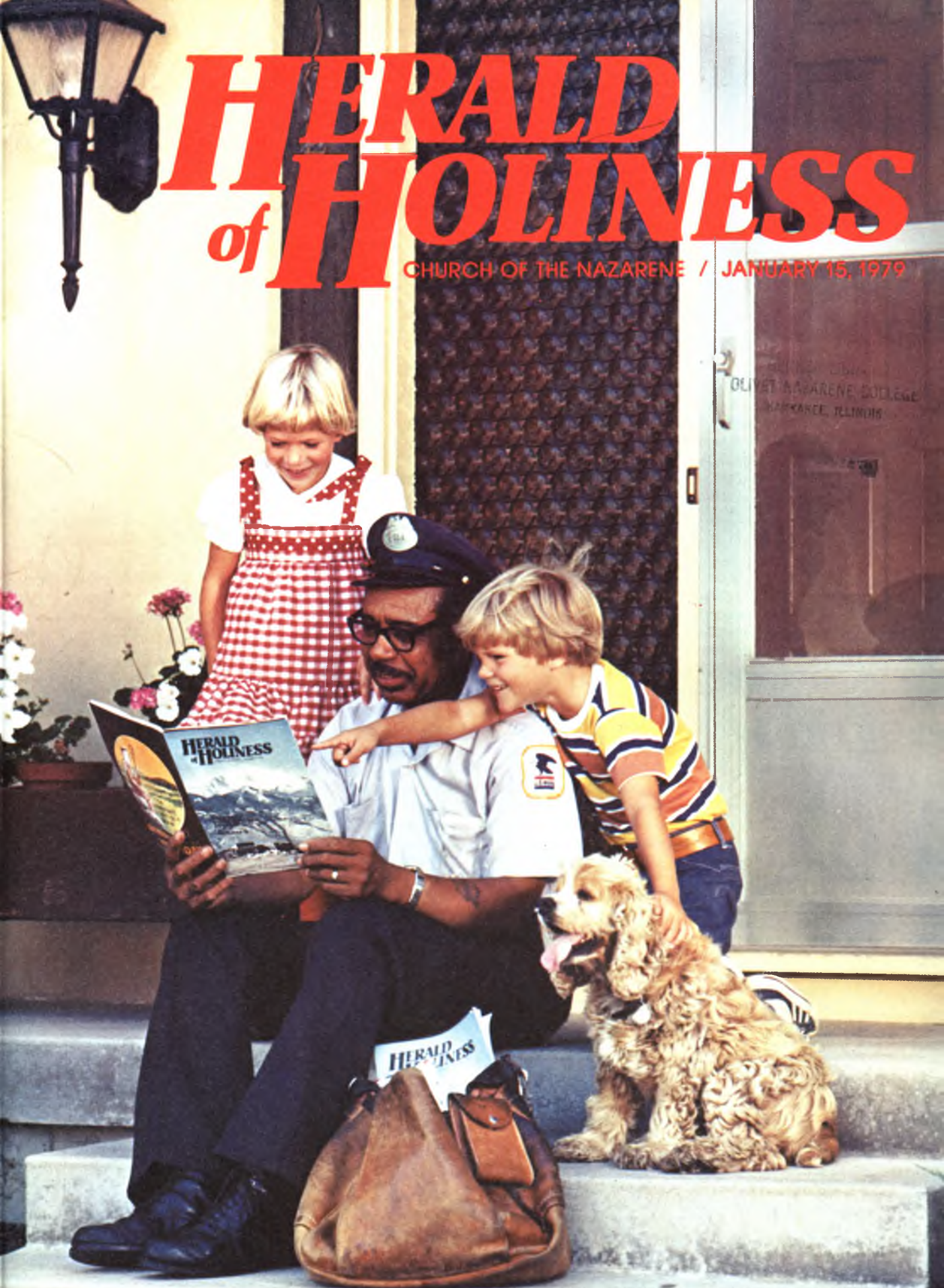


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## A SALUTE TO OUR PUBLISHING HOUSE

The days of "first printing," crude as they were, have been rightly hailed as a great event in history. There is no way to compute the value of placing words on pages.

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moving—far-reaching truth—how wonderful!

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We salute you. Writers of our books, study materials, pamphlets—Publishing House workers, all the fine lot of you—to you come our thanks and appreciation. We stand and march and work together in the kingdom of our Lord. □



by General Superintendent V. H. Lewis



# NAZARENE

A current television series has for its introduction a popular song of dubious eminence entitled "Those Were the Days." Nostalgia does add glamor to drab reality, but in the case of NPH it incites thanksgiving. And it suggests a Scripture verse for the institution being honored in this issue of our church paper.

# PUBLISHING

That text is found in 1 Samuel 7:12—"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." Surely "the hand of the Lord" was with the rapidly developing publishing house, as it was with the entire church from its inception. The history of NPH, spanning only two-thirds of a century, is one of divine direction. Since a new generation of Nazarenes may know little of this history, it seems well to reminisce. Those who know the story will not take NPH for granted. Rather, they will exclaim, "What hath God wrought!" NPH started without fanfare, red carpet, or speeches by civic and church dignitaries. If a single bouquet of congratulations graced the occasion no one made a note of it. The only impressive aspect of the virgin venture was its name—Publishing House of the Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene. The concept of a publishing and supply center that produced an official church paper, Sunday school literature and books to encourage growth

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missionary offices, and several employees had sleeping quarters adjoining. But that's not all: on Sundays, desks on the first floor were pushed aside, chairs were set up and 2109 became the meeting house of First Church of the Nazarene in Kansas City with Brother Kinne serving as pastor. Curtailment of overhead expenses wasn't a priority; it was a necessity in those pioneer days. During the winter months, the office was heated by a coal-burning stove centrally placed. It wasn't unusual for one or two of the half-dozen office personnel to take time after hours to wash the windows. NPH did not mushroom overnight into a viable business enterprise. Finances were touch and go. There were times when only after the morning mail was opened was the weekly payroll assured. But in the first 10 years the annual business volume grew from \$50,000 to \$180,000. By 1924, 10 years after opening, income was five times greater than at the beginning. After 13 years of sometimes painful struggle, 2109 Troost was outgrown. The missionary office had moved to their own building. An annex had been built for the bindery operation. But new quarters became mandatory. So in 1924 NPH moved to their new building at 2923 Troost. It was magnificent by comparison with the former building, but there was still need for economy. Floors were not carpeted and walls were not panelled. But there was elbow room, and conveniences only dreamed of at 2109. The pioneer period was past. Credit ratings were A-1. As the church grew and extended its borders and intensified its ministry, so did NPH. Bud Robinson said it so well, "Our Publishing

House is the hope of the church, not only in America but in foreign fields." The NPH is the church, not an auxiliary but the church itself: preaching, witnessing, serving, reaching out. It is owned, administered, supervised and managed by the church. Its staff is salaried. All excess of receipts over expenditures is absorbed in some branch of church activity. Each quadrennium the general superintendents designate one of their number as sponsor, to advise and to act as liaison between the church and the Publishing House. Members of the General Board are elected at each quadrennial assembly. These members are assigned to oversee the work of the 13 departments of general church activity. Each department elects an executive director who is responsible for his department. The executive director and manager report annually to the General Board. This, in capsule, presents the organizational plan by which the general church controls the Nazarene Publishing House and monitors its operation. □

**In 1912 the three-story residence (below), at 2109 Troost in Kansas City, was purchased for not only the church's publishing interests, but on Sunday it became the city's First Church of the Nazarene. This frame building was the forerunner of the multimillion-dollar plant (bottom) that now stands eight blocks away.**

## ...then and now and in between



*“Hitherto  
hath the Lord helped us”*

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***As religious publishers  
exclusively for 67 years  
we gratefully acknowledge  
the blessings and  
guidance of God.***

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***Our confidence for  
today and the tomorrows  
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I HAVE SPENT most of my lifetime saying "good-bye." My first "good-bye" was to my father when I was only eight weeks old. He was dying with spinal meningitis. Doctor Downs had quarantined the house where he lay. He had asked to see me . . . his only child. A young ministerial student lifted me from my cradle and carried me outside the house and help me up to my father's bedroom window. He said that he held me there for a long, long time. That week, my father died. I was too young to remember, but I had tasted the agony of my first "good-bye."

I said "good-bye" again when I was 10. It was to my grandparents with whom I had lived after my father's death. I was moving to Dallas, Tex., to live with an aunt and uncle. I will never forget that day. My grandmother hugged and kissed me and put her soft face next to mine. Her blue eyes were sad and she kept wiping the tears away with her faded, gingham apron.

My grandfather was silent. He stood on the steps of a gone-forever-farmhouse, gazing out across the hazy fields where a hot, summer sun danced on the green corn tassels. Suddenly, he reached into his pocket and quickly took out two silver dollars and laid them in my hand and said: "Son, buy yourself something nice when you get to Texas."

The next time I saw him, he was paralyzed. A crippling stroke had cut him down like wheat before the blade. His right arm dangled at his side like an evil, mocking thing . . . swinging, aching, begging to be freed. His right leg, lean and withered, dragged helplessly along the floor whenever he tried to walk. His tanned face was tired and worn but his white hair was neatly combed. His speech was slightly slurred, yet his eagle-eyes still searched the brown fields beyond the windows. It rained the day we buried him. Donnin's Mortuary laid him in a cold wet grave. I had said "good-bye" again.

I have said "good-bye" many times since then. My work as a traveling evangelist keeps me saying it over and over again. Every week, somewhere, some place, I say "good-bye" to someone and my heart always twinges and another piece of me is left behind. I have said "good-bye" to congregations

## About the Cover

Any mailman deserves to relax with the *Herald of Holiness* after his Christmas delivery workout; Orlan Smith is no exception. A member of Kansas City, Mo., First Church, Smitty is a member of the church board, sings in the Sanctuary Choir, and plays a free style sax for an occasional offertory.

"Wife Cleo and I," says Orlan, "have been *Herald* readers for a long time. Have never read it on anyone's front steps, but it's a necessary reading habit at home." The cover kids are Nancy Fragale and David Shoemaker. The dog's name is Taffy.



# THE LAST GOOD-BYE

by CHARLES HASTINGS SMITH

*Bethany, Okla.*

large and small, with whom I have shared the sweet Redemption Story. I have said "good-bye" at airport terminals, on parsonage doorsteps, inside college auditoriums, outside skyscraper elevators, in telephone booths, and at civic club luncheons. I have said "good-bye" on manicured golf courses, around picnic tables, in swanky Hyatt Houses, in dingy apartments, in ice-cream parlors, by mausoleum vaults, in football locker rooms, and by hospital bed-sides.

I have said "good-bye" in tiny, remote towns like Palouse, half-hidden in the rolling, wheat-covered hills of eastern Washington. I have said "good-bye" in fashionable, "coat-and-tie requested" restaurants overlooking the historic Charles River in Boston. I have said "good-bye" from "ghost" towns in Arizona to the paradise-beauty of Orcas, the exotic gem of the San Juan Islands . . . a too-short, two-hour, delightful ferryboat ride from picturesque Puget Sound. I have said "good-bye" all the way from the steamy, live-lobster vats of San Francisco's Fisherman's Wharf to the wild-flowering, rhododendron fields of West Virginia. I have said "good-bye" to young, energetic blacks in Chicago's downtown Loop and to innocent, Madonna-faced, mountain-children walking along purple, huckleberry trails in the Ozarks. I have said "good-bye" in cities with odd-sounding names: Oshkosh, Wis.; Oologah, Okla.; Wink, Tex.; Ipswich, S.D.; Shickshinny, Pa.; and Bald Knob, Ark.

I have said "good-bye" to people like John Diffie and Fern Mann who withered away with terminal cancer until only their frail shadows remained. I stood with Dr. Paul David Macrory and said "good-bye" to "Monnie" Biggers who lay speechless for days before the chariot swung low. Country church bells were ringing on a July Sunday morning when I said "good-bye" to a two-year-old child, Howard Simpson. I have said "good-bye" to patriarchs like E. G. Theus who, at 95, could still pray two worlds together. I have said "good-bye" to stalwarts like A. S. London who traveled over a million miles for Christ before they folded his hands across his breast. I have said "good-bye" to shepherds like Henry Wallin who, at the stroke of midnight, pronounced my wife and me to be one flesh before a blossom-swirled altar in Ontario, Calif. I have said "good-bye" to young

people like Joe McGraw, whose life exploded with talent during his college freshman year, but who was destined to show us all how a teenager could walk through the curtained veil, undaunted and unafraid.

"Good-bye." What a word it is. Sad and final for some . . . but not for the Christians. For them, it simply says: "Best wishes and farewell until we meet again."

