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The discrepancy between testimony and life has no doubt hindered the advancement of the cause of holiness and the kingdom of God in general. Profession without corresponding possession will retard and finally destroy the revival spirit in the church, and it will permanently damage the individual character of its victims.

To profess that we are laying up treasure in heaven while we refuse to pay our tithes and complain constantly about the cost of Kingdom-building is inconsistent. To profess that we love our brother while at the same time indulging in vicious criticism behind his back or spreading surmises injurious to his good name will involve the

The Holiness Testimony and Life

General Superintendent Powers

*He that saith he abideth
in him ought himself also so
to walk, even as he walked.*

I John 2:6

conscience. To profess to be followers of the lowly Nazarene while pride is indulged "in dress or behaviour" by avidly pursuing extreme fads and immodest fashions cannot be harmonized with the life of holiness. To profess that Christ is our Burden-Bearer and then fret under test and trial leaves non-Christians confused. To profess to love Christ supremely and then manifest indifference to the spiritual needs of the lost about us and evidence a lack of interest in church attendance, prayer meeting for a revival, or the cause of personal evangelism cannot be scripturally defended. To profess that we enjoy sweet fellowship with Him when private devotions are neglected tends to deny the testimony that we seek first the kingdom of God.

But the question is, What should be our attitude as holiness people when these inconsistencies actually exist? Some suggest that in view of this practical problem the doctrine of holiness be abandoned or at least modified. Their argument seems to be that, since testimony and life are inconsistent, the doctrine should be brought down to the level of living. Abandon the doctrine and be consistent, is the cry, but this position if logically pursued would also force the abandonment of the doctrine of regeneration, for there are no doubt those who do not consistently live the regenerated life.

It is readily seen that this position is untenable. The divine remedy for this situation is to bring the level of our living up to the standards of the doctrine of holiness. This can be done only by the grace of God. When the very God of peace sanctifies wholly, and this experience is devotedly maintained, then the spirit, soul, and body are preserved *blameless* and the testimony will have a joyous ring that is blessed and attractive.

Thank God for the great throng of God's sanctified people who have neither abandoned their clear-cut testimony to the experience nor their prayerful determination to live humbly and consistently "in this present world"!

LATE NEWS

After pastoring the Redlands church for nearly three years, Rev. Leo C. Johnston has accepted a call to the church in Maywood, California.

Pastor Leon G. Cook sends word from Covington, Kentucky: "First Church recently enjoyed a wonderful revival with Evangelist Clarence 'Tiz' Jones. Received in Thank Offering \$1,237.00. Church united in standing back of district and general program."

Rev. R. Donald Stahl, graduate of Nazarene Theological Seminary with the class of '56, has accepted a call to pastor the church in Lake Placid, New York, after serving all summer as assistant to the pastor at First Church in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Rev. L. M. May, retired minister of Northeast Oklahoma District, sends word that his wife died on November 9. "She knew for six months that she was going, and had great victory. During the last year she did some of the best singing of her life."

Prayer

By **Bertha R. Hudelson**

*A prayer takes such little time
From the golden hours of day;
With simple earnest words ask God
For help to guide you on your way.*

*A talk with Him gives confidence,
The consolation of repose,
The courage to confront each task
And passing trial that life bestows.*

*A prayer takes such little time—
It lifts us to a higher plane;
Implore His blessing, sing His praise,
Give thanks again, and yet again.*

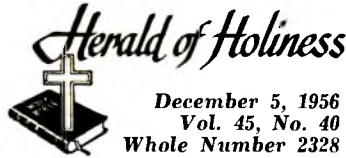
From My Heart:

By **ENOLA CHAMBERLIN**

*For dawns that come on silent wings,
For each sweet-throated bird that springs
On high to give a song away,
I thank God from my heart today.*

*For noon that comes with crystal light,
For drifting clouds, marshmallow white,
That cross the sky in disarray,
I thank God from my heart today.*

*For His great gift of life to me,
For holding out His golden key
That turns when I kneel down to pray,
I thank God from my heart today.*



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A Catholic Sees the Light

By **Evangelist
Wilma Jean England**

One night during my revival service in Waltersburg, Pennsylvania, a young serviceman came in and sat on the last seat. He seemed to take in every word that I was preaching. At the close of the service I inquired about the boy and was told that he was a Catholic soldier from Hawaii who came to America to visit his relatives now living near Waltersburg.

Night after night he would come to the service and each time would sit closer to the front. I could see that God was dealing with him, but he never came forward to the altar. God kept dealing with him and he said to a member of the church, "I believe I'll try this religion and see if it is real." But still he felt there was something wrong mentally with the Nazarenes.

That night as he went home to bed, he started to pray over his rosary beads, when something seemed to say, "Put down the beads and pray from your heart." He began to pray and the dark room became light; for as he prayed from his heart, Jesus, who is the Light, came in all His fullness.

The next night I watched him especially as he entered the church for services. He knelt and prayed as he came to the church pew, and what a wonderful light shone on his face! As he testified, tears came down his cheeks in thankfulness to God for letting him see the light.

It was a thrill to me, as the altar call was given that night, to see this young man come and be sanctified. When victory came, he rose and said, "Again I saw the light and now I feel that I've just had a bath—I feel so clean."

On the last Sunday afternoon of the meeting, he was immersed, and what a joy he must have had in his heart as he stepped out of the water, a servant of God walking in all the light God shed across his pathway!

There is a converted Catholic stationed in France who can still testify that Jesus is the only source of light.

I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake; for when I am weak, then am I strong (II Cor. 12:10).

Paul mentions five hardships that he experienced which many of us attempt to escape, thus making for weakness and not strength, pain and not pleasure.—**E. F. WILDE.**

Sanctification and the Holy Spirit

Victory is wrought for the seeker after sanctification by the Holy Spirit. Part of the work of the Third Person of the Trinity is to sanctify the believer and abide with him in the resultant life of holiness. We get a glimpse of His work by observing His person, power, and provision.

The *person* of the Holy Spirit presupposes the fact of His personality. They do Him injustice who call Him an "it." He is not an influence or principle; He is a Person with attributes of personality. He is described in clear language in the Scriptures. John refers to Him as the Activator who quickens (6:63), a radiating Personality like "rivers of living water" (7:38), the Comforter (14:16), Abider (14:16), the Spirit of Truth (16:13), Teacher (14:26), and Witness or Testifier (15:26). Luke sets Him forth as Teacher (12:12), Giver of power (Acts 1:8), Infller (2:4), and Director and Separator (13:2-4).

In Romans, Paul refers to Him as the Indweller (8:11), Spirit of holiness (1:4), Spirit of adoption (8:15), Witness to our spirits (8:16), Intercessor (8:26), and Sanctifier (15:16). In other places he refers to Him as the One who searches all things, the Giver of gifts, and the Bringer of liberty, for "where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty" (II Cor. 3:17). He has many attributes which He exercises in behalf of man in order to sanctify and keep him sanctified. He does not speak for himself but represents Christ.

His *power* is unlimited. Because He is part of the holy Trinity, He cannot fail. There can be only one blockage to the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, and that is the will of man. He can be resisted and rejected. But the man who lets go and lets God have His way will find Him working on his behalf. When we co-operate with God and obey the "law of the Spirit of life" (Rom.

8:2), we can expect that the blessing will come, for He has power to *sanctify*. He is the Personality with the ability to shed abroad the love of God in our hearts. He is the Infller and Indweller of Acts 2:1 and in the experience of every honest believer since. It is He that drives from the soul the evil nature, crucifying the "old man," permeating, penetrating, and possessing the throne room. From here He radiates in holy attitudes and relations in life. He speaks to us through the reading of the Word, the ministry of the Word, and through special revelation to the soul. He has power to reveal a need and to fill the need.

His is the power to *satisfy*. In it are sufficiency and efficacy to satiate every hunger for righteousness. He witnesses with our hearts that there is nothing between us and God. Man becomes satisfied with God's will and dies to his own. God's favor and pleasure become paramount in importance and desire. From this experience come the "songs in the night" and personal revelations to the soul. To know the will of God is important; to know that one is in the will of God is to bring supreme happiness to the soul. It is the Holy Spirit who brings this happiness in power.

His power is *stabilizing*. He that trusts fully in God will know success. The Holy Spirit keeps life on an even course toward the goal. When ill winds blow, the lightning flashes, and thunder crashes about us, He keeps the ship of life steadily on its way toward the calm harbor. Isaiah says, "When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him" (59:19). This is not only an experience to be enjoyed but a life to be lived. His power extends to every area of life. In work or in pleasure, in good days or bad, in sickness or in health, in heartache or joy, in adversity or favor with man,

By JOHN W. MAY, Pastor, Elk River Church, Charleston, West Virginia

one can enjoy the powerful presence of the Holy Spirit in his life. He stabilizes our walk, our work, our desires, and our ambitions.

The *provision* of the Holy Spirit is for us *today*. He possessed holy men of God in the old dispensation until they spoke and acted under His anointing. He is the Promise of the Father, the Baptizer on the Day of Pentecost, and the evident power in sanctified living in our day. He is the Gift of God to His people. Jesus testified, "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?" (Luke 11:13.) Luke says in Acts that He is God's Gift to them that obey Him (5:32), and Gift to the Gentiles (10:45). No one need go destitute of His purging presence in heart and life. There is provision for all. There are purging for an unclean heart, death to the sin principle, and the infilling of His holy presence in the soul and life. He not only satisfies spiritual needs, but in Revelation, He joins in the invitation to come and partake of the provision.



By H. M. VON STEIN

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Substance

My aunt, a venerable Christian maiden lady, who believed implicitly that Martin Luther once saw the devil in person and threw an inkwell at him, was equally certain that God never gave a person any money. "Bare faith" was fine, and no doubt could remove mountains, but the only ones you ever saw moved nowadays were handled by huge machinery. No, sir! It was all right for preachers to talk about faith being a "substance," but you noticed they never had much of it. God simply was not interested in the finances of the insignificant individual.

