted.

We are prospectors. The people of the world are the sand; the stream is life. Some of the people are gold nuggets mixed with the sand. When we wait for an opportunity to win someone important, or to do a great deed, it is as the prospector who looked for the large nugget. We let these small nuggets (what we call "small" people) slip through our fingers and wash on down the stream of life. If we are wise, and take advantage of every opportunity as personal workers, we will grasp the small opportunities which

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we have. Bring that "little" nugget to the furnace of God; let him be melted by repentance, the impurities taken out by sanctification, and let him mingle with the saints and become a part of that "great nugget" called *The Kingdom of God*.

"He that winneth souls is wise." Take advantage of your opportunity and be a personal worker among those with whom you come in contact each day. They are as the little nuggets; we can grasp them and bring them in, or we can let them slip through our fingers and be washed down the stream of life—maybe never to be found by another prospector.

"He that winneth souls is wise." *Be a personal worker!*

## LET THERE BE LIGHT

By Bernie Smith\*

### "Daddy Didn't Come!"

I HAD BEEN speaking in the city of Honolulu for nearly two weeks before I found opportunity to go to the harbor and watch the "Luraline," a great white ship that makes periodic runs from Los Angeles to Honolulu, come into port. I shall never forget it. As the great white ship moved into port, I saw her flags waving in the Pacific breeze. The metal of the ship glistened, and I saw the passengers lined on the decks. As it drew nearer, the Royal Hawaiian Band began to play and there were few whose eyes were not moist. I noticed that passengers on board and the people in the waiting crowd began to scan each other, looking for familiar faces. I could always tell when a loved one had seen his own, for he began to cry and shout aloud. Then I remembered how the early preachers used to draw such an analogy and say that there would be a similar sight when the Ship of Zion pulled into the Haven of Rest.

One man on deck completely lost control of himself. He was so filled with joy that he began to jump up and down and shout, "I'm home! I'm home!" I expect to do that someday when my ship pulls into the harbor.

After the passengers had disembarked and the crowd had dispersed, I turned to leave. I chanced to pass a woman whose young child was weeping aloud. As I passed I heard him say between his sobs, "Mommy, Daddy didn't come, did he?"

I am determined to stay true. I want to so live and so preach that I shall be on board when the ship comes into the harbor—for there are those who are expecting me to be there, and I must not disappoint them.

How sad it would be if someone should be standing on the shores of the celestial city watching the Ship of Zion come into harbor, and then would turn away sadly saying, "He didn't come!"

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## The Master of Time

By Lyle Prescott

*The sands of time are running fast.  
The days are slipping by;  
The years more slowly, yet as surely,  
Come to birth, then age and die.*

*One by one the centuries vanish;  
At last e'en ages go!*

*Is there power to master time?*

*Is there a way to congeal its flow?*

*Yes, He who made this temporal gauge  
Can cancel out its power.*

*But He, to gain the vital seed,  
Scheduled first the flower.*

*When all the Kingdom use of time  
Shall have been well fulfilled,*

*Then God's angel shall command*

*All clocks to stop and suns stand still.*

*What need of sun with Christ to shine  
Through all eternity?*

*What need of clocks to measure hours  
With Christ fore'er with me?*

*That changeless One shall disannul  
Decay and age and time;*

*And all who in His presence dwell  
Shall enjoy an endless prime!*

## The Security of Discipline

By Hazel C. Lee\*

THE FACT that discipline can mean security came to me very forcibly after the birth of our third child, Grant. My older son was away in boarding school and our daughter was three and one-half years old. She seemed to love her new baby brother but could not control the jealousy she felt because of him. She seemed at loose ends, crying when he cried, wanting attention when I had to care for him. She was miserable and so were we! For several days we gave in to her, giving all love and no discipline. It didn't help matters. She went from bad to worse. Then we decided we'd better treat her as we always had and not be so indulgent, adding firmness and discipline as it was needed. At first she was a bit startled, and then she seemed to relax and be happy in the world of love and discipline that she had always been used to. It did not cure the jealousy all at once, but it helped her to adjust to a new situation.

I've often wondered what we would be like if God always made our lives easy and soft. How spoiled we would become! How absolutely useless and immature! If life flowed around us soft and sweet, like molasses, we would become en-

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tangled in a sugary existence and get nowhere. "Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." Strange comfort? Not at all. The touch of His staff to my foot means He is there, caring where I go and what I do.

Discipline of the heart was learned by our Christ. "Not my will, but thine." "Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered." How can a man dare ask to do less than the Son of God?

Discipline of the mind is learned to a rare degree by missionaries. You need to live on a mission field to realize the great forces of darkness that would seek to warp and twist the mind out of shape. We have carried the banner across the lines into Satan's own territory, and there are times when heathen shadows hang around the soul like a shroud until the Star of Hope is barely visible. The mind would rear up like a great, traitorous monster to betray one's thinking into channels of doubt and fear. But there is no panic or despair to those who dwell in the secret place of the Most High. It is praise, pure and simple, that disperses the shadows and brings joy like sunrise into the tortured mind.

Discipline of the body in the larger sense is learned by us all. The desire for sleep can choke out the desire for prayer until we sleep away moments which should be sparkling with the presence of God. The desire for light reading to get away from the problems of the day can rob the soul of the great feasts awaiting us in the devotional books lying dusty on our bookshelves. Keeping our body under often means forsaking the perfectly legitimate for a life of service "beyond the call of duty." It means stretching our soul to its utmost capacity to live as Jesus lived.

To expect to become a spiritual giant without bending the will and heart to the storms of discipline is just as foolish as to plant an acorn in a small earthen pot and expect a mighty oak tree in a hothouse.

*I learn, as the years roll onward  
And I leave the past behind,  
That much I had counted sorrow  
But proves that God is kind.*

Only in eternity will we know the why of things (if we are still interested in asking, after seeing Jesus). But until then, let us rest in the security of the discipline He gives us from His great heart of love.



Set a watch  
O Lord,  
before my mouth.

Ps. 141:3

## Living by Faith

By H. J. S. Blaney\*

**M**EN OF FAITH always have been of great activity. Faith that waits until God moves is effective only after faith that works has been exercised. "Faith without works is dead." Martin Luther is credited with saying, "We are saved by faith alone, but faith is seldom alone."

James in his epistle says, "What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? can faith save him? . . . faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone. Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works."

Our Saviour lived by faith while on earth, as we know from the fact that He needed to pray, and yet He was of necessity the busiest of men. "My Father worketh hitherto, and I work," is characteristic of His philosophy of life. Faith works and becomes a way of living because men of faith put it to the test. The just do not merely believe; they live by faith, and that not in a cloister.

In the marts and on the ways of life they throw out the challenge to the world, the flesh, and the devil, in the name of Him whose sons they are and through faith in whom they have "subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. . . . They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword" (Heb. 11:33-37). It was faith exercised in the conflict against a wicked world which gave them a good report among God's faithful.

Faith must, however, have a motivating force sufficient to account for its achievements; and one soon learns that the immediate ends gained do not always warrant the apparent cost. Nothing short of an overpowering, inner compulsion can explain the triumph of the faithful, and Paul gives us the secret when he speaks of "faith which worketh by love." Here then is the secret of the man who lives by faith. He is love-compelled, whether it be "mockings and scourgings . . . bonds and imprisonment," or whether it be the opening of the Red Sea, or the unlocking of prison gates, or the conversion of the heathen, through faith he conquers all his foes because "the love of Christ constraineth" him.

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*For the love of money is the root of all evil (I Tim. 6:10).*

Trace back to the start all the evil that has come to this world, and there we will discover the love of money has been the root cause.—EARLE WILDE.

# General Statistics for 1951

## CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

### Church Members

United States .....	235,670	
Canada, British Isles, and Australia ..	6,192	
Overseas Home Missions Areas .....	614	
Total (Domestic) .....		242,476
Net Gain .....	9,547	(4.1%)
Foreign Mission Fields (Full and Probationary) .....		33,488

### Churches

United States .....	3,616	
Canada, British Isles, and Australia ..	151	
Overseas Home Missions Areas .....	23	
Total (Domestic) .....		3,790
Net Gain .....	151	
Churches on Foreign Missions Fields		549
Main Stations and Outstations on Foreign Mission Fields .....		510
Ordained Ministers .....		4,673
Licensed Ministers .....		1,930
Missionaries .....		202
Native Workers .....		959

### Church Property

Church Buildings .....	3,724	
Value of Church Property (Local) ..		\$61,340,402
Number of Parsonages (Local) .....	2,498	
Value of Parsonages (Local) .....		15,275,069
Total (Local) .....		<u>76,615,471</u>
Number of Parsonages (District) .....	42	
Value of Parsonages (District) .....		579,158
Value of District Centers .....		2,455,777
Value Other District Property .....		382,109
Total (District) .....		<u>3,417,044</u>
Value of Headquarters Property .....		90,000
Value of Nazarene Publishing House .....		566,127
Total (General) .....		<u>656,127</u>

*Value of Educational Institutions ...	5,832,975	
*Value of Hospitals and Homes .....	421,705	
*Total (Institutions) .....		6,254,680
Value of Property on Foreign Mission Fields .....		2,093,694
Grand Total (All Property) .....		<u>89,037,016</u>
Indebtedness on Church and Parsonage Property (Local) .....		12,395,662
*Indebtedness on Educational Institutions, Hospitals, and Homes .....		657,153
Total Indebtedness on All Property .....		<u>13,052,815</u>

### Church Finances

Paid Local Interests .....	\$22,951,923	
Increase .....	\$2,241,465	
Paid District Interests .....	1,827,495	
Increase .....	163,191	
Paid General Interests .....	2,319,650	
Increase .....	338,943	
Total Paid All Purposes (Domestic) .....		<u>27,099,068</u>
Increase .....	2,743,599	
Total Paid All Purposes by Foreign Mission Churches .....		280,539

### Analysis of Grand Total

Paid by the Church .....	\$23,476,038
Paid by the Church School .....	1,823,297
Paid by the Junior Society .....	37,360
Paid by the N.Y.P.S. ....	449,488

Paid by the W.F.M.S. ....	1,175,429
Paid by the C.M.S. ....	64,851
Gifts Undesignated .....	72,605