On one occasion, Jesus used the word, "good-bye." It was after His earthly mission was climaxed with that brilliant burst of Resurrection. He had just come, walking majestically, into that first Easter sunrise, His head haloed with hallelujahs and His raiment washed with immortality. Standing on a mountaintop, He said "good-bye" to a few fishermen and tax auditors. "I go to prepare a place for you," He said, "that where I am, there ye may be also."

Today, my soul leaps with the promise and the prospect. What a place He has prepared and what a reunion it will be. It beggars our description and exhausts our vocabulary . . . "eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him." One day, I will whisper my last "good-bye." We all will. But we will meet again. No matter where or when we say the last "good-bye," it will only be for a little while. We will meet again . . . inside His big, glittering city. As Lowell Thomas would say: "So long, until tomorrow." □

## Reflect and Rejoice

*Reflect on God's grace ev'ry morning.  
Give unhindered praise all day long.  
Be mindful and offer thanksgiving.  
Rejoice! Keep your soul filled with  
song.*

—JACK M. SCHARN  
*San Diego*





Series from

# "THE STRONG-WILLED child"

by Dr. James Dobson

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## The Wild and Woolly Will

Although I would have denied the fact when I was a student 15 years ago, I am now convinced that human infants vary tremendously in personality and behavior at the moment of birth. They enter this world with a complex set of temperaments which is present *before* parental and environmental influences are felt. And how foolish of us to think otherwise. If God can make every snowflake and every grain of sand unique unto themselves, it is illogical to assume that He would mass produce four billion human beings in the same monotonous mold.

Every mother of two or more children will affirm that each of her infants had a different personality—a different “feel”—from the first time they were held. Numerous authorities in the field of child development now agree that these complex little creatures called babies are far from “blank slates” when they enter the world. One important study by Chess, Thomas, and Birch revealed nine kinds of behaviors in which babies differ from one another. These differences tend to persist into later life and include levels of activity, responsiveness, distractibility, and moodiness, among others.

Another newborn characteristic (not mentioned by Chess) is most interesting to me and relates to a feature which can be called “strength of the will.” Some children seem to be born with an easygoing, compliant attitude toward external authority. As infants they don’t cry very often and they sleep through the night from the second week and they goo at the grandparents and they smile while being diapered and they’re very patient when dinner is overdue. And, of course, they never spit up on the way to church. During later childhood, they love to keep their rooms clean and they especially like to do their homework and they can entertain themselves for hours. There aren’t many of these super-compliant children, I’m afraid, but they are known to exist in some households (not my own).

Just as surely as some children are naturally compliant, there are others who seem to be defiant upon exit from the womb. They come into the world yelling about the temperature in the delivery room and the incompetence of the nursing staff and the way things are run by the administrator of the hospital. They expect meals to be served the instant they are ordered, and they demand every moment of mother’s time. As the months unfold, their expression of willfulness becomes even more apparent, the winds reaching hurricane force during toddlerhood.

In thinking about these compliant and defiant characteristics of children, I sought an illustration which would explain the vastly differing thrust of human temperaments. I found an appropriate analogy in a supermarket shortly thereafter. Imagine yourself in a grocery store, pushing a wire cart up the aisle. You give the basket a small shove and it glides at least nine feet out in front, and then comes to a gradual stop. You walk happily tossing in the soup and ketchup bottles and loaves of bread. Marketing is such an easy task, for even when the cart is burdened with goods, it can be directed with one finger.

But buying groceries is not always so blissful. On other occasions, you select a shopping cart which ominously awaits your arrival at the front of the market. When you push the stupid thing forward, it tears off to the left and knocks over a stack of bottles. Refusing to be outmuscled by an empty cart, you throw all of your weight behind the handle, fighting desperately to keep the ship on course. It seems to have a mind of its own as it darts toward the eggs and careens back in the direction of the milk and almost crushes a terrified grandmother in green tennis shoes. You are trying to do the same shopping assignment that you accomplished with ease the day before, but the job feels more like combat duty today. You are exhausted by the time you herd the contumacious cart toward the check stand.

What is the difference between the two shopping baskets? Obviously, one has straight, well-oiled wheels which go where they are guided. The other has crooked, bent wheels that refuse to yield. Do you recognize how this illustration relates to children? We might as well face it, some kids have “crooked wheels”! They do not want to go where they are led, for their own inclinations would take them in other directions. Furthermore, the mother who is “pushing the cart” must expend seven times the energy to make it move, compared with the parent of a child with “straight, well-oiled wheels.” (Only mothers of strong-willed children will fully comprehend the meaning of this illustration.)

Another characteristic of the strong-willed child should be discussed, relating to sibling relationships. When there are two children in the family, it is likely that one youngster will be compliant and the other defiant. The easygoing child is often a genuine charmer. He smiles at least 16 hours a day and spends most of his time trying to figure out what his parents want and how he can make them happy. In



reality, he needs their praise and approval; thus, his personality is greatly influenced by this desire to gain their affection and recognition.

The second child is approaching life from the opposite vantage point. He is sliding all four brakes and trying to gain control of the family steering mechanism. And don't you see how these differences in temperament lay the foundation for serious rivalry and resentment? The defiant child faces constant discipline and hears many threats and finger-wagging lectures, while his angelic brother, little Goody-Two-Shoes, polishes his halo and soaks up the warmth of parental approval. They are pitted against each other by the nature of their divergent personalities and may spend a lifetime scratching and clawing one another.

There are several other observations about the strong-willed child which may be helpful to his parents. First, it is reassuring to verbalize the guilt and anxiety which conscientious mothers and fathers commonly feel. They are engaged in an all-out tug of war which leaves them frustrated and fatigued. No one told them that parenthood would be this difficult, and they blame themselves for the tension that arises. They had planned to be such loving and effective parents, reading fairy stories to their pajama-clad angels by the fireplace. The difference between life as it is and life as it ought to be is a frightening and distressing bit of reality.

Furthermore, I have found that the parents of compliant children don't understand their friends with defiant youngsters. They intensify guilt and anxiety by implying, "If you would raise your kids the way I do it, you wouldn't be having those awful problems." May I say to both groups that the willful child can be difficult to manage even when his parents handle him with great skill and dedication. It may take several years to bring him to a point of

relative obedience and cooperation within the family unit. While this training program is in progress, it is important not to panic. Don't try to complete the transformation overnight. Treat your child with sincere love and dignity, but require him to follow your leadership. Choose carefully the matters which are worthy of confrontation, then accept his challenge on those issues and win decisively. Reward every positive, cooperative gesture he makes by offering your attention, affection, and verbal praise. Then take two aspirin and call me in the morning.

But the most urgent advice I can give parents of an assertive, independent child concerns the importance of beginning to shape his will during the early years. I honestly believe, though the assumption is difficult to prove, that the defiant youngster is in a "high risk" category for antisocial behavior later in life. He is more likely to challenge his teachers in school and question the values he has been taught and shake his fist in the faces of those who would lead him. I believe he is more inclined toward sexual promiscuity and drug abuse and academic difficulties.

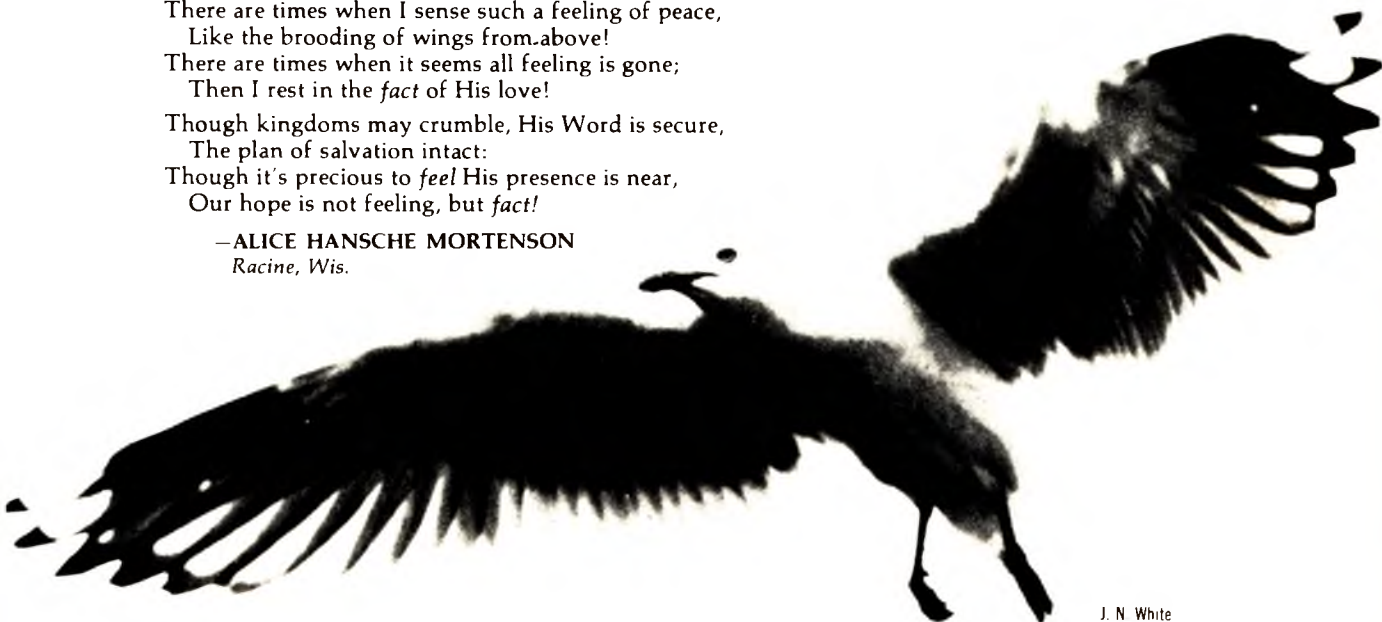
This is not an inevitable prediction, of course, because the complexities of the human personality make it impossible to forecast behavior with complete accuracy. I must also stress that the overall picture is not negative. It would appear that the strong-willed child may possess more character and have greater potential for a productive life than his compliant counterpart. However, the realization of that potential may depend on a firm but loving early home environment. Thus I repeat my admonition: begin shaping the will of that child while he is in toddlerhood.

We'll discuss the "how to" of that responsibility in subsequent articles. □

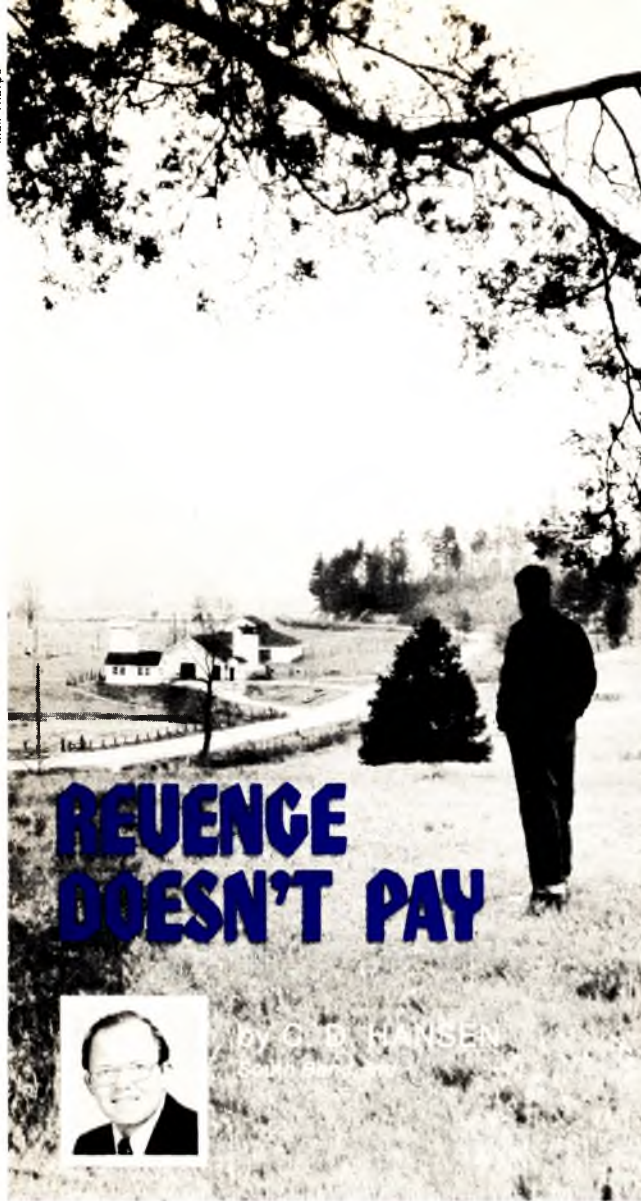
## Not Feeling but Fact

There are times when I sense such a feeling of peace,  
Like the brooding of wings from above!  
There are times when it seems all feeling is gone;  
Then I rest in the *fact* of His love!  
Though kingdoms may crumble, His Word is secure,  
The plan of salvation intact:  
Though it's precious to *feel* His presence is near,  
Our hope is not feeling, but *fact*!

