

# Herald of Holiness



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In the fifteenth chapter of First Corinthians the Apostle Paul warns of the dangers of evil associates. The particular ones to which he referred were those of faulty religious beliefs who did not believe in the resurrection of the dead. Said he to the Corinthian church, "Don't deceive yourselves—evil friendships destroy good characters."

Constant association with men who believed that this life is all and there is nothing to follow had infected the Corinthian

## *Broadening Mind or Stretching Conscience?*

### *General Superintendent Powers*

church until the apostle found it necessary to go to great lengths to undo the damage. He warned them of the danger of self-deception at this point.

To think that we can constantly company with heresy either in person or in our reading habits without damage to our faith is to deceive ourselves. Not all brilliant minds have espoused the cause of Christ and heart holiness, and a brilliant mind and a warm personality are sometimes mistaken for spiritual life. The human mind, no matter how brilliant, is not a safe guide; for often several brilliant minds thinking on the same subject at the same time reach radically different conclusions, proving that the human mind alone is not a dependable guide.

Spiritual things are spiritually discerned. We need a divine revelation and the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. Some men today have fallen into the same snare to which the Corinthian church was exposed. They professed they could no longer subscribe to the holiness position because their minds were broadening. Subsequent events proved that it was not a mind broadening but a conscience stretching which finally resulted in the wrecking of faith and ministry.

A man is affected by the atmosphere that surrounds him. Therefore, in order to nurture holy character let us preach holiness, teach holiness, write holiness, sing holiness, read holiness, and live holiness in everyday life.



Telegrams . . .

"Sidney Knox, missionary to New Guinea, was examined by specialists in the Los Angeles area and his condition was determined as desperate. The specialists felt that neither surgery nor X-ray therapy would be of any help. He is now at home in Lubbock, Texas, and without God's help, cannot live. PLEASE PRAY!"

Set aside July 10 (or 11) as a special day of prayer and fasting that God will heal Brother Knox if it be His will.

Spokane, Washington—The fifty-seventh assembly of Northwest District was a challenging experience under the dynamic and spiritual leadership of General Superintendent G. B. Williamson. District showed gains in all departments. Church membership is at 5,090 with 877 received, 516 on profession of faith. Total raised for all purposes \$746,397 with \$75,513 for world missions. Northwest a "10 per cent" district. Rev. Arthur Twist, Princeton, Idaho, pastor, received District Superintendent Zachary's "achievement award" for the Golden Anniversary year, a trip to the Holy Land. Harold Stickney and Raymond Bolerjack ordained. Dr. E. E. Zachary, much beloved by pastors and people of Northwest District, was given love offering of over \$1,000. Northwest District goes forward with God and the church.—P. J. Bartram, Reporter.

Rev. Minnie E. Ludwig, mother of Dr. S. T. Ludwig, general church secretary, the widow of the late Rev. Theodore Ludwig, died peacefully in her sleep Friday night, June 20, at the home in Nashville, Illinois. She was eighty-one years of age. She had been a Nazarene elder since 1914.

Rev. W. R. Robinson writes that "after four happy years as pastor of First Church, in Vancouver, B.C.," he has resigned to accept the call to the church in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, and will begin his duties there on August 3.

Rev. Paul M. Sodowsky writes: "After serving as pastor of our Independence, Kansas church, for nine years, I have resigned to accept the call to our church in Carthage, Missouri. The Carthage church has granted me a six-week leave of absence to make a tour of Europe and Palestine, June 30 to August 10; this tour is under the sponsorship of the Winona Lake Flying Seminar."

After serving as pastor of Eastridge Church in Wichita for the past three years, Rev. Robert L. Leffel has re-

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Love Will Find a Way, Mrs. J. C. Wallace

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signed to accept the call to pastor the church in Independence, Kansas.

The Keller-York Evangelistic Party send word, "After much prayer and consideration, we are remaining in the evangelistic field. All dates are secure."

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Baughman, retired Nazarene ministers, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on July 27, at 2003 N. Delphos Street, Kokomo, Indiana. They have spent nearly thirty-five years in the active Nazarene ministry. Among their pastorates are Parker, Kokomo, Cates, Mt. Vernon, Patricksburg, Stringtown, and Haleysburg, all in Indiana; also Climbing Hill and Fort Dodge, Iowa. Their daughter Ruth, wife of Evangelist Oliver Morgan, is working in the evangelistic field. Rev. and Mrs. Baughman would appreciate hearing from their friends.

After two years as pastor of Central Church in Sioux City, Iowa, Rev. Melvin W. Myers has resigned to accept a position on the staff of Olivet Nazarene College, Kankakee, Illinois. Mr. Myers has been an elder in the Church of the Nazarene for eighteen years, and has pastored churches in Minnesota, Nebraska, and Iowa.

Rev. Wilson D. Baker, pastor of Scenic Drive Church in Springfield,

Missouri, has accepted a call to the church in Iola, Kansas.

Evangelist Clayton D. Bailey writes that he is leaving the field to accept the call to pastor a home mission church in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Rev. Ted DeBolt has resigned as pastor at the Charlestown church to accept the church, Union Chapel, at Clay City, Indiana, after three years in Charlestown.

Evangelists Ralph and Betty Baker write that they have left the field to accept the pastorate of the church at East Conemaugh, Pennsylvania.

Gleanings
from the Office Editor's Desk

"I thank God for such a paper as the Herald of Holiness. I never intend to be without it as long as I live. Each month I read a message from the Herald in our church; I cannot tell you how much help they are to our church."—Indiana.

"I wish to thank you for your wonderful magazine, Herald of Holiness. It has been a wonderful blessing to my life. . . . By denomination, I am ——— and a ministerial student at the University of Oslo, Norway. I sail next week for Europe, but will leave behind many wonderful experiences through close association with the Nazarene church."—Mississippi.

"I often find that one article read in an issue of the Herald of Holiness is worth the subscription price of the paper. Keep up the good work for the furtherance of God's kingdom."—Pennsylvania.

"I want to tell you how much I enjoy reading your magazine, Herald of Holiness. . . . You might be interested in knowing how I got your magazine. I picked it out of the discarded magazines at the Akron Public Library."—Ohio.

"I would like to say that this week's Herald of Holiness seemed better than ever. . . . it seems it brings us close to the Master. I thank God for people like you folks who make these papers for us outsiders so that we can get a better understanding of our good Master."—Illinois.

"My wife and I enjoy the Herald of Holiness and do our best to read it faithfully as it comes to our home."—Florida.

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# MIDST CHANGING SCENES

By UMSTED C. PITTS

We no longer live in the age of the ox and sled nor the horse and buggy; nor do we any longer live in the age of the propeller-driven airplanes; even in our own jet-propelled age we stand in awe on the threshold of a new era, which even now we have already entered. As Dr. Arthur J. Gossip has well said, “. . . Whether we like it or do not, the world we knew has vanished; and another and very different one, rising above the waters, is taking shape before our eyes.” The scenes have rapidly changed faces; we know, for we have watched them.

But what does this mean for the Christian? Is it a mark of intelligence to say that because my grandfather wore knickerbockers I too must? I think not. Is it a mark of wisdom to attempt to live in the “good ole days” and discount the possibilities of our own? I believe not. To do so is credulity.

I should think the Christian must keep abreast with the age. Charles Wesley expressed it well when he said,

*To serve the present age,  
My calling to fulfill . . .*

There is no question: The day in which I live is different, and I must serve my generation well.

But listen! To serve our present age we must be personally acquainted with One who breaks the time barrier and knows no age limit. If we will serve our generation, and we must, then we must transcend the age. As Dr. Gossip continues: “There is no longer any room in the world for a merely external form of Christianity, based upon custom. The world is entering upon a period of catastrophe and crisis when we are being forced to take sides, and in which a higher and more intense spiritual life will be demanded of Christians.”

But my own heart cries out within: How is this possible? Who is sufficient for these things? And then comes the answer: “. . . according to the power that worketh in us,” for “we shall live with him by the power of God.” This is that “inwardness” of the gospel. I must know God—vitaly, inwardly. It must become a personal revelation to my own heart—“Midst changing scenes, God; He is the same!”

God is the same—the Bible says from yesterday through tomorrow. And if this scope is not sufficiently broad, then He is the same from eternity to eternity. In other words, God never does change,

whether men ride in wagons or satellites, for in Him is “no variableness, neither shadow of turning.” But in a life of faith it is hard for many to make the transition from the past to the present. And if this is difficult, it is nearly impossible to look to the future with any measure of faith believing that the Holy One of Israel is still the same.

Now *God is the same in that He still can be sinned against*. He is the God of Samson, but He is the same. While Samson was trifling in his religious devotion, God was taking him more seriously than Samson realized. Simple, innocent, legitimate actions, if such they were, only prepared the way and conditioned Samson’s heart for a moral tragedy. This man, chosen by Deity, sinned against his God. No one will assume that this was his original motive as he made those first journeys down to Timnath. Samson was not the first, however, for Father Adam had brought this awful plague upon the human race. How startling to realize that man, as small as he really is, not even the master of one world out of millions, can lift his puny little fist toward God and say, “No”! And the tragedy of it is, he can make it stick. This should not give a sense of power, however, but rather of awe; for God *can* be sinned against.

If this be so, then *God is the same in that He still will punish the disobedient*. He was the God of Ananias and Sapphira, but He is the same. Dr. Paul Rees suggests that God punished this couple, not so much for keeping back part as for “pretending to have given all.” Whatever the reason, this couple knew they had allowed a double standard to come into their devotion. And because of this “misrepresentation” and sin, God visited them with what Dr. Rees calls “the shaft of God’s judgment.” And is this not always the case? The timetable may be different, but sin is still punishable by death. This is its wages; this is its returns, for God is still the same.

With no sense of doubt whatsoever we can be sure that God is the same in that *He still answers by fire*. He was the God of Elijah, but listen, He is still the same. He was the God of the “fiery disciples,” but He has not changed. He would baptize His children afresh and anew with the “fiery Holy Ghost.” His storehouse of fire has not been ex-

hausted. His fuel is not wood, hay, or stubble, but is rather the yielded hearts of His children. Therefore His light can burn brightest only where there are hearts willing to "burn." Three continents were shaken and the Atlantic was leaped when the heart of one John Wesley was "strangely warmed." Oh, for warm, desperately warm hearts, sensitive only to the faint cry of a lost and bleeding world! Is it not true: the thing that brought us into existence will be the only thing that will keep us—fire upon the yielded hearts of God's people?

And so we find ourselves face to face with the *God who is the same in that He still demands a holy life*. He was the God of Peter, but He is the same. Now Peter was not just rehashing some denominational terminology. He said, "It is written . . ."—and this man knew it had been because it had been written anew upon his own unworthy heart, ". . . Be ye holy; for I am holy." When the great "I Am" spoke and said, "I am holy," He was not only describing His nature, but He had forever opened the provisional fountain. He had completed the transition from God to man, and what a change this meant for man! He now describes not alone himself but the possibilities of what man can be. Peter here presents a staggering comparison, "As he is . . . so be ye." But man is a sinner, and man the sinner is doomed to die. But there is a postscript to that; nay, more than a postscript. The heart of the message is that man can live—he is not left to his own strugglings. We know we've made a mess of our lives, and what a blundering mess it is at times! What we need to know is that the Holy One can remake us. He can take the wicked, lewd, fleshly heart and so thoroughly transform it that it will be pure and holy and unblamable before Him. "Great is the mystery of godliness"; for God, even yet, demands holiness.

Now if this be true, and it is, then *God is the same in that He still retains a high standard for Christian discipleship*. Recently there appeared in print these lines: ". . . the usual snorts from the blinded puritans with their sectarian taboos"; and this man went on to say regarding the sin of fornication before marriage: ". . . the enforcement of an extremist chastity ethic before marriage . . . will one day be rejected and discarded universally in this country." Perhaps this same unregenerate mind would say that John the Baptist, Jesus the Christ, Paul the Apostle, and scores of others ablaze with the same message of separateness from sin and holiness toward God were the originators of these so-called "puritan taboos."

For the Christian there must be some convictions—some restrictions, if you please. And by convictions we do not mean preconceived ideas hatched in the stagnant pools of men's minds. But let us not generalize. Too long have we toned down and softened over the high demands for discipleship

which Jesus, our Lord, gives and which God the Holy Ghost revealed to the hearts of inspired writers. These apparently nonessential things might not prove to be quite so nonessential if they are instrumental in robbing my soul of its glory and power. And when I am robbed of this, the correctness of my doctrine will do little toward moving stubborn wills to the foot of the Cross.

When a man is able to recite the cold doctrine of an orthodox creed, void of that moral sensitiveness which only the Holy Ghost can give, he then becomes a hireling to the church and a laughingstock to the world. What good is a doctrine when stripped of its standard? If the devil cannot wreck us on the first count, can we be at ease in Zion as he employs a new method to disarm us? Let the world cry "taboos"; mine is a message commissioned by God, whose minutest details must be burned upon my own moral sensitivity. And to be spiritually shallow when I should be spiritually sensitive is but to admit I am weak.

Time has changed our surrounding scenery so swiftly that we feel smothered and exhausted. *But breaking all time barriers, heaven thunders forth that God has not changed—neither in His essence nor in His demands*. He is the same—midst changing scenes!