Per Capita Giving	
Local Interests .....	94.59
District Interests .....	7.55
General Interests .....	9.56
All Purposes .....	<u>\$111.70</u>

### Sunday School

Number of Sunday Schools .....	3,640
Increase .....	99
Number on Foreign Mission Fields ...	839
Enrollment:	

Active Members .....	405,405
Officers and Teachers .....	39,643
Cradle Roll Members .....	47,299
Home Department Members .....	7,351
Total (Domestic) .....	499,698
Increase .....	20,466
Enrollment on Foreign Mission Fields	28,112
Average Weekly Attendance .....	324,741
Increase .....	11,135
Attendance on Foreign Missions Fields	29,314

### Vacation Bible School

Number of V.B.S. ....	1,875
Increase .....	74
Membership .....	135,623
Increase .....	7,073

### Junior Society

Number of Societies .....	1,505
Increase .....	51
Number on Foreign Mission Fields ...	197
Membership .....	27,248
Increase .....	223
Membership on Foreign Mission Fields	3,719

### Nazarene Young People's Society

Number of Societies .....	2,960
Increase .....	205
Number on Foreign Mission Fields ...	446
Membership:	

Active .....	67,203
Associate .....	11,247
Total .....	78,450
Increase .....	3,201
Membership on Foreign Mission Fields	7,527

### Woman's Foreign Missionary Society

Number of Societies .....	2,999
Increase .....	94
Number on Foreign Mission Fields ...	377
Membership:	

Active .....	65,482
Associate .....	17,340
Total .....	82,822
Increase .....	2,773
Membership on Foreign Mission Fields	8,244
Members Prayer and Fasting League	69,817

### Church Missionary Society

Number of Societies .....	246
Increase .....	38
Membership .....	7,273
Increase .....	1,981

\*NOTE: All figures for foreign mission fields are for the year 1950.

S. T. LUDWIG, General Church Secretary



# A Second Work of Grace

## According to Wesley

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**T**HE MOST FAMOUS statement of what is now known as the sectarian conception of perfection is found in the writings of John Wesley. He held a key position as to this doctrine, as did Martin Luther with reference to justification by faith. Since this is the case, we shall largely follow Wesley in this discussion of the sectarian conception of perfection.

**B**EFORE proceeding to a presentation of Wesley's position on this subject, it should be pointed out that he based his beliefs as to it on the Bible and experience. His first and chief reason for teaching any doctrine was found in the Bible. This is indicated by the following well-known quotation from Wesley:

*To candid, reasonable men, I am not afraid to lay open what have been the inmost thoughts of my heart. I have thought, I am a creature of a day, passing through life as an arrow through the air. I am a spirit come from God, and returning to God: just hovering over the great gulf; till a few moments hence, I am no more seen; I drop into an unchangeable eternity! I want to know one thing—the way to heaven; how to land safe on the happy shore. God himself has condescended to teach the way; for this very end He came from heaven. He hath written it down in a book. O give me that book! At any price, give me the book of God! I have it: here is knowledge enough for me. Let me be "homo unus libri" [a man of one book]. Here then I am, far from the busy ways of men. I sit down alone: only God is here. In His presence I open, I read His book; for this end, to find the way to heaven. Is there a doubt concerning the meaning of what I read? Does anything appear dark or intricate? I lift up my heart to the Father of Lights: "Lord, is it not Thy word, 'If any man lack wisdom, let him ask of God?' Thou 'givest liberally, and upbraidest not.' Thou hast said, 'If any be willing to do Thy will, he shall know.' I am willing to do, let me know, Thy will." I then search after and consider parallel passages of scripture, comparing spiritual things with spiritual. I meditate thereon with all of the attention and earnestness of which my mind is capable. If any doubt still remains, I consult those who are experienced in the things of God; and then the writings whereby, being dead, they yet speak. And what I thus learn, that I teach.*

Of course Wesley was not a man of one book in the sense that he never read anything but the Bible. He was a continuous and wide reader. However, he made the Bible the final authority as to Christian experience and life. To this extent he was a man of one book. Along with the Bible,

Wesley gave an important place to experience as a proof for his belief in Christian perfection. This was suggested in the latter part of the quotation given above and will be evident as Wesley's view is set forth.

**T**HE FIRST element in Wesley's doctrine of entire sanctification, or Christian perfection, is that this experience must come after regeneration.

### After Regeneration

This is proved by the fact that he speaks of it as a second blessing and a second change. In a letter to Jane Salkeld, Wesley says: "Exhort all the little ones that believe to make haste and not delay the time of receiving the second blessing."

He also writes Ann Bolton thus: "Certainly till persons experience something of the second awakening, till they are feelingly convinced of inbred sin so as to earnestly groan for deliverance from it, we need not speak to them of present sanctification."

Add to these two references his counsel to Joseph Benson, which reads as follows: "With all zeal and diligence confirm the brethren, (1) in holding fast that whereto they have attained—namely, the remitting of all their sins by faith in a bleeding Lord; (2) in expecting a second change, whereby they shall be saved from all sin and perfected in love."

Further, in one of Wesley's mature and outstanding summaries on the subject of Christian perfection, he declares that it is not so early as justification, because justified persons are exhorted to go on to perfection. Here, of course, he refers to Hebrews 6:1. This claim that entire sanctification is subsequent to regeneration is substantiated again by Wesley in his oft-quoted sermon on "Sin in Believers." In this message he insists that the principle of sin which we have all inherited as part of a fallen race remains in those who have been saved and must, therefore, be destroyed later.

In his consideration of Methodism in his book on *The Idea of Perfection*, Dr. R. N. Flew discusses regeneration before he presents Wesley's teaching on entire sanctification. The

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latter is his main concern in the chapter, but as he explains: "It is only in the light of such a preparatory 'experience' of the grace of God that the 'Great Salvation' can be fully understood. Entire sanctification is the perfection of the regenerate state. Wesley is at pains to distinguish conversion from the 'Great Salvation.'" And then quoting directly from Wesley, Dr. Flew adds: "We do not know a single instance, in any place, of a person receiving, in one and the same moment, remission of sins, the abiding witness of the Spirit, and a new, a clean heart."

Dr. O. A. Curtis in his book, *The Christian Faith*, likewise asserts that he found no testimony in Wesley's writings that justification and entire sanctification ever take place at the same time. These conclusions from recent students of Wesley's writings harmonize with what already has been pointed out.

**W**ESLEY is just as sure that this experience may come before death as he is that it must come after regeneration. In *Brief Thoughts*, Wesley says: "As to time, I believe **Before Death** this instant is generally the instant of death, the moment before the soul leaves the body. But I believe that it may be ten, twenty, or forty years before. I believe that it is usually many years after justification; but that it may be within five years or five months after it, I know no conclusive argument to the contrary."

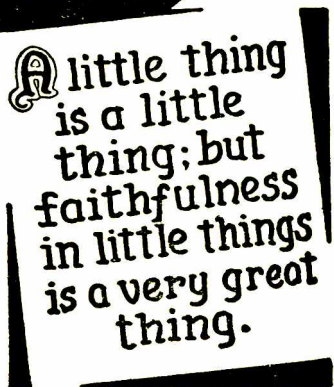
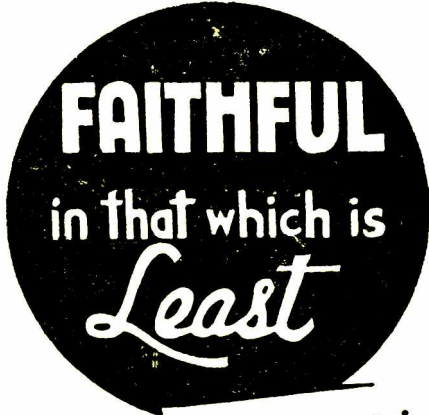
In another place Wesley says that some of the most unquestionable witnesses of sanctifying grace were sanctified within a few days after they were justified. And in his *Journal*, September 8, 1765, there is an account of what Wesley deems a most remarkable case—a person convinced of sin, converted to God, and renewed in love, within twelve hours. And Wesley adds: "Yet it is by no means incredible, seeing one day is with God as a thousand years."

In still another place, Wesley makes this statement in referring to this experience of Christian perfection: "It is not so late as death; for St. Paul speaks of living men that were perfect (Phil. 3:15)."

In this connection, the relation of the body to sin comes into the foreground. In Wesley's day, there were those who argued against his view that entire sanctification is attainable in this life on the ground that the body is sinful and, therefore, Christian perfection cannot be secured until after the physical body has been eliminated or until after death. But Wesley answered this claim in the following significant passages:

*But surely we cannot be saved from sin, while we dwell in a sinful body. A sinful body? I pray observe how deeply ambiguous, how equivocal, this expression is! But there is no authority for it in Scripture. The word sinful body is never found there, and as it is totally unscriptural, so it is palpably absurd. For no body, or no matter of any kind can be sinful; spirits alone are capable of sin. Pray, in what part of the body should sin lodge? It cannot lodge in the skin, the muscles, the nerves, the veins, or the arteries; it cannot be in the bones any more than in their hair or nails. Only the soul can be the seat of sin.*

Thus Wesley clearly rejects the idea that the body is sinful and is, because of this, a bar to the obtainment of entire sanctification in this life. In agreement with Wesley, then, those who hold to the sectarian conception of perfection today teach that entire sanctification must come after regeneration and may come before death.



# FOREIGN MISSIONS

*Remiss Rehfeldt, Secretary*

## January Missionary Schedule For Missionaries

Briles, N. R.

January 13-27 N.W. Indiana\*  
Chung, Robert

January 13-30 Missouri  
Darling, Jean, January 13-30 Missouri  
Flood, Neva

January 16-31 Southern California  
Hampton, Harold

January 13-30 Missouri  
Hetrick, Paul

January 13-30 Pittsburgh  
Hunter, Earl

January 16-31 Southern California  
Mosteller, Earl

January 13-30 Idaho-Oregon  
Youngblood, Leona

January 16-31 Southern California

\*Tentative

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2923 Troost Ave, Kansas City, Mo.

## No One Outgives God

At our last business meeting it was unanimously voted to become a "10 per center." The church will tithe its weekly income for missions. We believe the Lord will bless us for it.—  
REV. L. G. TATTIE, Windsor, Ontario.

