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## The Divine Refuge

(Psalms 91:1-9)

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*The name of the Lord is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe (Proverbs 18: 10).*

"The name of the Lord" is the Old Testament expression for the whole character of God, as He has made it known to us. We must say of ourselves, "I am what God and the world about me have made me." Jehovah can say, "I am that I am"—self-existent, dependent upon no other. He is self-existent and therefore eternal; eternal and therefore changeless. And because He is self-existent, eternal, and changeless, He is therefore infinite.

This boundless Being, full of wisdom, power, and tenderness, is the "strong tower" made accessible to humanity in and through Jesus Christ. "I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it," is the utterance of Jesus (John 17:26) as He addresses the Father. Christ,

through His life of love, of suffering, and of meekness, through His redemptive death, has opened wide the entrance to the "strong tower," made its foundations broader, and lifted its summits nearer heaven.

The Bible makes pure character fundamental and prerequisite to communion with God. It is the "righteous" who has access, and it is "holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord."

With eager haste the "righteous runneth into it." It is the picture of those who, seeing the approach of an invading army, gather their all into the armed fortress. By trusting in God we make Him our protection. He who so trusteth Jehovah is "safe." He is "set on high" (R.V.), as on a high wall above his enemies, and is thus victorious over them.

—by the late GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT ORVAL J. NEASE

## NEWS IN BRIEF

Pastor M. W. Kemper sends word from Indianapolis, Indiana: "Ray Street Church Youth Week revival with Rev. D. K. Wachtel, superintendent of Tennessee District; great manifestation of Holy Spirit's presence; over one hundred at altar in three nights."

Rev. Curtis Withrow, pastor for nearly seven years of East Rockaway Church, on the New York District, has resigned to accept the call to pastor the Southside Church in Muncie, Indiana.

Evangelist J. M. Gleason is leaving the field to accept the pastorate of the church in Concordia, Kansas.

During the week, January 13 through 20, Miss Mary E. Latham, director of vacation Bible schools, conducted classes in teaching methods for Sunday-school teachers at Hooker, Oklahoma, while preaching each night in a revival meeting at the church.

Rev. William Griffin, pastor of the Franklin Road Church, Nampa, Idaho, has resigned to enter the evangelistic field.

Rev. Albert Neuschwanger has resigned as pastor of North Nampa Church, Idaho, to accept the call to pastor the church in West Tulsa, Oklahoma. He successfully pastored the North Nampa Church for the past eight years.

Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Menneke celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at Ottawa, Kansas, on December 15 and 16. Brother Menneke served as pastor of the Ottawa church, 1930 to 1932; he is now retired. The pastor, Rev. David Ellsworth, and friends joined in the celebration with the Mennekes' six children, twelve grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. They were married December 12, 1901, at Miles, Iowa. Brother Menneke served as pastor and evangelist in seventeen states. A family dinner was given on Saturday evening, and then open house on Sunday afternoon for friends.



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*You Promote the GOSPEL  
When You Promote the HERALD*

JUDGING from conversations with a number of the district superintendents during the conference here in Kansas City last week, this Fortieth Anniversary year should bring a new high in our subscription list. Every superintendent indicated a desire to see his district at least make the 60 per cent of membership quota.

The spirit of wholehearted boosting of the HERALD OF HOLINESS promotion program on the part of all exceeds anything we have sensed before. This is appreciated. May God help us in this endeavor in this Fortieth Anniversary year—another year of opportunity!

This glowing report from the pastor, Rev. L. E. Schaffer, of our church in Winslow, Indiana, speaks for itself:

"The Winslow church was organized in June, 1950, with eleven members. The district conducted a HERALD OF HOLINESS campaign the following February and this new church, then eight months old, with 21 members secured 87 subscriptions. . . . We were glad to have the HERALD going to the teachers, doctors, etc., and the homes of many in this town of 1,800. . . . We intend to do this again this year. As a church we are proud of the HERALD OF HOLINESS and believe in spreading the gospel through the medium of the printed page."

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## Should Jesus Come Today!