—ALICE HANSCH MORTENSON  
*Racine, Wis.*



J. N. White



**M**ANY YEARS AGO a tenant farmer worked hard to improve the production of the land, but something happened which caused him to become bitter. When it was time to renew his lease, the owner told him he was going to sell the farm to his son who was getting married. Although the farmer had made several generous offers to buy the land himself, hoping the owner would reverse his opinion, his efforts were in vain.

As the day drew near for the farmer to vacate his home, the weeks of angry brooding finally got the best of him. Gathering the most noxious weeds he could find, he spent several hours scattering them over the property. Then he spread all the trash and stones he could find.

To his dismay, the next morning the owner informed him that plans for his son's wedding had fallen through and that he would be happy to sell him the farm. The owner couldn't understand, however, the tenant's agonizing statement, "O Lord, what a fool I've been."

Revenge is risky business. The effects of revenge are never pleasant. Look closely at four of them.

First, revenge is like a boomerang. When it is aimed at another, it inevitably returns to the sender. Jesus warned his hearers, "... with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again" (Matthew 7:2).

Second, revenge accompanies self-pity, calling for alibis on the part of the revengeful. Self-justification is a terrible thing; touchy, overly sensitive, unfor-giving.

For example, a minister tells of a lady in his church who served on a certain committee. A meeting was to be held in the home of another committee member. The first lady said to her minister, "After what she did, I will not set foot in her house."

Many times the overly sensitive, touchy person looks for evil when none was intended. And even if one person meant to cause harm to another person, there is no way revenge can be justified.

Third, revenge is vicious. It has ruined more families, toppled more marriages, severed more friendships, and caused more people mental anguish than possibly anything else. Moreover, revenge often often becomes so overpowering that it colors the thinking process of the individual until he cannot function in a civilized manner. It affects everything he does. It is like a smoldering flame—eventually breaking out everywhere until the fire of wrath rages out of control.

In his epistles, Horace wrote, "Anger is momentary madness, so control your passion or it will control you." Tragically, the person controlled by this momentary madness is affected not only mentally and physically, but spiritually.

Last, and perhaps most important, revenge cankers the soul. Although I have never had an ulcer, I certainly know what one looks like. Some time ago I toured the renowned Mayo Clinic Museum in Rochester, Minn. In that museum is a facsimile of a stomach depicting the ravages of an ulcer. A large gaping hole reminds the viewer of the effects of an ulcer; so much pain that the victim cannot enjoy a normal life.

I have an idea that revenge has the same effect.

Jesus dealt with this issue with His disciples. Paul, too, stressed the type of attitude every Christian was to have with respect to those who mistreated them (Romans 12:19-21).

The Christian cannot afford to allow even the slightest desire for revenge to creep into his soul, for like cancer it will spread. Therefore, through the

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grace of Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, such feelings need to be ferreted out before they become infestations that are difficult to conquer.

The ability to love, bless, and pray for one's adversary comes from a heart that has been filled with the love of Christ. Such an attitude is reflected in the walk and talk of the believer, and it will express itself in the form of a forgiving spirit. □



# GOAL AHEAD:

# A Sweater



by BETTY MARTIN

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**H**OW BEAUTIFUL!" I said to my friend when she held up a bright red sweater. "Did you knit it?" The smile on her face and the look of satisfaction in her eyes gave me the answer.

I picked up the sweater, admiring it. "It's lovely, but I could never do anything like this."

"Sure you can. It's easy," she encouraged. Curiously I glanced into her knitting basket.

Noting my interest, she picked up a sweater she was knitting for her husband. Parts of it were on holders and it looked so complicated. How it could be formed into a sweater puzzled me.

Intrigued, I asked her for the pattern of the red sweater. With great determination I sat down to make one.

Glancing at the pattern, I realized there were many words and phrases I did not understand. Even after reading the instructions several times, they still seemed foreign to me.

I realized I needed help. This required the wise guidance of someone experienced, who understood the instructions because she had used and applied them before.

At "The Knit Shop," the lady was kind and helpful. While she explained the instructions I had not understood, I realized how simple they really were. I pondered, "How could I not see that before?"

Delighted with my new talent, I started my sweater. My elation was soon followed by deflation. I seemed to be blessed with more thumbs than necessary.

I noticed that when the instructions were not followed precisely, either through carelessness or because I thought some were unnecessary, disaster followed. Even with the help I had received, I still made mistakes, and found it necessary to go back and correct them.

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But when I followed the instructions step by step, the places that looked so difficult seemed to fall in line. I could see ahead the goal—a sweater.

One day while knitting, I pondered, how like the pattern of the Christian's life. It is simple.

We have a Guide to assist us, and we need to follow His instructions—a step at a time. We will still make mistakes. But just like knitting the sweater, we go back and try to correct them.

Some people, desiring to be Christians but realizing the requirements, utter, "I just can't do it. I don't understand the Bible and it all seems so complicated."

When a person determines to go with God, taking each step when it comes, one at a time, and always leaning upon his Instructor, the pattern falls into place. He can see ahead of him his goal—eternal life.

While writing this article, my sweater is unfinished. I thought it best this way. But what earlier looked tedious and complex has taken form, and continuing to follow a step at a time, I can see ahead my goal—a sweater.

My life on earth is not yet finished, but by following my Instructor a step at a time, I will realize my goal—*eternal life with Him.* □

## PAST GLORIES

*When the bleakness of the winter  
Comes again upon the earth,  
And the bareness and the darkness  
Would curtail the hope and mirth,*

*Then the memory of autumn  
With her colors rich and rare,  
Gold and crimson, red and orange,  
Give a glory that was there.*

*When our days of Christian living  
Seem to turn to ashes gray,  
Then we can recall the glory  
Of a better, brighter day.*

*We recall how Knox and Moody,  
Luther, Fox, and Nightingale,  
Like the autumn's glowing glory  
Ere the earth began to pale,*

*Warmed the hearts of hopeless humans,  
And it makes us hopeful still,  
That the glory can be present  
Midst the winter's blight and chill.*

—HATTIE LAUGHBAUM  
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# THE ARISTOCRACY OF THE FAITHFUL

by S. F. HICKE

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What a unique beginning—again these reborn ones proclaim. God the Father was the Head Physician. The Attending Physician was none other than the blessed Holy Spirit. The new life began with an outburst of joy instead of an outcry of pain. The Guardian Angel was the nurse on duty, and the entire cost was paid for by God the Son. Only those so born have such imposing credentials.

Born of the Spirit—what an ancestry! Having the unsearchable riches of Christ—what wealth! Lovingly shaped and guided by God—what a culture! So God, by dictionary definition, does have an aristocracy. And not only so, but the ones so born have the full assurance of the Head Physician that if they will live according to His direction and plan, they will never see spiritual death (John 11:25-26).

Within the ranks of this aristocracy, God seems pleased to especially recognize and show favor to those who have the quality of faithfulness. Perhaps this is so because He is himself faithful. Moreover, this quality is included in the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22, NASB).

Faithfulness makes stringent demands on the self. Jesus categorically stated, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me" (Luke 9:23).

The discipline of the self may be likened to a staircase having ever higher levels of devotion and faithfulness to God. The bottom step of the staircase is *self-control* which implies holding one's self within due limits in pleasures, duties, and all things. Pursuing the same figure, one step higher is *self-denial*. This includes giving up pleasures and desires for the sake of duty. A more lofty plane is the one of *self-renunciation*—the conscious yielding of personal rights. The loftiest plane of devotion and faithfulness is that of *self-abnegation*. This place is reached when one is forgetful of the self that is sacrificed. Or one is unmindful of the personal cost because of devotion to a person, a need, or a task. God's elite are those who dwell on this highest plateau of all. Such a mind was in Christ when redemption was planned before the foundation of the world. And we are urged by the Holy Spirit through the apostle to be of the same mind as He (Philippians 2:5-9).

There are those who, like Abel, "being dead yet speaketh" spurring us on to such faithfulness (Hebrews 11:4). David's immortal words to Araunah, "... neither will I offer . . . unto the Lord my God of that which doth cost me nothing," echo across the



**A**RISTOCRACY, by dictionary definition, means a class or order having prescriptive rank and rights, or being preeminent by reason of birth, culture, or wealth.

The world has its own register of aristocracy. It is the bible of the culturally elite. It decrees that one must have the necessary credentials—proper ancestry, wealth, or culture—to be acceptable in high social circles. Frankly, this is not a matter of personal concern—I could care less.

But God has a social register of vital personal importance. It is the record of those who began life as spiritual paupers, but were changed. Through His grace, they have been wonderfully reborn. "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God" (John 1:12-13). Millions have received Him by faith, and have been so born. I count it a privilege to have been among that number. Praise His name!



centuries and challenge us today to be faithful in sacrificial living and giving (2 Samuel 24:24).

The martyred Stephen, who from a pure heart and through bloody lips prayed, "Lord, lay not this sin to their charge," constrains us to be faithful in love for even our enemies (Acts 7:60).

Paul, through the Holy Spirit, laid bare a bosom burdened as few have ever been. Hear him say, "For I could wish that myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh" (Romans 9:3). Hear him say also, "Be imitators of me, just as I also am of Christ" in faithfulness and concern for the lost (1 Corinthians 11:1, NASB).

The Pioneer and Perfecter of our faith prayed in Gethsemane's gloom, "Not my will, but thine, be done" (Luke 22:42). Bloody sweat appeared on His brow when faithfulness to the Father's will demanded that He go to the cross as "the lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world" (John 1:29).

Someday, the "Faithful and True" One (Revelation 19:11), "... the Mightiest among the Holy, and the Holiest among the Mighty," will himself welcome the aristocracy of the faithful to share His blessedness with Him.

By His grace, I want to be numbered with that aristocracy who will hear, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant" (Matthew 25:21). □

## FORGIVEN

*Sitting alone tonight, I think of Jesus—  
Of how much I love Him  
And how much more He loves me.*

*So unworthy, so needful, Lord, am I.  
Each dawning of a new day,  
I put my trust in You.*

*"Help me, Jesus, to please You  
In all I do this day."*

*But ere this day was through,  
I forgot "You" and thought "me"  
And I stumbled.*

*I spoke impatiently to the stranger  
And crossly to my friend.*

*I pretended I didn't see my neighbor  
So I wouldn't have to stop and chat.  
I passed the children without a glance  
And forgot to smile at the grocery clerk.*

*But tonight, I sit alone and think of Jesus—  
How much I love Him,  
And how much more He loves me.  
And He loves me so much He whispers softly,  
"Inasmuch as ye have done it  
Unto the least of these . . ."*

*I cry—"O Lord, forgive!"  
And the answer comes back—"Forgiven!"*

—MABEL P. ADAMSON  
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# Book Briefs



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## ROY T. WILLIAMS, SERVANT OF GOD

"The history of the world," said Thomas Carlyle, "is but the biography of great men." This is particularly true of religious movements. The Church of the Nazarene recognizes Dr. P. F. Bresee as its founder, but there were several who were prominent in its launching years. Among them was Dr. Roy T. Williams, whose interesting biography is written by Dr. G. B. Williamson in a 112-page book entitled *Roy T. Williams, Servant of God*.

Dr. Williams was richly endowed, physically, intellectually, and spiritually. He served God totally and gave himself unsparingly in the interests of the church. Interwoven into this life story is a picture of the Church of the Nazarene in its formative years, its system of government, what it believes and teaches in the way of doctrine, what distinguishes it from other denominations.

The story of Dr. Williams is especially meaningful for young people. He overcame opposition from members of the family as he struggled with a call to preach. He answered that call and set out to prepare himself, overriding the objection from those who had no sympathy with his objective.

Those who have heard and known Dr. Williams will thrill to the memory of this great church leader as told in this biography. To all not that fortunate, here is the inspiring story of a denomination called of God to spread the gospel of full salvation, and of a young man who responded and became an effective leader at a critical time in its history. □



by **G. B. Williamson**  
Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City

To order, see page 23.

“For God so  
loved the world,  
that he gave his  
only begotten  
Son,

that  
whosoever  
believeth in  
him should  
not perish,  
but

have  
everlasting  
life.”  
(John 3:16).

# THE IMPERATIVE OF RECONCILIATION

by DAVID CASSENS  
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**T**WO MONTHS after the bombing attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941, a family was packing to move back to the then 48 States. One member pulled down some blankets from the top shelf of a closet only to find a very live bomb landing in his arms. Fortunately it did not explode.

Christian, are you allowing in your life something equally explosive? Are you keeping, even valuing and encouraging, a condition of heart that God says could destroy you utterly?