## Advance in Cuba

We are opening three more missions. Two will be in Havana Province and the third in Pinar del Rio Province.

Brother Hall has made a fresh contact in the town of Guara and is enthusiastic about the opportunity to recommence a work in that place. Our former landlord there has moved to a better location and has invited us to use his home for mission services. This is a location close to the Caribbean Sea.

Hildo Morejon, our pastor at Arroyo Hondo, will in this month open a new work at Saavedra, a country village where there is no chapel. He already knows two families of friends there, and the owner of the local community hall is letting us have the hall at a small rental. The mission will be operated from a special missionary fund raised by our local Cuban Nazarenes.

This very evening I completed arrangements to open a new work on the Atlantic side of the island at a fishing village named Boca de Jaruco. I held a street meeting on the porch of the village grocery store with forty present. The mayor himself got in my car and showed me a couple cottages for rent and gave me the address of their owners. I returned the thirty-three miles to Havana and lo-

cated both owners. The larger and more centrally located house is owned by a Protestant Chinese dentist, who was delighted to learn that we were Christians too and readily consented to rent his house to us for mission purposes.

A year or so ago I discovered this village and immediately I inquired whether it had church services. The place got on my heart. I have often thought of it as a needy field. I toured to the little coastal town this afternoon—and sure enough, the way opened for services. I believe the

## Record in New Churches

DECEMBER 1 marks three and one-half years of this quadrennium on our count of new churches organized, and 608 have now been reported to us. This is the best report we have ever made in home missionary progress, and of these 608 churches only 10 have died. The rest are going, active organizations. In the six remaining months of the quadrennium we expect to exceed the 700 mark. We can do it if we will.

District Superintendent Orville Jenkins has organized the Grand Avenue Church in Amarillo, Texas, with thirty-six members. They are averaging over fifty in Sunday school in a rented building. Lots have been purchased and they are planning to build soon. Rev. W. H. Snow is the pastor. The Abilene District has ten new churches this quadrennium.

District Superintendent O. L. Benedum has organized a new church at Powhatan Point, Ohio, with seventeen members. Rev. Vera Simms is the pastor. This is the tenth new church for the Akron District during the quadrennium.

On October 14 a new church was organized at Thief River Falls on the Minnesota District by District Superintendent Arthur C. Morgan. Rev. Eva Peet is the pastor.

The Sharon Church of the Nazarene was organized at Spartanburg, South Carolina, on November 25 by District

Lord is in all this.—LYLE PRESCOTT, Cuba.

## India Reports Revival

You will be glad to know that the Lord has just given what Rev. Earl Lee and Dr. Orpha Speicher said was a revival in which there were more confession, and going down, and more widespread getting right with the Lord and people than any they had ever seen. It was a hard pull, and Satan tested our faith to the limit. But the Lord graciously rewarded, for which we give Him all of the praise. We are all praying that the revival spirit may sweep throughout our district and throughout India. Please unite with us in prayer to that end.—  
PRESCOTT L. BEALS, India.

# Home Missions and Evangelism

*Roy J. Smee, Secretary*

Superintendent W. R. Cloer. Rev. Leonard Nance is the pastor. South Carolina now has seventeen new churches this quadrennium, five more than their quota.

District Superintendent B. V. Seals organized the Longview church on the Washington Pacific District on November 5. This church is sponsored by the nearby church in Kelso, of which Rev. Leslie Parrott is the pastor. They have given 75 members to the Longview church, and in addition have pledged \$4,500 to help them get a church building, with over \$1,000 already paid in. The new church had 106 in Sunday school on November 5. Rev. Kenny Bryant is the pastor. This wonderful home-mission spirit on the part of the Kelso Nazarenes will result in God's blessings upon both the churches.

District Superintendent W. E. Albea has organized two new churches on the Western Ohio District, for a total of sixteen for the quadrennium. This is the exact amount of the quota for the district.

The Radcliff Heights Church in Dayton was organized October 28 with twenty-eight members, following a revival meeting by Rev. James Hillman, pastor at Miamisburg, Ohio. They already have a church building in which to worship. Rev. Thomas Knox is the pastor.

The second church is at New Paris with fourteen members. It is the result of the effort of Rev. G. E. Schell of Greenville. This place was on his heart, and he has held on until the organization was effected.



What happens when we do something for souls out of the ordinary? We can schedule a revival meeting as usual, advertise it as usual, pray and plan about as usual, and have a usual meeting. But when we become tremendously concerned about our church and the people around us, until we get out of the ordinary in prayer and effort for the meeting, then we have an out-of-the-ordinary meeting.

That does not mean that we must resort to spectacular, novel means of advertising. We cannot compete with the world when it comes to entertainment. Even if we get the people there, the spectacular will overshadow the spiritual and we will fail to reach them for God. (On the other hand, that does not mean we should never use the spectacular. Sometimes it is the best thing for a particular situation.)

What we do mean is out-of-the-ordinary prayer, out-of-the-ordinary concern for others that will send us out into their homes to tell them we are burdened for them and want to see them get right with God. When people see we are not giving them a halfhearted invitation to church, but are tremendously concerned for their soul welfare, they will begin to take notice.

Here is the report from a layman of a revival he attended in a distant city on a business trip. The altar was lined with seekers and forty members were taken into the Church of the Nazarene, nearly all by profession of faith and most of them young couples. We don't have the whole story, but we are sure there were some extraordinary prayer and personal work to bring about such results.

On another district the district superintendent is holding five-day meetings in some of his churches, taking the pastor out into homes where there are contacts, and praying the people through on the spot. In one meeting just closed there were some wonderful victories in homes during the week. That led up to a great day on Sunday, with fifty people kneeling at the altar. Most of them were not Nazarenes. Many of them were couples, both praying through and establishing Christian homes. The personal work in the homes started the chain of victory at the altar. The pastor will take in from fifteen to twenty members on profession of faith.

Dare we have just an ordinary meeting when souls are at stake?

# THE QUESTION BOX

Conducted by Stephen S. White

**Q.** Please explain the difference between going to the movies and staying home watching television.

**A.** There are plenty of people who listen to programs which they should not over the radio. The same is true as to television, except that in the case of television they are looking at the program as well as hearing it. Nevertheless, neither is the same as going to the movies. The radio and television programs can be turned off or changed by you, while the program at the moving picture theater cannot be. During the time you are at the movie someone else determines what you are going to see and hear; at home you can very definitely have a hand in it and will have to have enough grace and will power to have a hand in it or else do your own soul and the souls of the other members of your family irreparable damage.

**Q.** Will you please explain the difference between the spiritual and the natural heart—how God enters in and takes possession of the heart? Give some scripture please.

**A.** Just now I do not recall that the Bible specifically sneaks of the natural and the spiritual heart. It does refer to the natural man as over against the spiritual. This distinction is beautifully brought out in I Corinthians 2:9-16. The heart of this passage is found in the fourteenth and fifteenth verses, which read thus: "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man." The natural man here is the sinful man, and the man who is spiritual is the man who has been born again. And in the highest sense the spiritual man is the man who has not only been saved but also sanctified. Using your words, it might be said that such a

man has a spiritual and not a natural heart, a heart into which Christ has not only entered, but also fully dominates. Being born of the Spirit and baptized with the Spirit is the method by means of which God transforms the natural heart into a heart which is fully spiritual.

**Q.** We have been studying a book on prayer in our prayer group, and the writer wrote: "When we pray for others at a distance and if that party is not attuned to the mind of the one who is praying, that prayer is lost and the man won't tune in to God." I would call this telepathy. I've always thought that when you pray for others who couldn't hear you that the prayer went to God, and the Holy Spirit did the work on the other party, or spoke to him. Am I wrong?

**A.** If you understood the author of the book and quoted him correctly, I certainly would say that you are right and not wrong.

**Q.** We believe in eradication. If one slips back into sin and backslides, is the sin principle reinstated in the individual in the same sense as before?

**A.** Yes.

**Q.** We recently had our recall meeting and our pastor had a few who were against him, but he has such a Christlike love that he forgave those who voted against him. But the thing that I want to bring out is that we are told that all who have their names on the church roll who are twelve years of age have a right to vote. However, the lives of several of our members prove that they are backslidden and still they voted. Thus several good, saved and sanctified people were voted out of office because of these unsaved people. Does the "Manual" really allow unsaved members to vote?

**A.** Any member of the church twelve years of age or over has a right to vote in the church elections. As a rule, I do not believe that the unsaved members on the church roll exercise very much influence or power in church elections. Besides, you and I might be mistaken as to who are backslidden. Again, one of the best ways to help out, if the situation which you speak of actually exists, is to get busy and pray and work until these members who have lost out get back to God.

## Take Orders from Above

By Margaret S. Connelly

*Oh, yield to God in holiness,  
Then carry on His work.  
The waters of salvation drink;  
His biddings do not shirk.  
An instrument of grace become,  
Thirsty for His own love.  
Oh, be ye faithful unto Him,  
Take orders from above.*

# The Young People's Society

*L. J. Du Bois, Secretary*

## Room for Others

**W**E HAVE been thinking during this holiday season of the tragedy of life that has no room for Jesus Christ. There is another tragedy also, and this is among Christian young people: that of leaving other people on the outside, of saying to them, "We're sorry, but there is no room for you."

We have the possibility of either opening up our lives or closing them up to those with whom we associate. A clique in the young people's group is one of the most damaging things possible. Certainly it should be no part of a Christian's program.

We are always grateful for the fellowship of a group of young people in the church. It is wonderful if you happen to be on the "inside." But, oh, how miserable if you happen to be on the "outside" among Christian young people! It is true that some will be closer friends to you than others, and yet this group should never become exclusive.

When we are dealing with others' lives (and we are constantly), we are dealing with human personalities. By thoughtless actions (or deliberate) you can wound another so deeply that he will never get over it. The Christian should be bent on helping the other fellow rather than on hurting him.