By F. W. Davis

What if the sky should open wide  
And roll back as a scroll,  
And Christ in all His majesty  
Should come to judge the soul?

Is all your labor up to date?  
Are all your wrongs made right?  
If He should come now, would He find  
Your garments spotless white?

It is quite obvious to think  
That He might come today,  
As quick as lightning from the sky  
To take His bride away!

Let's keep prayed up, and well alert—  
We know not when the hour  
The clock may strike our Lord's return  
In glory and in power!

# The Other Side of Stewardship

By Carl Bangs\*

*And of thine own have we given thee*

(I Chronicles 29:14).

**T**HESE WORDS are a portion of the prayer which David made when he and the chief men of Israel brought their treasures to the house of the Lord. They indicate the truth that those who serve God must bring offerings. This necessity of giving is the side of stewardship well known to most Christians. But there is another side to stewardship.

The sense of David's assertion also is that our gifts are given to God. In view of this a person totally unacquainted with the nature of our religion might be quite astounded to see Christians bring their gifts to church, wait for Usher Jones to pass a plate, and then put their treasures in *that*. From an external perspective the question might well be raised: *How does that gift get to God?*

The answer is this: that we assume that to place money in the treasury of a local congregation is to place it in the service of God (through the Church, the body of Christ). This assumption is *often* true, but it is not *necessarily* true.

The familiar side of stewardship is that we give unto the Lord that which is His own. The other side of stewardship is that we make sure that the placement of our money truly puts it at the disposal of God. Unless this side of stewardship is maintained, the giving of money puts our divinely originated resources at the disposal of the enemy.

Here are some of the practical aspects of this other side of stewardship:

1. We must refuse to give to irresponsible agencies, no matter how eloquent and pious-sounding their appeals may be.

2. We must cast our lot with an organization where the whole counsel of God is proclaimed in word and deed.

3. We must acknowledge the prior claim on us of this church as the channel in which God wants us to serve Him with our labors and gifts.

4. We must support and encourage a well-rounded, spiritual, and intelligent program which includes worship and fellowship, home and foreign missions, personal and public evangelism, Christian education at all levels, and the spreading of the gospel through the printed page, by radio, and by all other effective methods.

5. We must maintain a ministry which proclaims the truth of God without fear of secular or ecclesiastical pressure.

6. We must elect to our boards capable and consecrated people who will administer our gifts with skill and vision.

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7. We must present ourselves living sacrifices to God, lest we as church members be hindrances to the very cause to which we bring our gifts.

The promotion of what is here called *the other side of stewardship* is absolutely essential if we are to continue the passing of plates for receiving gifts intended for God. The responsibility for this lies on every Christian.

## Mysteries at Pentecost (2)

By John W. May\*

### Mystery of Divine Manifestation

**H**ISTORICALLY, the desire of humanity has been for a manifestation of God. The happy man is the one who has had a revelation of God to his own soul. While most certainly a collective blessing was enjoyed on the Day of Pentecost, the prime factor was a revelation of the presence of God to each. As the Holy Ghost descended, there came that consciousness of divine manifestation.

This happening was *prophetical*. Peter quoted the prophet Joel to explain it. This is the age prophesied by the saints and prophets of old. The day of grace was foretold from Genesis onward. Prophet, priest, and king anticipated it. Now "in the last days" the Holy Ghost has come.

The message of Peter and prophecy of Joel designate this day as *dispensational*, occurring "in the last days." In all previous dispensations the creation failed the Creator. Under theocracy, judges, and kings, miserable failure prevailed. Now are given the Holy Spirit and the dispensation of grace. Truly here is an honor which enjoins a high experience above which no other age has gone.

In addition to this, the occurrence was *evidential*. God in times past spoke singly through the fire, the wind, and possession by the Spirit. The combination of these is here experienced. The wind is characteristic of and signifies the *presence* of God. The God of the whirlwind which took Elijah up now signifies His presence with the mighty rushing wind. The fire brings before us the fact of the *purging* of the dross. Here the living God again answers by fire. Their being "filled with the Holy Ghost" signifies *possession*. He now takes up residence in the purged heart. That which was once inhabited and possessed by devils now is possessed by the Holy Ghost.