Few subjects in the Word of God receive as much attention as reconciliation. And many Christians can quote a number of verses (including John 3:16) dealing with reconciliation between God and man. How many are aware that an integral and indispensable part of this is reconciliation of man with man? Many who routinely mumble, “And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors,” still cherish within their hearts an altogether deadly lack of forgiveness toward others. Some will even play Satan’s game: When two brothers are found in disagreement they will forget all about God’s blessing on the peacemaker. They will with evil glee fan the flames on one side or both! Some, forgetting that God hates divorce, will even widen the breach between husband and wife to the destruction of a marriage.

The Bible leaves us no room for doubt as to what our destiny is, provided we live in Christ and He in us. That destiny, chosen for us in advance by God himself, is that we should be “conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the first-born among many brethren” (Romans 8:29, RSV). Jesus puts the same truth in command form—“You, therefore, must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect” (Matthew 5:48, RSV).

I feel no compulsion to aim for what some call perfection. But to be what God calls perfect is vital, for my Lord has commanded it. And what is this perfection? Being like God and turning from pagan ways (Leviticus 18:30—19:4; Deuteronomy 18:9-14; 1 Peter 1:14-16). And what is God like? Among other things, He is impartial in His love and kindness. “He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust” (Matthew 5:45, RSV). “The Lord is slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, forgiving iniquity and transgression . . .” (Numbers 14:18, RSV). God loved us enough to give His own Son to die for us while we were still sinners, at enmity with Him. If therefore we love our enemies, and pray for those who persecute us, and forgive one another, we are indeed children of our Heavenly Father.

Broken relationships, failure to forgive, and failure to ask forgiveness are tolerated in this evil world as though they were harmless. Forgiving and asking forgiveness are practiced only occasionally, as though they were options, not imperatives. Let us examine the cost of this failure.

Failure to forgive freely from the heart can block or cancel your own forgiveness. This in no way contradicts Paul’s statement that our salvation is by grace, through faith, not of works. As Paul and James both emphasize, when saving faith is present there is a profound change in the believer, and it is now his nature to do God’s will. Neither Paul nor James has any patience with that shabby counterfeit of faith that would produce mumbled assent to a few doctrinal propositions but leave the heart unchanged.

The teaching of the Bible is clear. The new birth imparts to us God’s nature, and God’s nature is to forgive. How do we account for the reluctance to forgive on the part of some who otherwise give every evidence of new life? Well, you don’t put a newborn babe in charge of a pretzel factory. You wait till he has grown. And when the Christian has grown he will forgive.

Before we say that our neighbor does not deserve our forgiveness, let us reflect that we do not deserve it either. It is by God’s grace, through faith. Before we say there is no use forgiving, for our neighbor will probably sin against us again, let us remember that God has had the same experience with some of us. Jesus said, both directly (Matthew 6:14-15) and by parable (Matthew 18:23-34), that we must forgive if we would be forgiven. Let us commend God for His patience with us in times past, and forgive.

Forgiving and asking forgiveness is essential if we would have our prayers heard. Few events in the life of a believing Jew were as important as a trip to



Jerusalem to offer sacrifice. If one lived far away it might be a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Yet Jesus said, "So if you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift" (Matthew 5:23-24, RSV). In the famous mountain-moving exercises of Mark 11, Jesus says, "And whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against any one; so that your Father also who is in heaven may forgive your tres-

passes" (v. 25, RSV). Peter says, "Likewise you husbands, live considerately with your wives, . . . that your prayers may not be hindered" (1 Peter 3:7, RSV).

A failure to forgive or a failure to make every reasonable effort to get others to forgive you is a grave spiritual emergency—a bomb in the blankets. Forgive, both for your brother's sake and for your own.

And if your neighbor refuses to forgive you when you have honestly tried, don't worry. Pray for him. He has a problem you once had. □

# the power of personal choice

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The power of choice is an awesome power given to each of us by a loving, trusting Heavenly Father. He is willing to put in our hands the power of decision, the possibility of molding our lives in such a pattern that we might at least approximate the person He wants us to be.

It is true that God places His providences in our paths at the choice-points of life but He does not force our choice. If we are sensitive to the will of God, each choice-point in the path can lead us one step closer to the fulfillment of His plan for us. On the other hand, a miss-choice can cause a digression and detour which, if continued, can lead us far from what God has planned for us.

Most of us, as Christians, can look back on a path that has been erratic with occasional detours but which still moves in a plodding, pressing direction toward the city of God.

The important point is that these choices which we freely make eventually lead us to who we are and what we are. Becoming what you are today was a long process of selecting from the alternatives available those which you felt would get you where you wanted to be. And in the process of reaching our life objectives we become a specific sort of person.

## Becoming a Whole Person



If you do not like what you are you can always try to unload the responsibility on your past history and experiences and claim that the circumstances of life have molded you, that you were caught in a web from which there was no escape. But more realistic reflection will lead you to the more rational conclusion that while heredity and environment played a large part in making you what you are, you are still the product of your own choices. From childhood you have been compelled to make decisions, some large, some small, some seemingly insignificant but all contributing toward making you what you are. Some choices are clear, some hazy, some unconscious. Some choices have been highly active and some passive—some have been made by default. But all have added up to become you.

The encouraging word is that God does not reject you because of your poor choices, but leaves an open choice before you this day to alter your course and head straight for His will. If you look at yourself and don't like what you see, you can exercise your awesome power of choice once again and move toward becoming what God has in mind for you to be.

**POINT TO PONDER:** Am I becoming increasingly carefully conscious that my choices reflect God's will for me? □

# the editor's STANDPOINT

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## NPH AND THE GUTENBERG HARVEST

Since Johannes Gutenberg invented movable type in the 15th century, printing and Christian literature have been bound together. The German printer's first release was a magnificent edition of the Bible. His second masterpiece (for which others got the credit) was a beautiful Psalter. Divine providence decreed that the firstfruits of the printing press would be the Word of God.

Gutenberg could not have forecast today's gigantic, multinational publishing industry. He would be shocked and grieved by the depraved content of much that is printed. But he would be glad for the tremendous amount of printed material devoted to Christ and the Bible.

Part of the continuing harvest, of which Gutenberg's initial volume was the firstfruits, is produced by the Nazarene Publishing House. From its less-than-modest beginnings it has published literature for our church and a number of others. It has grown as the church has grown, responding to enlarged needs with greater output. A succession of able and dedicated managers, together with their co-workers, has placed

us in their debt forever. They have supplied a steady broadening stream of books and periodicals which have helped our people to understand, proclaim, and sing their faith.

It is appropriate that we have a day of tribute to NPH. The institutional church is always in danger of cluttering the calendar with more special Sundays than there are weeks in the year! Every agency and cause within the church desires—and probably deserves—awareness and appreciation for its work. Nonetheless, it is singularly fitting that we honor this branch of our church which serves every other part.

The *Herald of Holiness* joyfully salutes its publisher. We join our people everywhere in prayers and good wishes for the continued and expanded ministry of NPH. We look to the NPH for continued encouragement of writers and publication of writers that will enrich all our lives with a deeper knowledge of the Word. And we look to them with confidence, a confidence created by their past performance.

## REFLECTIONS ON A TRAGEDY

The tragic mass suicide and murder in Jonestown, Guyana point up a danger to which many evangelical Christians are exposed—namely, the absolutizing of human authority.

Some 910 persons destroyed themselves or others because a demented leader told them to do it. They had surrendered their right to be governed by any authority other or greater than the will of "Rev." Jim Jones. They did not appeal beyond his orders to Scripture or to Jesus Christ.

Jesus deliberately set boundaries to human authority when He said, "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's" (Matthew 22:21, NIV). At Jonestown, what was God's was given to Caesar.

Jesus said, "But you are not to be called 'Rabbi,' for you have only one Master and you are all brothers. And do not call anyone on earth 'father,' for you have one Father, and he is in heaven. Nor are you to be called 'teacher,' for you have one Teacher, the Christ" (Matthew 23:8-10, NIV). The simplest reader

of His words will realize that Jesus was not concerned about titles but about authority. Give no man the absolute authority over your life which belongs only to God. All human authority is relative, and absolute obedience should be given only to absolute authority that is, to God.

I labor the point because some of our people have swallowed the notion that the authority of a husband over his wife, or of parents over their children, is to be accepted without question. A study book was being used in one of our churches which stated this false conception in baldest terms. Written by a pastor's wife from another evangelical denomination, it counseled wives to obey their husbands even if husbands ordered wives to commit crime. Since the Bible says "Wives should submit to their husbands in everything" (Ephesians 5:24, NIV), the "teacher" rationalized, God would hold the husband and not the wife responsible!

By that kind of argument every subordinate's wicked acts could be excused. Since the Bible counsels



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citizens obedience to the state, for example, the soldiers who massacred the infants at Bethlehem at the order of Herod were not guilty of murder; Herod alone was.

The apostles clearly understood the limitation placed on human authority by Jesus. When the Sanhedrin ordered them to stop teaching in the name of Jesus, they respectfully answered, "We must obey God rather than men" (Acts 5:29, NIV). To them the issue was clear: the state said, "Be silent," but the Lord had said, "Speak up." So they obeyed the Lord and took the consequences. How easily they could have maintained a discreet silence, sparing themselves by pleading their obedience to "duly constituted" authority.

No man can possess absolute freedom, and no man should exercise absolute power. If we submit unconditionally to any person, that person usurps the place of God in our lives. He becomes a false lord, an idol, and we become idolaters. Sooner or later the idol will betray his devotees into behavior displeasing to

God and contrary to the Bible. A particularly obnoxious example of this has emerged in the "Children of God" cult. Their leader (who like Jim Jones demanded absolute obedience to his authority) instructed women followers to commit fornication and adultery as a means of winning men to the cult.

Wrongdoing can never be excused because some human authority ordered it. There is an alternative, that demonstrated by the early Christians—refuse and take the consequences.

Paul wrote, "for us . . . there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ" (1 Corinthians 8:6, NIV). Only relative and conditional obedience, therefore, can be given to any human leader, whether in the state, the church, the family, or the marketplace. Every human command must be subjected to the light of Scripture and the teaching of Jesus.

We may never know the full story of the Jonestown tragedy. One thing is sure, it would not have happened if the people there had obeyed John's warning, "Keep yourself from idols" (1 John 5:21). □

## THE CHAIN

On the desk before me is a good book. Looking at it, I realize that it has reached me through a chain of persons and events. Behind the pleasure and profit I derive from the book stands a writer, a publisher, a bookseller, and a generous friend. They all have me in their debt.

The church is deeply indebted to Christian writers. Great messages have been preached and taught across the centuries, messages that instructed and inspired the people of God, deepening their acquaintance with God's Word and their commitment to His will. But only those messages which were *written* reached beyond the speaker's voice and endured beyond the speaker's life. All of us have been enriched and helped by people we never met or heard, but whose ideas and words we read. The ministry of writing has been one of the most significant forms of Christian service.

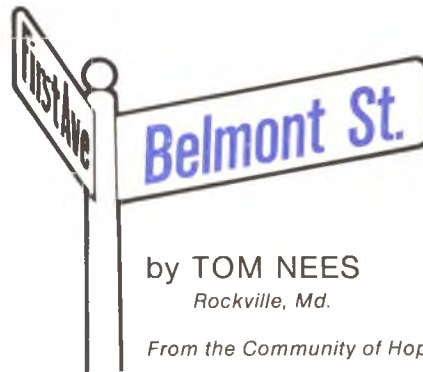
The church is equally indebted, therefore, to Christian publishers and booksellers. Without their ministries the written messages, however valuable, would not reach their intended audience. There is a noble

succession of persons and firms reaching back through history who made it their life's work to bring writers and readers together. From the laborious, handwritten copies of antiquity to those mass produced on our modern high-speed presses, the "middleman's" contribution to our Christian culture has been tremendous. We ought to thank God fervently and frequently for those who publish and market the literature which sustains our minds and hearts as Christians.

Those who give Christian literature to others form another link in the chain. I admit to prejudice at this point, but I don't think there is a more thoughtful or useful gift than a good book. Personally, I am a better man and minister because of those who have wisely placed such books in my hands. Spiritual, mental, and social growth has resulted from their kindness.

Thank God for all who write, publish, market, and give Christian literature. Somewhere in that chain of providence, each of us can make a personal contribution. □

# A NEW NAME ON



by TOM NEES  
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*From the Community of Hope Newsletter*

It was time for sharing in our Sunday worship service. Our small Community of Hope chapel on Belmont Street was full of people from the immediate neighborhood and others who had driven in for the service. A special person had come. It was the first time we had seen him since his arrest several weeks before. When I asked if anyone would like to speak, he stood up. I was as anxious to hear from him as the rest and was quick to say, "Gapels, tell us what has happened in your life."