The Christmas season is a time of much loneliness—that is, it is for some. It is a time of gaiety for those who have friends and loved ones. It is a time of heartache for those who do not have friends and loved ones. Why not make this year different for those? Why not make room in your heart and in your fellowship for those who ordinarily are kept out? Do not eliminate anyone from your group because your conversation is filled with *your* gifts and *your* privileges and *your* interests. Be sure that your activities as a young people's group include all who can take part. Make it a covenant now, as you read these lines, that this holiday season you are going to make someone happy by making room in your heart for his fellowship.

## News of Youth

Recent new and re-elected district N.Y.P.S. presidents are: B. G. Wiggs, Tennessee; John E. Compton, Virginia; and Walter E. Vastbinder, Western Ohio.

## Prayer Tower Requests

December 23-29

Cuba

This new field is in the midst of a much-needed expansion program. They need equipment through which they can train the national Christians. Let us pray for the Lyle Prescotts

and the John W. Halls, that their needs will be met and that their record of twenty-five missions in the past five years will be excelled in the next five years.

December 30—January 5

General Meetings

This week and next the annual general meetings will be in progress. Let us pray mightily as plans are laid for the General Conventions, the General Assembly, and for our program of world-wide evangelism.

## NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

### NEWS IN BRIEF

(Continued from page 2)

Thanksgiving offering nearing the \$200 mark—the largest thank offering in the history of this church."

Rev. Jess Rains has resigned as pastor at O'Donnell to accept the call to pastor the church in Pittsburg, Texas.

Rev. Stanford E. Ernest has resigned as pastor at Buffalo to accept the call to pastor the church in Elmira, New York.

Evangelist W. H. Snow writes that he has left the field to accept the pastorate of Grand Avenue Church in Amarillo, Texas.

Rev. T. H. Ova has resigned as pastor of the church at Fessenden to accept the work of the church at New Rockford, North Dakota.

Evangelist Lum Jones writes that he has an open date, February 26 to March 9. Write him at his home address, Ada, Oklahoma.

Ashland, Kentucky—First Church is moving forward under the able leadership of our new pastor, Rev. Lawrence B. Hicks. He is certainly proving to be God's man for the place. Our special Thanksgiving offering was \$2,535, which establishes an all-time record. Dr. T. M. Anderson was with us November 28 to December 2, in a holiness convention which was very profitable with some definite victories. Our Sunday school is increasing, crowds are the best in history, and unity and harmony prevail. To God be all the glory.—Wayne E. Kendall, Secretary.

Loudoun Valley, Virginia—Our church has had a very good revival with Evangelist L. W. Conway and wife; he is a good preacher and carries a burden for souls. The attendance was very good, and several souls prayed through to definite victory. Every service was marked with the divine presence of God, and deep, Holy Ghost, pungent conviction was upon the people. Brother Conway is a forceful, Spirit-filled preacher of the gospel. We appreciated his fine spirit and his zeal.—A. L. Lepley, Pastor.

Pastor Glen Cantrell writes: "We left a good church on the Southwest Indiana District and came to Moravia, Iowa, early in October. The people have been most kind to us. We had a good revival with Rev. Jay Phipps, our pastor at Britt, as the evangelist; he is a wonderful brother and the people came to hear him. This church has been organized about nine years, and both church and parsonage are free from debt. The parsonage is one of the nicest homes in town, and since we came it has been completely modernized, with kitchen fixtures and a table-top electric hot water heater added. Our people have a vision of world missions, and the Thanksgiving offering will be several times larger than usual. The pastor has been given a nice raise in salary."

### SPECIAL NOTICE

Seventeen days after the Thank Offering was taken in our churches, we had received (including Wednesday morning, December 12) the amount of \$461,980.64. This is \$98,000 above the amount received for the first seventeen days of last year. We feel sure that the goal of \$500,000 will be reached before the deadline of December 31.

JOHN STOCKTON,  
General Treasurer

Winston-Salem, North Carolina—We are glad to report a wonderful revival in this home-mission church. The evangelist was Rev. P. D. Montgomery, pastor of our Thomasboro Church in Charlotte. He preached with the power of God, and souls were saved and sanctified, with three new members added to the church. Please pray for this small work here.—C. M. Yorke, Pastor.

Evangelists Alva O. and Gladys Estep report: "We are now in our seventh revival meeting since our district assembly. We began our fall slate at Herrin, Illinois—our third meeting with this fine pastor. Then on to Las Cruces, New Mexico, with Rev. L. C. Salisbury and family, who were just getting well settled after their move from Colorado; and to the El Paso Valley Church, with the Stantons. These folks pray and work at the job, and specialize on visitation evangelism. Here we were privileged to visit some of our Mexican churches in Old Mexico; they have the Nazarene fire and swing. From there we traveled to Jackson, Ohio, for our second meeting with the Puseys. They are outgrowing their Sunday-school accommodations and plan for an educational building in the not-too-distant future. At Bedford, Indiana, for our third meeting with the Bickers, again God met with us in revival power; and at Boonville, with the Smileys, we had a young people's revival with fifty-eight young people seeking God at the altar. At this writing we are in a revival at Walters Chapel, Franklin, Indiana. Pastors and people have been wonderfully kind, and God has graciously blessed with old-fashioned revivals. We have a wonderful spring and summer slate, also a good start on our slate for the fall of '52 and the spring of '53. But due to a change we had to make we have a date open in February of '52. We would be glad to slate this with some church in the Midwest. We carry the full program of the meeting—preaching, song leading, solos, with sermon and song illustrated by beautiful, scriptural Scene-o-felt pictures. Write us, Box 238, Losantville, Indiana."

Barnesville, Ohio—In our recent revival the ministry of Evangelist Howard T. Lewis was greatly appreciated. Night after night God moved upon the meeting until on the closing Sunday night the altar and front pews were lined with more than fifty people seeking the Lord. Never before has the church witnessed such a manifestation of the presence of the Holy Spirit. The spirit of the revival continues, and last Sunday night there were five seekers at the altar. We give God the praise.—Frank M. Brickley, Pastor.

Rochelle, Illinois—Our church has been greatly blessed of God since being organized twenty months ago; our record attendance is 102. We have had two revivals, and from these services many souls prayed through to definite victory. The first was with Rev. Haven Goodall as evangelist. The meeting in November with Evangelist E. C. Tarvin was a great success. As Brother Tarvin preached each night with the anointing of the Holy Spirit, conviction came upon souls and many were saved and sanctified. Our people are united, and the work of the church is going forward.—Russell E. Smith, Pastor.

GOLDEN TEXT: *We have found the Messiah, which is, being interpreted, the Christ (John 1:41).*

#### THE SATISFYING SAVIOUR

What was your reaction when you first met Christ? Wouldn't it be interesting to gather up the impressions of people through the years? Well, in the lesson today we have recorded for us the reaction of three of the first men who met Him. Let us notice these.

When John the Baptist met Jesus he reacted by announcing Christ as the "Lamb of God." While John and Jesus had much in common, the striking contrasts were also pronounced. And John, with his rugged, unpolished grandeur, had likely often wished that he could have been more refined and calm and poised. So frequently we see in others the qualities that just will not blossom out in ourselves, and we inwardly covet those for our own souls. Well, I presume that John saw just that when he met Jesus. Here, at last, was a strong and rugged Man, but one who was more acceptable with the people, and possessed of a greater charm. So, in contrast with his own lionlike roughness, John cried out, "Behold the Lamb of God!"

Andrew met Jesus and hurried away to Peter and said, "We have

Gary, Indiana—The people of Glen Park Church have been blessed by the ministry of Evangelist P. L. Liddell in our recent revival. Brother Liddell's preaching was of a high order, and his singing and music blessed the people. The church was revived, and several souls found the Lord. Our October Sunday-school rally broke the attendance record of our eight-year pastorate here with 275 present. Our building program is progressing, and we expect to occupy our new brick church by Easter Sunday next year.—U. D. Dibble, Pastor.

Chanute, Kansas—In November our church had a five-day revival with Evangelist U. E. Harding preaching, and music under the direction of Mrs. Harding. We had wonderful services each night, with Brother Harding bringing some outstanding messages. We feel that God sent the Hardings our way, and gave us the kind of revival our church needed.—J. E. Davis, Reporter.

found the Messiah." Now Andrew was a humble, unassuming layman who had marked respect for any of the Lord's prophets. And there was no greater compliment to pay them than to remark about the anointedness of their ministry. So, in Jesus Andrew noted that mystic touch of God, that sense of divine approval and authority. That was what the best of the prophets should have, in his estimation. So he announced Jesus as "the anointed One—the Messiah."

Nathanael's reaction was strikingly different. To him Jesus was "the Son of God, the King of Israel." This guileless man was deeply hurt as he beheld the ruthless oppression of the Roman overlordship. He didn't know how, but felt that this was the Man who would be the Deliverer. Jesus was his inner Satisfier.

It is ever thus. The millions in the centuries since the days of His flesh would also chime in that, when they met Jesus, He utterly satisfied. They all have come to Christ expecting different things, but all have found Him abundantly able to become the satisfying Saviour!

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Baraboo, Wisconsin—In November our church had a revival meeting with Rev. W. Menneke as the preacher. His messages were an inspiration to pastor and people. On the closing Sunday, the old Sunday-school record was broken, with a number of new people in the congregation. Also, we had a good closing service on Sunday evening with several seekers at the altar. We thank God for His blessings.—Russell B. Knudson, Pastor.

Evangelist E. D. Wolfe writes: "Last July we entered the field of evangelism after four years with our First Church in Fort Wayne, Indiana. We conducted a revival in the Elmhurst Church in Fort Wayne, where Pastor Myron C. Morford is doing a wonderful work, and since then we have been quite busy in the Northwest: at Grangeville, Idaho; Ardenwald, Oregon; and at this writing in a campaign at the Park Rose Church in Portland, Oregon. The Holy Spirit has been faithful, and people have sought the Lord for His saving and sanctifying

## THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON

By Norman R. Oke

### Topic for January 6: Finding the Christ

#### Scripture: John 1:35-51 (Printed, John 1:35-49)



power. We have time open in 1952, and would like to slate January in the Northwest while out here. Write us, % our publishing house."