## Your God Is Too Small!

By RON BORDEN

*Are there problems to face, are there tasks to be done?*

*Is life a mad race which has to be run?*

*Are there mountains to climb, are there rivers to swim?*

*Battles to fight, campaigns to win?*

*Is your sun hid from view, is your day turned to night?*

*Are you wondering "just how"; are you trembling with fright?*

*Then stop! Listen! Give heed to my call:*

*The trouble with you—your God is too small!*

*Yet this should not be, for great is His name;*

*Today or tomorrow, He's always the same!*

*Creator, Sustainer, Redeemer, and Friend!*

*He was in the beginning—will be in the end.*

*He shepherds the stars and calls up the night,*

*Rolls back the curtain and brings down the light.*

*He majors on mountains; He guides thro' the water.*

*Why, the victory is certain when God is your Father!*

*His power is great, beyond all our dreams;*

*So—no problem is nearly so hard as it seems.*

*Don't liken Him, lessen Him, limit His power;*

*He stands by your side to help you this hour!*

*But keep this in mind—you are the key;*

*Your God is as big as you allow Him to be!*

# With Our Nazarenes



# in Italy

By A. F. HARPER, *Editor in Chief, Sunday School Periodicals*

An overnight train ride from Lucerne, Switzerland, brought us into Florence at 5:51 a.m. Sunday. Brother Alfredo Del Rosso, superintendent of our work in Italy, met us at the station and took us by taxi to our Nazarene property at Via Miccinesi N. 5 D (North 5 D Miccinesi Road).

Here we have a good location and a substantial new building. On the first floor are the sanctuary, pastor's study, and missionary apartment where the Morgans made their home. On the second floor is the apartment for the district superintendent. A garage at the rear of the church has been converted into neat and well-planned Sunday school rooms.

After a wonderful Italian breakfast we snatched a couple of hours of sleep to help make up for the overnight coach ride.

At ten o'clock we were up for our first visit to the Sunday schools of Italy. The shining faces, the eager interest, the enthusiastic singing of the children were all familiar to us—only the sound of the words was different.

They sang one of their songs to the tune of "Saviour, like a Shepherd Lead Us." In response Mrs. Harper and I sang, and Brother Del Rosso translated for them:

*Saviour, like a shepherd lead us;  
Much we need Thy tender care.  
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us;  
For our use Thy folds prepare.  
Blessed Jesus, Blessed Jesus,  
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.*

We visited the primary class taught by Mario Cianchi. In the class were Alberto, Andres, Paolo, Jeremie, Antonio, Joile, Rebecca, Franca, and Daniele. Only four years ago the teacher, Mario, and his family were Roman Catholics. Today they attend the church, and Mario is in the Bible school preparing for the ministry in the Church of the Nazarene.

At eleven o'clock we enjoyed the ministry of the Italian pastor, Rev. Elia Milazza. He brought a clear, Spirit-anointed message on the scriptural teaching of "Two Remedies for Sin." For the benefit of their two American guests, Brother Del Rosso translated into English while the pastor preached.

Since the Morgans furloughed to the United States, Brother Milazza has supplied the church in Florence. He, with his wife and family, has recently joined the Church of the Nazarene. Brother Milazza is a young man in his mid-thirties. He was converted from Catholicism at twenty years of age while a medical student in the university. Some time later he was sanctified wholly and called to preach. For some years he worked with the Salvation Army in Italy and more recently pastored an independent evangelical congregation.

We had originally not planned to arrive in Florence until 2:00 p.m., so I had been scheduled to preach Sunday evening. I spoke to a well-filled house at six o'clock, their usual evening service hour. I chose for my subject "The Beauty of Holiness." Brother Del Rosso served as my translator. His command of the language and his boundless enthusiasm for the theme made up for all the deficiencies of the preacher. At the close of the message Brother Del Rosso gave an earnest exhortation. If one may judge by rapt attention and tears in the eyes of the people, the Holy Spirit applied the truth to the hearts of the hearers.

After the service it took three-quarters of an hour to bid our Italian Nazarenes good night. They lingered trying to understand our English and to convey their warm greetings in Italian phrases that they thought might penetrate our dull American minds. Despite the language barriers we got along well. Among Christian brethren the heart understands more than the mind comprehends.

When the last good night had been said we had supper with the Del Rossos and Pastor and Mrs. Milazza. At eleven o'clock we retired to await an early call to catch our train at six o'clock Monday morning. "And so we went toward Rome."

As we approached the city my heart was warm and my mind turned to another traveler's experience with Italian Christians, "whom when Paul saw, he thanked God and took courage." God is blessing our Italian Nazarenes as they lift high the banner of holiness in the land from which Paul wrote to Christians of the whole world, "This is the will of God, even your sanctification."

# Godliness Is Profitable

By CHARLES V. FAIRBAIRN, *Bishop, Free Methodist Church*

Many seem to regard the Christian life as unprofitable in every way. They seem to think it better that one sow a few oats, which, if not "wild," are at least "not too tame." They seem to think that sin is normal and unavoidable. We admit that sin is normal to the life in which we have become naturalized in lostness; but according to God's original purpose, a life of sin is not normal. "He hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love" (Ephesians 1:4).

Sin starts a man out in life under a handicap. "Behold, I was shapen in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me" (Psalms 51:5).

Sin makes life most difficult. Bitter experience soon teaches us that "the way of transgressors is hard."

Sin enslaves its victim until he cries out in misery, "O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?" (Romans 7:24)

Sin hounds its captive to its final hour, precludes possibility of peace of mind, and makes the sinner's deathbed a frightful thing; for "the sting of death is sin."

Sin follows the sinner beyond death to the final judgment, where God "will render to every man according to his deeds."

And in the end, sin will keep its slaves out of heaven; for "there shall in no wise enter into it [the City] any thing that defileth."

Men through sin are without communion with God, and liable through following the desires of their own hearts to the pains of hell forever. Thank God! He did not leave mankind to perish in this estate of sin and misery, but has provided redemption whereby *all men* may be delivered from the guilt, the power, the pollution, the punishment of sin, and restored to the favor and image of God. What mercy! What divine love!

Yet men turn away from the gospel as though it were a handicap to be a Christian and more profitable to live as the slave of selfish desires. But certainly this is not so. For I hear Paul's shout of gladness as he glimpses the possibility of complete victory: "Who will rescue me from this

body of death?" God will! Thanks be to Him through Jesus Christ, our Lord! And Paul's reason for gladness is discoverable in his later statement: "But godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come."

"Profitable unto all things"? Then if unto all things, it must profit a man physically to be a Christian. And it does. Think of the poisons poured into the blood stream by the use of tobacco, drink, and dope. Think of the terrific strain placed upon the nervous system by the unholy excitements of what the world calls its pleasures. Isn't a life of godliness and good living better than a life given over to the pursuit of such things? Bud Robinson's remarkable recovery, as related in his hospital experience, was due to the fact that from the time that west Texas cowboy was converted he never again indulged in those sins in which he had formerly lived. For Uncle Buddy, godliness had indeed "the promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come."

Morally it pays to live the life of a Christian. Men know that morality pays. So when a man achieves morality, even in a small degree, he prides himself on his accomplishment, boasts of it, and seems to think that God ought to admit him to heaven because of it. Morality alone will save no one, but that high plane of living indicated by the word "godliness" is the grandest morality possible. "The true man is not the sin-defiled, passion-colored, iniquity-warped man of the world, but the upright, pure-souled child of God." His physical being is under the control of a pure mind; and his mind is pure because he is partaker of the holy influences shed abroad in his heart by the ever present Holy Spirit, maintaining helpful contact with the Father in heaven. "Godliness is profitable" indeed!

And "godliness is profitable" socially. The home is no stronger than the virtues which underlie it. Think, then, what it means to the home when "the fruit of the Spirit" (love, joy, peace) characterizes those who build that home and live there. Man's sinfulness makes necessary jails, prisons, institutions for the criminally insane, and in the end

hell—that eternal penitentiary of the universe. But godliness makes a man a blessing to all, in every way and everywhere he goes. “Godliness is profitable” in “the life that now is”!

Godliness offers no setback to truest and highest prosperity. Honesty in business, rock-ribbed integrity, and the endeavor which godliness inspires to practice the golden rule are all indeed profitable. If there were no Christianity, and no Christ to make Christianity possible, it would pay any pagan to practice the principles of Christianity. Profitable? Absolutely! “They that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing.” “But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.” “For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.”

And godliness is profitable mentally. Sinners

have said to their friends: “Now, don’t you go and get religion! It will take all the joy out of life! You will land in the madhouse if you do!” But I want to submit this: The madhouses in this state are neither big enough nor numerous enough to hold those who would have gone there had they not found Jesus, the great Burden Bearer. Where lies the least tension? Where reigns the greatest peace? Where rejoices the highest gladness? In the mind obsessed with thoughts of “adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, . . . hatred, . . . wrath, strife, . . . envyings,” and suchlike? Or in the mind which knows “love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance”? Verily, verily, “against such there is no law”—no law of God, no law of spirit, no law of mind, no law of body, no law of man!

And spiritually most certainly “godliness is

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## With Banners Flying

**By C. B. STRANG**

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I am indebted to Dr. Harold Blake Walker for the following: “Satan counsels his emissary to be sure to keep with his patient at all times, especially in church. When in the church keep him aware of little things—of the fact that this usher is a hypocrite, that this man’s shoes squeak, that this lady’s hat does not fit properly. Never, never let him see the church with her banners flying for that is a sight at which all hell trembles.”

Every pastor is acquainted with the fact that mere trifles are distracting in church services. Ordinary things seen in church assume amazing proportions of importance. It is more difficult for the pastor to hold attention if the custodian attempts to raise or lower a window. A child’s cry or innocent prattle is all-absorbing in church. It does not take much to distract there. Surely Satan must have a hand in it!

The same principle carries over into other phases of church activity. The church’s business is soul saving, but if Satan can cause distraction he will do it. A little misunderstanding among the members is a great deterrent to progress. Magnification of nonessentials is a subtle policy of Satan’s. Nero fiddled while Rome burned. Today’s Neros never see impending or actual destruction because they are so busy grinding out the same old tune on

misplaced emphases. The pussy cat who went to London to visit the queen lost sight of court splendor, so busy was she chasing a mouse under the queen’s chair.

The writer is a believer in the present and future of our church. He saw it when it was very young and he sees it now as it is growing up. He sees it with the eye of the prophet in its tomorrows. It looks even better when viewed that way. The writer is not unmindful of some weaknesses of the church. Its members are human and some do err, but he refuses to see these things out of proportion. We are not being ruined. There are some who leave us from time to time who claim the glory either has departed or is departing from us. Of course it isn’t true!

More souls are being saved and sanctified in the Church of the Nazarene than at any time since its organization. Evangelism is spreading farther. Missionary work is increasing. Our colleges are filled. God is calling more and more into the ministry. Our churches are growing. The quality of members and church edifices is inspiring. Our leadership is the finest. More money is being given, and the church is being blessed.

This is not the time to look for squeaky boots, topsy-turvy hats, or fleeing mice. Now is the time to see the church with banners waving.

Take the word of the writer for it—the banners yet wave!

profitable." Salvation provides pardon for sin, deliverance from its dominion, cleansing from its defilement, and in final glorification full deliverance from every weakness inherited through the Fall. Saved from sin, unified within, outwardly harmonized with all the will of God, and one can sing:

*Oh, glory be to Jesus!  
Let the hallelujahs roll.  
Help me ring my Saviour's praises far  
and wide.  
For I've opened up tow'rd heaven  
All the windows of my soul,  
And I'm living on the hallelujah side.*

The blessings and benefits which we have mentioned are all enjoyed "in the life that now is."

We have not touched that "life which is to come." But if there were no heaven at the end of the road, the blessings of godliness would pay anyone to follow the way clear through to the end of the trail. But there is a heaven at the end of the road; for the scripture declares: "Wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city."

Can you afford to miss that city? Can you afford to miss the blessings which come upon the godly along the road to that city? Honestly now, can you afford not to live for God? My friend, God bless you! "If it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve; . . . but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15)!

*From One of the "Old-timers"*

## *Holiness and Moral Perception\**

One of the myriad excellences and beauties of holiness is its power of clarifying the moral perception and enabling us to make distinctions which otherwise would not occur to us. The line of demarkation between right and wrong was never indistinct in itself, but was made clear by the Father from the first. The trouble has been that the devil has made it his business to blur and render it indistinct. He has found human nature in its fallen state a useful ally in this bad business. Even regenerate men are not as clear-eyed and discriminating as they need to be because of the confusing work of inbred sin. Regeneration is, of course, a vast help, but it is not a perfect corrective of this trouble for the reason mentioned. It requires holiness to clarify the moral vision and give us the power of moral discrimination necessary to withstand the refinements of the devil's strategy.