And she seemed to be right, too, for God never did much for her in a personal way, although Aunt Min was as devout a Christian as you would care to find. She believed in the elementary doctrines and prayed every night, before retiring, to

GIVE ME A HEART—

By RICHARD M. GUNN

*Give me a heart so pure that I
Will see God's hand in everything;
Not only in the prosperous days,
But in reverses life may bring.*

*A heart submissive to His will
When sunny days give way to rain;
Such blessings count of greater worth
Than all those based on greedy gain.*

*A heart that clings tho' sight be dim
When cherished hopes are turned to dust;
A heart so fixed, though slain by Him,
Will still give praise and dare to trust.*

the God of those doctrines. When she died she left one-tenth of all she possessed to her church, and some relatives said it was "considerable." Nobody knew if Aunt Min ever gave much during her lifetime, because Aunt Min's money was *nobody's business!* Not even God's!

I have a wonderful Christian neighbor who believes like that—that God is not interested in a man's personal finances to the extent of helping him if he has need. There are a lot of Christians that way.

You might be surprised to know how many Nazarenes will admit to a belief along that line.

Practically all of us will agree that "money isn't everything," as Aunt Minnie did, too. But when it comes down to that one element some cannot, as she could not, bring themselves to accept full control of divine, fatherly intelligence.

Isn't it peculiar how the heart of man deceives even himself?

If there is any part of life or of its substances that we allow ourselves to accept as beyond or beneath the attention of God, that part is unsanctified.

To Aunt Minnie it was money. To me it may have been an unfettered liberty to wander the untraveled wilderness. To some it is dress—clothes. And to some it is a deep personal pride.

I know fine men who believe God is not interested in their hunting and fishing. It is a very personal matter, maybe a little childish, but it is "all they have."

I have come to believe that, possibly, most of the difficulty in the spiritual steps of grace is not out of personal sinful weakness, but in that realm

I Want It to Look Like Christmas

By LOIS M. MARMON, Bellefontaine, Ohio



It was the Christmas season and the cards-tags-seals counter was a busy place in the stores. A customer had been turning over packages of tags and seals in search of one that suited her fancy.

"Here is a nice assortment," the clerk said, picking up a package that pictured the wise men, the star, the shepherds, and the manger scene, and handing it to the customer.

The lady looked at the assortment for an instant and then tossed it aside with the pertinent remark, "No—I don't want those. *I want my packages to look like Christmas!*"

The remark made one realize with a stabbing awareness that there are those who celebrate the birthday of our Lord who want their packages to "look like Christmas"—but who want to leave Christ out of the picture!

Close on the heels of the tags-seals incident I ran into an acquaintance who said in disgust: "I thought I had plenty of Christmas cards—and now in today's mail I received some from folks I did not send any to—even received one from *my neighbor*—and that just provoked me! I see her every day—why couldn't she just have *said*, 'Merry Christmas'? And now I've got to get some more cards to send in return!"

of the human spirit where a secret covetousness struggles, in spite of our otherwise intelligence, to hold some puerile thing "for ourselves," telling the foolish soul that God is not interested in *such* things.

And in the final analysis, such things prove to be the real, undiscovered self. Me! Aunt Minnie's money was Aunt Minnie. The fisherman's fishing is his true self—all there is of him. Does he not tell you that "he lives for fishing and hunting season"?

The lady's dress is herself—three yards of cloth—or less.

Must some of us await the day of Judgment to see it?

We have always enjoyed the beautiful Christmas cards, the notes and letters received each year. We look forward to hearing from faraway friends and relatives and from those folks who write only at Christmas time. Christmas helps us to "keep in touch." When one card is missing we catch our breath—"Are they sick? Has something happened since last year?" Then a sigh of relief when a card or note arrives explaining the delay.

Christmas is such an ideal time to show that extra appreciation by way of a pretty Christmas card and greeting to one who has shown us some special courtesy, or who has gone out of his way to be friendly or helpful—even though a "thank you" was expressed at the time. It would spoil the pleasure and take away the purpose of the Christmas card (besides being in poor taste) for the one receiving it to rush out and send a card in return.

In my childhood I had an aunt who handed us our Christmas presents just as she had purchased them from the store—brown-paper wrapping, store string, price tag, and all! My childish heart rebelled—all the joy and *Christmas spirit* had been taken away from the gift—and I had the uncomfortable feeling that to my aunt Christmas was just an unpleasant duty taken care of. Her packages had not the faintest resemblance to a Christmas gift!

I wanted my packages to "look like Christmas"—and I still do! We who want to honor Christ on His birthday at Christmas do not rule out the gaily wrapped gifts (we do the brown-paper-parcel ones) or the traditional decorations of the season. But we do want to give evidence of Him whose birthday it is.

There are those who have the happy faculty of making much of Christmas—not that they go in for needless expense, ill-advised gifts; but they do so enjoy preparing the small remembrances, happily planning for family and friends—thinking of those who because of sorrow, loneliness, or circumstances, need to be remembered and reminded in a special way that there are those who care at Christmas. They celebrate Christ's birthday in a way He would approve. They not only make their packages to "look like Christmas"—they *are* Christmas!

“Lord, Teach Us to Pray . . .”

By Robert Owen, Pastor, Fremont Church
Stockton, California



The Bible tells us that we ought to pray. It tells us when to pray. It also tells us what to pray. God's Word gives us beautiful examples of answers to prayer—prayers of prophets, priests, and kings, as well as disciples and laymen. The blind received their sight in answer to prayer, the deaf were made to hear, the lame were made to walk, and even the dead were raised in answer to prayer.

We know that we ought to pray. No thinking Christian will argue this point. But our hearts go out to that tiny band of earnest followers, one day gathered about the Master, who hungrily besought Him: “Lord, teach us to pray.”

Not, “Teach us *how* to pray,” or, “. . . *when* to pray,” or, “. . . *what* to pray”; but, “Lord, teach us to pray.” And the reason our hearts go out to them is because we are beseeching Him even as they did . . . “Lord, teach us to pray.”

But, then, just why should we pray? From God's Word comes the answer.

God will meet our heart's need when we pray. He will forgive our sins in answer to prayer. He will come into our hearts in cleansing power when we pray. He will give us victory over the sin problem—when we pray. If that is so, and God's Word tells us that it is, then, “Lord, teach *us* to pray.”

But there is more. *God will solve everyday problems of life when we pray.* He will solve problems on the job—when we pray. He will solve problems at school—when we pray. He will solve problems at home and make home the nearest place to heaven—when we pray. If these things are so—and God's Word tells us that they are—then, “Lord, teach *us* to pray.”

Is there more? Of course there is. *God will direct our lives when we pray.* If we ask Him for direction and really mean it, He will direct our lives—when we pray. In a biography of Abraham Lincoln the author tells of a conversation between Lincoln and his store partner when they were on the verge of bankruptcy. Lincoln said, “If I had my way, I'd sell the store and settle for my share in the purchase of one book, *Blackstone's Commentary on English Law.*”

About that time, a wagon rolled up to the store front with a pitifully wretched man and wife in it.

They were trying to go further west and offered for sale a barrel that Abe didn't need in exchange for fifty cents that he did need. Characteristically, he gave them the money and was chided for it by his partner.

Later in the day he saw something in the supposedly empty barrel. Reaching one of those long arms into the depths of it, his fingers came in contact with a large book. His heart pounded as he brushed the dust from *Blackstone's Commentary on English Law.*

Tears probably came to his eyes as he spoke these historic words: “I stood there holding the book, looking up into the heavens. There came a deep impression on me that God had something for me to do and He was showing me now that I had to get ready for it . . .”

God *will* direct our lives when we pray!

A famous pastor once told of going to the prayer room in the attic of his home. He was irritated, fretful, and frustrated, as pastors and laymen alike can become from this eternally hurrying life. He told his wife not to let anyone disturb him. But he had hardly gotten seated when a timid knock came at the door. A bit irritated, he opened the door to find his little daughter standing there, twisting her hands because she knew she had disobeyed. She said, “Daddy, you've been so busy these last few days that I haven't had time to love you and I want to love you just a minute.”

That busy pastor said he dropped down on his knees and she put her little arms about his neck and kissed him and whispered to him, then slipped out quietly. He said, “I just reached over and pushed the door shut without even getting up and said, ‘God, I have been so busy going to and fro and up and down on the earth that I haven't had time to love You any. I want to stay here a while just to talk to You.’”

Friends, have you been too busy to love God lately? How long has it been since you took time to do just that?

If God will meet our hearts' need and solve our problems and direct our lives when we pray, let's resolve now to pray.

“Lord, teach *us* to pray!”

Diary of a Small Town

DECEMBER

by

**DOROTHY BOONE
KIDNEY**

Yarmouth, Maine

“and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.”

White Bible verses are falling all over town!

Children are rolling in the snow today; and their bright suits are white and glistening from rolling in the snow. But hearts which have been washed in the blood of Jesus Christ are whiter, much whiter, than the drifts of snow.

Come outside and see! For the snow is singing a song as it taps against my window and piles up on the streets. “Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet [the snowflakes are saying], they shall be as white as snow” (Isa. 1:18).

God is speaking snow-words today. Can you hear Him? God is speaking in the snow.

**Triumph through testing is
the portion of the person . . .**

Whom God Favors

By MILO L. ARNOLD

Pastor, First Church, Dodge City, Kansas

*Fear not, . . . thou hast found favour with God
(Luke 1:30).*

Only God knows the burden of fear which comes with the hour of favor. Before His angel broke the news to Mary of her honor, He admonished her to not be afraid. God knew how frightening that honor would be. We humans think of God's honor bestowed upon us as something that is tranquil, shielded, and pleasant; but Mary found that to be chosen for special favor meant to be exposed to special peril. No other woman was ever so honored, but no other woman was ever called upon to face so many frightening things.

When God was about to honor Joshua with success in settling the people in the Land of Promise, He called him aside and said, “Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou

divide for an inheritance the land.” It takes courage to face success. It takes fearlessness to accept the favor of God.

When God finds among His people a person whose dedicated ability He can use in an unusual way, He must first prove the man to see if his bravery is equal to his talent. A man with a small soul cannot be trusted with a big assignment, for it will ruin the man and bungle the assignment. A man who is easily frightened cannot be placed in a position of large trust, for it would bring torture to the man and failure to the undertaking. If God is to find a person fitted for favor, He must first find a man who can go into battle without panic, a man who can be opposed without being frustrated, and a man who can be criticized without becoming bitter or retaliatory.

Many people stand off and watch the persons whom God has favored with a success and responsibility, wondering why they themselves have been passed by. They seem to feel that God shows favoritism in His administration. They will do well to remember that, while they have been given less glory, they have at the same time been given less exposure. It is easy to overlook the fact that out yonder where leaders stand, the wind is blowing, the missiles are flying, and the peril is great. That is a place for brave men, big men, and men whom God finds capable. When God favors men and women He does not shield them, pamper

them, or give them special privileges and special benefits. When God favors a man He puts him out where small men would be frightened and where selfish men would warp and shrivel.