Belpre Heights, Ohio—In November this church had the best revival of its history. Evangelist P. E. Kuykendall preached with the anointing and inspiration of the Holy Ghost. The saints shouted, the Holy Spirit directed, and sin was uncovered. The Friday and Saturday night services were old-fashioned, camp-meeting, God-directed services, with many souls praying through to definite victory for regeneration and also for entire sanctification. On the closing night, \$720 was raised to meet a building obligation which was due, and \$140 was pledged to be paid in two weeks. Soon our church will be under roof and ready to be occupied. We thank God for His blessings. Our pastor, Rev. E. W. Keesor, came to this church less than five years ago, when it was about ready to be closed. He has worked in a factory to support his family, receiving only a small salary from the church. He has worked, prayed, studied, carried the burden, visited in the homes, and given of his finances. We look forward to the time when he can devote full time to the ministry.—Edna S. Thomas, Reporter.

Plymouth, Indiana—November 18 marked the close of a gracious revival with Evangelist Lottie Phillips in charge. Many souls found the Lord as their Saviour for the first time, and others were sanctified wholly. Four new families were added to the church, and every department of the work was strengthened. We greatly appreciated the ministry of Miss Phillips with us. Her Spirit-filled life and messages brought great blessings to our church and people. Special music on the Hammond organ furnished by the eleven-year-old son of the pastor added much to the services. Pastor Bernard Greene and wife are doing a great work in Plymouth.—Marion L. Watkins, Reporter.

Dayton, Ohio—Maryland Avenue Church started in a tent meeting under the supervision of Rev. A. H. Perry. In 1938 the church was organized with twelve charter members. Services were first held in homes, and later a hall was rented until a church basement could be built. In 1943 the church was completed. God has wondrously blessed and prospered our church, first under the capable ministry of Rev. Howard Sylvia, and later Rev. Edward S. Barton. Last May, Rev. Wright Strong came as pastor, and it is wonderful the way the church has grown. Our Sunday school is averaging better than one hundred per month more than it did one year ago; on November 18 all attendance records were broken with 475 present. We praise God for the wonderful way He is blessing. The church is almost filled every Sunday evening with people coming to hear the good evange-

listic messages of our pastor. Many souls have found the Lord recently, and several new members have been added to the church. Recently we secured Carl and Edna Davison as ministers of music, and they are a wonderful blessing to the church. We are now making plans for a new church building campaign to start soon.—Martha Gunnoe, Secretary.

West Hollywood, Florida—On Sunday, October 14, we closed one of the best revivals I have been in for a long time. Rev. James D. Blackmon, pastor of our Calvary Church in Miami, was the evangelist. Night after night he preached under the power of the Holy Ghost until sinners prayed through to salvation, and believers were sanctified wholly. New members were added to the church; they pay their tithes and support the work. Our Sunday school is averaging more than fifty now. Our church is very young, but we have a nice, cement-block building with two nice Sunday-school rooms; all of this is paid for because our pastor, Rev. L. D. Nance, did so much of the work himself.—Church Secretary.

Santa Maria, California—Our church recently closed a splendid revival, with Rev. Joe Calderon, of Santa Monica, as both preaching and singing evangelist. Brother Calderon's scriptural messages on holiness, along with his gripping messages in song, brought forth fruit. Sinners were saved, backsliders reclaimed, believers sanctified, and the church moved up the road.—E. D. Green, Pastor.

Cincinnati, Ohio—Lockland Church recently enjoyed one of the best revivals it has been our privilege to be in. Surely, Evangelist Ellis Lewis was God's man for us in this meeting. Night after night he preached the rugged truths of the gospel under the anointing and blessing of God. Sinners were saved, backsliders were reclaimed, and believers sanctified wholly. There seems to be a new spirit of optimism among our people. Rev. Wesley K. Poole, pastor of our Hamilton Millville Church, was the song evangelist. Time and again he sang the glory down; also, he is a tireless worker around the altar. Lockland Church and people are pushing the battle for God.—O. V. Mewbuorn, Pastor

Ventura, California—Our church has enjoyed and profited by the recent revival conducted by Evangelists C. C. and Flora N. Chatfield. These evangelists are good, old-time holiness folks who sing heaven down, preach the gospel straight and pure, and manifest the spirit of divine love towards a lost world. We appreciated having Brother and Sister Chatfield with us. Our church has advanced both spiritually and numerically, for which we give God praise.—Ida M. Attebery, Reporter.

Frankfort, Indiana—Recently we had one of the most outstanding revivals that First Church ever has seen, in the opinion of the old-timers here. Evangelist A. M. Wells was with us, October 31 to November 11, using as his revival theme "Unveiling the Book of Revelation." His messages were owned and blessed of God, and in every service except one seekers were at the altar. The church was revived, backsliders reclaimed, and new people won to the Lord. God's Spirit moved in a marvelous way. The revival was preceded by two weeks of evening prayer meetings in the church, and one week of cottage prayer meetings, with the people looking to God in fasting and prayer. Brother Wells's interpretation of the Book of Revelation is designed to awaken the church spiritually. On November 18 we dedicated a new Baldwin electric organ, the gift of Raymond and Ruth Walters (Ruth is the daughter of Rev. B. H. Grimes, the organizer of this church). District Superintendent George Franklin was the special speaker for the day, with Professor Kenneth Bade of Olivet College presiding at the organ. We are grateful for this added inspiration in our services. We are now in our second year of service with this fine people. Although we contributed seventeen members and many of our Sunday-school pupils to the organization of the Southside Church this past year, our church is stronger numerically in all departments than prior to the beginning of the new work.—Arthur F. Grobe, Pastor.

Hawthorn, Pennsylvania—In November our church had a good revival with Evangelist Hazel Fraley as the special worker. God blessed the services, and gave us a number of seekers. Sister Fraley is a fine preacher, and preaches with the unction of the Spirit. We came to this church at assembly time, and the people have been very good to us.—George Emmitt, Pastor.

Evangelists Paul and Hallie Smith report: "We have been very busy in revival work since last June 1. Immediately following graduation from Bethany-Peniel College in May, we felt a definite call from God to enter the field of evangelism. Our meetings have carried us through many states, and on the Arkansas, Kansas City, Abilene, Pittsburgh, West Virginia, Northwest Oklahoma, and Florida districts. We began our work with Dr. I. C. Mathis at Little Rock First Church in a vacation Bible school; then with District Superintendent Aycock in two home-mission churches, Lebanon, and Kansas City Bethel Church, Missouri; with Rev. R. B. Kelly in a Bible school at First Church, Lubbock, and at Midland, Texas, with Rev. F. W. Rogers in a one-week revival. Then at White School House, Elkins, West Virginia, and special week-end services with Pastor Elzey and people at Johnstown,

Pennsylvania. We were with Rev. E. C. Stegall at Skiatook, Oklahoma; Rev. Earl Morgan at Marshall, Missouri; Rev. and Mrs. Fred Easley at Caney, Kansas; Rev. Wesley Harmon at Sarcxie, Missouri; and with Rev. Wm. Livingston at Dawson Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma. At this writing we are with Pastors Jimmy and Fern Heasley at First Church in St. Petersburg, Florida. It has been a real pleasure to work with our fine district superintendents, pastors, and people. God has graciously helped us and given many souls. We feel sure we are in the will of the Lord. We love Him and appreciate the Church of the Nazarene."

Dalhart, Texas—We came in March of '51 and found a fine group of Nazarenes and a wonderful opportunity. One of the nicest church buildings on our district was in process of being built. Rev. Joe Bean and the good people had done a wonderful job. We are attempting to finish the construction on the building this winter. Recently we had a great revival with Evangelist Noble E. Berryhill; he is a wonderful evangelist. Seven good members were added to the church, making a total of nineteen in the last eight months. Other souls were saved whom we believe will eventually make good Nazarenes. The pastor was given a ten-dollar-per-week raise.—Cecil Stowe, Pastor.

Annapolis, Maryland—Recently our church closed a three-week revival with Evangelist W. J. Strack. This lengthy a revival was a new experience for us, but it proved to be a great blessing to the church, both pastor and people. The unusual messages delivered by Brother Strack with the anointing of the Holy Spirit resulted in deep conviction, and God gave a number of victories around the altar. The people have been drawn closer to the Lord, and a greater unity prevails. Brother Strack was so well liked that the young people invited him to return for a youth meeting in January.—George Shiflett, Reporter.

Pastor J. L. Van Arsdel writes from Salem, Oregon: "The Keizer Church is not yet one year old. Under the direction of Dr. W. W. Hess, then district superintendent, and Pastors Orville Jenkins and Eugene Stowe of Salem First Church, several families of this community were encouraged to start a building on some donated lots. As the building neared completion, in November of 1950, we accepted the call to come and begin the work. On December 17 (1950) we held our first service with 52 in Sunday school, and the Keizer Church of the Nazarene was organized with 30 charter members. In April we dedicated our completed first unit; the building is 62 x 32 feet, and houses a two-bedroom apartment for the pastor's family as well as an auditorium which will seat 175 people. The property is valued at \$15,000; our cash outlay has been only \$9,500

with a present debt of about \$3,500. Through the loyalty of our members and friends, over \$5,000 was given for the building program during the first seven months, and \$5,500 worth of labor donated. We now have a membership of 42. In November we had a twelve-day revival with Evangelist Paul Gray, whose splendid preaching brought fine results. During a four-Sunday period, including the revival, 33 seekers bowed at the altar. On the closing Sunday of the meeting we set a new record in Sunday-school attendance with 112 present. Our Thanksgiving offering was \$160. We greatly appreciated the ministry of Brother Gray with us. We thank God for His help, and our wonderful people."

Indianapolis, Indiana—East Side Church reports two years of steady progress under the leadership of Pastor Ermel Short. The Sunday school averaged 162 for November of this year, as compared with 112 for November of last year, and an average of 121 for last year. There have been seekers at the altar every week since September 2—from two to nineteen per week. Many improvements have been made on the church property, also a new grand piano purchased—all paid for. Twenty-six members were received last year, and five during the first three months of this assembly year. The church debt has been reduced by \$3,000, and regular monthly payments are being made. Six hundred personal contacts were made last month, and a spirit of optimism prevails. Best of all, God meets us in the services and pours out His Spirit upon us.—Reporter.