These characteristics were to a select group and were for the benefit of the disciples. The manifestation of tongues was for the benefit of others and will be considered in another study.

There can be no abundant living and real blessing until God manifests His presence, purges the dross, and possesses the life and soul.

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# "ALL OUT FOR SOULS"

By C. C. Brown\*

*He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him (Psalms 126:6).*

THE ABOVE SLOGAN, "All Out for Souls," by the late Dr. J. B. Chapman, and the above text were used in a recent installation service of officers and teachers of our Sunday school and church. We were impressed to give the following explanation of what it meant to go "all out for souls."

First, *it means we must go all out in prayer.* Prayer is the foundation of all spiritual advancement. Any kind of advancement where prayer is not at the foundation is, at the very best, just human. Jesus, in John 15, speaks of fruit-bearing Christians, and links that fruit-bearing with two main conditions, one of which is prayer and the other abiding. He said, "Ask, and it shall be given you," and conditioned this asking on our abiding. The great concern of Jesus was that His children should be fruit-bearing, and this fruit is no doubt the fruit of our labors, or the souls of men. He stressed the fact that we could

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not pray if we did not abide. He finally explained what it meant to abide in Him and have His words abide in us when He said, "Love one another, as I have loved you" (John 15:12). Until this is accomplished in our lives, we cannot get our prayers through to God. Plans and methods, words and works will mean less than nothing until the soul is brought into this love union with Christ. We are to be as close to Christ as the little branch is to the big vine.

Second, *it means we must go all out in sacrifice.* It is still the truth: to be a disciple and follow the Master, we must deny ourselves. We are in grave danger of losing our sacrificial spirit in these days of luxury, ease, and extravagant spending. The spirit of the times is slowly but surely creeping into our ranks. Late hours at night in ice cream parlors, looking at television and listening to ball games, and late hours in bed in the morning are not conducive to a spirit of prayer and sacrifice. If a dying world is reached with our gospel, we are going to have to spend more late and early hours in prayer and fasting, and less time in play and feasting. I have been an elder in our beloved church for twenty-two years, and have had close and personal knowledge of many of our ministers, and it is alarming how few ever fast a meal. The man in the pew will never rise higher than the preacher in the pulpit.

I am told of a Methodist pastor that wanted a revival in his community. He had to sacrifice and sell his cow, and his wife had to sell her sewing machine, to finance the meeting. The results were the conversion of the late Dr. R. T. Williams and fifty-four members added to his church. It was the spirit of prayer and sacrifice that established the kingdom of God in the days of the apostles; it was the same spirit in the early days of Methodism and the holiness movement, and certainly we can never succeed with anything less.

Third, *it will mean all out in service.* Much time will have to be given to personal visitation. After prayer and fasting, as well as with prayer and fasting, the personal touch is the method of God. In the above text it is going, weeping, sowing, and bringing with rejoicing. This is God's method, and it can't be improved upon. In a recent Sunday-school rally of about 250 Nazarenes and friends, the speaker put the following proposition: "How many were first brought to Christ and the church by the radio?" No one stood. "How many by newspaper adds or handbills?" No one stood. "How many," he asked again, "were brought the first time by a personal worker or a father or mother?" All stood. I believe in the radio, I believe in the newspaper, as well as other means; but, brethren and sisters, God has given us the key to the situation—prayer and fasting and testimony—and what a tragedy if we fail to use them!

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## ONLY ONE!

By Lloyd M. Hearn

*Do you sometimes answer to the Lord,  
When there is work that He wants done,  
"I'll do the mite my gifts afford—  
But, Lord, I'm only one"?*

*Have you not known afflicted Paul,  
Who conquered continents alone?  
Alone—but giving God his all—  
More than an army, though but one?*

*Have you not heard of Humble Bud,  
That stamm'ring, outcast Robinson,  
Who in effulgent glory stood—  
A miracle of God plus one?*

*There never was restraint on God  
To work by many or by few;  
But saints as giants still have trod  
By simple faith—the Word was true!*

*How can we make excuses small—  
Deny the call of God's own Son?  
The Saviour bore the tree for all—  
On Calvary's cross there was but One!*

## The Sage of Happy Hollow Sez:

In my day parents didn't give children an allowance. Certain duties were required to earn our bread and butter. Then special jobs were assigned for which a little money was given. One wise father offered a penny for every hundred weeds his children pulled. Perhaps our children would have a greater appreciation for honest labor if they worked for what they got. It is wrong to let them think that the world owes them a living. A Christian isn't always seeking something for nothing.

is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness" (Rom. 1:18).