"My name is David Lewis," he began. With that one sentence everyone was aware of a dramatic change. Few if any of us had known his real name. "Gapels" was his street name. Nearly everyone in the ghetto has a street name. "Gapels" was all we knew to call him. But when he stood that Sunday it was as though he had taken on a new name, his real name, to symbolize the remarkable change that had occurred in his life.

My first meeting with David was over two years ago in an old apartment building where he was living. One night a group of us were working on some housing-code violations in this old building and at the same time getting acquainted with the people crowded into their small apartments. I was alone when David came along, slightly drunk, but alert enough to be inquisitive. In the conversation which followed he began to tell me his recent experiences on a "chain gang." I'd never heard of a chain gang, did not know that it referred to work assignments in prison. Gapels, as I met him that night, took great delight in giving me a briefing about life behind bars.

Just released from a state penitentiary in North Carolina, he had migrated to Washington, and now faced the task of finding a home, a job, a new life. He failed. For two years he survived by living with anyone who would take him in. He would go from apartment to apartment. Several times I saw him after he had been thrown out on the street. He would get drunk, become so violent that no one wanted him around, sober up for a short time, and then be out again. For two years he lived in that apartment building without a place of his own, without a job and without hope.

He hit a new low last Christmas. Desperate for money he robbed an old man from a nearby boarding

house. The police were told and Gapels was arrested. To our surprise he was soon out of jail, but only for a short time. A few nights later, again desperate for money, he took a ladder from a van parked on Belmont Street. As he was walking up the street intending to sell the ladder, the van door opened. Several police officers emerged. They had been using the van as a stake-out to apprehend drug dealers in the area. Gapels was quickly taken to jail again.

This time in jail he was assigned an attorney who understood David's problem with alcohol. Sending him to jail again was hardly the answer. The judge agreed to assign him to "Stepping Stones," a special program in Washington for convicted alcoholics. It was there the change began. There he learned a new kind of honesty about himself. He learned to admit his problem by saying, without embarrassment or apology, "I'm an alcoholic." He learned that the 12 steps of Alcoholics Anonymous were similar to the spiritual lessons he learned as a child in Sunday school. For the first time in several years he knew what it was like to wake up in the morning feeling good. He didn't have to worry about who he had hit or what he had said the night before. His appetite returned. His attitude improved. We noticed a new lift in his step.

From the beginning of our ministry on Belmont Street in 1977, David would occasionally attend services. He could quote the Lord's Prayer, the 23rd Psalm and sing most of the Sunday school songs, even with a Sunday morning hangover. But this Sunday it was all different. His eyes were clear, his hair groomed, his words distinct.

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He came to me one day wanting a ride. "Since it's snowing would you mind giving me a ride to work?" he asked. It was his first job for a long time and he didn't want to be late. We talked and laughed some about the past. I asked if he would mind if others knew something about his story. "No," he said, "If this can happen to me it can happen for anyone." □

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"... I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me."  
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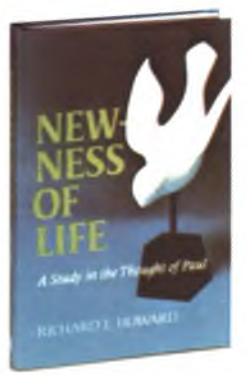
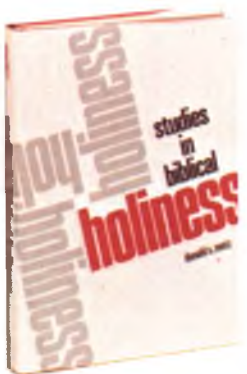
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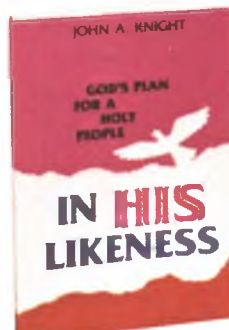
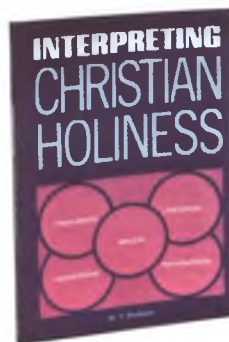
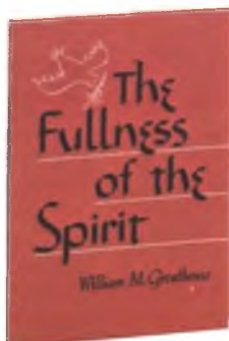
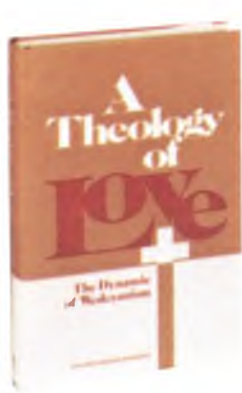
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# IN THE NEWS

## MVNC SPONSORS HOLINESS CONFERENCE

An all-day Holiness Conference was held on the Northwestern Ohio District on December 16. Sessions were conducted at Lima First Church.

The conference, sponsored by Mount Vernon Nazarene College, featured Dr. L. Guy Nees, president; Dr. David Cubie, chairman of the Division of Philosophy and Religion; Dr. Alvin Lawhead; and Dr. William Youngman, professors at the college.

The conference began with a keynote address by Dr. Nees and was followed by addresses and papers by the others from MVNC. Dr. Cubie's address was entitled "Sanctification: God's Gracious Work(ing)." Dr. Lawhead presented a paper on "Shalom: An Old Testament Perspective of the Sanctified Life," and Dr. Youngman discussed "Developing the Life of Holiness."

This conference was one in a series to be conducted on each of the districts of the East Central Educational Zone. A previous conference was held on the Southwestern Ohio District.

Of the conference, Dr. James Blankenship, district superintendent, said, "The Holiness Conference has brought more positive comments than any similar pastors' activity we have had. The practical, biblical presentation by the speakers, followed by the opportunity for sharing in small groups, provided a format for a genuine learning experience. We hope to repeat the opportunity for our laymen in the near future." □

## DEEKS MEMORIAL FUND AT CNC

President Neil E. Hightower, of Canadian Nazarene College, has announced that the family and friends of Rev. Dwight L. Deeks have launched a memorial trust fund in his honor at CNC. Rev. Deeks contributed nearly 32 years to the Church of the Nazarene in Canada, particularly as manager of the Canadian branch of Nazarene Publishing House.

It is planned to make the annual proceeds from the invested funds a "Senior Sermon Award." Friends

wishing to augment this fund may send their contributions to: President Neil E. Hightower, Canadian Nazarene College, 1301 Lee Blvd., Winnipeg, Manitoba R3T 2P7. □

## PEOPLE AND PLACES

**Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Forsythe**, pastors of the Tullahoma, Tenn., Westside Church have recently retired after 39 years in the ministry, 32 of which were in Tullahoma. The Forsythes were honored at a retirement party at which members of the church presented them with a money tree and two new rocking chairs with their names on them.

The Forsythes served Tullahoma First Church for more than 24 years, and then pastored Westside Church since 1970, when it was organized by the late Dr. Victor Gray, district superintendent of the East Tennessee District. □



Reuben Welch

Jay Kesler

## RE/PRO . . . PROFESSIONAL YOUTH WORKERS' RETREAT

The beautiful Garden of the Gods just outside Colorado Springs will be the site for an exciting "first time ever" event. It's called RE/PRO . . . "Equipping Retreat for Professional Youth Workers." The Department of Youth Ministries, Church of the Nazarene, is sponsoring the event. Also participating are youth workers from the

Wesleyan Methodist, Free Methodist, and Missionary churches.

The featured workers for RE/PRO will be Jay Kesler, president of Youth for Christ/USA, and Reuben Welch, chaplain of Point Loma College. Chaplain Welch is especially noted for his expository preaching and several popular books he has authored. Jay Kesler represents the United States on the International Council of Youth for Christ. During his ministry, he has served in many capacities from evangelist to author to pastor.

In addition to these outstanding resource people, RE/PRO will feature 40 specialists in youth ministry as contributors to seminars and discussions. Seminar topics include: values clarification, discipleship, death and dying, homosexuality, recruitment and equipping of staff, working with parents. The program is designed to allow time for relaxed fellowship and informal discussion.

RE/PRO will run from Tuesday, April 24, through Friday, April 27. The cost for the retreat is \$95.00, single, or \$175 for a couple. The price includes lodging, meals, and registration fees. The facilities for the retreat will be the Glen Eyrie Conference Center. For further information, contact:

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During the quadrennial meeting of the Advisory Book Committee, held at Nazarene Publishing House in December, elected members of the Book Committee, headquarters and seminary personnel, and invited resource persons projected the denomination's book needs for the next four years. Pictured (l. to r.) are Mrs. Kathryn Johnson, Dr. J. Fred Parker, Dr. H. T. Reza, Dr. B. Edgar Johnson, Dr. Paul G. Cunningham, Dr. John A. Knight, and Dr. Terrell C. Sanders. The resource persons were; Col. William Martin, U.S. Army chaplain; Pastor Millard Reed, of Nashville First Church; Dr. Neil Hightower, president of Canadian Nazarene College; and Pastor Wil Spaite, of Porterville, Calif.





Pictured are Hiram E. Sanders (r.), of Pomona, Calif., First Church, with five generations of Nazarenes; l. to r. are: great-great-grandma Zella Harrison (age 91); great-grandma Cassie Broussard; Grandma Mary Havens; Michael Havens, father; with baby Joshua David Havens.

### CHRISTIAN LIFE REGIONALS

A first-night celebration service will open each regional conference, planned around music, worship, and inspiration. Many are praying and coming expecting a blessing. Dr. Richard Spindle will be speaking, and the "Promise" group will be singing.

Local people and anyone in driving distance are encouraged to attend this first-night celebration service, 6:30 to

8:00. There is no charge and no registration is required for this service.

The workshops beginning the second day require registration and a \$15.00 fee. The Youth portion of the Regionals is geared to local as well as district leadership. The Children, Adult, and Division/Administration workshops are geared to district leadership, but local people are welcome to register and attend. □

### TENTATIVE MASTER SCHEDULE 1979 Regional Conferences • Feb. 22—Mar. 31, 1979

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<b>1st DAY</b>					
2:00	Registration	Registration (2:00-6:15)	Registration (2:00-6:15)	Registration (2:00-6:15)	Registr. (2:00-6:15)
3:30	Workshops (5) (3:30-5:00)				
4:30					
5:00	Registration				
6:15					
6:30	Celebration Service	Celebration Service	Celebration Service	Celebration Service	Celebration Service
8:00					
8:30	Multimedia Presentation	Orientation: General Convention Input (Spindle)	Department Reception: Review of Program	Reception & Media Festival	
10:15	Film Festival/ or Promise Concert				
<b>2nd DAY</b>					
8:00	Worship (Henecke)	Worship (Spindle)		8:00 General Session	BEING FINAL
8:30		8:10 "Profile of a Chairman" (Spindle)	8:30 Devotions		
8:50	Discipler: Shoemaker		9:00 Panel Stimulus	9:00 Workshops: Caravan Quizzing Ch's Church Ch's Directors VBS Resource & Learning Center	
9:00			9:45 Break		
9:30	9:50 Break	9:50 Break			
10:00					
10:15	10:15 Discipler Perkins/Ketchum	10:10 "Profile of a Chairman"—continued (Spindle)	10:15 Panel—Question & Answer		
10:30			11:00 Sunday School Emphasis		
11:00	11:15 LUNCH			11:30 LUNCH	
11:30		LUNCH	LUNCH		
12:00					
1:00	Discipler: Copple/Lewis			1:00 Workshops: Camp Other Cradle Roll Ch's Directors VBS Resource & Learning Center	
1:30		1:30 "Coordination Philosophy and Function" (Wienecke)	1:30 Workshop Period I		
2:00			2:45 Break		
2:10	2:10 Workshops: Early Youth Career Youth Senior Youth				
2:30		3:00 Break			
3:00					
3:10	3:10 Game Plan: Shoemaker/Henecke	3:20 Spindle/Wienecke Workshop on Promotion	3:15 Workshop Period II	3:30 Wrap-ups	
3:30		Promo Proposals for 1980			
4:00			4:30 Closing Inspiration	4:00 Closing General Session	
4:30	Worship (Lewis/Henecke)				

### FIRST NAZARENE CLERGY MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREAT

The Missouri District recently sponsored the church's first marriage enrichment retreat for its pastors and wives. **Rev. Arthur Mottram**, district

superintendent, reports 54 pastors and their wives participated.

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*l. to r.*: Dick and Kay Young; Arlene and Art Mottram; Marilyn and J. Paul Turner.

The retreat was co-facilitated by Dick and Kay Young and J. Paul and Marilyn Turner. □



### EXECUTIVE TO RETIRE IN JANUARY

Dr. Edward S. Mann, executive director of the Department of Education and the Ministry for the past eight years, will retire from his position on January 18, at the conclusion of the annual meeting of the General Board.