Pastor James D. Blackmon writes from Florida: "While pastor of our Central Church in Orlando, God helped us to build up the Sunday school and church membership by 35 and 40. Also, with the blessing of the Lord and the help of the people we were able to secure one of the finest church buildings, along with a modern parsonage valued at \$61,000, with a debt of only \$20,000, which is financed by a bank with payments that do not work a hardship. Last May I came to pastor our Calvary Church in Miami, and have found a good group of people who love God and holiness. The church is going forward along all lines; offerings are good, preaching services well attended, and the Sunday school averaged 218 last month. In addition, I have conducted revival meetings at Zephyrhills with Rev. James H. Williams, and at Titusville with Rev. James B. Tripp. Here God gave a good revival and seven new members. In the meeting at Uleta, with Pastor R. P. Hennigan, God gave another old-time revival with many seekers praying through to victory. Here in Calvary Church I have conducted two revivals, with God giving seekers and happy finders. I appreciate Rev. John L. Knight, our good district superintendent, and am back of him one hundred per cent."

Elkton, Kentucky—Recently we enjoyed a fine revival with Misses Vera Conner and Alpha Hodge as special workers; the pastor, Rev. Aubrey Souder, doing the preaching. We enjoyed a great spirit of fellowship, and many folks prayed through to victory. Misses Conner and Hodge are among the best, being led by the Spirit at all times. Just recently we have finished two rooms and installed a new furnace in our new parsonage, also painted the church buildings. We give God praise for all His blessings.—Reporter.



*As Received by*

**T. W. Willingham, Executive Director**  
**Nazarene Radio League**

Just a little glimpse into the mail this morning revealed some letters you will be interested in. Here are a few paragraphs:

*From a radio station in Georgia: "If you wish you may include our station on your mailing list to receive 'Showers of Blessing.'"*

*"I had the pleasure of airing this excellent feature over WLEY in Chicago, with which I was formerly associated."*

*From a station in Pennsylvania: "I wish to express my appreciation to you for providing us with these very outstanding radio programs, and at this time I can assure you that we will stay on your mailing list."*

*From our missionary superintendent, Rev. C. H. Strickland, in South Africa: "I have just closed a campaign in Durban, one of South Africa's great centres, and we made much of the radio program, calling our campaign 'Showers of Blessing.' The results were good and we are establishing a work there. This is one very good case of the radio ministry making possible a number of contacts, and acting as an advance agent for the Church of the Nazarene."*

Aren't you glad you had a part in making the program possible for all three of these places? Your prayers and contributions play a major part in keeping the Nazarene message on the air.



Evangelist Joe Norton reports: "God gave us a good revival at Grand Prairie, Texas, where Brother Harold C. Davis is the pastor. Although he has been there for only part of a year, the Sunday-school attendance, also church membership, has more than doubled, and finances have substantially increased. Local talent was used to God's glory during the first of the meeting, and Brother Bruce Wade blessed the folk with his singing during the last week. A good number sought God for pardon and heart purity at the altar, and a class of ten members was added to the church. Much prayer and personal work on the part of the pastor and people, plus the ministry of God's Word, contributed to the success of the meeting. I have some open time in January and February; write me, Box 143, Hamlin, Texas."

Pastor M. E. Perkins reports from First Church, Jasper, Alabama: "This month we close our fourth year as pastor of this wonderful church. The Lord has given us some glorious revivals with such outstanding men as Rev. U. E. Harding, Rev. A. E. Kelly, Evangelists Glenn Griffith, Lum Jones, H. E. Darnell, H. H. Hooker; Rev. C. E. Zike, a Wesleyan Methodist; Evangelist Fred Thomas; and Rev. J. Louis Emmert, pastor of our church at El Reno, Oklahoma. As a result of these revivals and some old-fashioned victories in our regular Sunday night services, the church has received about seventy members in the four years. During the church year of 1949-50, the Sunday-school average attendance was 221. Last year was not quite so good, but thus far this year the average is 234. On the closing Sunday of our meeting with Brother Emmert, we had an attendance of 451. One year ago in October we moved into our beautiful, new, six-room, brick-veneer parsonage. The cost of construction was approximately \$13,000; the contract price would have been \$18,000. Our people are united and forging ahead

for God and holiness. Recently the church gave the pastor a raise in salary, and a liberal love offering at the close of our last revival. God is blessing and we appreciate our people."

Evangelists Harold S. and Flossie Richardson report: "At this writing (December 5) we are in our fifteenth revival for the calendar year. God is blessing and souls are being saved and sanctified. Pastor Hawthorne is doing a fine work here in Potomac, Illinois. It was my privilege to visit our Olivet Nazarene College this morning and speak in the chapel service. God honored us with His presence. President Reed and his faculty are to be commended for the fine work being done there. In our labors during this year we have worked on nine districts and traveled several thousand miles. We appreciate our pastors and people, and they have been good to us. Time after time God has come in on the services to bless in a special way, and many souls have prayed through and joined our church. Our slate is filling up for '52, but we still have some good dates open; have two good dates immediately after Christmas. Write us, Route 4, Muncie, Indiana."

Larned, Kansas—Our church closed a revival on November 11 with Evangelists Gilbert and Sylvia Anderson. Brother Anderson was in charge of the music, and Sister Anderson did the preaching. Her messages were old-fashioned, Holy Ghost truths that were helpful and inspiring to all. Several souls found victory at the altar of prayer. We appreciated Brother and Sister Anderson's ministry with us. The church has been making some building improvements, such as sidewalk, pastor's study completed with new bookcases, tile floor, and the young people's class have put an overhead pulpit light in the church. The Sunday-school average for the year is fifty-seven per month, which is an increase.—Odis R. Brown, Pastor.

Jefferson, Texas—In November we had a good revival with Rev. Paul H. Garrett, our district superintendent, as the evangelist. His messages were a great blessing to all. On the closing night of the meeting, a good number of folks sought and found the Lord. We give God praise, and press forward.—C. B. White, Pastor.

Evangelist A. S. Howard writes: "I have been enjoying some good revivals this fall and winter. Have some open time in January and February, and will be glad to go anywhere; would prefer the Middle West, as I will be home during the holidays. I shall be glad to conduct some holiness conventions or youth revivals. Write me, 4401 Classen Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma."

Ashland, Ohio—In November we had a good revival with Evangelist R. J. Smeltzer. Many of the folks said it was the best revival they had seen for several years. Brother Smeltzer is a good, spiritual preacher of the Word, and his ministry is a great blessing to the church. He was given a call to return in April of '53. On Sunday, December 2, it was our happy privilege to receive fifteen members into the church—the largest class ever to be received at one time. God is blessing the work here, and we have a wonderful group of people who stand back of their pastor.—Robert Andrews, Pastor.

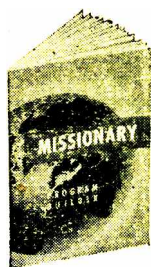
Evangelist Elmer H. Kauffman reports: "The interest in the Mid-Century Crusade for Souls and enrollment visitation has not lessened, but has been increasing as the days pass. The last two weeks of September I spent with the Sheraden Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where Rev. Floyd Wyckoff is pastor. This is the third church where I have worked with him in organizing and starting the visitation program. In each church he has continued the visitation and follow-up with remarkable results. We had a very profitable time there, and since then the interest and attendance in the Sunday school and church services have definitely increased. Seven weeks of October and November we spent in visiting twenty-seven churches on the Akron District, following their district Sunday-school convention. In three of the churches, zone meetings were held. This brought the interest in enrollment visitation to a larger number of churches than we visited personally. We find the same great need everywhere we go. We trained 111 visitors, made 854 calls, and found 411 for the friendly call list, and 77 unchurched families with 142 children. The visitation was only begun while I was there, and it was to continue for five more Sundays (the above are calls made while I was present). There is a wonderful spirit of aggressiveness on the Akron District. Every pastor is happily engaged in pushing the work of God with a real passion. This reflects the spirit of

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the leaders, Rev. and Mrs. O. L. Benedum, who have the heart of every one on the district. They, with the church school board and Chairman M. L. Bunker and the secretary, Rev. C. L. Taylor, are among the finest I ever worked with. My tour of this district was a happy time and one of choice fellowship in the Lord."

Bruceton Mills, West Virginia—Our recent revival, with Evangelist A. D. Holt, was one of the best in the history of the church. Truly, Brother Holt is a man of God, and carries a heavy burden for souls. He did some wonderful, Spirit-inspired preaching. Our church was stirred and awakened as never before, and God gave seekers at the altar. We greatly appreciated the ministry of Brother Holt with us. The people gave the pastor a pounding and a wonderful love of offering.—William R. Dillon, Pastor.

The churches of the El Paso Zone, New Mexico District, met together in a glorious rally on November 23, at the Valley Church, El Paso, Texas. All those present enjoyed a varied program of music and discussion, under the general theme of "Evangelism." Nine of the eleven churches on the zone were represented, with the attendance banner going to Deming, an up-and-coming church which began as a home-mission project a few years ago.—Lee H. Kimmons, Secretary.

Napa, California—In November our church had a most gracious revival with Mrs. Eva Gardner as lay evangelist. The meeting was unique from the standpoint that the church at Vallejo was greatly benefited, and participated actively in practically all of the services. More than fifty people sought God during the campaign, and there were no barren altar serv-

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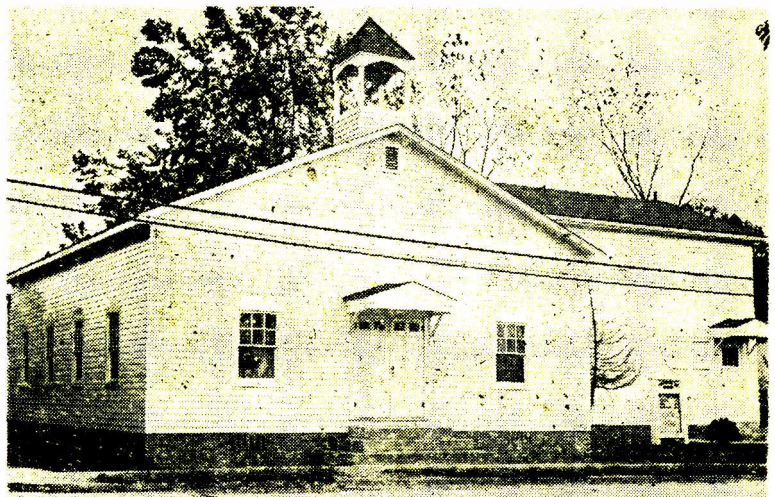
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ices; about twenty-five on the closing night. Backsliders were reclaimed, sinners saved, and believers sanctified; also the church received a most intensive vision of the need for personal soul winning. Thirty-one people signed pledges they would call regularly each week, in homes, inviting and seeking opportunities for leading people to the Lord. This is

the third time we have worked with Sister Gardner, but never before has the message been fraught with such power as this time through this handmaiden of the Lord. We thank God for His visitation in our midst, and believe that the door of visitation evangelism has been opened wide for Napa church.—Leonard C. Johnson, Pastor.