Some Men, like King Saul, have found favor with God but have under strain been too small for His assignments. They gladly wanted to walk the path of glory but were too small to wear the shoes of responsibility. Many men are smart enough for leadership who are not humble enough to be

safe leaders. Many men are intelligent enough for positions of favor in the kingdom of God who are not brave enough to carry a cross alone up the rugged hills. Many men are capable of making big decisions who are unable to be big in spirit when men differ with them. He who would seek the favor of God should first seek the bigness of God in his inmost being. The favor of God would make a fool of a man who lacks the bigness for wearing that favor.

With God **FAITHFULNESS** Counts

By Evangelist Ralph A. Mickel

At the close of an altar service in which several souls had sought the Lord, a young pastor, with tears streaming down his face, arose and said, "Last night as the altar call was given in the District Young People's Convention, and again tonight, I prayed, 'O Lord, give me the thrill of seeing someone seeking God.'" I could not help but weep with him.

I could understand something of what he had gone through. For two years he had faithfully pastored a small pioneer work in a large city; yet in all that time he had not been rewarded with one soul seeking God. Revival meetings conducted by the district superintendent and others had not borne visible fruit. In the face of such discouraging conditions he had continued steadfastly at his appointed task. I admired him, but wondered if I could have shown like fidelity under similar conditions.

We are so prone to measure success by visible results and to judge faithfulness by the same. But

a preacher is not responsible for large crowds or for how many yield to the Lord so much as he is for preaching as faithfully, lovingly, wisely, and powerfully as God wants him to preach.

Noah was faithful in his generation as a preacher of righteousness, yet in all the years of his ministry he preached without results. He had the satisfaction of seeing his own family saved, but never witnessed in 120 years people seeking God as we have seen repeatedly in our revival campaigns. How it would have thrilled him to see one soul turning to the Lord! However, in spite of it all, he remained steadfast, warning the people as God directed him.

A preacher became very discouraged and decided to resign his pastorate because he saw no results. Before he did so, he had a dream that caused him to change his mind. He dreamed that he was working with a pick on top of a very hard rock. With all his might he brought the pick down on the rock, stroke after stroke, hour after hour, but made scarcely a dent in the impenetrable rock. Finally he said to himself, "It is useless; I will pick no more."

Instantly a Being with a majestic, heavenly look stood by his side and said, "You will pick no more?" "No." "Were you not appointed to the task?" "Yes." "Why then quit it?" "My work is in vain; I make no impression on the rock."

Solemnly the heavenly Visitor answered, "What is that to you? Your duty is to pick, whether the rock yields or not. Your work is under your control; the result is not. Work on." He resumed his task. The first blow with the pick was given with almost superhuman power, and the rock flew into a thousand pieces.

He awoke, returned to his pastoral duties, and a great revival followed. "And let us not be weary in well-doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not" (Gal. 6:9).

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Quote

"A false humility may rule us, which is as much a sin as a feeling of being indispensable. The measure of a man is not the greatness of his abilities so much as the greatness of his consecration."—W. J. Werning in *"Investing Your Life."*

Though Totally Deaf . . . Still She Attends Church!

By Beulah Pearl Dubbert, Grand Forks, North Dakota

In spite of total deafness I love to go to church. I thank God I was brought up in the church and Sunday school. When I first left home and went among strangers they would ask me, "Why do you go to church when you can't hear what the preacher says?" My answer then was, "I always do and I always have; it is a good habit to have." Yet I knew that didn't answer the question as to what satisfaction I got from going to church.

As the years passed and I have become a fair lip reader, I find I can understand more of what the preacher is saying than I can most other people; mainly, because I know what he is talking about. Because I memorized so much of the Bible in my childhood, if I can get even a part of the text I can usually fill in the rest of it. Even though there are many times that I don't get a word of what the preacher says, that doesn't keep me from going to church. I love to go to the house of God; it seems the natural thing for a Christian to do. There is a peace, and a joy, and a soul satisfaction that

I get in attending church that I don't get anywhere else.

I have been away from the church enough to know what a great difference church attendance makes in my Christian experience. It not only brings a clear conscience, but the spirit is uplifted while doing the will of God in assembling together with His people. I want to be numbered among His people, and witness for Him by my actions if I can do it no other way. Fellowship with Christians also helps in combating the influences of the world. Deaf people also need companionship. If they don't find it with Christians they will find it with non-Christians. But it pays to serve Jesus! I would rather be lonesome and know that I am in the will of God.

I thank God that I am able to go to church. I feel that attending church is a privilege and a blessing. I thank Him for His fine people that welcome me there and make me feel I am one of them.

Little Things to Think About:

Sharing

By VIOLA E. HODGE

Long Beach, California

Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ (Gal. 6:2).

The experiences that we collect along the Christian highway are not necessarily or altogether for our own enjoyment, discipline, or training, but oftentimes that we may bless and help others through our lessons or attainments. It is an inspiring thing to feel that by our overcoming we are not only pleasing God, but also furnishing a blessing to others. It *may* help a person who is going

through a difficult place for one to say to him, "I believe if you will take your problems to God and trust Him, He will help you." But it will carry a deal more force to be able to say, "I faced just such a trying situation as yours, and God was real and precious, and I found Him to be all that I needed to bring me through with victory and peace."

The fellowship of Christian friends is a sweet and precious thing, and not the least of its blessing is the sharing of problems and victories. That is one reason we have "class meetings" and testimony meetings—that we may be encouraged and inspired by the faith and victories of others. Paul admonished those early believers to "pray one for another," knowing that by so doing they would be drawn closer together. Perhaps that is the key to our problems—for it is when we are truly one in Christ that we can, by our united faith, see accomplished those "signs and wonders" that signalized the Early Church.

Jesus Christ is just the same now as in the long ago days when He walked the earth. His power is still available to His Church; He is expecting us to use it. He is still "able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us"—the power of the Holy Spirit available to every child of God!

While the General Prayed

By Danny Pyles, Pastor, Lakewood Church of the Nazarene, Tacoma, Washington

The organ played softly, light filtered gently through the amber-stained windows of the sanctuary as the general superintendent spoke to God in behalf of the more than seventy pastors kneeling before him.

I'm not sure just how God spoke to others in that moment; but I do know that He came to me with a new empowering, a new revelation of the importance of my call, causing me to renew my vows to walk worthily of that calling. As I knelt with the others, my eyes rested upon my hands and the empty communion cup which they held, and in that instant I pledged that my hands would be God's hands, that my life would be that cup, emptied for Him. His Spirit witnessed to my soul His approval of my renewed dedication again as I prayed.

That which belongs to God can be used of God. I see now, months later, that God has fashioned these hands of clay on various occasions as "instruments of righteousness." I think of the times that these hands have been clenched in the soul travail of prayer for a lost world, how the fingers that caress my daughter's cheeks have become a fist to drive into the altar in despair at the reluctance of loved ones to accept Christ.

I think of the time when these hands have held the thin, emaciated hand of a cancer victim on the threshold of eternity, hands that wanted to do more than wipe away the cold perspiration of death, but could not. These same hands have tried to bring comfort to a bereaved father who, with the rest of us, found it hard to understand the problem of human suffering; fingers that relaxed their grip upon his shoulders only after he looked up and said, "It's better where she is."

These hands have been a channel for the power

of God to come in healing strength as faith was centered in Christ and the truth of His word. On other occasions they have become the altar of sacrifice upon which loving parents have placed their newborn. Still again, they have felt the tremor pass through the intertwined fingers of bride and groom as they formed a canopy of prayer for God's blessing on a new home.

More recently, they have held the hammer's handle as a church takes shape under its echoing blows. Finally even now they haltingly search over the keys of the typewriter in an effort to share the full joy of serving our blessed Lord.

Position and Service

By RUPERT CRAVENS

Lawrenceburg, Tennessee

Christian position and service are outgrowths of vital, dynamic Christianity. The terms are misnomers in any other situation. The call of the Lord and the fiery baptism with the Holy Ghost were the apostles' credentials. Their "position" was one that could not be wrested from them by carnal men, and their service was an outward expression of an inwrought experience of grace which esteemed the work of God as supreme.

The apostles knew well that they had been commissioned by One who had all power in heaven and on earth to teach all nations. They did not parade their position before men as being those who were especially favored of God and rulers over men; but rather they went humbly about their work of preaching the gospel, seeking only the salvation of men and the preservation of their accomplishments in God-inspired and divinely directed organization.

Without growth organization is hardly necessary, but with growth there must be organization. Individual persons must be given responsible positions, and in their positions they must give back to organization humble, unselfish, Christian service. Any "glow" of position, as men of the world see values,

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

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

—EARLE F. WILDE.

is entirely lost to the heart cleansed and empowered by the Holy Ghost. The opportunity to serve is paramount. Christian character dignifies position and gives glory to God in such a manner that the organizational framework is hardly noticeable. Position has no actual power to dignify character, and it will soon become corrupt and suffer the loss of proper Christian respect unless filled by those whose sole aim is to glorify God.

In the days of the Early Church, "when the number of the disciples was multiplied," and "there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, . . ." (Acts 6:1), the apostles saw that further organization was necessary. Those chosen to serve were "men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom" (v. 3). Stephen, Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas were chosen for this new "position" only on the ground of their Christian experience and character, for the sole purpose of Christian service in expanding the Kingdom. Thus the apostles were enabled to fulfill God's mission for them by giving themselves "continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word."

When God wanted missionaries, He spoke to the church at Antioch through the agency of the Holy Ghost and said, "Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them" (Acts 13:2). Paul's life of selfless, devoted service showed that position was insignificant, implying only the authority of God to serve with all his might.

As the Church was begun, so should it continue. Jesus said, "If any man desire to be first, the same shall be last of all, and servant of all" (Mark 9:35). Again He said, "But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant. And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted" (Matt. 23: 11-12). How insignificant is position! How great is the opportunity to serve!