We have held "the truth in unrighteousness." We have honored the dead of two world wars with a Bible in one hand and a bottle of booze in the other. We have taught our youth God's Word in our churches and evolution in our schools. We have sung, "More love to Thee, O Christ," on Sunday mornings and, "Show me the way to go home," on Saturday nights. We have tried to mix religion and whiskey, heaven and hell, God and the devil. We have held "the truth in unrighteousness"—so the Lord is going to judge our land by a wicked, diabolical force. He has said, "I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth" (Rev. 3:15-16).

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## This Tragic Hour

By Arthur H. Townsend\*

**P**AUL, THE APOSTLE, preached the gospel. He "wrote" the gospel, too. He wrote, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek" (Rom. 1:16). If we are ashamed to witness, preach or write the gospel, we are not of much value to the Lord. These are days of impending disaster. The greatest diabolical force in the world's history, so-called "Communism," is at our very door.

This force is not a political force; it is not a man-made thing. So-called Communism comes from the pit of hell. It is inspired of the devil. It is the spirit of antichrist. It is a devilish cat-and-mouse game; and woe betide the man or men who introduce such tactics into religion or business. Paul wrote, "Therefore thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest: for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou that judgest doest the same things. But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth against them which commit such things. And thinkest thou this, O man, that judgest them which do such things, and doest the same, that thou shalt escape the judgment of God?" (Rom. 2:1-3.)

In the light of God's Word, and as we look upon the world about us, we are made to realize that God's judgment day is not far off. Why is there such unrest in the world? Why is Britain losing her greatness, year after year? Why? Because God permits ungodly nations to punish backslidden nations. Read the history of Israel. At times she was the avenger under God. In her backslidden state God caused wicked nations to invade her, and she became the recipient of God's wrath. We cannot say that we are more righteous than past empires which have risen to splendors already dead. Paul wrote, "For the wrath of God

A missionary from Africa told me personally that the Russians already have a dictionary of the language of the tribe where he labors. A British official told him that he believes that they have but five years in which to work before Communism engulfs the land. The official is no little man, but high up in the affairs of the British government. He has his finger on the pulse of the trend of the times. Wake up! Judgment is coming. Things are moving fast the world around. We need to be jarred out of our smug complacency; we need to repent of our indifferent, lukewarm state; we need to realize that the judgment hour is almost here. There are two judgments. God will judge the earth in the last days before He judges the peoples of the ages at the Great White Throne Judgment. The Great Tribulation is coming. Paul wrote concerning it.

You say, "You predict no future for us; you offer us little time or security on this earth." You are right. That is exactly what I am trying to get across. You are breathing God's fresh air today; one day you will breathe fire and brimstone. Your home, which is your "god" today, will be a flaming conflagration or a rubble pile tomorrow. In place of passenger planes of peace, jet-judgment-warplanes and long-range atom-bomb carrying bombers will streak through your skies. Though we may build underground hangars and carve our fortresses out of solid rock, other nations will do likewise. We may retaliate, but our "retaliation" will be returned. Why? Because the days Paul declared would come are almost here—the judgment days of the Great Tribulation. Paul wrote, "But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape" (I Thess. 5:1-3).

Wherever you find a religion today that cries, "Peace and safety," in the light of God's Word and in the light of present-day and future-day

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events, you may brand that religion false. Whenever you hear a man crying and declaring, "Peace and safety," you may rest assured that he is a false prophet. God's Word is certain; His Book is sure. When Paul wrote, he presented God-given truth. Truth is needed today. We stand on the brink of the greatest cataclysmic upheaval that this world has ever known. With a bottle of booze in one hand and an evening gown in the other, we are laughing, joking, and dancing our way toward an atomic war and the judgment of the Great Tribulation.