### Corbin, Kentucky

This church, with its newly constructed auditorium, stands out as a monument in this town to the sacrificial giving of the members and friends in the town. Much credit is due our faithful and capable pastors, Rev and Mrs. Donald K. Balliard, who came to us in August of 1950, at which time the church was in debt on its property. Pastors and people began an earnest effort to pay off the old debt, and this goal was realized last January. Immediately plans were made for building a new auditorium, and on June 26 (1951) construction began. We are now worshipping in our new building, which will seat about two hundred people; it is so arranged that the old auditorium may be used, increasing the seating capacity to three hundred. The auditorium is 34 x 49 feet, with choir loft and pastor's study; folding doors divide the old and new auditoriums. On Sunday afternoon of October 7, District Superintendent D. S. Somerville was with us for the dedication of this new unit. His encouraging message gave



us new vision for reaching this city of 8,000 people. We praise God for His wonderful blessings, and help in solving this building problem. The church is making good progress, finances are coming in better than ever

before, pastor's salary has been raised twice, God is giving us souls in the regular services, and our Sunday school is on the increase with 187 present on November 18.—Mrs. Christine Montgomery, Secretary.

Burlington, Vermont—Recently we had a very gracious revival campaign with Evangelist Robert J. Dixon. The ministry of Brother Dixon was just what we needed as a church. God blessed and gave a number of out-

standing victories, with backsliders reclaimed, sinners converted, and believers sanctified. There were more than fifty seekers, some of them new cases of conversion and entire sanctification. We feel that our church will benefit for years to come. We thank God for a man like Brother Dixon, and the way he works. He had morning meetings for prayer and Bible study, spoke to the Sunday school and young people, and his messages grip hearts convincingly. He is burdened for souls and the welfare of the church. Mrs. Washburn and I have been most graciously received here by a fine people.—Charles J. Washburn, Pastor.

## Sunday-School Attendance Report

Districts by Groups	1950 or 1951	November 1951	%
<b>PURPLE STAR DISTRICTS (10,000-15,000)</b>			
Northern California	12,383	13,279	107*
Western Ohio	11,447	12,362	108*
Central Ohio	10,294	10,745	104
<b>BLUE STAR DISTRICTS (7,500-10,000)</b>			
Washington-Philadelphia	8,500	9,100	107*
Akron	8,936	9,003	101
West Virginia	8,574	8,485	99
Eastern Michigan	7,621	8,104	106
Southwest Indiana	7,945	8,089	102
Northeastern Indiana	8,541	8,079	95
Illinois	7,472	7,732	103
Los Angeles	7,322	7,688	105
<b>GREEN STAR DISTRICTS (5,000-7,500)</b>			
Michigan	7,445	7,454	100.1
Kansas	6,907	7,357	107*
Kansas City	7,005	7,195	103
Arkansas	7,243†	6,879	95
Alabama	6,160	6,452	105
Tennessee	5,813†	6,331	109*
Northwest	5,214	6,077	117*
Florida	5,455	6,040	111*
Oregon Pacific	5,904	6,009	102
Colorado	5,573	5,956	107*
Southwest Oklahoma	5,612	5,714	102
East Tennessee	5,209	5,495	105
Iowa	5,546	5,415	98
Northwest Indiana	5,049	5,239	104
Abilene	4,870	5,174	106
Chicago Central	4,899	5,160	105
<b>RED STAR DISTRICTS (2,500-5,000)</b>			
Dallas	4,563	4,792	105
Kentucky	4,485	4,609	103
Louisiana	4,139	4,246	103
Georgia	4,085	4,167	102
Canada West	3,885	4,135	106
South Carolina	3,148†	3,813	121*
Southeast Oklahoma**		3,617	
North Carolina	3,300	3,261	99
Arizona	2,827	3,017	107*
Houston	2,714	3,005	111*
Albany	2,815	2,969	105
New Mexico	2,602	2,742	105
<b>WHITE STAR DISTRICTS (Under 2,500)</b>			
Virginia	2,407	2,496	104
Mississippi	2,353†	2,269	96
Minnesota	1,957	1,934	99
Ontario	1,829	1,884	103
New York	1,686	1,698	101
North Dakota	1,492	1,574	105
Maritime	720	774	103*
Nevada-Utah	663	625	94

November reports were not received from the following districts in time to appear in this issue: Idaho-Oregon, Indianapolis, Missouri, Nebraska, New England, Northeast Oklahoma, Northwestern Illinois, Northwest Oklahoma, Pittsburgh, Rocky Mountain, San Antonio, Southern California, South Dakota, Washington Pacific, Wisconsin, Eastern Kentucky.

Estimated total average attendance in November for all districts: 331,169. Gain: 11,534 or 4%.

\*One of twelve highest in percentage gain in November.

\*\*New district. 1951 statistics not yet available.

†1950 figures used when 1951 figures not available.

ERWIN G. BENSON, *Field Secretary*  
Department of Church Schools

### African Mission Council

In early October we held our annual council meeting for the Southern Africa Missionary District. We praise God with grateful hearts for the very special manifestation of His Spirit during those days.

Following the custom of the past few years, all of the missionaries gathered together for a day of fasting, prayer, and praise on Saturday, October 6. God wonderfully met with us on that day, and our hearts were melted together in love for God and one another. It surely was time well spent, for it prepared our hearts and minds for the decisions which it was necessary to make during the next few days.

We were especially privileged to have as our devotional speaker Rev. Maurice Winterburn, the missionary secretary for the African work of the International Holiness Mission. From his first message on Saturday evening our hearts were blessed and inspired to be more faithful to God and His call to us to win lost men and women to Him. On Sunday morning we met with our native church group at Bremersdorp, and again enjoyed the message of our guest speaker.

On Sunday afternoon two new members of our missionary family were dedicated, namely, David Charles William Hayse, and Dewey Forrest Poteet. We trust that their lives shall early be given to God to be used by Him and made a blessing to many souls in future years. Following this we had a communion service in which God's Spirit was so manifest that we felt almost like Peter of old on the Mount of Transfiguration. The time slipped by too quickly as we listened to the testimonies of praise to God for His goodness and help during the year. The prevailing spirit was that each one wanted to rededicate himself in deeper consecration to God to be used in whatever sphere of labor He should design.

Our business sessions were carried out with marked harmony, and although there were differences of opinion in some matters—as there always will be in a group as large as ours—the sweet spirit of charity and unity existed. Our district superintendent, Rev. W. C. Esselstyn, was re-elected with an almost unanimous



vote. His untiring efforts and accomplishments and his ever-willing-to-help spirit are greatly appreciated by all our missionary family, and we pledged to him our united support and prayers.

Our field is ever increasing, and new doors are ever waiting to be entered. We are believing God and our home church to send out more laborers into this harvest field soon, so that His kingdom shall spread and many more needy souls shall come to know Him, our Lord and Saviour.

ESTHER M. THOMAS, *Reporter*

### Preachers' Wives Convention In India

The third annual convention for preachers' wives was held in Buldana, November 7 to 11, under the direction of Mrs. Bessie Beals. Mrs. Weldon Franklin was in charge of the entertainment. About forty-five women attended the convention, coming from long distances, making the journey with their little babies. The women had been instructed to bring only the youngest child and leave the rest of the family with their husbands. It was surprising how well they co-operated, for this is quite revolutionary for our Indian women.

Mrs. Sarazabai Yangad, one of our teachers in the Bible school, was in charge of the singing. How we do appreciate all the lovely hymns that have been put into Marathi by Mr. Tilak! The early morning prayer service was led by Miss Agnes Willox, our nurse from Scotland. The days are cool now, but the women attended in a large number, bringing their little babies with them. Later in the morning Rev. Prescott Beals gave fine, doctrinal messages on holiness. A number of our women testified to being sanctified during this convention. After Brother Beals's message, Mrs. Paula Greer spoke on the subject of "The Kingdom of Heaven." She gave a full summary of the subject, using many scriptures as a basis for each talk. In the afternoon Mrs. Franklin gave health talks, after which the writer gave flannelgraph talks on *Pilgrim's Progress*. You might be interested in knowing that Marathi is one of the many languages into which this book has been translated. In the evening pictures were shown of former camp meetings, touring parties, baptisms, etc., which the women thoroughly enjoyed.

What a joy it was to spend these days with these women, to visit with them, sit on the ground and eat with them, to minister to them, always feeling that sweet sense of sisterhood in the Lord!

On Saturday evening Mrs. Ellen Fritzlan led a special testimony meeting. The women sat in a circle, and as they gave their testimonies of the victories, joys, and sorrows of the past year, our hearts were drawn out in love and sympathy for these pastors' wives who have so little in material things but can be so rich spiritually. You who live in your lovely parsonages in America, don't

forget to pray for these little women in India, that their spiritual and physical needs may be supplied.

Rev. Samuel Bhujbal, our district superintendent, gave the closing message in the form of a great challenge to the women. He used as his text the passage in Esther 4:14. How compellingly he applied this thought to the responsibility upon the pastors' wives to go to the Hindu and Moslem women in their villages! As the women all stood and pledged themselves to another year of loving and more intensified service to the Master, our hearts were thrilled beyond measure; for here, in these pastors' wives, lies much of the hope of the Church of the Nazarene in India.

MRS. HAZEL LEE, *Reporter*

### Northwest District

Dr. and Mrs. A. S. London recently concluded a Sunday-school tour of nearly three months on our district. We first covered the district in a series of zone meetings and then visited almost every church.