The Glory of Morning

By W. Everett Henry

*The glory of morning is sunlight—
It wakens the birds to their singing;
It turns all the dewdrops to jewels;
It heralds another beginning.*

*The glory of morning is worship—
All nature invites men to honor
The Giver of light and abundance,
To see in each blessing its Donor.*

*The glory of morn is renewal:
Fresh strength for the tasks that are given,
Fresh wisdom for recurring problems,
Fresh grasp on the God-given vision.*

Not Coincidental but Providential

By W. E. CHANDLER

Honolulu, Hawaii

Last week, in this city of a quarter of a million people, while passing out invitations to our church and witnessing from door to door, I had an experience which indicates the faithful leading of the Holy Spirit.

At an upstairs apartment door, a middle-aged Chinese lady appeared in answer to our knock. In response to our question, "Are you a Christian?" she replied in broken English that she had never heard of Christ. With burdened heart we told her the age-old story of Christ's death, burial, and resurrection for her sins and that He could give peace to her heart. This was a truth she had never heard before. Bowing our head while standing in the door, we prayed that the blessed Christ might come to her darkened heart, after which we went our way, never expecting to see her again.

One week later, we were bidding good-by to a Christian Korean nurse who had attended our Honolulu church and was returning to Korea. Multiplied hundreds of people thronged the great ocean liner bound for the Orient when, to our amazement, in the very stateroom which Soon Ai Yu, our Christian nurse, was to occupy on her trip home to Korea was the Chinese lady with whom we had prayed the week prior. She was on the way to Hong Kong, and with several days' opportunity the Christian nurse would repeat the good news of salvation through Christ, our Lord. We left with a prayer that ere this lady entered Hong Kong, the Lord Jesus Christ would enter her heart.

Not coincidental, but providential. God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform!

Man's Biggest Problem Is Man

As these words are written, almost the whole world is in turmoil. There is no world war on, but what might cause a world explosion is faced on several fronts. There are the Polish and Hungarian revolts, the trouble in Algeria and Hong Kong, and still more recently the fighting in the Middle East, which already involves Egypt, England, France, and Israel.

These disturbances are not caused by lack of food and shelter so much as by contrary aims and purposes. One section of the world wants what it wants, and another section is determined to have what it desires. Dictatorships and communism are set over against the ever-rising tide of nationalism. Above all this, there is the discussion about the atomic and hydrogen bombs, whether we shall do this or that about them, and the peril in which they place all peoples. These are man-made doings, and no one can evade that fact. In one way or another, most of the troubles we have grow chiefly out of plain, old-fashioned selfishness. This means that the problem of all problems is man himself.

What has been said is enough to prove the truth of the subject of this article, but the whole situation can be looked at from another standpoint. Science is solving man's material problems. The facts on every hand indicate this. One writer has said that it looks now as if the scientist would run out of problems before long, and the writer was talking sanely, and not merely saying words. We've nearly conquered space and soon will be exploring outer space in a way in which man never dreamed he could a few years ago. Unlimited power from the sun is almost within our grasp now: the know-how has really been found. The only problem before us yet is to work it out fully. Soon scientists think they will be able to make food directly, rather than by means of sunlight as it is transformed into plant growth and chemical compounds. If that time comes, the food supply will be unlimited. We have a five-day week now, and some are beginning to talk about a four-day week. It may be that within another fifty or one hundred years, people will be working only two days a week. Then there is the electronic brain, which is doing so much work for man and soon will be doing more. Think of the advances being made in research in medicine, psychiatry, and many other fields.

On and on one might go in telling about the achievements that have been made and those which are almost within our grasp. When we get everything we need materially and have all the leisure we want, we still have man on our hands—he will still be our problem. Will he know how to take care of his leisure? With all his intelli-

gence and learning, will his purpose really be any higher than it is now? Will he be able to live with himself, his neighbors, and God as he should? Man's biggest problem is man. After all, as the Wise Man has said: "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty [or life] of man" (Eccles. 12:13). Will man, with all his increasing efficiency, be able to live according to this law of life, a law which alone can solve his problem?

Editorials

Little Talks on the Holy Spirit In the Old Testament:

I. **The Spirit's Name**

Spirit literally means "breath," or "wind." Referring to Deity, it appears at least eighty-six times in the Old Testament; thirty-seven of these are either in the phrase "Spirit of the Lord" or "Spirit of God." Further, in the original language, Lord and God are the same term. Only in three places is the phrase, *holy spirit*, found in the Old Testament. One of these is in Ps. 51:11, but neither holy nor spirit begins with a capital letter in the King James Version. The others are located in Isa. 63:10 and 63:11. There only the word Spirit begins with a capital.

Some would tell us that in the use of the word spirit with reference to Deity in the Old Testament we have no intimation of the doctrine of the Trinity. I cannot accept this view. While the doctrine of the Trinity is not taught as fully in the Old Testament as it is in the New Testament, I do not believe that the word spirit as used with reference to Deity in the Old Testament means merely a kind of divine projection. In other words the writers are not talking about the Spirit of God in the same sense in which we might talk about the spirit of a man. We say, "A man has a good or bad spirit"; or we may speak of him as the moving spirit of a group or an organization. Spirit, when it refers to Deity in the Old Testament, goes beyond this. It gives us a foundation for our belief in the Trinity.

Besides the "Spirit of the Lord" and the "Spirit of God," that appear a number of times in the

The Sunday-School Lesson

FLETCHER
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Topic for
December 16:

You Can Live in Victory

SCRIPTURE: Gal. 5:16, 25; John 14:15-17; 1 John 3:18-20; Eph. 4:1, 30; Ps. 37:23-24 (Printed: the same)

GOLDEN TEXT: *Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen (Jude 24-25).*

Dr. E. Stanley Jones says, "Heal me at the heart, then let the world come on." He also says, "Life pulls the trigger. What comes out is determined by what is within." Two men go down into the slums of a great city, one a self-indulgent debauchee, the other a sincere Christian. One comes out better because he not only has resisted temptation but has brought an elevating influence to all those he met. The other comes out worse because the evil of his own heart responded to the evil of his environment.

The first element of victorious living is a sanctified heart—a heart that has been cleansed from inner contradictions. There is such a thing as resisting the uprisings of a carnal heart, but it is an unequal struggle and usually ends in defeat. How much better it is to get rid of "the old man"! Then you can not only have outward consistency; you can also have inward calm. It is true that a man might sit on the lid and keep a box of rattlesnakes under control, but it is much safer to kill the snakes.

The second element of victory is a wellspring of Christian graces. "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance." Instead of resentment, bitterness, and strife, the beauty of Christian grace is brought out by the contacts and experiences of life. Living a holy life is positive and affirmative, not negative.

The third element of victory is a Spirit-directed and a Spirit-empowered service. No one is satisfied with uselessness. The Holy Spirit makes our testimony courageous and effective. He helps us in prayer. He guides us into the times and places where we can do something that really counts: like Philip, who was directed to go down toward Gaza. By the help of the Holy Spirit he intercepted a hungry soul who was just ready to be led into salvation.

The fourth element of victory is unbroken fellowship with God. Nothing is more important for a Christian than to keep in touch with God. Disobedience and sin spoil this fellowship. "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee" (Isa. 26:3). The Apostle Paul was so conscious of this

spiritual strength which comes from a Spirit-filled life that he throws out the challenge: "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? . . . Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us" (Rom. 8:35-37).

SUNDAY-SCHOOL ATTENDANCE REPORT



	Last Year	October	Percentage
CENTRAL ZONE			
Central Ohio	13,336	14,856	111
Michigan	8,347	9,192	110
Chicago Central	5,494	6,014	109
Western Ohio	14,380	15,714	109
Northeastern Indiana	9,697	10,451	108
Wisconsin	2,328	2,508	108
Eastern Michigan	8,431	9,014	107
Northwestern Illinois	4,998	5,315	106
Indianapolis	8,916	9,418	106
Iowa	6,437	6,794	106
Southwest Indiana	9,359	9,760	104
Illinois	8,788	9,095	103
Missouri	7,628	7,299	96
<i>District not reporting: Northwest Indiana</i>			
SOUTHEAST ZONE			
Florida	7,069	8,068	114
West Virginia	10,773	11,707	109
Georgia	5,596	6,026	108
East Tennessee	5,712	6,080	106
South Carolina	4,748	4,912	103
North Carolina	3,670	3,779	103
Mississippi	2,875	2,838	99
Virginia	3,144	3,083	98
Alabama	7,486	7,315	98
Eastern Kentucky	5,463	5,161	94
<i>Districts not reporting: Tennessee, Kentucky</i>			
EASTERN ZONE			
Washington-Philadelphia	10,467	11,432	109
Akron	11,366	12,411	109
New England	6,975	7,541	108
Pittsburgh	8,535	8,958	105
New York	2,137	2,233	104
Albany	3,369	3,499	104
CANADIAN ZONE			
Canada Pacific	1,055	1,197	113
Canada Central	1,887	2,136	113
Canada West	4,228	4,193	99
Maritime	1,087	900	83
SOUTHERN ZONE			
Dallas	5,046	5,505	109
Kansas City	9,258	9,756	105
Abilene	5,687	5,949	105
San Antonio	3,679	3,835	104
Kansas	7,962	8,250	104
Northwest Oklahoma	5,989	6,162	103
Nebraska	2,728	2,788	102
Southeast Oklahoma	3,955	3,952	100
Houston	3,582	3,561	99
North Arkansas	3,656	3,565	98
Southwest Oklahoma	6,277	5,989	95
<i>Districts not reporting: South Arkansas, Northeast Oklahoma, Louisiana</i>			
SOUTHWEST ZONE			
Hawaii	519	712	137
Los Angeles	9,020	9,881	110
Colorado	6,334	6,619	105
Southern California	11,161	11,562	104

District	Last Year	October	Percentage
New Mexico	3,126	3,238	104
Northern California	14,748	15,170	103
Arizona	3,683	3,764	102
NORTHWEST ZONE			
Minnesota	2,192	2,407	110
Oregon Pacific	7,253	7,567	104
Washington Pacific	5,094	5,197	102
Rocky Mountain	2,463	2,499	101
South Dakota	847	855	101
North Dakota	1,737	1,753	101
Idaho-Oregon	6,179	6,028	98
Northwest	7,010	6,784	97
Nevada-Utah	893	851	95
District not reporting: Alaska			
MISCELLANEOUS			
Australia	494	808	164
North American Indian	1,018	1,046	103
Estimated Average for October, 1956		407,092	
Increase over last year's average		17,581	
Percentage of increase		4.5	

ERWIN G. BENSON, *Field Secretary*

Servicemen's Corner



"I will no longer be eligible to receive the publications you have been sending me. The reason is a rather obvious one, as well as joyous. I shall soon become a civilian. Before returning to civilian status, I would like to thank you for the time and money you have invested in me. The nearest Church of the Nazarene is over eighty miles away. So the only regular contact we had with the church was through the HERALD.