Mann, 70, began working in what was called the Department of Education in 1970. Its primary function then was to serve as liaison between the

general church and the 12 Nazarene institutions of higher education. In 1972, responsibility for Continuing Education for Ministry was added and the Department became the Department of Education and the Ministry. In 1976, Christian Service Training was merged with the Department during restructure of the general church organization.

During Mann's tenure at Nazarene Headquarters, frequent visits were made to college campuses for consultations, faculty workshops, conferences, commencements, presidential installations, and meetings of boards of trustees. Also, numerous workshops and conferences were planned and conducted for presidents, deans, deans of students, business managers, directors of development, recruitment officers, etc. A denomination-wide Faith and Learning Conference was held with some 500 colleges and seminary educators in attendance; the Home Course of Study has been revised; the Department has given birth to the new *Preacher's Magazine* and the Ministers Tape Club; and the first retreat for Nazarene chaplains in the United States has been held.

Dr. Mann has served as executive director of the Council of Education, the Nazarene College Consortium, the Nazarene Athletic Association, Phi Delta Lambda (the National Honor Society of Nazarene colleges), and as cochairman of the annual Nazarene Student Leadership Conference. During the past two years he has represented the denomination as a member of the Secretariat of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities.

Mann was born in Waterville, Vt., and holds a bachelor's degree from Eastern Nazarene College, a master's degree from Boston University, an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Northwest Nazarene College, and an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from the University of Vermont.

Following his graduation from ENC in 1929, he began working for the college as a professor of mathematics. He was appointed assistant to the president in 1941, vice-president in 1945, and president in 1948. He served as president for 22 years until his election to the Department of Education.

Mann served as director of the Quincy, Mass., Chamber of Commerce, the Quincy YMCA, and was active in numerous other civic organizations, including 10 years as a member of the city of Quincy School Committee. Other positions held include serving as president of the Quincy Council of Churches, director of the Evangelistic Association of New Eng-

land, and a member of the General Board, Church of the Nazarene.

He received a number of awards—ENC Alumnus of the Year (1958); Hodgkinson Award for Outstanding Service to Quincy (1963); Quincy Jaycees Distinguished Award (1968); and Nazarene Higher Education Citation of Merit (1972).

Following retirement, Mann will become associated with Century 21, Joel Pickering Real Estate, Inc., in Olathe, Kans.

Mann lives in Olathe with his wife, Cora. They have four sons: Edward F., assistant to the president at Mount Vernon Nazarene College; Merritt H., marketing representative for IBM in Washington, D.C.; Robert W., pediatrician in Arlington, Tex.; and Richard H., project manager with Kinder Associates in Boston. They also have eight grandchildren, all of whom will likely attend a Nazarene college.

Often expressing himself in poetic lines, Dr. Mann's book of verse entitled *Hearthside Reflections* is primarily about his grandchildren.

The General Board is expected to elect Mann's successor during their mid-January meeting. □

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The Calgary, Alberta, Canada, First Church teens.



The Atlanta Riverside Church teens with Carlton Hunter, youth director (back row, r.).

### A YOUNG LOOK AT NPH

Among the numbers of visitors who have included Nazarene Publishing House on their trip itinerary have been delegations of young people. In recent months groups from Philadelphia District; Atlanta, Ga.; North and South Carolina; and Calgary, Alberta, Canada, have taken the hour-and-a-half tour of the production, distribution, and sales departments of the plant.

Their favorite NPH sight was the huge web color press that churns out 30,000 *Heralds of Holiness* an hour. The Art Department was a close second, where designers and layout artists are seen producing the colorful covers, illustrations, and page formats that allow Nazarene publications to compete in the graphics explosion that has hit the printing industry.

If your vacation or business plans bring you through Kansas City during any time of the year, include a tour of



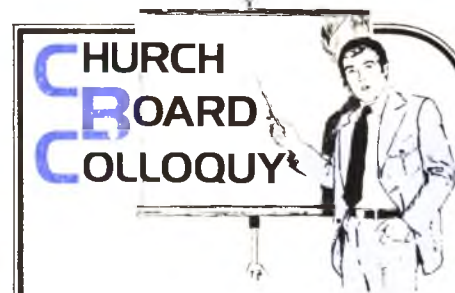
The Philadelphia District teens with Rev. Hal Perkins, NYI president, and Rev. Jim Mahan, sponsors.

Nazarene Publishing House on your "must see" list.

Right now plans are under way for General Assembly summer—1980. The NPH welcome mat is going to be out in a very special way at 2923 Troost. □



The North and South Carolina District teens en route from the World Youth Conference.



Your pastor doesn't work just a 9 to 5 job. After spending all day in administrative tasks, sermon preparation, counseling, and pastoral calls, he may spend his evenings counseling and conducting committee meetings.

Often, he is so keenly aware of the needs in your congregation and his responsibility of ministry that he may fail to rest properly or spend meaningful time with his family.

Do you insist that your pastor take at least one day off each week? He will serve you more effectively when he has a time each week for rest and recreation with his family.

NOTE: A *colloquy* ('kal-ə-kwē) is a high-level discussion about an important issue. This column, sponsored by your Department of Pensions and Benevolence, will help clarify some of the responsibilities of the church board in a complicated age.



## BAYNUM ACCEPTS KANKAKEE COLLEGE CHURCH

Rev. Jay C. Baynum, pastor of the Seattle Aurora Church, has accepted the call to pastor the College Church, Kankakee, Ill., on the campus of Olivet Nazarene College. He succeeds Rev. Bill Draper, newly elected president of Point Loma College, San Diego.

Baynum, 48, is a graduate of Owosso College and Nazarene Theological Seminary. He pastored at Traverse City, Mich., and Chicago Heights, Ill., before moving to Seattle six years ago.

His wife's name is Bonnie. The Baynums will move to Kankakee in mid-February. □

—NCN

## BNC RECEIVES LIBRARY DONATION

The private library of Dr. William H. Keown, University of Oklahoma business professor emeritus, has been donated to Bethany Nazarene College's department of business, announced Dr. Larry Mills, chairman of BNC's department of professional services.



Keown's 498-volume collection is valued in excess of \$30,000 and greatly enhances BNC's present holding in the areas of industrial relations, personnel management, and organizational behavior.

Dr. Keown retired from OU this year after teaching for 27 years.

The collection is currently being processed and categorized, and will be housed in the R. T. Williams Memorial Library. □

## BUILDING CONTRACT AWARDED BY BNC

The Board of Trustees for Bethany Nazarene College has approved a contract with Oran Alexander Enterprises, Inc., for the construction of the college's maintenance building.

Alexander's bid of \$125,000 was the lowest submitted for the 20,000 sq.-ft. complex. The two-story building will house maintenance centers for air conditioning, carpentry, electrical, plumbing, lock, and typewriter repair on the ground level with the second floor used for storage. Work on the complex should be completed by mid-March.

Construction of the new maintenance facilities is the first step in a three-part master plan, followed by the razing of the present maintenance building, to make room for the construction of the Royce Brown Business & Home Economics Building. □




## MVNC RECEIVES GIFT

A gift of \$100,000 was announced to the student body of Mount Vernon Nazarene College, December 6. The gift was given by Mr. Glen Thorne, from Salem, Ohio, and is to be given over the next three years.

Mr. Thorne operates the Super Duper supermarkets in Salem and eastern Ohio, and is a member of the Salem Church of the Nazarene. His son Bill is a sophomore at MVNC and is also a forward on the Cougar basketball team.

The money will be added to the fund for the building of a church/chapel on campus. The total now stands at \$300,000. The anticipated cost for the structure will be in excess of \$1 million.

A progress report will be presented in March to help determine future plans. President L. Guy Nees will be working with the local church pastors, Rev. Jack Archer, Mount Vernon First Church, and Rev. Ron Lush of Lakeholm Church, as well as with District Superintendent D. E. Clay, in determining future church plans. □



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## NEWS OF EVANGELISM



### CLINICS HELD ON PACIFIC ISLANDS

Dr. Don Gibson, executive director of the Department of Evangelism, conducted eight Personal Evangelism and Discipling Clinics in Australia, New Zealand, and Western Samoa during November, 1978. Clinics were held in Sydney, Adelaide, and Melbourne in Australia, and in Christchurch, Wellington, and Auckland in New Zealand. They were also held at the Nazarene Bible Colleges in Australia and Western Samoa.

Training teams knocked on 271 doors with 169 responses. Fifty-five prospective families were derived from the calls. There were a total of 48 commitments to the Lord.

Accompanying Dr. Gibson was his wife, Evelyn, along with Rev. Dwight Neuenschwander, coordinator of special programs for the Department of Evangelism, and his wife, Evonne. □



Pastor Al Jones (l.) of Sydney, Australia, Community Hills Church, goes over a *Basic Bible Study* with three new Christians, won during the clinic in Sydney.

**Allen Park, Mich., church:** *Rev. and Mrs. Gerald Brooks* were the evangelists, and *Steve Deets*, local church music director, used local talent in a recent revival. The Holy Spirit had challenged and renewed our faith as a church family for several weeks prior to this week of revival. *Rev. Brooks'* preaching on salvation, sanctification, and the life of discipleship throughout the week was af-

firmed greatly by the presence of the Holy Spirit and by the response of our people. *Mrs. Brooks* ministered to our children in the chapel while *Rev. Brooks* preached to the adults in the sanctuary. Both children and adults (age 12 and older) responded to the invitation to pray in every service. This has been one of the most significant weeks in our ministry. □

—Vaughn E. Welches, pastor

**Broken Bow, Okla., First Church:** *Rev. Delores Melvin* was the evangelist in a recent revival. Attendance was very good and the response to the ministry was excellent. Two new people (husband and wife) were saved. Two young mothers were reclaimed, two new families started to church, all in answer to our prayers for this revival. Four have been received into membership on profession of faith. The spirit of revival remains though the evangelist is gone. □

—Johnny L. Harrison, pastor

**De Kalb, Ill., First Church:** Our revival with *John and Patsy Porter* was outstanding in every way. Seekers sought help every night, Sunday's service was tremendous. The altar was lined in the morning service. Our young people responded with over 20 at the altar on Sunday morning, and over 50 for the entire meeting. □

—David Glick, pastor

**Phoenix Deer Valley Church:** The Phoenix Deer Valley Church recently had one of its best revivals ever. *Evangelist Jimmy Dell* with his unique musical program and straightforward way of presenting the truth drew all ages to the foot of the Cross. . . . There were over 100 at the altar during the six services and many of these were moms and dads, along with a host of young people. The attendance was great, climaxing with 181 on Sunday morning and a glorious altar service. *Jimmy Dell* helped to build the morale and spirit of the people. □

—Gene Delbridge, pastor

**Bryan, Ohio, church:** *Rev. O. E. Smith, Jr.*, was the evangelist. Two ladies were saved through personal evangelism during the day. One was saved on Friday morning, was in the service Friday night, and Saturday

she went forward and was sanctified. We found that mass and personal evangelism do complement each other. □

—D. L. Huffman, pastor

**Waverly, N.Y., First Church:** God used *Evangelist Clyde Rodgers'* chalk drawings and some old-fashioned preaching to give the Waverly First Church a great spiritual uplift. Five persons were sanctified wholly, four were saved for the first time, and one was reclaimed. The entire congregation was uplifted. □

—Kenneth Hinman, pastor

**Wickes, Ark., church:** Many prayers were answered, with 23 responding to the call unto holiness by *Evangelist David Fraser*. This was one of the best revivals in recent years we have experienced on sanctification. Glorious victory comes from God, when God's people work and pray together in one accord. □

—Gerald J. Palmer, pastor

**Columbus, Ind., First Church:** *Mr. and Mrs. Jim Coy*, recently entering into full-time song evangelism, presented excellent ministry in music with local choir participation. *Evangelist David Street* preached a beneficial series of sermons on practical Christian living from the Book of James. There was teen-age participation in the services. *Rev. Street* and *Jim Coy* also held a noon gospel service at one of the local factories. There were good altar services nearly every night. □

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## VITAL STATISTICS

### NOTED LAY EVANGELIST DIES

Elmer H. Kauffman died December 20. He had been living with his daughter in Winston-Salem.

Elmer Kauffman was, for many years, an executive in the Fuller Brush Company. He was an early leader in personal evangelism in the Church of the Nazarene, and was still busily engaged at soul winning in his retirement years. He initiated the well-known question, "Do you know a boy or a girl in this neighborhood who does not attend Sunday school?" Brother Kauffman was deeply loved by the students of Eastern Nazarene College, and trained many of them in personal evangelism.

His wife preceded him in death a year ago. He is survived by two sons, Dr. Alvin Kauffman of Eastern Nazarene College, and Elmer, Jr., of Florida; a daughter, Mrs. Betty Caudle of North Carolina; also one brother and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at the Wollaston Church, Quincy, Mass., on December 27.