It seems to me the Londons are better in this work than ever; their spirit and their message challenged and blessed our people everywhere. New vision was created in the minds of our Sunday-school workers and pastors, and our attendance continually increased over the district from the beginning of the campaign. We are now showing the highest average attendance in the history of the district.

We also had a missionary tour led by Mrs. Louise Chapman. The success of this tour is being (written November 24) reflected in the largest Thanksgiving offering in the history of the district.

In November we had a great preachers and Christian workers' convention with Dr. Hardy C. Powers, Dr. and Mrs. A. S. London, Mrs. Louise Chapman, and Rev. W. D. McGraw as the workers. All departments of the church work were considered in various groups with lectures, workshops, panel discussions, papers, sermons, and question boxes. Frequently heard during and after the convention was the statement, "It was the best we ever have attended." I believe it was in scope, content, the apparent results obtained, and the spiritual atmosphere.

We have three new churches operating this fall, and all of them are making excellent records for themselves. We organized Pethel Church in Yakima on November 11, with Rev. Milo L. Arnold graciously and formally presenting letters of transfer to about thirty fine members of First Church to the new pastor, Rev. D. R. Peterman. We organized with thirty-nine members, and the Sunday school has been running more than one hundred for several weeks.

Rev. P. J. Bartram, First Church, Spokane, has assisted in a wonderful way in starting Northhill Church in Spokane, by presenting about twenty of his fine members to Rev. B. J. Witt,

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## SERVICEMEN'S CORNER

A SUNDAY-SCHOOL teacher writes of one of her class members who is in the service. "I think you would be interested to know in one of his letters he wrote that going over one of the hills he found a July HERALD OF HOLINESS and he stated he wanted more religious literature. From his letters it seems he's found God as his Saviour out there."

"I want to take this opportunity to thank you for all the Christian literature you have sent me. They have given me a lot of strength and brought me closer to the works of God. They taught me a lot about some things I was unable to realize before receiving them. As I am getting out of the army when I get to the States, I would like to stop the literature."—HAROLD D. MARTIN.

"I want to thank you for the periodicals that you have been sending me, and I'm glad to get them. I enjoy reading them very much and I'm sorry that there aren't more of them to be had. As far back as I can remember the HERALD OF HOLINESS has been in our home, and since the *Conquest* came out it has been there too.

"I thank the Lord for all of you, and for helping us who are so far away from home by sending us the wonderful periodicals. In a few weeks I am to get a three-day pass and I hope to get to our mission in Tokyo."—CHARLES SANCHEZ, *Japan*.

In his November report Chaplain Van Vorce writes from Camp Chaffee, Arkansas: "God is graciously blessing all of our services. During this month twenty-four young men came forward, kneeling at the altar, and prayed their way through to victory. One of these men feels he has received a definite call to the ministry, and plans to attend the Seminary as soon as he is released from the army. There seems to be an added interest in reading the church literature."

"I thank you for the HERALD, *Conquest*, and *Standard*, which you have been sending me since I entered the service. Please put a thank you note in the HERALD for the kindness and hospitality the Nazarenes of Columbus, Indiana, have extended to the servicemen of Camp Atterbury, Indiana. Urge our people to pray fervently and effectually for peace."—WILBUR D. WOLF.



pastor of the new work. They have started with over seventy in attendance.

Prosser, Washington, soon will be organized in full church status. Rev. Robert Sporleder has been working faithfully in this fine county-seat town, and has been running around thirty in Sunday school.

A gracious spirit of revival is being reported from over the district in many places.

**E. E. ZACHARY,**  
District Superintendent

## DEATHS

REV. ERNEST J. STEELE, Nazarene elder and pastor of the church in Michigan City, Indiana, died October 25, 1951. He "died in the harness," having preached twice on the Sunday prior to his death. He was greatly loved by his people. He had wrought well, and the work he accomplished in Michigan City and at other places will abide. He served in the ministry for thirty years, and his labors were fruitful. He was a devoted husband and father. He had not been well for some time but had worked hard in spite of his handicap. Besides his wife, he is survived by a son, Floyd, one sister, and one brother. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. Kenneth D. Suits and Rev. George J. Franklin, assisted by Rev. M. G. Hall. Interment was in the Greenwood Cemetery in Michigan City. The many floral pieces, the large crowd, and the long procession were tributes of the high esteem in which he was held in his community.

MRS. DELLA F. ROACH, age sixty-one, wife of Rev. J. W. Roach, Nazarene pastor at Turlock, California, died November 28 in the hospital following a sudden illness. She was active in church work up to the day of her death, serving with her husband as pastor at First Church, St. Louis, Missouri; First Church, Huntington, Indiana; First Church, Colorado Springs, Colorado; and nearly two years with First Church in Turlock, California. Besides her husband, she is survived by one son, James W., Jr., two daughters, Mrs. Letha Ramsey and Mrs. Lucille Doyel; also two sisters and four brothers. Funeral service was held in the church of which she and her husband were pastors, with Rev. George Coulter, district superintendent, officiating. Interment was in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Bakersfield.

LEONARD A. MOLINE died at Hastings, Nebraska, on October 16, 1951. He loved the Lord and the Bible class of the Hastings church; he was a charter member of the church. He lived a happy, victorious life and was a faithful, loving husband and father. He helped to finance First Church, and also the second new church. He is survived by his wife, Wilhelmina A., and three sisters; a son, Dr. Raymond E. Moline, preceded him in death. He and his wife would have celebrated their forty-sixth wedding anniversary on March 1 in 1952.

MRS. MARY (NORRIS) FREER of Morrisville, Vermont, died November 13, 1951, at the age of eighty-one years and nine months. She was converted early in life, later sanctified wholly, and her earnest Christian faith encouraged many. She taught in the Sunday school for years. After her marriage to the late J. R. Freer, she united with the Church of the Nazarene. She helped in the education and support of a native worker in India for nearly forty years. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Adelaide F. Matthews; a stepson, B. H. Freer; two sisters, Mrs. E. J. Lord and Miss A. G. Norris; also two brothers, F. J. Norris and Rev. C. D. Norris.

MRS. IDA MAE FITCH (nee Coffman) died November 6, 1951, at Bluefield, West Virginia, where she made her home with her son, Rev. Paul M. Fitch, Nazarene pastor. "Grandma" was born October 4, 1871, at Huntington, West Virginia. She gave her heart to the Lord at the age of sixteen, and spent nearly forty years in a parsonage as her husband, Rev. Randall Pierce Fitch, who preceded her in death, pastored and evangelized in the North Central states. She rode horseback with him as he took care of his circuit in the early days, and labored with him as he organized the first Church of the Nazarene in Cincinnati, and many others in Ohio. Surviving are seven children: Rev. James S. Fitch, Nazarene evangelist; Mrs. Carl Rupe; Mrs. Al

Spangnagle; Mr. John Fitch; Mr. Leo Fitch; Mrs. Ed White; and Rev. Paul Fitch, Nazarene pastor. Funeral service was held in the Bluefield church, with Rev. Robert E. Long officiating, assisted by Rev. M. R. Dodson; and at the Church of the Nazarene in Carthage, Ohio, with Rev. Albert R. McMurrin officiating. Burial was at Rest Haven Memorial Park in Cincinnati.

MRS. MARY BECK LONG was born September 17, 1891, near Pineville, Missouri, and died October 29, 1951, at Stigler, Oklahoma. She was converted at the age of seventeen, and united with the Church of the Nazarene in 1933, living a Christian life until the Master called her home. She is survived by her husband, three sons, one brother, and five sisters. Funeral service was conducted by her pastor, Rev. Alvin E. Roberts, assisted by Rev. C. C. Dipboye.

THOMAS HENRY FRANCIS was born in Madison County, Ohio, November 22, 1872, and died September 5, 1951, at Backus, Minnesota. He was converted when a young man, and later in life was sanctified wholly. He was a charter member of the Backus Church of the Nazarene, where he faithfully served and worshiped his Lord and Master. He is survived by his wife, Mae; two daughters, Velma Darby and Faye Newman; one son, Ralph; and one sister.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS NOTICES

St. Louis Holiness Convention, December 31 to January 2, at First Church of the Nazarene, 3965 St. Louis Avenue, St. Louis, Mo. Workers: Rev. Howard Sweeten, Rev. Glenn Griffith, Rev. L. B. Hicks, and Rev. Donald Snow. For particulars write, Rev. Holland B. London, pastor, 3965 St. Louis Ave., St. Louis 7, Mo.

Tri-District Holiness Convention, sponsored by Superintendent Paul H. Garrett and Dallas District, Superintendent W. H. Johnson and Arkansas District, and Superintendent Elbert Dodd and Louisiana District, to be held January 21 to 23, at the Rose Hill Baptist Church, 6th and Lucas, Texarkana, Texas. First service, Monday, January 21, at 7:30 p.m.; closing service Wednesday, January 23, at 7:30 p.m. Special workers: Dr. G. B. Williamson, Dr. T. M. Anderson, and Rev. Gene Phillips. For information write, Rev. Fletcher Spruce, 1619 West 8th St., Texarkana, Texas.

BORN—to Rev. and Mrs. Thaine Sanford of Kansas City, Missouri, a daughter, Karol Lynne, on December 1.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Norman M. Paulson of Denver, Iowa, a daughter, Bonnie Jean, on November 28.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Archie T. Britt of Madison, West Virginia, a daughter, Esther Jean, on November 28.

—to Rev. and Mrs. David K. Ehrlin of Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo., a daughter, Melinda Lou, on November 17.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shoemaker of Boise, Idaho, a son, Mark Douglas, on November 15.

—to Sergeant and Mrs. Wesley Riggs Fader of Delanco, New Jersey, a daughter, Deborah Joy, on November 7.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a reader in Ohio for the healing of her body, for a brother who has had a stroke and is disabled, that he might be able to talk again, and for a son who is studying for the ministry;

by a Nazarene brother in Indiana for the healing of his wife, who has cancer of the liver—both are Christians and they believe God can heal, and spare her to their three children;

by a young man, a gospel worker, in Indiana, that God will touch his body and raise him up from a serious illness;

by a brother in California, that God may touch and heal his body again—as He has done in days past;

by a lonely mother in Indiana, that she may have more freedom in public prayer, also for the salvation of her three children and their families.

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