The Sinner goes on doing many things, and never stops to ask whether they are right or wrong. Many of these things are promptly discovered to him to be wrong immediately upon his sound conversion. So with the sanctified, the presence of the Spirit within as the abiding Guest, and the increased refinement of vision gained by this intimacy with Him, will lead to the discarding of things which were not recognized as besetments before. There is an increased sensitiveness of conscience and an increased power of discernment of spiritual proprieties and helps and hindrances in the state of holiness which greatly enlarges the

vision and the consequent agencies for productive service of the Christian.

This explains much of the misunderstanding of holiness people by sinners and even by some converted people. They often think holiness people are over-particular, and are straining at things. In reality, they are only exercising an increased power of discrimination which comes to those who pay the price for the Spirit's presence and fulness of cleansing power. This possession of the whole church would wonderfully increase her power and free her of many besetments which now impede her work and hinder her march of conquest. This is the crying need of the church, and she can never reach her privileged influence and power until she has adopted this as heaven's only program for the Bride of Christ.

The Holy Spirit within as our abiding and welcome Guest is not only a source of inexpressible pleasure and comfort and strength, but is illuminating in His power, enabling us to see more clearly the deeper beauty and meaning of Holy Scripture, and giving us a keener sensitiveness of moral perception and discriminating judgment.

His inward presence is a mighty help in prayer. No praying is in power and prevailing influence like the prayers of the Spirit-filled who pray in the Spirit, and wrestle until the answer comes. "Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought; but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which can not be uttered" (Rom. 8:26).

\*Editorial (Dr. B. F. Haynes), May 28, 1913, "Herald of Holiness."





VACATION TIME IS COLLEGE TOUR TIME for all of our Nazarene colleges. Pictured is a Bethany Nazarene College group in a recent church service on their zone. Left to right: Don Morgan, Melvin McCullough, Dr. Roy Cantrell, president; Steve Brown, Ed Nicholson.

By PAUL W. BEALS, Pastor, Marietta, Georgia

## The Mother Church of the Southeast

*As Seen Through the Eyes of an Evangelist*

The Church of the Nazarene in Donalsonville, Georgia, is one of the historic churches in the denomination. Founded in 1902, it actually has a longer history than the Church of the Nazarene itself.

The Donalsonville church was an independent holiness church at the time of its founding in 1902. Later it became a part of the Holiness Church of Christ, and entered the Church of the Nazarene with that body. Dr. E. P. Ellyson was one of the early pastors.

When one attends services at the church, one is reminded of the historic past. A sign proclaims: "First Church of the Nazarene, founded 1902." In fact, this church is the "Mother" church of the tri-state area of Georgia, Alabama, and Florida. The building, though old, is stoutly built and commodious.

The uniqueness of the church is especially noted during the Sunday school period, when the Sunday school superintendent takes charge. (He is mayor of Donalsonville, Mr. Paul Shingler.) He and his assistant sit in two high-backed chairs placed in front of the communion table, inside the altar. It is not clear where this unique custom originated. Also, when the birthday offering for missions is taken, the money is dropped into a small figure of an old gentleman, seated—and every time a coin is dropped the old man nods his head as much as to say, "Yes, missions pay."

The entertainment of the evangelist afforded additional historic insights. According to Rev. George Privett, pastor, Mrs. Florence Shingler has entertained the evangelists for the last fifty years. The evangelist and his wife were accommodated in the front guest room in the old southern

mansion. They were treated to the use of the old-time ornate furniture. The old fireplace had been closed up and replaced by a gas heater. But one could easily picture Dr. H. F. Reynolds as he might have stood by the fire in that same spot years before, throwing another stick of wood on the fire and thinking of conquests ahead.

Mrs. Florence Shingler told of one of the early district assemblies. One afternoon Dr. Reynolds announced that they would be closing early, as they planned to go out and look for some land for a college. From this beginning came the founding of Southeastern Nazarene College in Donalsonville, Georgia. This college was housed in a commodious building located a few blocks from the church, and built by some of the church's most faithful members. From 1913 to 1918 Southeastern Nazarene College made a vital contribution to the training of future church workers. In 1918 it was amalgamated with Trevecca Nazarene College and the building was sold. It now houses the Donalsonville hospital, where Mrs. Privett, wife of the pastor, serves as head nurse.

The Donalsonville church is rich in its historic past. Many pastors and workers have come from this church. Yet it still plays an important part in present-day evangelism. Souls were saved in the revival. In addition, the pastor reports converts in the regular services. No doubt many will be found in heaven who will thank God for the Donalsonville Church of the Nazarene.



## MOSES' MIGHTY MEN

By HERSCHEL H. HOBBS (*Broadman*, \$2.50)

It is well for us always to remember that unusually successful men or women usually have those around them who contribute to their success, though perhaps they themselves are personally unknown. It was that way with Moses, the great lawgiver. This author points out, describes, and introduces you to what could be called the "lesser lights" who contributed to Moses' everlasting greatness.

This is especially helpful to laymen to realize how they can fulfill their ministry, serve the Lord in places unsung and unpublicized, and realize that by serving in the church they are serving God—that any place of service is a blessing.

—NORMAN R. OKE, *Book Editor*

# How SPIRITUAL Is Your TV?

By Mel Larson

This test is not intended to snipe at television or television viewers. Its basis is simply this: We as Christians must decide, regarding every new invention, whether our use of it increases or decreases our devotion to Christ.

We must realize also that devotion to Christ cannot be measured by doing this or not doing that.

But what we do and what we do not do often are signposts of how we are in our minds and hearts.

Now go on with the test. Check the answers honestly. You'll find your score at the end.

1. I have watched programs in my home which I would not go into a building outside of my home to watch. ( ) Yes. ( ) No.

2. After my children have gone to bed, I have watched programs I would not like to have them know I had seen. ( ) Yes. ( ) No.

3. I have scheduled committee or other meetings at the church on certain nights that would not conflict with my favorite TV programs. ( ) Yes. ( ) No.

4. TV programs have decreased my attendance at the midweek prayer services or other meetings of our church. ( ) Yes. ( ) No.

5. Time spent in our family devotions has remained equal to or above that prior to our having TV. ( ) Yes. ( ) No.

6. I have taken on added responsibilities at our church since we obtained our TV set. ( ) Yes. ( ) No.

7. My children tend to talk more about people they see on TV than of what they might have received in Sunday school or church. ( ) Yes. ( ) No.

8. My reading of the Bible, Christian books, and magazines has suffered through time spent watching TV. ( ) Yes. ( ) No.

9. Purchase of our TV set and meeting the payments on it has forced me to cut down on my giving to the church or other religious causes. ( ) Yes. ( ) No.

10. I have resented people paying us visits while favorite programs were on and we could not watch them. ( ) Yes. ( ) No.

11. I have contributed financially and through prayer to keep religious programs on TV. ( ) Yes. ( ) No.

12. I have caught myself thinking of TV programs or characters while listening to a sermon. ( ) Yes. ( ) No.

13. The beer and cigarette commercials have created problems in our home as regards our children. ( ) Yes. ( ) No.

14. Certain programs have so intrigued me that I have postponed—sometimes for weeks—work in our home that I know I should have completed. ( ) Yes. ( ) No.

15. All things considered—time, money, church attendance, burden for the unsaved, missionary giving, etc.—I feel that my growth as a Christian or my service to Christ has been benefited by our having television in our home. ( ) Yes. ( ) No.

### ANSWERS

Questions 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, and 14 should have been checked NO; questions 5, 6, 11 and 15 should have been checked YES.

For each correct answer, you deserve six points: If question 15 was one of those you answered properly, give yourself an additional 10 points.

*Here's how you rate:*

90-100—That antenna fits you like a halo.

80-90—Take this test again next month and see which way you're heading.

70-80—Your picture is sliding out of focus.

50-70—You need will power. But a padlock on the door of your TV set would help.

Under 50—Sell that TV set and don't quibble about the price.—The *Congregational Methodist Messenger*.

## STEWARDSHIP

*Quote . . . . .*

The trouble with most of us is not that we have no opportunities, but that we do not recognize the chances that are offered us.—W. J. WERNING, in "Investing Your Life."

## We Shall Shine as the Sun

By F. W. DAVIS

*Someday in God's beautiful city  
When our life's race on earth has been run,  
And we enter the portals of glory,  
We shall shine as the bright morning sun.  
No shadows of night will o'ertake us  
Where Jesus, our Lord, has control.  
In His radiant likeness forever  
We shall shine in that home of the soul.*

*Oh, the glory and heavenly splendor  
Up there in that wonderful place,  
Plus the smiles of His saints by the millions  
That beam from each radiant face!  
God help us each day to be faithful,  
As we walk with our Saviour divine.  
When we pass from this earth and its darkness,  
In heaven forever we'll shine.*

## With Our PIONEERS

Another "grand old-timer" who is looking ahead to the Pilot Point, Texas, birthday anniversary of our denomination is Noble Jennings, of Brandon, Vermont.

Brother Jennings was born in 1876 and saved at the age of thirty. He has the most unusual record of having taught the adult Bible class in the same church for all of his Christian life—fifty-two

years. He also served more than thirty years as the Sunday school superintendent.

This was in the Church of the Nazarene at Leicester, Vermont, an old brick church about 135 years old, where he is still teaching Sunday school.

In writing a greeting to the Fiftieth Anniversary Commission, Brother Jennings said: "I just want you folks to know that I still have the blessing and am absorbed in the Blesser! Am now eighty-two, and have zeal and ardor and lots of enthusiasm for our church and doctrine. I feel as if I could 'run through a troop' and leap 'over a wall!'"

—Nazarene Information Service



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## EDITORIALS.....

### ***"Remember the Sabbath Day, to Keep It Holy"***

Early this year I read this news item: "The Denver Board of Realtors has voted to end the open house showing of homes on Sunday." This is certainly a step in the right direction. It is to be hoped that other cities follow Denver's example. One way to help other realtors come to the same decision is for Christian people everywhere to refuse to show their houses which are for sale on the Sabbath day. Another means for assisting this movement is to let real estate dealers know that you will not go house hunting on Sunday. No doubt there are plenty of people who will say, "That's the only time we have the leisure for such as this." That isn't so. You know it, and I know it. You can find time to show your house on other days, and you can find time to look at a house that you might want to buy on a day other than Sunday. The writer has sold a few houses, and bought a few, and one rule he has followed is that he would not look at houses on Sunday nor show his house, or let it be shown, on Sunday.

It takes a little backbone in this day and age to live the Christian life. If some of us aren't willing to take a stand, it won't be long until we'll have no Sabbath, church, or Christianity.

A man was working for us; he didn't finish his job, so he said he would come back the next day, which was Sunday. He was informed that we didn't hire people to work on our yard on Sunday. Most of the families around us didn't hesitate to get out

and work in their yards on Sunday or hire someone to do it. This man had worked for some of these families, and he put us in the same class with them. However he learned different.

"Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy." Only a few days ago reliable information came to me that a supposedly good, saved, and sanctified Nazarene didn't hesitate to buy his groceries on Sunday. He could have done it on Saturday or else waited until Monday. The writer has known of some Nazarenes just like this man; perhaps you've been acquainted with some also. No doubt these cases are exceptions. Nevertheless we must remember that buying groceries on Sunday isn't keeping the Sabbath. Someone may say, "What if company comes in and we run short on something we need? What if an emergency arises—we've forgotten to buy on Saturday, or something of that kind? What are we to do?" Do without. That's the way they did when I was growing up. My father wasn't a preacher, neither was my mother. They were, you might say, just ordinary Christians, but they believed in keeping the Sabbath holy. We ate what we had—we didn't buy on Sunday. Besides, it should be added that we have better ways of keeping emergency supplies on hand now than ever before.

"Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy." We can't expect the world to respect the Sabbath day if we don't respect it.

## THE PHILIPPIAN JAILER—"My Most Memorable Night!"

I was the jailer at Philippi (Acts 16). I knew what it was to shove men into their cells and lock them up; some for little crimes and some for big ones, and some for no crime at all. Many of those brought to me had been beaten, and all had been mocked and cursed.

This time two were turned over to me whose

• By *Stephen S. White* •••••

names were Paul and Silas. They were strangers—I had never heard of them before. As nearly as I could get the facts, these men had freed a girl from a spirit of divination. She had been the slave of men who were using her soothsaying power to make money. All they wanted was cash; they cared nothing for the girl. Her masters became very angry when they "saw that the hope of their gains was gone." They caught Paul and Silas, so I was told, "and drew them into the marketplace unto the rulers." Here they brought their complaints against them as troublemakers. They were able, by their accusations, to stir up a mob, and the magistrates turned this angry and confused group upon these two helpless men "and commanded to beat them." Then they sent the two men to me, with orders to "keep them safely," so I "thrust them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks." I lived on cruelty—I liked to see men suffer. I knew only too well what terrible pain these men, Paul and Silas, would experience in this inner prison with their feet fast in the stocks; but what did I care?

At midnight, in spite of the beating they had received and the suffering they had endured since they had been thrust into the prison, these two men prayed, and sang praises to their God. I was greatly astonished, and so were the other prisoners. Never had anything like this happened before in that prison. I had seen hundreds of people thrust into it, many of them by my own hands, but not before had any of them ever started a prayer meeting.