Unless we repent, as a nation and peoples, we shall taste of the judgment wrath of Almighty God. Unless we repent individually and turn from sins and sinning, we shall die spiritually and eternally. Paul wrote, "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting" (Gal. 6: 7-8). He also wrote, "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (Rom. 5:17). Paul wrote the truth of God. It was the God-given Word of the living God. Let us give heed to God's Word.

## "My Heavenly Father"

By Paul D. Mangum\*

TEARS FILLED her eyes as she told me of how she had prayed when her children were small and she was in poor health, asking God to spare her life until her children were grown. Now at seventy years of age she lay ill once again. She said, "My Heavenly Father has given me much more than I have ever asked Him for."

In my heart I agreed, for I thought of the four grown daughters who, with their husbands, are faithful members of the Church of the Nazarene. The four men, members of the church board, are anxious to see the kingdom of God advance. I thought of the many grandchildren who were growing up in the church with a ringing testimony upon their lips. Their example had inspired other young people to draw nearer to God. Yes, her Heavenly Father had been good to her.

It didn't seem like a sick room; instead it was an inner sanctuary, for God was there, and that seemed all that mattered, even to her, as again she exclaimed, "I have a good Heavenly Father, and He is watching over me."

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"What constitutes a spirit of prayer? Is it many prayers and warm words? No. Prayer is the state of the heart."



Choose you this day  
whom ye will serve  
Josh. 24:15

## Little Things to Think About:

By Viola E. Hodge\*

### Thankful for Everything

... and at all times for all things give thanks to God, the Father, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ (Ephesians 5:20, Centenary).

IT SOUNDS like a command, doesn't it? Well it is, and a very necessary one, too, for praise and thanksgiving to God are a most important part of our worship. A thankful heart not only brings great joy to the Saviour, but also reacts in blessing on the individual himself.

It is easy enough to be thankful when business is prospering, the crops are good, and the family is well; but the real test comes with adversity or sorrow, or both. Someone may say, "But it isn't possible to be thankful for sorrow; in sorrow, perhaps—glad that things are not any worse—but not for grief or sorrow, surely." And so to them we say, "Yes, even for that, if it draws us closer to the Master and makes Him more real and precious to us." As the song writer says,

*It will be worth it all*

*When we see Jesus.*

*One glimpse of His dear face,*

*All sorrows will erase,*

*So bravely run the race*

*Till we see Him.*

Suffering is a vital part of the training, the perfecting, of the Christian. Only through suffering are we able to enter, in any degree, into Christ's sufferings for us; and only when we are comforted by Him can we comfort others with "the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God," and thus know the sweetness of being a blessing to the sad of heart. There is a richness of experience, a depth of maturity and understanding, that can be gained in no way except through suffering. There are the "hidden riches of secret places"; the pain and agony suffered alone in the dark place where no one else may go; then the consciousness of a Presence, and the healing "balm of Gilead" applied to the wounded spirit; and finally, submission and trust, peace, and a deep sense of thanksgiving when one says and means it, "Not my will, but Thine, be done."

Oh, yes, one can be thankful not only in sorrow, but for sorrow, able to say even through tear-dimmed eyes, "He doeth all things well!"

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## EPHESIANS (Art. XXX)

By H. Orton Wiley

### The Christian Warfare

*Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil (Eph. 6:10-14).*

**M**ACKNIGHT paraphrases the latter part of these verses as follows: "Put on the complete armor prepared by God for you, that being covered therewith from head to foot, ye may be able to stand firm in the day of battle, against the subtle methods of the devil, contrived for your destruction."

*The Complete Armor of God:* "Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand" (v. 11). Christians are engaged in a holy warfare against sin and the devil. It will be observed that, in order to succeed, we must put on the whole armour that God has prepared for us—that is, we must take advantage of all the provisions God has made for us in order to have victory. Those who, either from a lack of understanding or from self-will, fight in their own way and in their own strength must suffer defeat. We are to be "strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might" (v. 10).