"During my basic training I was fortunate to have Chaplain Conley Pate when he was at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas. I believe that a Nazarene chaplain can be of tremendous service, and most certainly he is a definite morale booster to a recruit.

"I want to say thank you once more for the inspiring and encouraging literature you have sent and also say thank you to all Nazarene chaplains for their consecrated service.—FLOYD I. JOHN."

"I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your fine staff for the wonderful Christian literature that I have been receiving since coming into the navy. My enlistment is now terminating, so in the future I will be subscribing through our church in Huntington, West Virginia.

"My words are not adequate to express the joy and spiritual help that I have received from this God-inspired material. Receiving the periodicals has also given me a chance to witness for Christ by allowing others to read them. We are often unaware of what just one word of our Saviour can do for those around us who don't know Him as their personal Christ. These past four years of living where sin is so prevalent have taught me to take advantage of every opportunity of getting God's Word to every person. It has given me a desire to help others to find the wonderful peace that I know in serving Him.

"Again I would thank you for your prayers and for not forgetting us while we are in service. I am sure all of our Nazarene servicemen are very proud and thankful to be a part of such a wonderful organization.—DALLAS MOORE."

NAZARENE SERVICE MEN'S COMMISSION
Walter W. Gilliland DIRECTOR

although they also have their own work for the maintenance of their families, except Brother Pio, who is now retired from the railway service.

We ask the prayers of the church for the revival time in Naples and for the whole progressing work in our country.—ALFREDO DEL ROSSO, *Italy*.

Missionary Slide Sets

In addition to the regular slide sets which we have carried, we now have



Foreign Missions

REMISS REHFELDT, *Secretary*

Prayer Request

Mrs. O. A. Perkinson, Uruguay, suffered a heart attack while on the plane en route home to Montevideo after the field Council Meeting in Argentina. Please pray for Mrs. Perkinson.

Others on the Argentina-Uruguay field have been ill, and many are working beyond their strength, and need your earnest prayers.

Correction on Address

Please add the phrase "via Komati-poort" to Rev. and Mrs. Singleton's new address. It should now read:

Rev. & Mrs. Kenneth Singleton
 P.O. Cottondale, via Komati-poort
 Eastern Transvaal, South Africa

Miss Mary Wallace, Nicaragua, wishes her address changed to:

Miss Mary Wallace
 Apartado 387
 Rivas, Nicaragua, C.A.

Temporary Change of Address

Until the Middle East situation settles down, please address all correspondence for Rev. and Mrs. William Russell and Rev. and Mrs. Don DePasquale to:

P.O. Box 2328
 Beirut, Lebanon

Rev. and Mrs. Alex Wachtel are remaining in Jerusalem, Israel, for the present, waiting to see how the general situation develops.

These are anxious days for all our staff there. Please pray much for them and for the whole Middle East area, that God will prevent war.

Note from Africa

Council is just over and our hearts were thrilled. I can honestly say that I am happier than ever to be a part of this great missionary family and I

am glad I'm in Africa. I really don't think you could find a group anywhere of equal size and have the same measure of unity and love throughout. If the others will only accept and love us in the same measure that we do them, I am sure that we'll be among the best friends we've ever had. We are to be stationed at Stegi, Swaziland, and study the Nyanja language, which is the language of Central Africa. We feel that this is a definite answer to prayer. Pray for us in this undertaking.—MAURICE HALL, *Africa*.

Italy

The work near Naples is growing. After Castellammare, Scafati, Torre Annunziata, a new place is open for the gospel: San Marco. Now there are four different localities there where our Brother Vincenzo Scognamiglio and his family go every day to hold services.

We have rented two rooms, one in Scafati and one in Torre Annunziata, and have put in some furniture for the gathering of the people who come in great numbers to listen to the gospel. Our Brother Vincenzo and his daughter bring an accordion to help in the services because the Neapolitans love to sing. In every church we need to give them much attention, for we want to have a revival time this month.

Dr. Alberto Parenti, fiance of our daughter Maria, is helping us in Civitavecchia, where he comes every Saturday and Sunday from Rome to help in the Sunday school and the services. Brother Elio Milazzo, who is studying in the University in Florence, is helping in the Florence church. He gives much of his time for the preaching in Florence for our young people and the church.

Our local preachers in Rome, Castellammare, Catania work with great love and deep activity for our church.

a new set on the Cape Verde Islands and one on Korea.

The New Guinea slides are so popular that it is now necessary to order them **SIX MONTHS IN ADVANCE** of the date you wish to show them.

Another new feature is the **CHILDREN'S PHILIPPINE SLIDE SET**. This is a set of ten pictures for use in Junior Society. Junior missionary chapters, Sunday-school classes, and vacation Bible schools. It rents for \$1.00. Be sure to designate that it is the **CHILDREN'S SET** you are ordering. The Kindergarten and Primary Sunday-school classes are studying the Philippines during January, and we would like to request that those who want them for other groups order during some other month, to leave these sets available for the Sunday-school classes during that month.

But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you (Heb. 6:9).

God does not expect sinners to glorify Him, but He does count on those among us who have been partakers of His love and grace to give Him the deepest and fullest of our love, devotion, and service.—**EARLE F. WILDE**.



Opportunities for Witnessing—

I

It was such a little thing in the beginning, but it has now become something big in my heart and mind.

My husband and I were invited out to eat by the owner of a large factory. While we were waiting for our food to be served, we visited with the owner. Soon the plates of food were placed before us. We waited for the host to offer a word of prayer. Instead of praying, he reached for the bread and butter and started eating. My husband and I bowed our heads and gave silent thanks to God for His blessings. Nothing was said about the matter, but afterwards we both felt rebuked. Not being host, my husband had felt it was not his place to call for prayer. After

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some discussion, we both concluded that, wherever we are, it is always our business to show how we feel about our Lord and therefore we should ask that prayer be made.

II

About a week after the above incident, we had an opportunity to be host to another man. We went to the restaurant of the guest's choice and were seated at a table in the center of the dining room. We placed our orders and were soon served. My husband led in a prayer of thanks.

When the dinner-business meeting was over, we paused at the cashier's stand and were ready to leave, when the girl who had waited on us asked, "What is the name of your church?" Since we had not discussed church with her, we all three turned and looked at



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Department of Evangelism

V. H. LEWIS, Secretary

Evangelistic Honor Roll

The Crusade for Souls Commission is continuing the publishing of the list of churches, by district, who qualified during their last assembly year for the Evangelistic Honor Roll Certificate. The group qualification standards were published in the November 21 issue of the **HERALD**.

We congratulate the following, who have obtained a Certificate:

Church	Group	Gain	Present Membership
CANADA PACIFIC DISTRICT			
Burquitlam	I	13	29
CENTRAL OHIO DISTRICT			
Chesapeake	II	12	42
Columbus Fairwood Avenue	II	12	45
Columbus Whitehall	II	12	75
Fremont	II	15	71
Fulton	II	14	47
Hanging Rock	II	12	40
Lorain	II	20	43
Nelsonville	II	24	79
Newark East Side	II	12	55
Portsmouth Nauvoo	II	19	50
Roseville	II	22	77
Columbus First	V	37	504
COLORADO DISTRICT			
Brighton	II	12	47
Colorado Springs Central	II	22	102
Greeley Sunnyview	II	40	116
Rocky Ford	II	12	56
EASTERN KENTUCKY DISTRICT			
Paris	I	9	20
Turkey Creek	II	15	53
Ravenna	III	20	103
EASTERN MICHIGAN DISTRICT			
Imlay City	I	11	29
Church			
Adrian East Side	II	12	46
Hazel Park	II	12	42
Morenci	III	19	96
Plymouth	III	19	166
Pontiac Parkdale	III	18	90
Richfield	III	18	153
FLORIDA DISTRICT			
Jacksonville Westside	I	12	24
Arcadia	II	19	85
Fort Lauderdale Faith	II	12	75
Jacksonville Oakwood Villa	II	12	47
Lakeland S. Florida Heights	II	23	67
Melbourne First	II	17	44
Miami North	II	13	59
Orlando Colonial	II	19	71
Sebring	II	12	43
Tallahassee First	II	14	82
Zephyr Hills	II	15	43
Princeton	III	26	154
HAWAII DISTRICT			
Honolulu Central	I	12	43
Kailua	I	9	35
HOUSTON DISTRICT			
Angleton	I	14	30
Rockdale	I	15	24
Vidor	I	14	28
Galena Park	II	14	72
La Marque	II	12	34
Pasadena	II	20	92
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Gooding	II	14	59
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each other. The first one to speak told her our business. The guest quickly added, "My church is only four blocks down the street. Sometime we would like to have you worship with us. We will be glad to welcome you."

"I will come," answered the waitress. "I knew you folks were connected with a church, for you prayed before you ate. It is so rare for people to give thanks to God in a public place."

III

Another week passed, and on Sunday morning we dropped into the morning service at First Church, Cleveland, Ohio. District Superintendent Taylor was in charge of the service, which was a meeting especially set aside for holding the recall of Pastor Willhoyte.

During the brief message, Brother Taylor related a little incident of the past week. He had bought a new car. Always he and his wife have made it a habit to carry toothpicks in one ash tray and meter coins in the other. The apparatus which smokers use to smash out the fire on the end of the cigarettes was in the way of the toothpicks and coins. Brother Taylor took his tools and started to remove the little piece of metal. Even as he did so, a question came up in his mind. Maybe when he got ready to sell his car, the man who bought it would want complete ash trays. He tossed aside the thought quickly and removed the inside part of the ash trays, saying to himself as he did so: I have a conviction against smoking, and even if the removal of this part of the ash tray hampers the resale of the car, I will not be unfaithful to my standards.

The listeners were reminded that rarely do Christians fail in carrying out the large principles of life. Christians weaken their testimonies by failing in the smaller details. Christians are prone to lower their standards little by little instead of all at once.

How easy it is to fail to let our lights shine in the seemingly unimportant circumstances of life! There are always alibis ready for our use.

It is easy to find what is wrong with everyone else, but what about ourselves?