Before the praying and singing had gone on very long, there was an earthquake. Fear and confusion reigned everywhere. In the midst of all this I was suddenly awakened, and seeing the prison doors open, I drew out my sword and prepared to kill myself. I well knew that my life would be required for the prisoners who had escaped. I had been a strong man and had paid little attention to suffering and death, but never before had I faced this enemy myself. I was panic-stricken; I preferred to kill myself rather than to die at the hands of others.

Even while I was shaking with fear and all but in the act of committing suicide, the elder of these two prisoners, the leader, cried out with a loud voice: "Do thyself no harm: for we are all here." Then I called for a light, "and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas." What happened next? I cried out for help. I was convinced that these men were able to help me and I said to them, "What must I do to be saved?"

I hardly knew what I was saying; I was not sure exactly what I meant—whether it was the physical man I was begging rescue for or the "inner" man. This much I do know, however, those men upon whom I called for help, Paul and Silas, said: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house." More than that, they told me about this Christ, about the Cross, about how Jesus Christ could change me and make me a different man. They knew what this Christ had meant to them, and they passed the good news on to me. I began to see the light, a new day dawned for me, I became a different man—I felt differently, I thought differently, I was different!

Then I took these two men "the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes," the wounds they had received. And soon all the members of my family were rejoicing with me in this new-found faith which we had. I did believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and I "was baptized" and all my house—we were now living in a new world.

It was the night when my night—the darkness of my soul—was turned into day. It was the night when I found faith in the true and living God, when I came to possess new hope, when I began to live a new life. The night that these strange men were brought to me and I locked them up, the night of the earthquake, became for me a night of joy, of transformation, of the new birth, of a new insight. It was my most memorable night!

## The Sunday School Lesson

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Topic for  
July 20:

### The Christian's Personal Preparation

SCRIPTURE: Ephesians 6:18-20; Acts 1: 8; 4:31; 5:32; I Timothy 2:8; James 1:5; 5:16b; Matthew 9:35-38; John 4:34-35; Isaiah 53:6; Galatians 3:22; II Corinthians 5:14; Romans 1:16; 3:23; Psalms 51:10-13 (Printed: Ephesians 6:18; I Timothy 2:8; James 5:16b; Matthew 9: 35-38; John 4:34-35; Isaiah 53:6; Galatians 3:22; Romans 1:16; Psalms 51: 10-13)

GOLDEN TEXT: *They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him* (Psalms 126:5-6).

The Sunday school lessons of this quarter are devoted to a study of the evangelistic task of the Church. This lesson, "The Christian's Personal Preparation," deals with the spiritual factors necessary to the winning of souls and the building of the kingdom of God.

Take a look at the areas of need: your prayer life, your compassion for souls, your sense of the divine urgency to win the lost, your acceptance of His resources, and the imperative of a Spirit-filled, sanctified life. And, as you consider them in personal application, remember these are all facets of the whole—a life in whom Christ lives and through whom His Spirit flows to a perishing world.

It is always easier to seek escape from responsibility than to resolutely accept it. But every effective soul winner must face certain questions honestly:

1. Am I willing to examine my desire for soul winning? If I rest content, then even the Spirit of Truth cannot pierce my shell of complacency.
2. Am I willing to humble myself and truthfully acknowledge my need for personal improvement?
3. Am I willing to accept full responsibility for any personal weaknesses, refusing to blame either circumstances or people?
4. Am I willing to receive prayerfully the divine provision for every area of need, and match His grace with personal discipline?

There is no need to struggle with the paralyzing problems of inner fear and a sense of inadequacy. To say, "I can't, and, 'I'm afraid to try,'" is an expression of doubt, not of faith. Let us go

a step further and say, "I can do all things through Christ." The issue becomes confusing when we break our problem into many segments. Really, the problem is this: Am I willing to let my life be a true expression of the Spirit of Christ? He is the Spirit of

prayer, the Spirit of compassion, the Spirit of urgency, the Spirit of authority, and the Spirit of power.

At every moment of my life I will choose to be a true demonstration of the Spirit of Christ, who died that others might live.



REMISS REHFELDT, Secretary

### Missionaries on the Move

Rev. and Mrs. John Anderson, who are home on furlough from India, are making their home at 292 E. Burke Street, Bourbonnais, Illinois.

Rev. and Mrs. Douglas Alexander left for their first term of service in Swaziland, on May 29, 1958. Their address will be: P.O. Box 3, Stegi, Swaziland, South Africa.

Rev. and Mrs. Louis Ragains left for their third term of service in Nicaragua on June 2, 1958. Their address will be: Managua, Nicaragua, Central America.

Rev. and Mrs. Wesley Harmon left for their second term in Trinidad on June 13, 1958. Their address will be: Box 444, Port of Spain, Trinidad, British West Indies.

Rev. and Mrs. Harry Zurcher left for Puerto Rico on June 17. Their temporary address will be: c/o Rev. Lyle Prescott, Calle Bucare 117, Santurce, Puerto Rico.

### Coming

After July 1, Miss Esther Crain will be at 8932 So. Hermitage, Chicago 20, Illinois, c/o Whitcher.

After August 23, Rev. and Mrs. Paul Hetrick of Africa will be furloughing at the following address: c/o Mr. T. Thompson, 1301 West Humphrey St., Tampa, Florida.

### Letter

from Mrs. Ray Miller, Formosa  
April 5, 1958

Dr. Benner's visit to us was such a blessing and uplift. We feel encouraged to "take the land." Prospects are wonderful if our strength can hold out. Holsteads are doing full-time language study and working very hard at it. We are carrying a pretty heavy load until they can ease off a bit, but we love it, and thank God that up to now strength has been given. At present both Mrs. Holstead and our Heather have chicken pox. It seems to be a pretty virulent type and they are really laid up and altogether miserable. My husband had mumps to wind up Dr. Benner's visit here. Second childhood maybe!

We had a glorious Easter season. The Lord was present so manifestly in the services. How we praise Him! This season I have had the privilege of telling the story of the Cross to many for the first time in their lives. What a thrill it has been! The Christless

multitudes here are astounding. They simply haven't heard.

Mr. Holstead has just passed his first year language exams. Mrs. Holstead will need a little more time. I am taking a little language work, but my husband can't take time out for it. It is amazing how he is picking it up though—and Heather amazes us all. She just seems to know it.

We surely covet your prayers. Please encourage the folk to keep sending used clothing. It is so important and so greatly needed here. And it has done much to help us gain recognition by the government officials.

There is much opposition to the Christian gospel, many adversaries, and battles, but we are trusting God to lead us on to victory.—RUTH MILLER, Formosa.

### Back in India

We have been very busy since arriving here: preaching, visiting, meeting with church groups and leaders, and touring the district. Mrs. Carter was assigned the task of district Sunday school adviser and I am adviser for the district young people's work. Recently I have been assigned to the Bible school, and with the help of an Indian elder, Brother Suwartik Gaikwad, we have been making plans for opening the Bible school in July. Thirteen applications have been received.—CLARENCE CARTER, India.

### In the Compounds, Africa

By PAUL HETRICK, Transvaal

The Lord is blessing in the compound work. You recall a few months ago we requested you to help us pray that the Lord would give us at least 150 new converts from among the heathen men in the compounds. At a recent workers' meeting held in April our men reported that to date there have been 153 heathen conversions. Our leaders from the Orange Free State were unable to be present, so we have not yet received their reports. This 153 does not include all who repented, but primarily those who have expressed their desire to become Nazarenes. Many of them have already left the heathen quarters in the compounds and have moved in with our Christian men. Others desire to do so, but their heathen overseer in the compound will not allow them to move into the Christian rooms.

Please pray for these new converts.

# Servicemen's Corner



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## Words of Appreciation:

"I do enjoy every one of your books and papers. They are a blessing to me, and my family as well. My wife has been a member of the Church of the Nazarene eight years, and our three children have been dedicated to the Lord. I thank God that He has saved me, and kept me safe as I fly so much of the time. I always put myself and the plane in His hands and He guides us safely home. I know someday He'll pilot His chosen people home. Please pray for me and my family, that we will be in that number. Keep the good books coming, as I still have twelve more years to go in service. As soon as we finish with them, we pass them on to another family, and pray they will be a great blessing to them as well."—S/SGT. ROBERT B. COOPER.

## From Alaska

"We would like to express our appreciation to you and the general church for sending the periodicals to us during these past four years. They have kept us in touch with the news of our churches in the States, given us a report of our missionaries around the world. *Conquest* has been a wonderful blessing to both of us, and *Come Ye Apart* is the best daily devotional readings one can find anywhere. In your sending them to us, we have made it a point to place a subscription for them in the name of some local

family who doesn't receive them. Thank you again for the splendid work our church is doing in keeping in touch with the servicemen."—M/SGT. AND MRS. F. J. HAMRICK.

## Going to Germany

"We are writing this letter to thank you for the Nazarene periodicals which we have received and enjoyed so very much. We have been stationed in two different locations and your services helped us find a Nazarene church home each time. Soon we are to leave the States and will be in Germany for three years. We know of the Nazarene work recently begun there and our earnest prayers are that we may be able to have contact with fellow Nazarenes during our tour in Germany."—SGT. AND MRS. B. D. JONES.

## Thanks

"I have enjoyed the literature very much that you have sent me. I've received much help, encouragement, and blessing from each one. I have found it very difficult to stop reading a paper when I start it. Each of these periodicals has helped me to grow stronger for the Lord."—PFC. DUANE W. GARDNER.

**NAZARENE SERVICEMEN'S COMMISSION**  
*Ponder W. Gilliland* DIRECTOR

The temptation and vice that they must face daily in their present quarters will be a sore trial for them.

At our recent workers' meeting we laid plans for the next quarter. May has been set aside as the month to pray that every last Nazarene man in every compound will be sanctified if he isn't already enjoying the blessing. June

has been made a special month too. The first week is to pray that the Lord will give us at least 1,000 heathen men who will worship with us in our regular services throughout the month. The remainder of June is to be devoted to working and inviting the heathen to our services.

Please help us pray.

Never before have so many denominations, communions, and churches of so many nations united in a single program. All face the tremendous opportunity and need for the Holy Scriptures in the world today.

In England, Canada, New Zealand, and Australia the churches are making marked increases in their giving for the Bible Society work even though their per capita giving for Scripture distribution has for many years exceeded that of the U.S.A. The Bible Societies of India, Japan, and Brazil are bearing an ever-increasing amount of the cost of supporting their work. All of the twenty-three national Bible Societies which comprise the United Bible Societies are joined in a single effort to translate, publish, and distribute the Holy Scriptures.

In this effort there are many who look toward the United States with questioning eyes. Ours is a nation which provides abundant material aid. Will the churches also meet the urgent need for spiritual assistance provided by the Holy Scriptures?

The churches will give their answer by their support of the American Bible Society, which is their Scripture distribution agency. As it works in co-operation

*Nazarene Young People's Society* and

*Nazarene Junior Society*

**PONDER W. GILLILAND**  
 Executive Secretary

## British Isles

"Our district superintendent, Rev. J. B. MacLagan, has generously donated a trophy to be awarded annually to the most meritorious Nazarene Young People's Society in the British Isles South District."

## United Bible Societies

The American Bible Society is the agency of more than fifty-five denominations for the translation, publication,

distribution, and encouragement of use of the Holy Scriptures. The Society offers an outstanding example of Christian co-operation. Because twenty-three national Bible Societies work together through the United Bible Societies, all Bible Society work in the world can be supported by gifts to the American Bible Society. A gift to one is a gift to the total work. In the United States these gifts are made to the American Bible Society. In other nations, gifts are made to their national Bible Societies.

tion with the churches the Society's programs of fund raising are carried forward in accordance with denominational rules. It submits its budget to the Advisory Council each year. Yet the churches of the United States in 1957 provided less than one-third of the total support of the American Bible Society. Here is one of the great challenges before the churches of the United States today. Will they heed the call of the Bible?

### Kenai, Alaska

Mr. Bill Berry is making a very good president. The group finished the book preparing us for the new programs that began in January. The average attendance has been eighteen. Prayer is requested for this group, for most of them are recently converted to Christ and need special help.

### PALS

Our PALS have been organized for three months. We had practically no teen-agers in our church before, and the ones we did have took the resentful attitude that they came only because their parents forced them.

We now have a growing group. In a revival meeting just closed, our PALS



*The organization most effective in the rehabilitation of alcoholics is Alcoholics Anonymous. It is an informal society of approximately two hundred thousand recovered alcoholics in the United States, Canada, and about fifty other countries. This group ally themselves with no denomination or religious persuasion, avoid controversial issues, and concentrate upon the personal rehabilitation of those who are victims of drink.*

*You can learn more about Alcoholics Anonymous by writing "AA's" General Service headquarters, 141 East 44th Street, New York 17, N.Y. Nazarenes should be acquainted with the A.A. organization so that they can work with them in rehabilitating alcoholics. There are some alcoholics whose rehabilitation will take even more than a crisis experience of salvation. The "AA's" have been helpful in this way. Get acquainted with your local chapter today.*

**KENNETH S. RICE**  
Secretary to the  
Committee on Public Morals

attended as a group for ten days. We have recently seen fifteen teen-agers bow at the altar for spiritual help.

Our young people appreciate this interest and activity of the church. They now have a chance for activities appealing to their own age, and to display their talents.