*The Enemy in This Warfare:* We fight against a hierarchy of evil. "Flesh and blood" is a Hebraism which denotes mankind in general and, standing as it does here in opposition to wicked spirits, signifies wicked men in general who everywhere opposed the gospel and persecuted those who preached it. It can, therefore, be interpreted as fallen and corrupt humanity—the carnal mind, which is not subject to the law of God.

"Principalities" and "powers" cannot here mean the rulers of this world, but refer to evil spirits which are so called because of the power they exercise as rulers of darkness. "Spiritual wickedness" is literally the "spiritual things of wickedness," which is said to be in "high places" or the first heaven of the Hebrews, that is, the air, or the physical heavens above us. St. John, referring to the idolatry and wickedness of paganism, declares that the world lies in the wicked one (I John 5:19); and Michael and his angels make war with the devil and his angels in heaven, that is, the aerial regions above us. That there is a spiritual world containing the good and the bad, we cannot doubt: the fallen angels under Satan, their head, on the one hand, and the holy angels that kept their first estate on the other. We cannot meet these great forces of evil alone; but Christ has conquered them, and, fighting under Him as our Captain, we too shall conquer.

*The Strength of the Battle:* Macknight calls attention to the fact that the preposition *pros* or "with" is used five times in this verse, and is emphatic as showing the length and difficulty of the battle.

*The Tactics of the Enemy:* "The wiles of the devil" (6:11b). These "subtle methods" are seduction and delusion. In the temptation of Christ, the suggestions of Satan may be summed up and characterized by three words—*doubt*, *ambition*, and *presumption*. The first temptation, as always, was to doubt; the second, to unholy ambition; and the third, to presumption. Again, the first temptation was to an abuse of power, the second to misuse of means, and the third to a perversion of ends. Satan tried all these on our Lord but hopelessly failed. He will try them on every Christian; but those who put on the whole armor of God and fight under the leadership of the Captain of their salvation will

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## Oh, Soon I Shall See Him!

By Alice Hansche Mortenson

*Oh, soon I shall see Him, my wonderful Lord,  
From whose hands all the riches of grace were  
outpoured*

*On my soul so unworthy; whose own blood  
was shed.*

*Though I was the sinner, He suffered instead.  
Oh, I shall be glad when the long day is done,  
And into His presence He bids me to come;*

*When the curtain is lifted His face to reveal,  
And at last I can thank Him. But how will I  
feel*

*If I go empty-handed, no souls to lay down  
At the feet of my Saviour, no stars for His crown?*

*Nothing for Him who has given His all?  
It would seem brokenhearted before Him I'd fall!*

*The thought of it kindles a burning desire  
To magnify Him—a passionate fire  
Of love for the lost. I would seek them today.  
I would plead with them gently and lovingly  
pray,*

*Counting no sacrifice too much to make  
If I can but gather some jewels for His sake.*

*Oh, soon I shall see Him, my wonderful Lord,  
From whose hands all the riches of grace were  
outpoured!*

*Oh, I shall be glad when the long day is done,  
And into His presence He bids me to come.  
But let me go laden with gems to lay down  
At the feet of my Saviour, bright stars for His  
crown!*

also be able to stand victoriously in the day of battle.

Satan is a liar from the beginning, and his kingdom is based upon darkness and delusion. He can be effectually defeated only by the introduction of righteousness and truth. He is spoken of as a lion for his power, a dragon for his fierceness, and a serpent for his wiles. He has the skill of the fowler to lay his nets and superhuman energy to carry his diabolical plans into effect. He always begins modestly with doubt, and then leads on quickly, if these doubts are entertained, to unholy ambition and presumption.

## "You Can't Fence Us In!"

By Earl C. Wolf\*

**S**LAVE LABOR in Egypt! It almost sounds like the twentieth century with its concentration camps and oppressed peoples. For a period of seventy years before the death of Joseph and for two hundred and sixty years more the Israelites enjoyed a thriving, happy, and prosperous life. Then came a revolutionary change. A new

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Pharaoh assumed the rule of Egypt and the shepherd people were enslaved, were forced to work in the fields and irrigation ditches, were driven to make bricks without straw under the burning Oriental sun, and were constantly oppressed by the crack of the cruel taskmaster's whip.