IV

Do we hold up our standards? Do we announce to strangers that we are Christians just by the way we act and talk and by the places we go?

None of us should have to tell his neighbors that he is a Christian. That fact should be self-evident because of the life he lives around the home, how he acts at the grocery store, his attitudes toward those who do him wrong.

Strangers should be able to recognize a Christian because he conducts himself as a follower of Christ!

What shall I do for my son? (I Sam. 0:2.)

If all fathers would exhibit the concern for their children that this father did for his son, juvenile delinquency would be given a deathblow.—E. F. VILDF.

the Question box

Conducted by STEPHEN S. WHITE, Editor

Since Adam is not our spiritual father, why should we be held responsible for his sin, or be cursed with the presence of carnality, or inborn sin, because he sinned and fell?

When a baby is born, a new being begins his existence. But this new beginning is a human being. No human being can escape being a part of mankind. "No man liveth unto himself." He is what he is partly because he is a man. We are not cut off completely from the past. No one can escape his ancestry—his common human selfhood. On the other hand, we cannot evade our individual responsibility. We play a dual role—a racial and an individual role.

Adam was the first man, and as such he represented the whole human family. He sinned and fell, and because of this all human beings are born in sin, or with a sin nature. This inborn bent to sin causes all men to sin when they come to the years of moral responsibility. This would be very unfair if God had not through the death of Jesus Christ provided freedom from the guilt of sin and cleansing from the inherited tendency to sin. As has often been pointed out, no one is condemned because of the Adamic nature, or carnality, until he becomes conscious of

it and refuses to get rid of it. Provision has been made for all men to meet the conditions and have this carnality destroyed if they choose to. Of course, if a Christian refuses to be sanctified wholly when he knows that he can be, he becomes guilty of sinning and is therefore condemned before God.

In approaching your problem differently it may be said that, while Adam was not our spiritual father, he is our sinful father. Through his sin he became the sinful father of the human family. But, thank God, as a member of the human race, I can rise above the curse of carnality in this present world—through the death of Jesus Christ, with its wonderful grace. This means that God, instead of being unfair to us, has given us a second chance through the Cross. Man failed God once, and then God in His mercy provided for him to have another opportunity to choose the right. If you want to understand what I have said thus far, read Rom. 5:12-21. It gives the best answer to your question which is found in the Bible.

What is the relation between faith and works? The eternal-security advocates emphasize faith and leave out works. I believe in both. Which are we saved by, or are we saved by both?

We are saved, regenerated, transformed, by faith in Jesus Christ. Also, we keep saved by faith. Nevertheless, if our hearts have been transformed by faith in Jesus Christ, we will live differently. Our Christian experience will inevitably manifest itself by Christian living, or works. Faith without works is dead. Works do not save, but they are a proof of the fact that we are saved by faith. Moreover, faith will not continue to transform the inner man if we put our light under a bushel, if we re-

fuse to confess Jesus Christ by word of mouth and by deeds. It is true that we are saved by faith alone, but it must always be remembered that our faith can break down, or fail, and will do this very thing if we do not allow it to exercise itself in deeds. There is no eternal, automatic, or foolproof security in this life. We are on probation until death overtakes us, and this means that a saved person can break with God and be finally and everlastingly lost.

We had a discussion in our fellowship meeting about whether God has a body. Some believe that He does, and others that He doesn't. I would like to know what you believe.

I do not believe that God has a body. "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24). In your letter you speak of man being made in the image of God, implying that God has a body, as man does. In other words, you reason that since man has a body and was made in the image of God, God must have a body. This does not follow. Man was made in the image of God in

that he was created a holy person, and not because he had a body. The image of God in man was internal, and not external; psychological and ethical, and not physical. There may be a physical manifestation of the presence of God to man. This is called a theophany. It, as I have said, is a *physical manifestation* of God, and not God in His normal state, or ultimate selfhood.

NEWS of the Churches



Evangelist C. Wesley Brough reports: "We began our fall slate at Champaign, Illinois, with Pastor Harold Canaday and Westside Church. God gave a gracious revival with fifty-one seekers, and we were given a call to return. At Northside Church in Lincoln, Nebraska, with Pastor Earl Roustio, God came in mighty power and gave fifty-six people seeking Him. We were also given a call to return here. At Edgemont Church in Denver, Colorado, with Rev. E. E. Moses, we had what the people said was the best revival in years. At this writing I am with Pastor Robert Gray and our fine people at Placerville, California. I am starting my fourth year in the field, and have only two open dates between now and next June; January 9 to 20, and May 15 to 26. I am enjoying the blessings of God, and my work with our fine pastors and people. Write me, 304 W. Belleview, Porterville, California."

Crown Point, Indiana—The Independence Hill Church had a wonderful revival in September with Evangelist C. C. Chatfield and wife as the preachers and singers. Charter members said this was the best revival in the history of the church. The Holy Spirit came upon the services many times, and we saw fifty-four seekers at the altar. We praise God for His presence and the victories won. Our church is moving forward in a good way.—O. A. SHROUT, *Pastor*.

Fort Smith, Arkansas—South Side Church recently had a splendid revival with Evangelist Harold Thompson as the special worker. God blessed Brother Thompson and used his ministry to bring thirty-three seekers to the altar, with thirty-two of them praying through to good victory. The church was helped and blessed by this meeting. Rev. Ralph Miller is our good pastor.—MRS. ARLE HARRIS, *Reporter*.

Osseo, Minnesota—Our church enjoyed a fine revival meeting in October with Rev. Crawford Vanderpool as evangelist, and Rev. and Mrs. Sullivan and Rev. and Mrs. John Bruce as singers and musicians. We give thanks to God for the souls who found victory in Him and many who received special help.—EDWARD J. JOHNSON, *Pastor*.

Beatrice, Nebraska—First Church had a wonderful series of revival services, October 17 to 28, with Rev. Max Peters as the evangelist. During the first few days the powers of darkness seemed to prevail, but God came on the first Sunday, and then on through the week the altars were filled with seekers. Folks said they never had seen such an outpouring of God's Holy Spirit. We give God praise for His blessings and for men like Brother Peters who humble themselves and pray until God comes.—LI ROY MORROW, *Pastor*.



by BERTHA MUNRO

WE TRY TO TELL IT

Monday:

My Sunday-school class of college junior and senior girls is living its way into and through the current studies of the doctrine of holiness. Last Sunday during their (self-planned) opening exercises a truth gripped me fresh.

Some single thing the "blessing" does for us? How hard we try to put it into words! When God performs this second work in a human soul He creates an entire new relationship. Tell it in one way, ten other aspects clamor to be told. Confine it in one set of terms, you have limited its meaning. Get an infinite God in unchecked communication with His complex creation "man"—or "woman"—the fact is basic, its expression many-sided.

Tuesday:

First, a song by the class: "Called unto holiness, bride of the Lamb"—here is the best attempt (Jesus used it himself) to express the experience of complete *self-giving* with *love returned*.

A duet. "Nothing between my soul and the Saviour"—a harmony of wills here that need never be broken. This is the *peace* of heaven in a stormy world.

Wednesday:

And now spontaneously the class president asked us to sing "the song that meant so much to me when I was getting sanctified": "Lord Jesus, I long to be perfectly whole; . . . Whiter than snow, yes, whiter than snow." There it was, the indescribable sense of *cleanness* through and through. The seeds of the old virus gone, the leprosy of sin cleansed.

Thursday:

All this time I had been singing to myself, half-consciously: "I know the Blood still reaches deeper than the stain has gone!" Explain it psychologically or not, here is the deep *rest* of trusting to the Holy Spirit even the unexplored reaches of personality—confident that no hidden monster of rebellion or disloyalty remains to spring up to betray or defile.

Friday:

My thoughts ran on. That marvelous sense of fulfillment, of adequacy, and the day-by-day experience of supply to meet demand—no other way to tell it than by the *indwelling Presence*:

*The Comforter has come! . . .
The morning breaks at last.
He has "come to abide"—and arrange
the furniture of the heart to suit himself.*

Saturday:

"And thro' the vacant cells the song of triumph rings."—"Jesus breaks ev'ry fetter, and He sets me free."

Can any words tell fully the *release of spirit*? Broad open spaces in all directions:

*Free, free, gloriously free;
No longer by sin I am bound!
The precious Blood cleanses and
sanctifies me;
This freedom in Jesus I found.*

Sunday:

The vista of a clear road ahead, illuminated by divine wisdom and safeguarded by divine authority—*guidance and security*:

*There's a highway there and
a way. . . .
And the light shines bright as the
day,
Walking in the King's highway—
of holiness.*

The ever-fresh satisfactions and thrills, new glimpses of truth, new personal proofs of God's faithfulness: "A land of corn and wine and oil, favored with God's peculiar smile, with every blessing blest."

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Evangelist T. P. Dunn writes: "After more than eight years in the district superintendency and about thirteen years in the evangelistic field, I am now re-entering the pastorate, having accepted the work of the church at Hominy, Oklahoma. I give thanks to all the wonderful superintendents on whose districts I have worked, and to all our wonderful pastors with whom I have labored across the years. It has been a pleasure to work with all of you, to be in many of your homes and enjoy your fellowship. My slate was filled for '57 and for part of '58; I beg the indulgence of the brethren and the churches with whom I have had to cancel."

Pennville, Indiana—Sugar Grove Church recently enjoyed a gracious revival with Evangelist Marvin J. Jones, and Rev. and Mrs. R. D. Grubbs as singers. The attendance was the best in years. Brother Jones's clear-cut, definite, and scriptural messages on Bible holiness were well received and brought conviction to many hearts, with good, definite victories at the altar. The singing of the Grubbses was of high quality and in the Spirit. The church was revived, and the evangelist was given a call to return for a meeting in '58. "This church loves its pastor, Rev. Myrl Moore, harmony prevails, and progress is being made in the various departments.—Reporter.

Evangelist H. W. Slayton writes: "I have some open time between now and Christmas and will be glad to go as the Lord may lead. God has been blessing and helping in our meetings. Write me, 237 N. Fifth Street, Elwood, Indiana."

Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania—This church was organized in July of 1950, after a tent revival conducted by Evangelist Claude Jones. The Files Sisters and Ray Noggle, along with talent from the churches in the Bloomsburg Zone, furnished the music. District Superintendent E. E. Grosse organized the church with nine members. On March 1, 1951, the first service was held in our basement church. In March of this year, construction was begun on the superstructure; the outside work done by contractors, and the inside work completed by men of the local church. It is located on a corner plot, 120 x 50 feet, with room for expansion. The dedication service was held on October 13, with special speakers on Saturday and Sunday evenings. Sunday-school average attendance last year was 78, and the enrollment is now 110. Rev. Wm. Adams, Jr., came to us in September of 1950, prior to starting construction work on the basement unit.—Reporter.

Aurora, Illinois—First Church recently enjoyed a good revival under the preaching of Evangelist Gordon Rice; he is a faithful man of God. The attendance was good and a number of people sought God at the altar, praying through for pardon and heart purity.—O. F. ZACHARY, Pastor.

Rev. Ark Noel, Jr., writes: "Since completing our school work at Bethany Nazarene College in August, we have been in full-time evangelistic work. God has been blessing and we plan to continue in this work. We have some open time in the spring. Write us, Box 604, Bethany, Oklahoma."

Rev. Bill R. Butcher writes: "Several weeks ago I resigned as pastor of our church in Hominy, Oklahoma, and am now devoting full time to the field of evangelism. At this writing I am in a meeting at Tulsa First Church with Rev. E. H. Sanders, pastor. I have two open dates for the spring of '57. Write me, P.O. Box 454, Skiatook, Oklahoma."

Uniopolis, Ohio—In October, this home-mission Church of the Nazarene had a gracious revival, the first in this community in thirty years. God met with us in all of the services, giving twenty-two seekers at the altar; four members of one family were saved. Rev. W. M. Hodge was a great blessing with his old-fashioned gospel preaching. God is helping in the work here and we are reaching new people each week.—EVERETT ROOP, Pastor.

Columbia, Mississippi—God was truly present in our revival, October 15 through 21, and the entire church was encouraged to go forward for the Lord. Rev. C. B. Carlton, evangelist, brought soul-stirring messages, and many people came seeking the truth. With Rev. Anderson Newton as our new and active leader, there is every evidence that a new day has dawned for this church.—Reporter.

Sunday-School Evangelists Lyle and Lois Potter report: "Our recent Sunday-school tours of the Illinois, New York, and West Virginia districts were well attended due to the careful planning of the efficient church school board chairmen, Chester Linton, Bruce Taylor, and Hadley Hall. The response of the pastors and laymen was beyond expectation. The Holy Spirit moved on our hearts and challenged all to set higher goals in the promotion of the Kingdom through the Sunday school. These three districts under their superintendents, W. S. Purinton, Robert Goslaw, and E. C. Oney, are putting on a real spiritual offensive which is gathering momentum and making outstanding advancements. Between tours we had two local church conventions; at Roswell, New Mexico, with Rev. Wayne Gash, an inspiring and energetic young pastor of real ability, who is leading his church to a new high in spirituality and attendance; then at Westside Church, Decatur, Illinois, where Pastor James Barr, assisted by Dick Edwards, is about to complete the building of one of the largest and finest church auditoriums and educational buildings in the movement. One secret of the tremendous advancement at both Roswell and Decatur Westside is that each church has about one hundred people carrying on their weekly visitation program."

Grafton, West Virginia—Our church recently experienced the greatest revival it has had for many years. Evangelists Harold and Flossie Richardson were mightily used of the Lord. Their messages were timely, inspiring, practical and uplifting. The church was greatly helped, and some were saved for the first time in their lives. New contacts are being made and the church is moving forward for God.—Reporter.

Fillmore, California—This church recently experienced its greatest revival and the attendance was the best ever. Evangelist Thomas Hayes preached with the blessing of God and the anointing of the Holy Spirit. God marvelously answered prayer and about forty-five souls prayed through to victory. On Saturday night in a special service, eleven people were healed. Under the splendid preaching of Brother Hayes and the singing of Ken Ramsey, God was able to get to hard cases, and deliver souls from sins of the flesh and spirit. People who had not prayed much, and never lasted before, started to pray and fast; others shouted the glory down. It was a gracious outpouring of the Spirit. Finances came in a wonderful way, and in a great Sunday afternoon tithing campaign, members and friends of the church pledged to pay their tithes. The pastor's salary was immediately increased. We are now going into a campaign to build a new parsonage, as a first step toward relocating the church. We praise God for this Holy Ghost revival—and the spirit of revival continues.—LEROY C. STOREY, Pastor.

Rev. James Holstein and wife (Lois) write: "After six years of pastoring we are re-entering the evangelistic field. Our program includes preaching, music and singing, and children's work. We plan to travel with house trailer and are arranging our slate immediately. If you desire our services, write us, Route 5, Greenville, Ohio."

Pastor R. Don Sanders writes: "After almost two years of a very enjoyable and fruitful ministry with the wonderful people of Kermit, Texas, I resigned to accept the pastorate of the Houston Terrace Church in San Antonio. The people have received us graciously. Rev. Gene Plemmons laid a good foundation for the building of a strong church, and the people seem to be united and have a burden for the work. If you have friends in San Antonio you'd like to have us contact, write me, 205 Spokane Road, San Antonio 10, Texas."

Manstfield, Arkansas—Our church has had a good year—battles fought and victories won; a beautiful spirit of unity prevails. All budgets were paid in full for the year, with the General Budget overpaid. The church appreciated the ministry and labor of love of our pastors, Rev. and Mrs. G. A. Lankford. Through a gift of a friend we were able to place a beautiful altar, communion table, pulpit, and chairs in the sanctuary. Other improvements also were made on the church and parsonage buildings.—Reporter.

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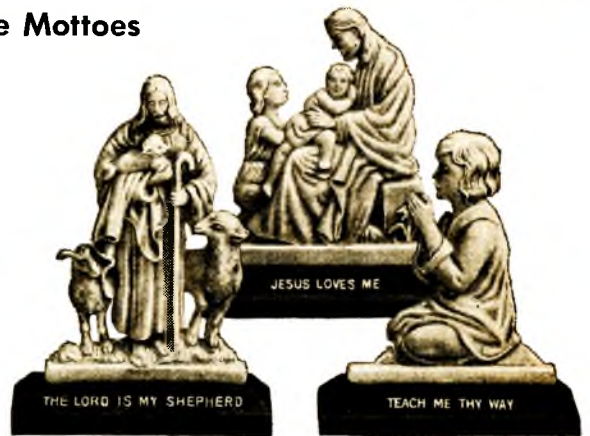


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Rockford, Illinois—Recently we closed the best holiness convention of the six which have been held at Rockford First Church. The attendance was better, the co-operation of the ten other Nazarene churches of this area was better, and the preaching and singing were the very best. Dr. Mendell Taylor, Evangelist Chester Plummer, and Rev. and Mrs. Ted Holstein were the much-appreciated special workers. District Superintendent Lyle E. Eckley presided at the services with his usual grace, and all those present received spiritual blessing through the wonderful altar services God gave.—W. W. TRINK, *Reporter*.

Elyria, Ohio—In October our church had a glorious Sunday-school revival with Mrs. Eva Gardner as the special worker. On Sunday both the altar and front seats were filled with seekers. The church people were greatly stirred as Mrs. Gardner preached with the anointing of the Holy Spirit, and many came to pray, confessing they had failed in winning souls for Christ. Backsliders were reclaimed, and some sought the Lord for the first time. Fifty people signed pledge cards to give time and service in the great work of reaching our community of fifty thousand souls for Christ. If you have friends here, write the pastor, 142 Pasadena Avenue.—J. E. HANSON, *Pastor*.

Mineral City, Ohio—We thank the Lord for the progress in our church. There has been a 10 to 35 per cent gain in all departments, and finances are good. Pastor O. O. Mills has been given a unanimous, three-year recall, with an increase in salary. We have had two good revival meetings: with Chalk-Artist Evangelist Clyde B. Rodgers, and recently with Evangelist W. B. Walker. Thirteen members have been added to the church. The church is united and going forward, and we appreciate our fine pastor.—*Reporter*.

Franklin, Ohio—We are now starting our sixth year with this good church and fine people. In July of '55 the church purchased a new location for our future church and parsonage—about four acres, within four blocks of downtown—and paid the full price of \$20,500.00 in cash. On October 14 we observed our fortieth anniversary with a great home-coming and all-day services. Had a great Sunday-school rally with 290 present, and the music and singing for the day was in charge of Mr. Lowell Oberland, our minister of music. District Superintendent W. E. Albea brought greetings from the district, and congratulated the church on the purchase of the new location and building plans. The pastor brought the morning message. In the afternoon, Mrs. Sarah Riddell, charter member, gave a brief history of the church, with Rev. Millard Fitch, a former pastor, bringing both afternoon and evening messages. He stirred and challenged our hearts. Fifteen pastors and evangelists were present in the afternoon service, and a total of \$1,866.00 was received in cash for the building fund during the day. Pray for us in this new undertaking.—H. C. WATSON, *Pastor*.

Quincy, Illinois—On October 14 our church closed a gracious revival with Evangelist E. C. Tarvin, who preached the Word forcefully and with the anointing of the Holy Spirit. The services were well attended, and most of the seekers were non-Nazarenes. The church was stirred and strengthened, and the revival spirit continues. We are in our second year here, and the people have been kind and generous to their pastors. They gave us a wonderful love offering at the close of this meeting. Our Sunday school is on the upward climb, averaging 106 for September and 111 for October. We are having good gains in every department, with the church growing spiritually, financially, and numerically. Also we are planning for some new basement Sunday-school room, and a parsonage to be built soon.—ERNEST FLORENCE, *Pastor*.

Fostoria, Ohio—During the past few years our church work has moved rapidly with a wonderful spirit of aggressiveness. Due to the leadership of our pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Flannery, and the sacrificial spirit of the people, God has enabled us to erect a beautiful new church building. The new edifice was dedicated on Sunday, October 7, with our district superintendent, Dr. Harvey S. Galloway, giving the message. God blessed this service in a great way; it was the beginning of an outstanding revival. The soul-searching messages of Rev. Charles Ide, of Plymouth, Michigan, and the beautiful music and singing of the Speer Family, resulted in a number of seekers finding real victory in God. The attendance was excellent, the church was greatly helped, and we give God praise for both spiritual and material blessings.—FRIEDA REISS, *Secretary*.