### TAPLINS DIE FOUR DAYS APART

Rev. Harry F. Taplin, 72, former district superintendent of the North Dakota district and long-time pastor, died of a heart attack Saturday, December 23.

His wife, Viva, 71, also an elder, died of a heart attack Wednesday, December 27.

Taplin, although retired, was active as a supply pastor and minister of visitation.

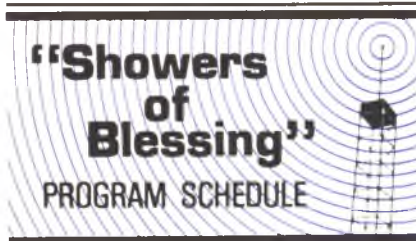
Mrs. Taplin, a diabetic, became ill Tuesday, December 26. She attended her husband's funeral at the Church of the Nazarene in Mitchell, S.D., where the couple lived. Following the burial, she was taken to a doctor and immediately hospitalized. She died Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Taplin's funeral was held Friday, December 29, at the Mitchell church.

Revs. Harry and Viva Taplin are survived by a son, Lyle, of Mount Vernon, Wash., and a daughter, Mrs. Eileen Morehead of Colorado Springs.

## DEATHS

ARTHUR C. BISH, 89, died Oct. 23 in Caldwell, Ida. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Harold Hampton, Jr. Survivors include his wife, Louise; 5 sons, Aubrey, Cecil, Orville, Jack, and



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Observers of eastern Europe church life have credited the increased Scripture distribution with the revitalization of many churches, including rise of church membership and large enrollment in Bible studies. □

**REFUGEES ARE POURING OUT OF VIET NAM, LAOS, AND CAMBODIA.** During the first nine months of 1978, more than 40,000 "boat people" from Viet Nam alone landed in other countries, with a record 7,300 in September. Refugee camps in Thailand, Malaysia, and Hong Kong are bursting, and some refugees are even showing up in Australia, nearly 2,000 miles away. Officials estimate that between 40 and 60 percent of the people leaving the three countries by boat are drowned at sea. □

**EVANGELICALS URGED TO UTILIZE MASS MEDIA.** Evangelicals should discard their "minority position" in the media and aggressively seize every opportunity to communicate the Christian message and world view, contends Dr. Bert Dorenbos, director of a Dutch evangelical broadcasting group. He was addressing the first European Evangelical Communication Conference held in Amsterdam.

"Our world today is full of crises and seemingly insurmountable problems," he told the 200 participants from 25 countries. The only answer to the fear, violence, moral decline, and lack of responsibility, he maintained, was the Christian gospel. Motivated by response to the conference, leaders of several national evangelical alliances have recommended to the European Evangelical Alliance that a European Communicators Fellowship be established. □

**ASIAN EVANGELICALS FOCUS ON TWO BILLION NON-CHRISTIANS.** Evangelization of Asia's two billion non-Christians claimed the attention of the 280 participants at the Asian Leadership Conference on Evangelism held at the University of Singapore. The delegates from 25 countries committed themselves to seek establishment of a Christian witness in each of the continent's "unreached people groups."

The immensity of that challenge lent a sense of sober reality to the intensive fellowship, study, devotional, and strategy sessions. The key Christian leaders who attended were reminded that 58 percent of the world's population were to be found in Asia, but only 3 percent of those made any Christian profession. □

**SPAIN NOW OPEN TO BIBLE DISTRIBUTION.** After some 40 years of restricting the distribution of the Bible by evangelicals, the Spanish government is now issuing permits to evangelical Christians for the distribution of Bibles and New Testaments in prisons and hospitals.

According to a report of the World Home Bible League's office in Tarrasa, 1,054 copies of the New Testament in Spanish were distributed within a week of the receipt of a shipment of 10,000 copies. □



Arthur Bish, Jr., 1 daughter, Marie Beauchamp; 17 grandchildren, 49 great-grandchildren; and 25 great-great-grandchildren.

SILINA RUTH FRANKLIN, 6, died Sept. 5 in Caldwell, Ida. Funeral services were conducted by Revs. Jacke Weller and Harold Hampton, Jr. She is survived by her parents, Bernie and Edna Franklin.

GUY W. GOOKIN, 77, died Nov. 30 in Charleston, Ia. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Lindell Jinkerson. He is survived by his wife Elythe, three daughters, Louise M. Thrasher, Orpha M. Genochio, and Geneva F. Radcliff, nine grandchildren and five brothers.

GEORGE GOYETTE, 81, died Dec. 7 in Keene, N.H. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. James M. Kelley. Surviving are his wife Alyce, two stepdaughters, Mrs. Ruth E. Beckwith and Mrs. Arlene J. Vogel; a stepson, Roger A. Bloom; two sisters; and several grandchildren.

MRS. E. E. HILL died Dec. 3 in Poteau, Okla. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. James M. Stewart. She is survived by one son, Double E.; three sisters; one brother; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

RALPH D. KEMPER, 71, died Sept. 27 in Hines, Ill. Funeral services were conducted by Revs. Verl Ballmer and Leon Hartman, a nephew of Mr. Kemper. Survivors include his wife Aldean Robbins; 1 daughter, Florence Boyd; 2 sons, Chester W. and Haskell Robbin; 1 brother, 15 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

GLADYS EMILY MALLICOAT, 78, died Aug. 15 in Arcadia, Calif. Funeral services were conducted by Revs. George Taylorson and Frank Tolson, son-in-law. She is survived by her husband, Samuel Burton; 2 daughters, Bette Tolson

and Dorothy Hansen; 1 son, Sam, Jr.; 11 grandchildren and 2 great-granddaughters.

CLARENCE R. MYERS, 78, died Nov. 9 in San Ramon, Calif. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Doris McDowell. Interment was in Merritt, Mich. Surviving are his wife, Pearl; 5 daughters, Dorothea Thompson, Blanche Randall, Carolyn Estrada, Betty Jones, and Kathy Hull; 2 sons, Roger and Keith; 26 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren; 2 brothers, and 1 sister.

RUBY G. OSSMANN, 19, died Nov. 18 in Gilbertsville, Pa. She is survived by her parents, Richard H. and Verdella; two brothers; and a sister.

#### BIRTHS

to REV. BOB AND CAROL (POWERS) BROADBOOKS, Montrose, Colo., a boy, Lincoln Ray, Nov. 30.

to KEITH AND TAMARA (RINES) BROOKS, Keene, N.H., a girl, Kristin April, Dec. 2.

to REV. STEPHEN AND BRENNDA HEAP of Brazil, a girl, Jennifer Lynne, born Oklahoma City, Dec. 5.

to MICK AND JOAN (HAINES) KINZER, Craigmont, Ida., a boy, Timothy Micheal, Nov. 18.

to RICK AND RUTHANN (DAVIS) KOEPCKE, Kansas City, Kans., a girl, Erin Elizabeth, Nov. 10.

to BARRY AND VIRGINIA (COLBURN) ROLLINS, Keene, N.H., a boy, Nicholas Todd, Nov. 20.

to REV. LARRY E. AND JOYCE (SHEPHERD) SCHMIDT, Great Bend, Kans., a girl, Danae Joy, Oct. 19.

to RONDALL AND BETTY TOWNSEND, Powhatan Point, Ohio, a boy, Rondall Anthony, July 25.

#### MARRIAGES

PAMELA A. MURPHY and DAVID STEVENS at Greensboro, N.C., Sept. 30.

VICKI LYNN SMITH and WILL ROBERT GHEE at Ripley, W. Va., Sept. 30.

ROBIN PERRINO and MICHAEL DENNISON at Midview, Ohio, Nov. 6.

STEPHANIE FUSKA and RANDALL McCALL, Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 11.

PEGI ADAMS and DAVID MERRIMAN at Springfield, Mass., Dec. 16.

#### ANNIVERSARIES

MR. AND MRS. MABREY DOWNEY of the Denver Littleton Church, observed their 50th wedding anniversary Sept. 18. In October, the family gathered in St. Louis for the wedding of their eldest granddaughter, Karen Newberry, and to celebrate the Downeys' golden anniversary. They were honored at a dinner reception hosted by their daughter, Carolyn Newberry of St. Louis. Special guests included: the couple's two sons, Mabe Downey of Denver and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Downey of Long Beach, Calif.; Mrs. Downey's brother, Harold Moore of Gadsden, Ala.; and five of their seven grandchildren: Debbie Newberry of Richmond, Va.; Bill Downey of Colorado Springs; and Melissa Melinda, and Bill Newberry of St. Louis.

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## THE ANSWER CORNER

Conducted by W. E. McCumber, Editor

**One of our theological professors was quoted as saying that Jesus "might have erred in some slight way," perhaps in the way He dealt with the rich young ruler, for example. His position was that scripture says Jesus was sinless, but not that he was errorless. I would like your comment.**

The Bible does not say explicitly that Jesus never made a mistake. It does say that "he knew what was in man" (John 2:25). And it quotes Him as saying, "I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things . . . I do always those things that please him" (John 8:28-29). If Jesus "goofed" in His approach to the rich young ruler, and therefore failed to win him, I don't see how God could have been pleased with Him. Quite frankly, if Jesus ever made a mistake, I don't think there's a theologian, scholar, or preacher (or any other) smart enough to catch that mistake. □

**In our Bible study at church, we are studying Exodus. The question is, what happened to Pharaoh when the Lord made the sea kill the Egyptians? It doesn't say Pharaoh was killed also. Can you tell us what happened to him?**

Perhaps, Exodus 14:6-10 makes it clear that Pharaoh personally led the Egyptian force that pursued the fleeing Israelites. And in 14:17, God clearly says, "I will get me honour upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host." From these verses we would assume that Pharaoh drowned with his

men. But the account of the drowning (vv. 23-31) does not specifically mention Pharaoh, just "all his host." However, the victory song which celebrated Israel's escape does say, "the horse of Pharaoh went in with his chariots and with his horsemen into the sea, and the Lord brought again the waters of the sea upon them" (15:19). If Pharaoh was on his horse, he was drowned, for "there remained not so much as one of them" (14:28). I think the sheriff as well as the posse was killed. □

**A friend and I are quite puzzled as to the meaning of 1 John 3:9. We know that it is possible for people to backslide and that the Bible does not contradict itself.**

When John says the one who is born again "cannot sin," he doesn't mean that committing a sin is impossible. He does mean that a continuing practice of sin is incompatible with being a Christian. In 2:1-2 the possibility of sinning is recognized, and the remedy for it made clear. But in 3:4-10, John is talking about habitual practice, not occasional lapse. I think Daniel Steele, in his book *Half Hours with John's Epistles*, explains the matter well: "A course of willful sin is incompatible with continued sonship or likeness to God." There may be, under pressure of strong temptation, a momentary lapse into sin—which can be quickly amended by an appeal to, and trust in, the advocacy of Christ. But there cannot be "a career of sin." John makes it clear that children of God are distinguished from the children of the devil by the fact that the former quit their sins and the latter go on sinning. □

# THE CHURCH SCENE



On October 15, 1978, the Cincinnati, Ohio, Montana Avenue Church held a mortgage-burning ceremony.

In the 22 years at the present location the church has paid off the indebtedness on all properties, with four acres of ground. The congregation has erected a church building and parsonage valued at \$340,000 and \$57,000 respectively.

Participating in the ceremony were: Pastor Tom Morgan; Orpha Sandlin, charter member; Rev. Curtis Coburn, former pastor; Robert Brummett, charter member; and trustees: Harold Broyles, Mary Dohme, Bill King, Ruth Lother, and Tom Waddell. □

## THANKSGIVING BANQUET FOR STREET PEOPLE

"The honor of your presence is requested at a banquet at the Lamb's

given in your honor because of Jesus and His love."

This was the Thanksgiving invitation that went out to over 250 street people who make New York City their home.

They began to arrive at the Lamb's as early as 10:00 a.m.: a blind man with his dog; a shoeshine boy from 42nd St.; an old woman accustomed to eating out of garbage cans; a young man struggling with alcoholism; a deaf man from the Port Authority Bus Terminal area; and several people from the Lighthouse for the blind and Project Find for the elderly.

A limousine service donated a six-seat black limousine to search out and chauffeur those who, because of their infirmities, could not get to the dinner.

As guests arrived they were escorted to the second floor, a bit perplexed by the first-class setting, a tuxedoed maitre d' seated them around beautiful tables formally set. This was a banquet for street people given in Jesus' name in harmony with the teaching of Scripture (Luke 14:12-14):

"When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your kinsmen or rich neighbors . . . but when you give a feast, invite the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed . . ." (RSV)

Over 40 volunteers helped prepare and serve turkey dinners to 250 honored guests. The banquet menu included: citrus salad appetizer, turkey or ham with stuffing, string beans almondine, sweet potatoes with marshmallows, rice and peas, and homemade pumpkin pie with Breyer's ice cream.