What shall we do when life fences us in? George F. Pentecost said, "Salvation begins with a sigh." It is not the casual, heartless prayer that brings God to our rescue. It is the cry out of the deep need of the soul. In the time of their peril the Hebrew people remembered the God of Abraham, the God of their fathers, the God who knows and understands human sorrow and need. The bondage had become unbearable and the night dark and long. Then they cried to God and found One who looked upon their despair and delivered them. In the time of national and personal distress, we would do well to seek the face of the living God.

When your world goes to pieces, have faith in the unfailing love of God. When the brook Cherith dried up, Elishah relied upon the leading of the Lord. When Moses stood before the impassable Red Sea, he found help in the God of the impossible. When you have been severely shaken by the storms, rely on those things that are unshakable. When Elishah was in difficulty at Dothan, he trusted in the unlimited resources of God. When life hems us in until we know not whence to turn, let us implicitly and simply trust.

Divine delays are not denials. If God does not answer immediately, we must not assume that He has refused our petition or is not interested in our need. Keep on praying and trusting. God did deliver the Hebrew people from their slavery and distress and from their house of bondage. In the providences of a loving God, a leader was being prepared to be the human instrument in the hand of God for the deliverance of His people. When circumstances hem you in, keep believing, and the God who delivered the Israelites "will come and save you." The delays are a means of discipline in our lives and work out for our good.

Dictators and their methods ultimately fail. Pharaoh and his regime succeeded for a time, and then the people recoiled and rebelled against their slavery and forced labor. The principles of dictatorship which rob men of their freedom and disregard human rights are unsound and cannot ultimately succeed. If we have not so suffered, we cannot fully understand what the oppressed peoples of earth are going through now. We know not how sore is the trial of those behind the iron curtain, in Korea, and in nations where human personality and rights are not given proper respect. We do believe, however, that the God who delivered the Hebrew people from bondage and slavery in ancient Egypt will not turn a deaf ear to the distressed of our world today.

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## Take Reckoning

By Walter E. Isenhour

*Whatever makes your faith grow weak  
And dims the path you walk;  
Whatever makes your soul less meek,  
Or causes useless talk;  
Whatever hinders you in prayer  
And keeps you from your knees,  
It's wise to view such things with care  
Which wreck you by degrees.*

*Whatever robs your soul of peace  
And keeps God's grace shut out,  
It's good to see that this should cease  
And clear the mind of doubt;  
And then renew your line of thought,  
Your life of prayer and work,  
Where once the Holy Spirit wrought  
Ere you began to shirk.*

*Whatever adds to faith and love,  
To righteousness and hope;  
Whatever helps you look above  
And strongly, bravely cope  
With evil forces that demand  
That you surrender all;  
Accept those graces from God's hand  
And know you shall not fall.*

# A Divine Trilogy

By Harvey J. Blaney\*

**T**HE MOST FAMOUS trilogy in the Bible—faith, hope, and love—finds a slight change in form to become faith, work, and love in Galatians 5:6. While in the first the three are seen on a graduating scale, each being lost sight of in the shadow cast by the other until love stands supreme, here faith and love are joined by a very prosaic word, one which causes the other two to lose somewhat of their poetic and strictly spiritual cast and to take upon them a very practical significance. While faith and love are still pre-eminent, work joins them in a new emphasis and they become better known by this new company they keep.

Faith is of necessity an active thing, because it refers to relationship between persons. It is a part of everyday human associations, and is central in fellowship with God. It is never pictured in Scripture as being a forced, turbulent, regimented something, but as the very atmosphere of divine fellowship. To some good people, faith means the believing of God for some outstanding accomplishment, and is little more than an easy means of getting things from God; and so faith depends largely upon answers to their prayers, and even upon what they would call miracles. Circumstances cause their faith to ebb and flow, now up, now down, now hot, now cold. But this is not true faith.