Recently we took our group on a wiener roast to a park, and shared campfire with a group of boy scouts camping there. Both groups enjoyed the experience.

For a project activity they are currently engaged in redecorating some Sunday school classrooms.



**ROY F. SMEE, Secretary**

### My Prayer for Home Missions

O Lord, we thank Thee for the past ten years of Home Missions—for the fact that during this period 1,619 new churches were organized. And through the care of district superintendents and pastors, assisted by the great group of consecrated laymen, there are 1,517 of these churches that are now functioning as soul-saving stations.

Now, Lord, we have come to the middle of this our Golden Anniversary year—a year when we should be setting a record in home missionary achievement. But, alas, we seem to be dragging our feet. I pray that Thy Spirit shall stir the hearts of the people called Nazarenes. Give our laymen a new vision of what a new Church of the Nazarene will mean in terms of souls. Help them to remember that someone sacrificed to make the church where they worship possible—it was one day a home missionary church too. Impress upon their minds and hearts the fact that whenever a new Church of the Nazarene is organized an altar is raised where many will find salvation. Young men and women will be saved from crime that may land them in houses of correction. Homes that may otherwise be broken will be spared because Christ has come into hearts and lives.

And, dear Lord, please visit the heart of that egocentric pastor who sees nothing beyond the borders of his own church—that pastor who refuses to cooperate with his district home missionary program, who seems to feel that the home missionary dollar is just another dollar he should have for his own local program. Help him to get on his knees and read Proverbs 11:24-25.

Help our pastors to become enthusiastic co-operators in planting new churches—to encourage some of their numbers to become "seed corn" for that new church which they can be the instrument of starting. Help them to see that a true missionary spirit begins in their next-door neighborhood and that the spirit of missions always generates new life in the mother church. Bless

### Correction

*Through an error our report of the March Sunday school attendances showed the Washington Pacific District with a loss when it should have been a gain of 1,428.*

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

those wonderful pastors who are cooperating to the fullest extent, who are constantly on the lookout for opportunities to start branch Sunday schools and pioneer an adjacent community for a new church. We thank Thee because we believe this describes the great majority of these devoted servants of Thine.

And then, dear Lord, please help our district superintendents. We believe that all of them love God and the church. But it seems that some of them need special help. We do not want to judge them. Maybe they need a new vision. Maybe they just don't know how to dig out new churches. There might be one or two who are just a bit lazy. I do not know; but, please, please, dear Lord, locate their need. Give them the courage to challenge their people. Help them not to be afraid to put on a little pressure. Help them to see that a few negative votes because of such pressure is a credit and a badge of success.

And now, Lord, please have mercy on this poor old Executive Secretary of Home Missions. Give me a sympathetic heart for all who are trying their best. Help me to be an inspiration rather than a critic. But give us churches that we might have souls. For Jesus' sake! Amen!

### Gulf Central District

Rev. Warren A. Rogers has just recently completed a tour of all our churches on the Gulf Central District. As the new district superintendent, he has been well received by our Negro churches and reports wonderful altar services in many of them on his tour. In Orlando, Florida, there were seventeen adults at the altar in his one service there. This is a new home mission work and he is returning in August for a tent meeting with plans to organize a church.

Rev. M. M. Snyder, supervisor of our church and two missions in New Orleans, has written that the two days Brother Rogers spent there were times of wonderful refreshing. Our Bethel Church was well filled in the Sunday afternoon rally with sixteen seekers at the altar.



# Thought for the Day



by BERTHA MUNRO

## "There Is an Absolute"

or

### What to Do with Convictions

#### Monday:

"No absolute right and wrong," they tell us today. "No fixed standards; everything in the field of conscience is relative. What a person considers sin depends on where, how, by whom he was brought up." If this is today's word for us, something is wrong with "today," for it is a flabby personality that is possessed by no convictions.

The "absolute" for us is not "what our fathers said," but why they said it, the principle back of the prohibition. The over-all rule: *Never give up a conviction unless you have replaced it by a stronger, deeper conviction;* that is, have found the principle back of the practice and discovered a practice which will express more truly the principle. Jesus in His Sermon on the

Mount was showing us how. (Matthew 5:17-20.)

#### Tuesday:

"There is an Absolute": the eternal I AM, defying complete definition, himself the never-changing Standard by which to frame all lesser definitions. There is an absolute: the *character of God*. "Ye shall be holy: for I the Lord your God am holy." "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect." Any act or thought at variance with the God whose basic name is Love, tried by that standard, is recognized as wrong. And conversely, any action which confronts us as our opportunity to express His sort of love, consciously refused, separates from God, and to that extent marks itself sin. (Leviticus 19:2; Matthew 5:48.)

#### Wednesday:

There is an Absolute: "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever." The exact image of God's person, He came to live before us the nature of good, to explain to us how to translate God's will into concrete terms. He gave us the principles for measuring conduct. "Not of the world, even as I am not of the world." "Heaven and earth shall pass away: but . . ." not My word. It "shall judge him [you] in the last day." (Hebrews 13:8; John 17:14; Mark 13:31; John 12:48.)

#### Thursday:

There is an absolute: the revealed moral law, phrased in terms of the Decalogue, rephrased by Jesus Christ in terms of the two great commandments. However blithely a school system may outlaw the reading of these as a "discriminary practice," they will return with vengeance in the form of juvenile delinquency and gangsterism.

They cannot be outlawed; they are written deep in the nature of man's social relationships. (Deuteronomy 6:24; 8:19.)

#### Friday:

There is an absolute: the first great command. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart"; "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." No idols, then no bowing down to self and its wishes, no preference of material prosperity to welfare of the spirit. God taken seriously, then a place kept wide open for intake from above. Much "relativity" is settled by this test. (Exodus 20:1-3, 7-8; Mark 12:29-30.)

#### Saturday:

There is an absolute: the second "great"—"Thy neighbour as thyself." His personality respected, his property safeguarded, his prosperity considered, his reputation protected—and not from a sour sense of duty. Divine love supplied will make you "breathe the commandments" as second nature. (Exodus 20:12-17; Mark 12:31.)

#### Sunday:

There is an absolute; the Holy Spirit himself will re-create the standard absolute in you (on a small scale). His inwrought Presence will make you more sensitive to sin, more alive to the good, as the tiny insect sends out feelers. "Restrictions" no longer make Sabbath-keeping dull; love for Christ rejoices to honor Him on His first day of a resurrection week. Jesus' "Don't worry" is activated by full trust in a Father made real. "Don't judge," "Don't covet" become happy privilege when you really love.

Love asks not, "Must I give?" but, "May I sacrifice?" Here is the absolute for practical purposes. (Matthew 6:31-32; 7:1; I John 4:11; Romans 13:8-10.)

## NEWS

## of the Churches



Rev. Troy C. Potts writes: "This past year has been one of the best of our ministry as we have served the good people of Tatum, New Mexico, to the best of our ability. God helped us to have a 33 per cent increase in church membership, and to build six Sunday school rooms as well as to completely remodel the auditorium. Under the leadership of the Holy Spirit we feel we must re-enter the work of full-time evangelism after our assembly in June. I am now making up my slate for this year and on through next year; will go anywhere for entertainment and freewill offerings. Write me, 808 N. Asbury, Bethany, Oklahoma."

Severy, Kansas—On May 4 we closed a good revival with Rev. and Mrs. William Schmidt as the special workers. Their ministry in sermon and song was blessed of God, and a number of souls were saved and sanctified. Our people greatly appreciated the ministry of Brother and Sister Schmidt with us.—RUSSEL R. McCOLLOM, *Pastor*.

New Brighton, Pennsylvania—In May our church had a glorious revival with Evangelist T. T. Liddell. We greatly appreciated his powerful and Spirit-anointed messages. The church was filled for each service, with more than fifty souls seeking God for forgiveness and entire sanctification. All those who attended the services were drawn closer to God by the wonderful messages and teaching on faith, grace, and power. We thank God for sending Brother Liddell our way. The revival fire continues to burn in our midst. We also thank God for our fine new pastor, Rev. C. E. Neiderhiser, and his family. We give God praise for His blessings and for answered prayer.—MRS. HAZEL THOMPSON, *Secretary*.

Rev. Charles D. Mosher writes: "After serving five years in the pastorate, I feel that the Lord is leading me into the evangelistic field, and I shall be glad to go anywhere as the Lord may direct. Write me, 12708 Shaw Avenue, Cleveland 8, Ohio."

Speedway, Indiana—God is blessing our church in a marvelous way. Recently we had a wonderful revival with Evangelist Kenneth Riden and Kenneth and Geneva Ashby, singers. God blessed and gave fifty-one seekers at the altar, with a class of twenty-six joining the church on the closing Sunday. Every department of the work is moving forward. The church has given us a three-year recall, and we feel fortunate indeed to pastor this wonderful people.—JOHN H. CHANDLER, *Pastor*.

Evangelist John W. Harrold writes: "At the close of another assembly year I am happy to report that this has been a wonderful year in the work of the Lord. I have had the privilege of working with some of our finest pastors and people. I am glad today for the blood of Jesus Christ that cleanses from all sin, and I am grateful to God and the people for the full slate I have for the year ahead. I have a few open dates left for 1959. Write me, Box 309, Red Key, Indiana."

La Grange, Georgia—In May we had the greatest revival in the history of this church; good attendance each night, with more than fifty seekers at the altar. A fine class of members was added to the church. Rev. R. L. Pitts of Columbus was the evangelist. Since Rev. Bill Farr came to us as pastor last October, the church has grown in every department. We are now in our beautiful new church building, with a choice lot in a good section of the city. We have seen twenty-one new members added to the church, and our finances are coming in fine. We thank God for His blessings.—*Reporter.*

Grand Ronde, Oregon—On May 4 our church closed an outstanding revival with Evangelist Norvic Clift. The church was filled to capacity nearly every night, with many new people attending the services. Over one hundred people sought God for salvation, reclamation, and entire sanctification. Brother Clift preached with the anointing of the Holy Spirit, with many adults converted for the first time, and some whole families were won to the Lord. Our people carried a real burden for the meeting, with prayer, fasting, and visitation evangelism. The church is united and going forward. The pastor has been given an increase in salary, and we plan to build a new sanctuary soon to house our growing congregation.—*DEWEY A. JOHNSTON, Pastor.*

Arlington, Oregon—Recently we enjoyed a good, Spirit-filled revival with Rev. and Mrs. Paul R. Weaver as the evangelists. A number of people sought and found the Lord, and some good members were added to the church. We have had a good year in the church here. Recently the church gave us a unanimous call for three years. We thank God for His blessings.—*R. E. BRBOUT, Pastor.*

North Little Rock, Arkansas—First Church has recently enjoyed a glorious revival. Through the Spirit-anointed, Bible preaching of Evangelist James Crabtree, the splendid singing of Wade Powers, and the earnest prayers of the people, God honored with more than seventy people at the altar seeking God for pardon and heart cleansing. It was an old-time Nazarene revival with shouts of victory and praise and Holy Ghost conviction. New people were reached for God and the revival spirit continues. On Sunday a splendid class of new members was received on profession of faith, bringing to twenty-nine the new members for this assembly year. Night after night during the meeting the sanctuary was well filled, with more than 150 visitors attending the services in the twelve days. North Little Rock First Church is moving ahead in an aggressive program of soul winning, co-operating with district and general church plans. The Sunday school enrollment has increased one hundred since January 1—a new high of over 700, with an attendance of 626 on Easter. The church is giving more than “10 per cent” to world evangelism.—*EARL DARDEN, Pastor.*

Evangelist Marvin J. Jones writes: “Since the first of the year I have been very busy in revival meetings in Florida, Ohio, and Indiana. During May I was at Edinburg and in a holiness convention at Southside Church, Fort Wayne, Indiana. Have conducted ten two-week revival meetings and have seen over three hundred seekers at the altar. I have enjoyed my work with our pastors and people. I will be in Florida next winter and have an open date, February 18 to March 1, which I’d be glad to slate with some church in that area. Wife travels with me as my prayer partner, and also gives object lessons to the children. We feel we are in the will of the Lord in this great work. Write me, 119 N. Colorado Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana.”