Entertainment was provided by two gospel-soul groups, The Calvaryns and the Good News Singers, and two soloists, Lee Russell and Edna Husband.

At the close of the banquet, 15 people prayed to receive Christ into their lives. A number of the guests returned to the Lamb's for services on Sunday, and several dozen continue to attend the services.

Jesus made a difference in Times Square on Thanksgiving Day because some of the "least of these, My brethren" had been treated like kings for His sake. The gospel message rang loud and clear: God is on the side of the poor and the oppressed, desiring to bless them and meet their needs. □

—Paul Moore, pastor

## NO ILL EFFECTS OF RECENT EVENTS IN GUYANA OR TAIWAN

There have been many calls to headquarters about the effect of late-break news on Nazarene missions.

Reports from leaders in Guyana tell us that there have been no adverse reverberations from the Jim Jones-Peoples' Temple affair, for our church or people there.

Dr. Jerald Johnson, executive director of World Mission, has been in touch with missionary Tashjian in Taiwan. He reports that all is quiet and there has been no difficulty to the church as a result of President Carter's announcement regarding the United States recognition of the government of mainland China. □

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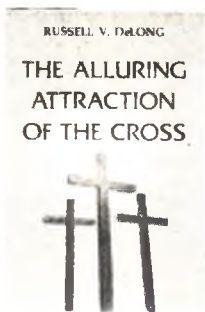
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August 27, Danville, Ill., First Church dedicated their new church sign. The sign was given in memory of A. L. Ross by his wife and children. Pictured is Mrs. Anna Ross presenting the \$5,000 memorial gift to Pastor E. Keith Bottles. The cast aluminum letters enclose neon indirect lighting. Pastor Bottles states that 50,000 vehicles pass the church each day, and are thus reminded of the cause of Christ.



## A NEIGHBOR LADY TRIED

The newspaper report of James Jones's childhood experience in Sunday school is a story of love and a Mrs. Kennedy. She was a Nazarene lady who lived across the street from the Jones family in Lynn, Ind. She was a devout Christian who cared about her neighbors. When she saw an unchurched family with a boy getting no religious training, she acted. She took him to Sunday school and did everything she could to bring him to a meaningful relationship with God through Jesus. Before she could see his mission accomplished, he and his family moved to Richmond. Mrs. Kennedy followed him with her prayers and love. He responded by keeping in occasional touch with her.

Rev. C. P. Hurry has been pastor of the Lynn Church of the Nazarene for 21 years. He did not know the Rev. James Jones, although he had met him on one of Jones's several visits to Mrs. Kennedy's home. Some of Mrs. Jones's family belong to his church.

"We are just common people who believe in old-fashioned religion," Rev. Hurry said. "I guess he [Jones] just missed the way somehow after he left here."

James Jones traveled far and recently brought tragedy to nearly a thousand people in Guyana, shocking the world. The lady he referred to as his "spiritual mother" had died a year before, mercifully not knowing about the tragedy. She was not fooled, however, for she had complained to friends and family that members of the Peoples' Temple looked to Pastor Jones as though he were God. This she knew was not right. But she prayed the harder for him and loved him to the end. Though not enough, love had gone as far as it could.

The "Evangelical Newsletter" (December 15, 1978) reports that "in his

20s Jim Jones publicly denied the Virgin Birth and scoffed at the Bible. Entering Butler University, he called himself Unitarian. Though briefly linked to the Methodists, he subsequently aligned his Indianapolis church with the Disciples of Christ and retained this association in the moves to Ukiah, Calif., San Francisco, and Guyana. Yet bizarre non-Christian emphases pervaded his ministry: his preoccupation with Marxism and the hero of his adolescence, Mao Tse-tung; his desire to emulate the style of Father Divine in Philadelphia; his

faking "miracles" of healing, his increasing social activism and political involvement; his fascination with psychic phenomena and spiritism.

"In the last three months in Guyana he had abandoned church services, stressing only his socialist political line and reportedly making approaches to the Soviet Union as a possible ultimate asylum for his commune. Secular psychiatrists undoubtedly will describe his conduct as psychopathic. But the ultimate analysis must be that Jim Jones was demon-possessed."

—NCN □

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Dedication services for Springfield, Ohio, First Church were conducted by Dr. Charles H. Strickland on November 12, 1978, assisted by District Superintendent James R. Blankenship. The new construction includes a sanctuary seating over 600, five classrooms, a choir room, Sunday school office, and fellowship room. The new construction totals 13,000 sq.ft. and was built at a cost of \$23.09 per sq.ft. Rev. Verdean F. Owens is the pastor.

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## NAZARENE BUILDERS RESPOND TO CHARTER INVITATION

Substantial response has been reported to the appeal for Nazarene building professionals to become charter members of the new professional association to be organized next February.

Dr. Raymond W. Hurn, executive director of the Department of Home Missions, says nearly 100 additional names were received shortly after the

invitation was issued in the *Herald of Holiness* in November.

The Association of Nazarene Building Professionals is a professional service organization under the auspices of the Department of Home Missions.

Its purpose is to assist churches in working with professional builders to construct buildings that facilitate evangelism, nurture, worship, and fellowship at a price that churches can afford to pay.

A steering committee is now at work

writing the bylaws and initial program for the association which will be officially organized February 6.

The Association of Nazarene Building Professionals has also cooperated with the Department of Home Missions in the writing of a *Church Building Sourcebook* which will be introduced in February to the members of Nazarene District Boards of Church Properties who will meet in Kansas City February 6-8 for a training seminar. □

# KEEP KNOCKING . . . JESUS DOES!

by JOHN HANCOCK  
*Kankakee, Ill.*



As I entered the front door, Lester Lewis went out the back door.

Pain from open heart surgery still gnawed at Lester, but more agonizing was the ache that had filled his heart during the two years since the tragic car crash which killed his only daughter.

Because of his surgery and accompanying physical problems, Lester had retired at 55. Time was heavy on his hands. Weakness weighted his once powerful body. But the burden crushing him was the loaded question concerning the loss of the lovely girl he and Nina loved so much. "Why, Lord? Why?" It throbbed with every beat of his newly repaired heart muscle.

Assuring Nina that I understood and that embarrassment and apologies were unnecessary, I spent precious moments ministering to this woman who had been faithfully attending our Sunday evening church services.

Her heart, too, had been crushed. Depression had etched lines in her face. Her eyes gazed with expectant faith into mine. She could not understand why death had torn their daughter from them in the bloom of life. But in quiet desperation, Nina had committed her aching heart to God.

"Lester is so bitter, Pastor," Nina said, tears brimming. "He blames God for everything. He won't pray with me, and he won't respond when I urge him to

attend church. I'm sure his attitude has even hindered his healing. He still has problems with his chest incision."

Reminding her of God's love and concern—and ours—I prayed with Nina and left. My heart was heavy, too. Lester was lost. He had closed the door of his heart as I came in the door of his house.

*But Christ kept knocking!*

Hospitalized for further treatment, Lester was coolly polite, but receptive, as I visited him, talked of God's love and prayed for him.

Frankly, I was not encouraged. There was little response to my attempts to get him to think positively about God. His daughter's death had locked his heart's door tightly shut.

*But just last Sunday I baptized Lester Lewis! And this is the way his testimony began:*

"I'm 57 years old, and I found Christ just four months ago. I never knew life could be so full of peace, love, and meaning. I'm glad I opened my heart to Christ. The man baptizing me helped me get the door open to Him."

Yes, Christ kept knocking. When a Christian man, whom he had never met—a man sensitive to the Holy Spirit—spoke to him about his soul's need, Lester opened the door and Christ walked in.

Lester told me later, "Preacher, I slammed the door on you that day, but you didn't give up. And neither did the Lord, He kept knocking through His people . . . that man who spoke to me in the hospital, you, and others. It's all different now. I found that the answer to the question of death is LIFE . . . the *life of Jesus Christ*. I'll never close the door to Him again!" Then he added: "Tell your people, tell every Christian . . . KEEP KNOCKING! Jesus does." □

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





Jorge Barros is shown fourth from left.

### INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATIONS EDITOR ATTENDS UNITED NATIONS CONCLAVE

Jorge Barros and Jose Pacheco, staff members of the Department of International Publications, were among the 120 journalists from 109 church-related publications in 29 states and Canada who registered for a global issues seminar for senior editors at the United Nations November 16-17.

Peacekeeping, assistance to refugees, United Nations commissions and projects, the 1979 International Year of the Child, services to the religious press, were among the topics included in the program.

The participants heard Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim outline the U.N. agenda and speak to the role of the church press. Jean Young, chairperson for the U.S. National Commission on the International Year of the Child, made a plea for that observance in the coming year. Ambassador Andrew Young held a press conference for the editors at the U.S. Mission auditorium.

Also making presentations were: Robert Muller, director of the U.N. Economic and Social Council; Paul Hartling, high commissioner for Refugees; Thomas McElhiney, commissioner general for the Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees; Brian Urquhart, under-secretary-general for Special Political Affairs.

More than a score of ambassadors and U.N. staff joined the journalists at a luncheon session and a panel of representatives of religious nongovernmental organizations accredited to the U.N. told of the impact of the religious community at the U.N.

The event was hosted and arranged by the United Nations Association—U.S.A.

The sponsoring agencies were the religious press associations: Associated Church Press; Catholic Press Association; Evangelical Press Association; and the American Jewish Press Association. The funding for the affair was the gift of Claretian Publications, Chicago. □

—NCN

### OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Christian Holiness Association National Convention will convene on the campus of Olivet Nazarene College, Kankakee, Ill., for its 111th annual convention, April 16-19, 1979. The Church of the Nazarene may send 50 official representatives to that convention.

I am authorized to issue a call for volunteer ministers and laymen at large who wish to be delegates for the Church of the Nazarene to this convention and attend without expense to the General Board.

If you are interested, please submit your name, address, and the local church of which you are a member, to the General Secretary, Church of the Nazarene, 6401 Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64131. From the names submitted, the delegate committee will select and notify our delegation on or about March 15, 1979.

—B. Edgar Johnson  
General Secretary

### GAMMILL ACCEPTS STOCKTON CHURCH

Rev. Richard Gammill, of the staff of the Department of World Mission, has accepted the call to pastor Stockton, Calif., First Church. The Gammills will move to California in February.

Rev. Gammill has been on the staff of the Department of World Mission for nearly five years. His assignment has been as candidate secretary. He also had direction of the Work and Witness program. During his term of service 139 candidates have been interviewed by the General Board. One hundred nineteen have received appointment as missionaries. Another 50 have been sent on specialized assignments.

In addition to training conferences for new missionaries, he conducted "Festivals of Youth and Missions" on Nazarene college campuses. He also



directed the Student Mission Corps, a program which sent 220 college young people to the mission fields in the summer.

He has expedited 75 Work and Witness projects on mission fields, which involved about 1,500 people. Twenty-six more projects are scheduled for the next two months.

Rev. Gammill will conclude his work with the Department of World Mission at the close of the General Board meeting in January, 1979. □

—NCN

### HOPKINS IN CAR ACCIDENT

Dr. Harlow Hopkins, chairman of the Division of Fine Arts at Olivet Nazarene College, and three students were injured when their car was struck from behind by a pickup truck Saturday morning, December 9, at Manteno, Ill. All were hospitalized at St. Mary's hospital in Kankakee. One student, Wade Armentrout of Marion, Ohio, was listed in serious condition and had to have reconstructive surgery on his face. He also suffered a fracture of the skull.

Dr. Hopkins was unable to direct the presentation of Handel's "Messiah" Saturday and Sunday nights, December 9 and 10, at the college. Professor Joe Noble of the Music Department took his place. Hopkins suffered a mild concussion, and bruises of his neck and back, but is at home. □

—NCN

### HEADQUARTERS CHRISTMAS DINNER

Six hundred eighty employees and executives of Nazarene Publishing House, Nazarene Theological Seminary, and the International Headquarters of the Church of the Nazarene, and their companions attended a Christmas dinner at the Convention Center of Glenwood Manor Motel, Overland Park, Kans., December 11.

General Superintendent Orville W. Jenkins, chairman of the Board of General Superintendents, presided. General Superintendent Eugene L. Stowe offered the invocation, and General Superintendent George Coulter gave the benediction.

The special speaker was Dr. William McCumber, editor of the *Herald of Holiness*. Music was furnished by students from Mid-America Nazarene College.

Dr. Edward S. Mann, executive director of the Department of Education for the past eight years, read some of his poetry.

Mann, 70, was elected Executive Secretary of the Department of Education in 1970 and will retire from his position on January 18, at the conclusion of the annual meeting of the General Board. □

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