Ironwood, Michigan—In October we had a wonderful revival with Rev. W. A. Menneke of Ottawa, Kansas, as the evangelist. We had a very good attendance, and the people accepted the wonderful messages from God's Word. Brother Menneke has the message for our day, and we are glad he came our way. Twenty-six people bowed at the altar, and prayed through to definite victory; also thirteen came for healing and all testified to a divine touch. Brother Menneke is a pioneer for God and souls.—CHARLES T. COOK, *Pastor*.

Leverett Brothers, evangelists, write: "We have a few one-night dates open for churches in the eastern Ohio or western West Virginia area; have March 12 and March 26 both open, and for the Cleveland area we have April 9 open. Write us, Lamar, Missouri."

Evangelist E. C. Tarvin writes: "During the last few weeks I have been very busy for the Master: with Pastor Hood at Delmer, Kentucky; at Quincy, Illinois, with Pastor Florence; and at Newtonsville, Ohio. God gave some great victories in these meetings. I am now with Pastor Cantrell in Indiana, and go from here to Hamilton, Ohio. I ask the prayers of the HERALD OF HOLINESS family."

Evangelists A. E. and Pauline Mitter write: "We have an open date, January 30 to February 10, and also February 27 to March 10, and will be happy to slate these dates with any churches desiring our services. We carry the whole program—preaching, singing, special music, chalk artistry, and children's work. We are now in our thirteenth consecutive year in the evangelistic field. Write us at our home address, 307 S. Delaware Street, Mt. Gilead, Ohio."

West Virginia District Sunday-School Conventions

There were 253 teachers, 50 pastors, 32 Sunday-school superintendents, and 55 other officers of the Sunday school in attendance at the Sunday-school conventions of the West Virginia District, October 16 through 19, with Rev. and Mrs. Lyle Potter as the special workers. In addition to these officers and leaders of the Sunday school, there were many Sunday-school boosters present.

The conventions consisted of four one-night services, beginning at 7:00 and concluding at 9:00 p.m. Rev. and Mrs. Lyle Potter were in charge of the services from beginning to end, with a program of variety, including filmstrips, a Sunday-school clinic, workshop, and a devotional closing.

It was the most unusual and different program we have had on this district. Our Sunday-school workers were stirred by these conventions. There is a new enthusiasm among us because of them. Dr. Edward C. Oney, district superintendent, expressed the feeling that they were among the very best conventions we have had. We are ready now to go to work, and do better things in West Virginia for the Master, for our Sunday schools, and for the Church of the Nazarene.—HADLEY HALL, *Chairman, District Church School Board*.

New Mexico District Midyear Convention

The New Mexico District held its annual midyear convention, October 29 to 31, at Portales. The services were under the direction of the various departments. The first portion was given over to the N.F.M.S., under the leadership of Mrs. Harold Morris, district president. Missionary Ira Taylor spoke on our work in Peru.

District N.Y.P.S. President Hugh Russell directed the Tuesday afternoon service, with Mr. Bruce Deisenroth, business manager of Pasadena Nazarene College, as the special speaker.

The Wednesday morning service was given over to the Sunday school, with Rev. Harold Morris, district church school chairman, presiding. Rev. Darrel Slack, church school chairman of the Northwest Oklahoma District, was the speaker.

Dr. J. W. Short was the special convention speaker, and his messages, with his insight into the problems of home-mission work, were appreciated by all.

Rev. Eugene Culbertson was the efficient host pastor. A fine spirit of unity prevails on the district under the leadership of our district superintendent, Dr. R. C. Gunstream.—KENNETH O. FREY, *Reporter*.

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Moberly, Missouri—Recently our church enjoyed a wonderful revival with Evangelist J. H. Crawford. His work was outstanding, and our people enjoyed and appreciated his ministry. God gave victory at the altar, with forty-three people, counting as they came, either saved or sanctified. This meeting was greater than any during my four years in this pastorate. We give God praise for the victories won.—CHARLES C. CHANEY, *Pastor*.

Anchorage, Alaska—On October 21, the Thirteenth Avenue Church closed a one-week meeting with Rev. Norman Oke, book editor from the Nazarene Publishing House, as the evangelist. Brother Oke's ministry was wonderfully accepted by the Alaskans, souls were won to Christ, and both of our churches were greatly helped. Everyone felt we should have another meeting with this fine evangelist; he is one of our church's most sincere soul winners.—M. R. KOROBY, *Pastor*.

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DEATHS

REV. R. J. SMELTZER was born June 1, 1895, at Leechburg, Pennsylvania. Brought up in a God-fearing home and saved at the age of five, he early felt the call to preach the gospel, to which call from 1916 until his home-going he was wholly dedicated. In the service of his country in World War I he served at Chillicothe, where he ministered to the sick and was active in the Lord's work. While attending Fairmount Bible College he met Miss Edna Cleveland; later they were married and went as missionaries to India, where she gave her life for the cause of Christ. Brother Smeltzer returned to the States and assumed the duties of pastor and evangelist. In 1925 he married Miss

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Marie Ries; to this union were born a daughter, Esther Ruth, and a son, Daniel. Both Marie and his son preceded him in death. Brother Smeltzer was in his fortieth year serving God, thirty-five years as an ordained elder, twenty-five years in the Church of the Nazarene. He loved the souls of men and the church. He served a number of churches, and was instrumental in helping to organize at least six home-mission churches; also he evangelized ten years. He died July 11, 1956, at a hospital in Cleveland, Ohio, having suffered coronary occlusion on May 20, while serving as pastor of the Cleveland Brooklyn Church of the Nazarene. He is survived by his wife, the former Gladys Courtney, and his daughter, Esther Ruth. Funeral service was held at Akron First Church, with Rev. C. D. Taylor, district superintendent, in charge, assisted by other fellow laborers. Burial was in Lakewood Cemetery, Akron.

JOHN KREY was born March 27, 1875, and died in Stafford, Kansas, September 28, 1956. He joined the Church of the Nazarene in 1919, and was an active and faithful member until his death. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mildred Krey; four sons: Arcy, of Great Bend; Forrest, of Sylvia; Ernest, of Montezuma; and Ralph, of Garden City; five daughters: Mrs. S. T. Ludwig, of Kansas City, Missouri; Mrs. Ernest Zennoni, of Hutchinson, Kansas; Mrs. Arthur Uphaus, of Spring Hill, Kansas; Mrs. Earl Housinger, of Haden Lake, Idaho; and Mrs. Clinton Rock, of Cheyenne, Wyoming; also four brothers and two sisters. Funeral service was conducted at the Stafford Church of the Nazarene by the pastor, Rev. Amos R. Williams, with interment in the Stafford cemetery.

JOSEPH L. JOHNSON was born March 14, 1906, in Cranston, and died on October 4, 1956, in a hospital in Providence, Rhode Island. He was an active member of First Church of the Nazarene in Providence, treasurer of the missionary society, and also filled other official positions. He is survived by his wife, his parents, one brother, and six sisters. Funeral service was conducted by his pastor, Rev. Kenneth E. Sullivan, assisted by Rev. Carlton Gleason and Rev. Carl Sandberg. Burial was in Highland Memorial Cemetery.

THOMAS H. MILBY, of Springfield, Illinois, attending Olivet Nazarene College at Kankakee, died suddenly with acute leukemia on September 28, at the age of twenty-two. He was an outstanding Christian, and had a wonderful testimony to God's saving and sanctifying power. He was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Harlan Milby. He had spent all his life in Springfield, except for the time he lived in Kankakee. He was a faithful member of First Church. Beside his parents, he is survived by his wife, Carolyn (Thompson) Milby; a son, Douglas; also a sister, Sally; and other relatives. Funeral service was held in First Church, by his pastor, Rev. Clifton Norell, assisted by Dr. W. S. Purinton, Rev. George Harmon, and Dr. Harold Reed. Interment was in Oak Ridge Cemetery.

MRS. NELLIE ADELIA THOMPSON was born January 31, 1873, at Syracuse, New York, and died on September 7, 1956, at a hospital in Eugene, Oregon, at the age of eighty-three. She was a faithful member of the Church of the Nazarene in Broadwater, Nebraska, and was loved and appreciated by all who knew her. Funeral service was held in the Church of the Nazarene in Broadwater, with Rev. H. W. Anderson in charge. Burial was in the Lisco, Nebraska, cemetery.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

It gives me great pleasure to recommend Rev. G. M. Akin to our people for holiness conventions and revivals. Brother Akin has served as pastor, evangelist, and district superintendent in our Zion with a marked degree of success. He is a wonderful Christian gentleman and a true Nazarene. Write him, 627 Pine Street, Minden, Louisiana.—V. Dan Perryman, Superintendent of Louisiana District.

This is to recommend to our people Rev. William D. Keller, who has just come to our church from another denomination and is entering the evangelistic field. Brother Keller is a good preacher, a Christian gentleman, and carries a burden for lost souls. He is giving a good account of himself here in West Virginia in revivals, and we recommend him to our people. Write him, 200 Randolph Street, Buckhannon, West Virginia.—Edward C. Oney, Superintendent of West Virginia District.

WEDDING BELLS

Miss Wanda Lee Harrison of Springfield, Missouri, and Rev. R. Donald Stahl of Allentown, Pennsylvania, graduate of Nazarene Theological Seminary, were united in marriage on October 20, at First Church of the Nazarene in Springfield, with Rev. Dean Baldwin officiating.

Miss Janice Goodwin and Richard Eugene Hesselteine were united in marriage on November 2, in the Church of the Nazarene, Washington, Iowa, with the pastor, Rev. Lewie L. Watters, officiating.

Miss Roberta Blaine King and A. C. Miles Philip Arthur, Florida, were united in marriage on November 4, in a military ceremony in Central Church of the Nazarene, Orlando, Florida, with Rev. Craig Blanchard and Rev. Ralph Ahlemann officiating.

BORN—to Rev. and Mrs. James H. Ingalls of Graham, North Carolina, a daughter, Karen Sue, on October 28.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Murray of Colorado Springs, Colorado, a son, Michael Scott, on October 12.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Johansen of Reserve, Kansas, a son, Rodney Edward, on November 8.

—to Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Stratton of Midland, Texas, a son, on November 11.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a lady in Missouri that God will undertake in a special need in her home;

by a brother in Washington "that the Lord will help me to know His will, so that I can fit myself for the vocation that He wishes for me";

by a reader in Ohio for "a problem in our home, for a revival among our church members, and also for a special unspoken request";

by a Nazarene friend in Illinois that God will undertake in a situation and give relief mentally and physically—for a financial situation—for a widow having family trouble.