Paulding, Ohio—We are grateful for God’s blessings. Easter Sunday brought a record breaking day in Sunday school with 254 present (more than one-tenth of the population of this county seat town); the third consecutive year to set a new record attendance. After having served here four and one-half years, the church recently extended to us a fine recall vote. With the co-operation of our good people we have made a number of building improvements, and on June 8 we had a special mortgage-burning service liquidating the ten-year building loan, with District Superintendent Albea in charge. Also on that day we celebrated the fortieth anniversary for this church.—*VIRGIL H. FEW, Pastor.*

Eight churches of the greater Fort Worth (Texas) area sponsored a city-wide holiness convention, May 9 to 11, at Northside Church, with Dr. D. I. Vanderpool as the special worker. We were privileged to have District Superintendent Orville W. Jenkins and wife in all the services. Rev. James Robertson served as chairman. Churches and pastors participating were—Arlington, James Robertson; First, W. J. Benson; Glen Park, J. C. Holman; Northside, H. B. Dean; Polytechnic, J. B. Bickford; River Oaks, C. R. McCall; White Settlement, Leroy Land, and Arlington Heights with Pastor C. B. Dickerman. Dr. Vanderpool’s rich messages were a soul feast to Fort Worth Nazarenes, and shouts of victory were heard as many souls prayed through for forgiveness and heart purity. Ministers and laymen were welded together in a new sense of oneness and fellowship. The people were blessed by a number of selections rendered by a combined choir, with people from all the churches, led by Brother Bill Bohannon, choir director at First Church.—*C. B. DICKERMAN, Secretary.*

Morristown, Indiana—Our church is continuing to make progress under the able leadership of Rev. Kenneth T. Jewell who, on May 18, was given a unanimous call for his third year. In the same service, thirteen hundred dollars was pledged to clear the indebtedness on a recent remodeling project which adds much to the value and utility of the church.—*MRS. JODY CARMONY, Secretary.*

## District Church Schools Convention

The Washington Pacific District Church Schools Convention was held at Tacoma First Church, on Wednesday afternoon, May 7, with Rev. Thaine Sanford, district chairman, presiding. The theme was “Now Is the Time.”

Reports for the Sunday schools were presented by Zone Chairman Morris Chalfant, Donald Beecher, Paul Wordsworth, and Melvin Laws. Reports by the district directors and the district chairman showed a year of wonderful progress, with an attendance increase of 391, and enrollment increase of 1,145.

“Pray More, Teach More, Win More” was introduced by a men’s trio—Revs. William Anderson, Woodrow Morgan, and Edgar Kincaid. The Kent Caravan choir sang in full Caravan uniform. District Superintendent Seals brought a challenging message.

The following goals were “Setting the Alarm” in the “Count Down” closing the convention: *Reach More*—500 increase in attendance; 1,500 increase in enrollment; visitation in every church, a home department in every church. *Teach More*—2 Christian Service Training classes in every church; 50 vacation Bible schools in our fiftieth anniversary year. *Win More*—Family Outreach program in every church, 50 per cent of active Sunday school members participating. “Every Family Win a Family.”

The convention adjourned to a banquet at a downtown hotel where awards were presented to the pastors who made the greatest gains in attendance and enrollment in the spring Sunday school push, and also awards earned in the Achievement Program. At the close of the banquet Dr. Samuel Young spoke to the Sunday school workers.

At the evening service, Mr. Fowler, of the Puyallup Sunday school, was presented an award as being chosen “teacher of the year.” The convention closed with an inspiring message by Dr. Young.—*EDGAR A. KINCAID, Reporter.*

Ames, Iowa—In May we had a very fruitful revival under the very fine preaching of Rev. Harold Willis. Each service was a real blessing, and many souls found help in God at the altar of prayer. During the past two years our church has gone forward under the leadership of Pastor R. V. Schultz. Thirty-eight new members have been added to the church, and the Sunday school and other departments have grown accordingly. Real harmony prevails among the people, and God is blessing in all the services.—*LUCILLE PIHL, Secretary.*

North Manchester, Indiana—This spring our church had its third revival with Evangelist E. D. Wolfe. The church was blessed by his Spirit-filled messages and Bible preaching. On the last Sunday morning God’s presence was manifested in a real and definite way giving answers to prayer. Our pastor was given a ten-dollar-per-week increase in salary. We will go to the assembly with all budgets paid in full, and the work is moving ahead under the leadership of Pastor Fay A. Fouse.—*MRS. ROYDEN PRESSLER, Secretary.*

### Abilene District Assembly

The fiftieth annual assembly of the Abilene District was held May 7 to 9, at Fort Worth First Church, with Rev. W. J. Benson as host pastor. This was the "Golden Anniversary" of our district as well as the denomination. Fifty years ago the district comprised all of west Texas and New Mexico; now it comprises the northwest quarter of Texas.

General Superintendent D. I. Vanderpool stirred our hearts with his unique and refreshing messages. A spirit of harmony and aggressiveness prevailed.

Dr. Orville W. Jenkins brought his ninth report as district superintendent, and began his second year of a three-year term of service. Dr. and Mrs. Jenkins were never more loved and respected on the district than today.

The N.Y.P.S. convention re-elected Rev. William Dorough as district president with an overwhelming vote, and Mrs. Orville Jenkins was re-elected as the district N.F.M.S. president with a nearly unanimous vote.

With an increase of 106, the membership of the district now stands at 5,016; average Sunday school attendance, 5,561; and enrollment stands at 9,239, an increase of 1,110.

A new church was organized at Fritch, out of a branch Sunday school started by Rev. Amos Meador and the Borger church. The Borger church has since started a branch Sunday school at Stinnett with the prospect of organizing there. Property has been purchased for new churches in Wichita Falls and Hurst, with a location donated in Lubbock by M. K. Bingham.

Sixteen churches reached the "10 per cent" goal for missions, while the entire district gave 8.3 per cent. Eleven churches had reached their quota of new Nazarenes and received Evangelistic Honor certificates.

The ministry of Mrs. Louise Chapman, general president, and Rev. Harold Hampton, missionary, at the N.F.M.S. convention was much appreciated. Rev. Mrs. Emma Irick brought a stirring Sunday school message.

Bethany Nazarene College was ably represented by President R. H. Cantrell, Rest Cottage by Rev. Gerren Roberts, Nazarene Ministers Benevolent Fund by Rev. Dean Wessels, and the Nazarene Publishing House by Dr. Erwin G. Benson. Among the visitors we were glad to have District Superintendents Paul H. Garrett, W. Raymond McClung, and W. L. French.—C. B. DICKERMAN, *Reporter*.

### Washington Pacific District Assembly

The fifteenth annual assembly of the Washington Pacific District, May 8 and 9, at Tacoma First Church, will live on because of the decisive actions taken and the memorable times of blessing and victory.

The divinely anointed addresses of Dr. Samuel Young will bear fruit in all our lives. The individually given report of District Superintendent B. V. Seals will not be forgotten. The net gains it pinpointed—5 new churches, 309 in church membership, 1,145 in Sunday school enrollment—represent souls whose

influence will multiply on and on, and whose value knows no measure. The action taken to achieve "10 per cent" giving for missions will reach to the ends of the earth and time.

The N.F.M.S. convention preceded the assembly. Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt, executive secretary of the Department of Foreign Missions, and Rev. Earl Morgan, missionary from Italy, were the special speakers; their messages were incisive and inspiring. The theme, "Advance till the World Knows," was vividly set forth in the presentation of missionaries, Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Springer, and a service of consecration.

Dr. John E. Riley, president, reported an excellent year at Northwest Nazarene College, and also presented plans for expansion. Rev. Bert Daniels, superintendent of the Canada Pacific District, brought a stirring home mission message on Thursday evening.

Delegates and visitors to the assembly were graciously provided for by Pastor Virgil Grover and the entertaining church.

We are sure the God who gave such victories as reported, and who honored the sessions of the assembly and conventions with such gracious outpourings of blessing and inspiration, will implement our efforts with His endowment in this fiftieth anniversary year.—THAINE F. SANFORD, *Reporter*.

### Arizona District N.Y.P.S. Convention

The thirty-third annual convention of the Arizona District N.Y.P.S. met in an air of fellowship and spiritual uplift at Phoenix Eastside Church on May 12.

The thought-provoking and informative speaker was Dr. L. Guy Nee, pastor of First Church in Los Angeles, California. His timely messages struck a responsive chord in the heart and soul of every convention delegate. The unity and spirit of the Lord were there!

Rev. Cecil Burns, pastor of the Mesa church, was re-elected district president with a hearty vote of confidence. Arizona young people are determined to march on to greater victories through his leadership and guidance. Other officers elected were: vice-president, Rev. Robert J. Conn, pastor at Somerton; secretary, Rev. Wm. Young, Jr., pastor at Flagstaff; treasurer, Robert Burnes, layman from Chandler; teen-age supervisor, Rev. Stanley McElrath, pastor at Globe; teen-age representatives, Eddie Lydic and Barbara Bowers; and Junior Society director, Mrs. Laurel Edwards, pastor's wife at Buckeye.

Each society pledged to encourage and develop each member to become a diligent and conscientious "Workman with the Word."—ROBERT CONN, *Reporter*.

Cullman, Alabama—Sunday night, May 18, marked the closing of one of the best revivals First Church has had for many years. God anointed the preaching of Evangelist V. S. Rushing, and his spirit was tender. Our folks received his messages, and many souls prayed through to definite victory. We give God praise for the good spirit in our church.—A. M. PRUITT, *Pastor*.

Kenosha, Wisconsin—In our recent revival with Evangelist John W. Harrold, new friends were made for the church, the membership increased, and hearts blessed and inspired by the sound preaching of this good evangelist. We have slated him to return in the spring of '60. Sunday afternoon, April 27, was a high day for our Nazarenes. With Dr. C. A. Gibson officiating, assisted by District Superintendent D. J. Gibson, a five-thousand-dollar, ten-year mortgage on the church property was burned—seven years before due date! We are coming to the close of another assembly year with an increase in all departments, budgets cared for, and we will again be at least a "10 per cent" church. The Sunday school record was broken twice this year with a high of 166. We came to this church sixteen years ago when there were 7 members, and on April 20 this year we were given a three-year unanimous recall with a fine appreciation offering. We thank God for this splendid, sacrificial, united people.—LOTTIE M. RYNEARSON, *Pastor*.

### Hawaii District

These are wonderful days of progress for our work in Hawaii. Dr. Hugh C. Benner gave us an inspiring lift at our district assembly, March 20 and 21. His timely messages were a real challenge.

The report of our district superintendent, Rev. Cecil Knippers, revealed a gain of 52 in church membership, 108 in Sunday school enrollment, and 47 in Sunday school average attendance, with an increase of \$52,000 in property evaluation. A new church was organized in Hanapepe on the island of Kauai. This gives us now organized churches on four of the Hawaiian Islands; a total of eight organized churches, one mission, and four branch Sunday schools. New property has just been purchased in Kanoehe on the island of Oahu, where services began in June. Good progress is being made toward our goal of three new churches during the Golden Anniversary year.

Around thirty new members have been received into our churches since our district assembly in March. An intensive program of evangelism has been scheduled for our churches for this summer and fall with some of our outstanding evangelists.

Our Easter offering and attendance was a record by a large margin.

Rev. Cecil Knippers is serving his seventh year as district superintendent of Hawaii, with two more years on a unanimous three-year call.—PAUL W. SCHMIDT, *District Secretary*.

Evangelists Jack and Ruby Carter write: "We will be closing a revival meeting in Kansas City, Missouri, on November 9; then have an open date, November 13 to 23, which we'd be glad to slate with any church needing our services as preacher and singers. Also, we have an open date, August 21 to 31, which we'd like to slate in New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, or Kansas, since we will be in a revival in Clovis, New Mexico, September 3 to 14. Write us, 609 N. Mueller Street, Bethany, Oklahoma."

## Regional Church Schools Convention Canada West

The recent regional church schools convention in First Church, Calgary, Alberta, sponsored by the Department of Church Schools, was a thrilling success as measured by the comments of people from all over the Canada West District. Pastors, church school officers, teachers, and workers gathered from all parts of the Prairie Provinces, from the Peace River District (500 miles north of Calgary), from Brandon, Manitoba (800 miles east), and all points in between in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

The department teams, headed by Dr. Albert F. Harper and Dr. Erwin G. Benson, rendered a service to Sunday school growth in western Canada that will not soon be forgotten. All of the workshops were crowded and at times the commodious auditorium of Calgary First Church was filled to capacity. The consensus was that never has a church given its people so much and of such superlative quality in tools and methods with which to accomplish the task that is ours in reaching the unchurched.

From the keynote address, given by Dr. Edward Lawlor, district superintendent, to the last "Amen" of the convention, it was firmly fixed in our minds that the Church Schools Department has demonstrated that its quadrennial theme, "By All Means Save Some," was not carelessly chosen, and in the achievement of it no means was being left unexplored. Before the convention was over, pastors and people were asking one question: "Why can't we have something like this more often?"

Special appreciation is due Rev. Herman L. G. Smith, pastor of First Church, and his people for the marvelous way they entertained the convention, though they are in the midst of a large building program.—E. DRELL ALLEN, *Chairman of Church Schools*.

## Los Angeles District Assembly

The fifty-second annual assembly of the Los Angeles District was held May 21 to 23, at Bresec Church, Pasadena, with Dr. J. George Taylorson as host pastor to seventy-one churches. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presided with his characteristic poise and grace.

District Superintendent W. Shelburne Brown's splendid report on Thursday morning was enthusiastically received by more than 350 delegates. A love offering of \$2,000 was presented to Rev. and Mrs. Brown to assist them in a preaching mission in Australia and a vacation in Hawaii.

The total giving of the district was \$1,233,925; the per capita giving was \$154; total giving to missions was \$107,319; and \$83,000 was pledged to Pasadena College for its expansion program. Membership of the district now stands at 7,993, an increase of 326. The average Sunday school attendance was 9,911, an increase of 420 over last year; Sunday school enrollment was increased 1,891 for a total of 15,744. The Home Mission Loan Fund now has \$30,000 in cash. Two new churches were organized this year.

In an impressive ordination service on Thursday night, Victor Karg, Jack

Messer, and Jack Riley, received elder's orders. The elder's orders of Edward G. Wyman and Albert Light were recognized.

Central Church, Pasadena, was host for the N.Y.P.S. convention, and Bresec Church for the N.F.M.S. convention. Rev. Eugene Stowe, general N.Y.P.S. president, was the keynote speaker for the young people's convention held on Monday of assembly week. Rev. Glenn Chaffee was re-elected for the fourth consecutive year with a strong vote. The N.Y.P.S. membership now stands at 1,762. In Tuesday's missionary convention Mrs. E. C. Martin, who led the 3,890 N.F.M.S. members to a victorious year, was almost unanimously re-elected.

Los Angeles District Nazarenes are united and have laid aggressive plans for evangelistic achievement this year.—*Reporter*.

## Canada Central District Assembly

The Canada Central District held its twenty-third annual assembly, June 11 to 13, at the Clarksburg campgrounds, with Dr. Samuel Young presiding. Rev. C. McNichols was the host pastor, assisted by Rev. Robert Brooks.

Dr. Young was at his very best and inspired the assembly to greater things for God in the coming year. He handled the business of the assembly with authority and charm.

Rev. H. Blair Ward, our beloved district superintendent, was given an almost unanimous vote for his continued service, and a love offering was enthusiastically given to the Wards. Gains were reported in every department with the district and General Budget giving increasing by \$2,000, and number of organized churches rising from twenty-eight to thirty-six, for an increase of 28.6 per cent.

History was made when a service of union was held on Thursday evening, June 12, and for the first time in Canadian history two holiness bodies united. The Gospel Workers church, as a denomination, is in the process of completing the details of union with five organized local churches, including six church buildings and five parsonages, having already become local Nazarene churches. All of these churches are in an area of Ontario that our denomination to this point had not reached and represent new frontiers for the Church of the Nazarene. Rev. A. Mills, president of the Gospel Workers church, greeted the delegates of the assembly, expressing the leadership of God in bringing about this glad hour. The Spirit of God came in blessing upon the assembly to show His approval of the transaction.

There is a spirit of unity and blessing on the Canada Central District—God is leading.—ROSS R. CRIBBIS, *Reporter*.

Rev. Munroe Burkhardt writes: "We are now pastor of the new church, Farmer's Branch, in Dallas, Texas. It is in a rapidly-growing section of the city, with hundreds of new homes being built. We are buying two acres on Valwood Drive, zoned for churches. We have some splendid people here. Please remember us in your prayers."

## Central Ohio District N.Y.P.S. Convention

One of the largest crowds that ever attended our district N.Y.P.S. convention met on May 9 in Warren Avenue Church, Columbus, Ohio. A sad note was sounded in the convention when Rev. Joseph F. Nielson, district president for six years, resigned from office because he is moving from the district. Under his versatile leadership the district N.Y.P.S. program has been interesting and progressive. Also, Rev. Charles Gates resigned as district treasurer, to go as a missionary to Brazil; and Rev. Paul Flack resigned from the district secretary's office after seven years of service.

The following officers were elected for the new assembly year: Rev. Jay H. Keiser, president; Rev. Clare St. John, vice-president; Rev. John Dennis, secretary; Rev. Paul Puscy, treasurer; Rev. Robert Quanstrom, supervisor of high school department; Carolyn Cook and Elmer Wright, teen-age representatives.

Reports indicated that our young people in Central Ohio are going forward for Christ on the district, zone, and local levels.

Rev. Forrest Nash, pastor of the Olivet Nazarene College Church, was the special speaker, bringing two helpful messages. Under the leadership of President Nielson and District Superintendent H. S. Galloway, the business and program of the convention were carried on in an orderly and interesting fashion. The presence of God was manifest and a good spirit prevailed throughout the convention.—PAUL E. FLACK, *Reporter*.

Jacksonville, Texas—Recently First Church witnessed the best revival for the past several years. Evangelists Alva O. and Gladys Estep were greatly used of the Lord, and twenty-five people sought God for reclamation, regeneration, or entire sanctification. The Estep's Scene-o-felt work added to the attendance. On the closing day the average attendance in Sunday school was almost doubled, with four new members added to the church. We came to Jacksonville in January of 1957, at the completion of the new church edifice in a growing section of the city. Rev. Robert Combs led the people in the construction of the brick-veneer building. In June of '57 we completed a three-bedroom parsonage, constructed of the same type brick used in the church. We now have property valued at \$35,000 with a debt of only \$12,000.—J. RAY SHOULDERS, *Pastor*.

Evangelist James W. Thomas reports: "In May we had a meeting with Rev. R. L. Brown and the good folks at Wickes, Arkansas; God came in a wonderful way on the last Sunday morning. Then I went to the Maples Mill Church, near Canton, Illinois, and next to Vidor, Texas. I have open dates after July 1, through September, also an open date late in October. God is blessing me in the field, and I shall be glad to go as the Lord may lead. Write me, Route 2, Box 55A, Gravette, Arkansas."

Evangelist L. J. Scherrer writes: "I will be in Tennessee and in Wisconsin in September and October of this year, and have some open time that I would like to slate. Write me, 930 Floral Drive, Orlando, Florida."

Leverett Brothers, evangelists, write: "Due to a change in a pastor's plans, also a cancellation, we have some good open summer dates for July and August. We'll be glad to go as the Lord may lead. Write us, Lamar, Missouri."

#### San Antonio District Assembly

From the very beginning the blessing and presence of God were manifest in the forty-fifth assembly of the San Antonio District. Pastor and people of San Antonio First Church were very gracious hosts.

Under the capable guidance and direction of Dr. D. I. Vanderpool, the business of the assembly was dispatched with ease and efficiency. Dr. Vanderpool's messages and words of counsel were anointed of the Spirit.

Rev. W. H. Davis, district superintendent, gave an outstanding and encouraging report. During the four years he has served the district, splendid gains have been made along practically every line. Giving for all purposes, church membership, Sunday school enrollment, along with other phases of the work, have shown good progress. Brother Davis was re-elected to serve his fifth term. The people of the San Antonio District love and appreciate the Davises.

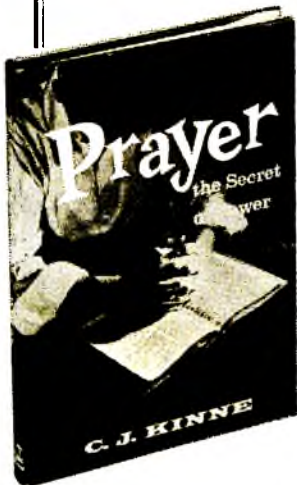
A strong and challenging home mission program has been launched across the district. In the Wednesday evening service, April 30, Dr. Vanderpool preached a powerful home mission message, pointing out our responsibilities to reach the lost here at home. At the close, Brother Davis outlined his program for the year, and almost four thousand dollars was pledged to start a new church in Austin, Texas. A Home Mission Club has been organized, and the initial response has been enthusiastic. The Golden Anniversary goal for our district calls for the organization of four new churches. In some of our fine cities lots have been purchased and plans are being made for home mission revivals.

The Nazarene Publishing House was capably represented by Dr. Erwin G. Benson, the Department of Ministerial Benevolence by Rev. Dean Wessels, and President R. H. Cantrell gave a good report of the progress of Bethany Nazarene College.

Other visitors included Superintendent Willis French of South Arkansas District, Superintendent Everette Howard of Texas-Mexican District, Missionary Harold Hampton, Mrs. Louise R. Chapman, general N.F.M.S. president, and Lt. Col. Paul Winslow, Nazarene chaplain.

An old-fashioned Nazarene evangelistic service was conducted on the closing evening of the assembly, and as the people sang the songs of Zion, God's Spirit came upon the congregation. Dr. Vanderpool brought a wonderful message, which was received amid shouts of blessing and victory.—L. E. HUMRICH, Reporter.

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Clarksburg, West Virginia—This church recently experienced one of the greatest revivals of its history with Rev. C. B. Fugett as the evangelist. God came in mighty power, the altar was filled night after night, and people sought and found the Lord in the old-fashioned way. Truly God was in our midst and blessed and used Brother Fugett in a marvelous way; his messages were rich and deep.—HUGH O. JOHNSON, Pastor.

Evangelist Daniel Stafford writes: "Due to a conflict in dates, I have a cancellation, August 27 to September 7. I would be happy to re-slate this date, as the Lord may lead. Write me, Box 207, Southport, Indiana."

#### Deaths

REV. DELBERT D. PALMER

Delbert D. Palmer, age sixty-six, pastor of First Church, Canton, Ohio, suffered a fatal heart attack at midnight, Saturday, March 29. He had been in apparent good health and had expected to conduct Sunday church services. He was born in Cleveland, and graduated from Cleveland Bible College in 1914. He came to the church in Canton in May of 1952, after a twenty-seven year pastorate at First Church in Warren. Due to his activities, there are now four Nazarene churches in the Warren area and one in Niles. He preached in many tent and tabernacle meetings. He also pastored at Springfield Heights Church, Akron. For the last thirteen years he had been treasurer for the Akron District. He is survived by his wife, Myra, of the home; a son, Roy Willard, of Warren; two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Sprague of Warren, and Mrs. Calvin P. Maybury of Wollaston, Massachusetts; three brothers, Herbert, George, and Clarence; and a sister, Mrs. Seymour Cooley. Funeral services were conducted in First Church, Canton, with the district superintendent, Rev. C. D. Taylor, officiating.

**REV. J. L. LONG**

J. L. Long was born July 5, 1884, and died April 22, 1958, in a hospital in Noblesville, while serving as pastor of the church at Sheridan, Indiana. He was active as a minister in the Church of the Nazarene for almost thirty-five years, serving churches at Patricksburg, Jordon, Bowling Green, Fortville, Freedom, and Sheridan, Indiana. He was preceded in death by his first wife on June 2, 1924, and three children, Bessie Lorraine, Raymond Edward, and Carl. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Edna Long; two sons, Gilbert and John Paul; three daughters, Mrs. Bernice Dayhuff, Mrs. Thelma Schmeltskop, and Mrs. Beryl Jarrett; also one sister, Mrs. Ada Honnewell; and one brother, Renos. Funeral services were conducted in the Patricksburg church by his district superintendent, Rev. Arthur C. Morgan, assisted by Superintendent L. C. Davis of Southwest Indiana District, and Revs. L. E. Myers, T. E. Martin, A. L. Loeber, M. M. Wire, and Ermel Short. Interment was at Patricksburg, Indiana.

**REV. RAY BOONE**

Ray Boone was born in Indian Territory, Oklahoma, in 1884, and died May 8, 1958, at Anadarko, Oklahoma. Most of his early life was spent in Texas. In 1905 he was united in marriage to Miss Anna K. Newton. To this union five children were born; two died in infancy, and a third died in 1949. Brother Boone was converted at Wichita, Kansas, at the Friends University in 1905, and sanctified at a schoolhouse east of Higgins, Texas, in 1921. The same year he received a call to preach and received his first license at the Nazarene assembly of 1921. He was true to his call, God blessed his ministry, and he saw many souls saved and sanctified, and some called to preach. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Anna Boone; and two daughters, Mrs. Lorene Hess of Chickasha and Mrs. Mazie Ray of Anadarko. He will be espe-

cially missed by the local church (Anadarko, Oklahoma), which he pastored for a number of years, and of which he had been an active member since his retirement.

**REV. GEORGE KERCHER**

George Kercher died suddenly on January 22 at New Smyrna Beach, Florida, where he was serving as pastor. He was converted at the age of twenty in Webster, Pennsylvania, and sanctified one year later in the Church of the Nazarene in Monongahela. Later he was called to preach, and went to Bible school to prepare for this work. There he met and married Miss Laura Alice Fluke, on June 10, 1929. He served as pastor sixteen years at Coraopolis, Pennsylvania; three years at Bellaire, Ohio; seven years at First Church, Ft. Lauderdale; and for two and one-half years at New Smyrna Beach, Florida. He is survived by his wife, Laura; a daughter, Grace Boyette; two sons, Paul and John Wesley; also one brother, Max; and one sister, Mrs. Frieda Ganes. Truly Brother Kercher was one of God's anointed. Funeral service was conducted at New Smyrna Beach by Dr. John L. Knight, district superintendent.

**JOHN (Jack) HENRY GIFT** of Eureka, California, died in a hospital at Santa Rosa, on January 11. His death came as a shock to his family and friends. It was caused by a cyst on the brain. Jack attended Pasadena College, served in the armed forces of our country, and at the time of his death was working for the Eureka post office department. He is survived by Mrs. Patricia M. Gift, widow, and infant daughter, Jeanne Marie; also his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Gift; a brother, Harry, Jr.; and a sister, Ella Grannis. Funeral service was held at Eureka First Church by the pastor, Rev. Paul D. Mangum, assisted by Rev. C. Eugene Malory, pastor of San Bruno church.

**J. E. MELVIN**, Canute (Oklahoma) area farmer, died February 18, in a local hospital after an illness of several months. He was born near Birmingham, Alabama. In addition to farming, Mr. Melvin was a pioneer song writer in this area. He is survived by his wife; three sons, Clay, Roy, and Carl; three daughters, Mrs. Clovis Pearl, Mrs. Verna Hodges, and Mrs. Ava Lou Watson; also a brother, Oscar Melvin; and three sisters, Mrs. Etta Orgain, Mrs. Minta Oden, and Mrs. Suda Meadow. Funeral service was held at the Hefner Church of the Nazarene, with the pastor, Rev. Mrs. Austin Graham, officiating.

**MRS. W. H. GARRETT** was born in Alabama in 1863, and died January 9 in Bethany, Oklahoma. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Hall. She was a member of the Church of the Nazarene. She and her husband formerly lived in Hamlin; he died in 1927. She is survived by five sons, Henry, George, Will, Clarence, and Walter; two daughters, Mrs. Thomas Bigham and Ella Garrett; also two brothers, J. Walter Hall and Rev. George Hall. Memorial services were held in the Church of the Nazarene at Hamlin, Texas, with Rev. W. S. Hanna, Rev. Dan Jones, and Rev. Sam King officiating.

**WILLIAM MATTHEW McPHERSON**, layman of the Marley Park, Maryland, Church of the Nazarene was born February 26, 1901, and died February 9, 1958. He came to Sunday school as usual on February 9, was taken ill, and died upon reaching the hospital. Before he lapsed into unconsciousness he gave a glowing testimony that he would soon be with Jesus. He was instrumental in organizing the Church of the Nazarene in Parkersburg, West Virginia, and became a charter member. He was faithful to God and his church, a brother greatly beloved. Besides his wife, he is survived by his mother, Mrs. Fannie McPherson; two brothers, James and Arthur; two sisters, Mrs. Grace McGinnis and Mrs. Ethel Hodges; also two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Fawler and Mrs. Alice Stell; and a son, Howard. Funeral service was conducted by his pastor, Rev. D. Ward Albright, assisted by Rev. Frank Kish and Rev. Guy Nelson, with interment in Glen Haven Cemetery, Glen Burnie, Maryland.

**CHARLES EDWARD HEAVENER**, of Wiley Ford, West Virginia, died December 13, 1957. He was born November 23, 1877. He was one of the first members to join the Church of the Nazarene in Wiley Ford after its organization in 1954. He was a precious brother and friend, a blessing in the community, and an inspiration and help to his pastor and church. He was a faithful servant of the Lord. Funeral service was conducted by his pastor, Rev. A. L. Lepley, assisted by Rev. L. A. Fahringer, former pastor.

**MRS. CAROLYN E. GRANTHAM**, charter member of the Church of the Nazarene in Ocala, Florida, died on February 10, aged eighty-three years. Her faith and prayers were great contributing factors in the establishment of the local Church of the Nazarene. Her Christian testimony and holy life

will always be cherished by those who knew her. She died in the hospital following a brief illness. She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Ruth Beidemann. Funeral service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. Berge S. Najarian, with interment in Fellowship Cemetery.

**Announcements**

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is a privilege to announce the availability of Rev. J. B. Miller for evangelistic services. For the past ten years Brother Miller has served as the pastor of Denver First Church. He is an excellent preacher and a good evangelist. Write him, 3093 S. Williams Street, Denver 10, Colorado.—Oscar J. Finch, Superintendent of Colorado District.

This is to inform his many friends, as well as our pastors and churches, that Rev. T. P. Dunn has resigned his pastorate at Hominy, Oklahoma, to re-enter the field of evangelism. Brother Dunn has served successfully in the field for many years. He is a pastor's friend, loves the Lord and the people; he will do any church good. He is one of our strong preachers. I can commend him to our people everywhere.—I. C. Mathis, Superintendent of Northeast Oklahoma District.

Rev. Grant Daniel, having served as pastor of the Vermontville church on our district, and feeling called of God to enter the evangelistic field, has resigned his pastorate to give full time to the ministry of evangelism through our church. Brother Daniel is a fine preacher and carries a burden for the lost. His ministry will bless and encourage our people, and is used of God to reach the unsaved. I am happy to recommend him to our people everywhere. Address him, 2 Paige Court, Prattville, Alabama.—Renard D. Smith, Superintendent of Albany District.

**BORN**—to Rev. and Mrs. K. Wayne Nelson of Nampa, Idaho, a son, John Mark, on June 10.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Smith of Carthage, Tennessee, a son, David Gordon, on June 5.

—to Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Champion of Perry, Michigan, a daughter, Cheryl Ann, on June 4.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Richard Ivester of Pullman, Washington, a daughter, Linda Joy, on May 12.

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**District Assembly Information**

**EASTERN MICHIGAN**—Assembly, July 16 and 17, at First Church, 310 W. Wood, Flint, Michigan. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. Leslie Parrott, 310 W. Wood, Flint, Michigan. General Superintendent Young presiding.

**CENTRAL OHIO**—Assembly, July 16 to 18, at the Nazarene campgrounds, Morse Road near Cleveland Avenue, Columbus, Ohio. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o Nazarene campgrounds, 2708 Morse Road, Columbus, Ohio. General Superintendent Williamson presiding.

**MINNESOTA**—Assembly, July 17 and 18, at the Mission Farms Camp, 3401 Medicine Lake Blvd., Minneapolis, Minnesota. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o Rev. Roy F. Stevens, district superintendent, 6224 Concord Avenue, South Minneapolis 24, Minnesota. General Superintendent Benner presiding.

**CHICAGO CENTRAL**—Assembly, July 23 and 24, at First Church, 8300 S. Damen, Chicago, Illinois. Send mail and other items relative to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Dr. Cecil Ewell, 8300 So. Damen, Chicago, Illinois. General Superintendent Young presiding.

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**PITTSBURGH**—Assembly, July 24 and 25, at Alameda Park Camp, Butler, Pennsylvania. Entertaining pastor, Rev. Ben Bixby, 201½ Fifth Ave., Butler, Pennsylvania. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the district superintendent, Rev. R. B. Acheson, Box 367, Butler, Pennsylvania. General Superintendent Powers presiding. (To reach the camp—one mile west of Butler, off Route 422.)

**NORTHWEST OKLAHOMA**—Assembly, July 30 and 31, at First Church, Main and Asbury, Bethany, Oklahoma. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Dr. E. S. Phillips, Box 76, Bethany, Oklahoma. General Superintendent Williamson presiding.

**SOUTHWEST INDIANA**—Assembly, July 30 and 31, at the Indiana University Auditorium, Indiana University Campus, Bloomington, Indiana. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. C. G. Bohannon, 512 N. Grant St., Bloomington, Indiana. General Superintendent Benner presiding.

**EAST TENNESSEE**—Assembly, July 31 to August 1, at the Nazarene campground, Mentor, Tennessee. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the district superintendent, Rev. Victor E. Gray, Nazarene campground, Rt. 2, Box 395, Louisville, Tennessee. General Superintendent Young presiding.

**ILLINOIS**—Assembly, July 31 to August 2, at Nazarene Acres, Route 1, Mechanicsburg, Illinois (reached from Springfield by car; we provide transportation for those who notify us). Entertaining pastor, Rev. Clifton Norell, 924 W. Edwards St., Springfield, Illinois. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the district superintendent, Rev. Harold Daniels, P.O. Box 72, Springfield, Illinois. General Superintendent Vanderpool presiding.

**KENTUCKY**—Assembly, August 6 and 7, at Broadway Church of the Nazarene, 324 E. Broadway, Louisville, Kentucky. Rev. Dennis E. Wyrick, 2115 Bonycastle Ave., Louisville, entertaining pastor. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o Rev. Dennis E. Wyrick, 324 E. Broadway, Louisville, Kentucky. General Superintendent Vanderpool presiding.

**MISSOURI**—Assembly, August 6 and 7, at the District Center, Box 349, Fredericktown, Missouri. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o the entertaining pastor, Rev. R. A. Lewis, P.O. Box 349, Fredericktown, Missouri. General Superintendent Powers presiding.

**KANSAS**—Assembly, August 6 to 8, at the District Center, 1600 N. Plum, Hutchinson, Kansas. Entertaining pastor, Rev. M. E. Clay, 211 E. Fourth, Hutchinson, Kansas. Send mail and other items relating to the assembly c/o Rev. Eli Cook, 520 East 15th, Hutchinson, Kansas. General Superintendent Benner presiding.

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**Central Ohio District Camp**, July 18 to 27, at the district campground, Morse Road between Cleveland Avenue and State Route 3, at the north edge of Columbus, Ohio. Special workers: Dr. G. B. Williamson; Dr. Mel-Thomas Rothwell and Rev. Charles Hastings Smith, evangelists; Professor Curtis R. Brown, singer; Dr. J. Otis Sayes, youth worker; Olivet Nazarene College Treble-Tone Trio, youth musicians; Rev. H. C. Little, prayer director; Mrs. H. C. Little, children's worker. Dr. Harvey S. Galloway, district superintendent, platform director. For information write the secretary, Rev. C. D. Westhafer, 708 Woodland Ave., Wooster, Ohio.

**Oregon Pacific District Camp**, July 17 to 27, at Clackamas, Oregon (located at 12625 S.E. 82nd Avenue, 2½ miles south of Portland's city limits; one mile north of Clackamas). Workers: evangelists, L. T. Corlett and V. H. Lewis; children's worker, Norvie O. Clift; singer, Warnie Tippitt; personal evangelism and prayer, Roscoe Pershall; missionary family, Merrill and Myrtlebelle Bennett and children. Tents available, also accommodations for trailer houses. For reservations, write Rev. Adrian Roberts, Rt. 1, Box 425, Clackamas, Oregon. W. D. McGraw, Jr., district superintendent.

**Missouri District Camp**, July 21 to 27, Pine Crest Camp, Fredericktown, Missouri. Workers: Dr. J. E. Williams and Rev. James Crabtree, evangelists; Jack Bierce, song evangelist; Rev. and Mrs. Eudell Moss, children's workers. Beds free in dormitories. Meals in cafeteria and large dining hall. For further information about reservations write, Rev. M. G. McCaskell, camp manager, 202 Saline St., Fredericktown, Missouri. Dr. E. D. Simpson, district superintendent.

**R. T. Williams Memorial, Fort Jessup Camp Meeting**, July 25 through August 3, six miles east of Many, Louisiana. Workers: Rev. Ray Davis, evangelist; James Bohi, singer. For further information write the district superintendent, Rev. V. Dan Perryman, 2408 Douglas Drive, Bossier City, Louisiana.

**Southwest Oklahoma District Camp**, August 1 to 10, at the district campground, 3½ miles west of Anadarko, Oklahoma, on Hi-way 9. Workers: Rev. Roy Bettcher, Rev. J. T. Drye, preachers; Leon and Marie Cook, singers. Meals served at the dining hall, also dormitory accommodations at reasonable rates. For information write the district superintendent, Rev. W. T. Johnson, Box 249, Duncan, Oklahoma.

**Northeastern Indiana District Camp**, August 1 to 10, at the district campground, East 38th Street Extended, Marion, Indiana. Workers: Dr. Mendell Taylor and Dr. I. C. Mathis, evangelists; the Keller-York Party, singers. For information write the district superintendent, Dr. Paul Updike, Box 987, Marion, Indiana.

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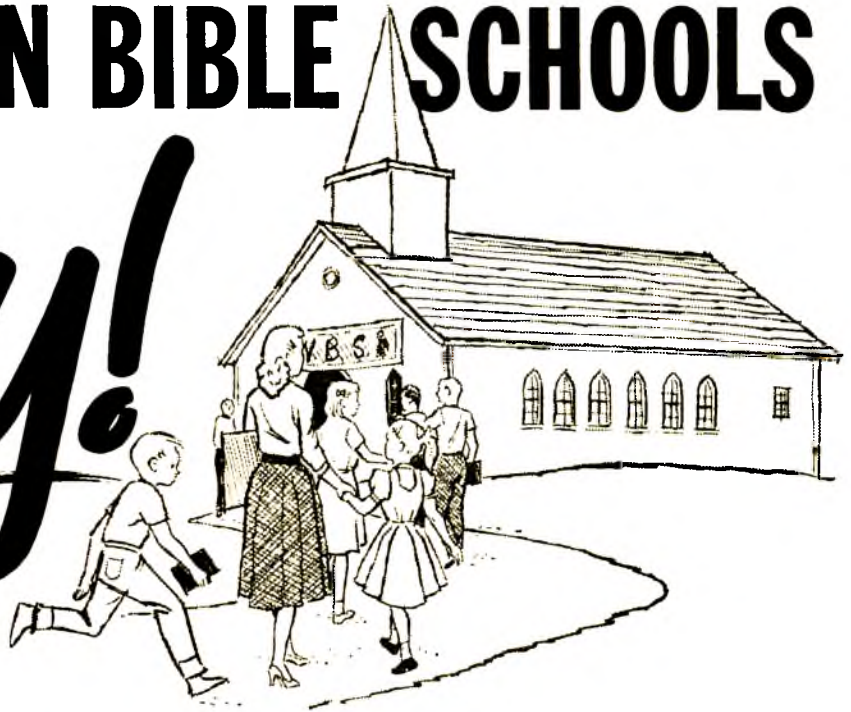
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