Faith is first of all faithfulness in our relationship to God, as if we were to say, "We can expect God to be faithful to us and our needs only when we have been faithful to Him and His will for us." The man who has faith for a revival only after there have been a few good altar services, and then begins to work for the revival, is not talking about faith, but feeling. The man who claims to have faith in his church and the gospel for which it stands, yet sits idly by while others carry the load, is denying his claim by his actions and is void of the faith which moves mountains, crosses rivers, and attempts great things for God. Faith works! It is instant in season and out of season. Faith is faithfulness, and the one who would know the rich harvest of great faith will plant the mustard seed of Jesus' parable and labor faithfully until the time of harvest. His faith is demonstrated and strengthened by his faithfulness.

However, all we have suggested thus far might very well prove most unsatisfying, having the force only of a good formula. Here is where love comes in. Faith and work are joined together in the vehicle of love, making the formula both palatable and workable. It is so on the purely human plane. The home which enjoys mutual faith among the members, and where each is faithful to the other, is the home where love reigns.

It is so also on the Christian level. The people who have faith, faith that works, faith that is

faithful, are those who love the Lord with all their heart, soul, mind, and strength and their neighbor as themselves. Love is the fulfilling of the law of faith. Ours is a fellowship of love, where faith answers to faith. For did not He say, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life"?

## THE EVANGELISTIC PULPIT:

### The Gateway to the Kingdom

By P. P. Belew\*

**R**EGENERATION is the gateway to the kingdom of God. Hence, Nicodemus, the learned rabbi who "came to Jesus by night," was told, "Ye must be born again" ("from above," R.V.). Divine communion, Christian fellowship, evangelical perfection, and all the benefits to which the child of God is heir depend upon this. For, "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God."



Although as mysterious in its operation as the wind, the birth of the Spirit is a definite experience, whose course has been charted and its effects determined. Like electricity, it challenges the thought of the wisest, yet may be enjoyed by the least intelligent. For, "If any man will do his will," says Jesus, "he shall know of the doctrine." Yes, says Paul, "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God."

The words "born from above" locate its source. It is not material and natural; it is spiritual and supernatural. Church membership and water baptism may result from it, but are not essential to it and cannot produce it. We are "born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."

It is called the new birth because it marks the beginning of a new life. It quickens spiritually those "who were dead in trespasses and sins." It transforms one morally into "a new creature." "Old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." It gives a new heart, a new spirit, a new joy, a new walk. It creates an internal resistance to evil which keeps us from sinning, promotes love of the brethren, and saves from the hatred of enemies.

"How can these things be?" By submission to, and faith in, Jesus Christ. For, "Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven"; and, "Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God."

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## It's Fun to Be Faithful

By B. V. Seals\*

This thought came to me as I sat on the platform during a revival meeting recently when the congregation was made up of the faithful few of the church. "There is a great inner joy in being faithful."

It's fun to come to the revival when others with only a casual interest have gone to some other activity. It's fun to keep the revival going until they get back. It's fun to come on time and keep the singing alive until others arrive. It's fun to pay my tithe every week, so the church will be operating for the people who occasionally decide to make a contribution. It's fun to go to church twice on Sunday, so if a sinner comes Sunday night he can find God. It's fun to be faithful to the whole leadership of our great church and every part of its program, so that we can tell God we helped in every way we could.

It's fun to be faithful!

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## A Poser for Papa

By Edwin R. Anderson\*

IT HAD BEEN a grand, giddy, gala evening, these many years ago, now, in one of the more luxurious homes on the "fine side" of Paris. The Parisian elite of politics and society were there in all their finesse and finery, for here was a rare occasion indeed. An honored guest was in their midst; and such a guest! A traveler from America, he was engaged in touring Europe together with his little daughter. All Europe had heard of him and desired to see him. What shrewd combination of wit and wisdom was his!

And throughout that evening the little daughter sat in a corner, alone and apart. Daddy was eyed through wide, curious eyes. How he was surrounded by all of these splendid people! And did not Daddy seem to know them quite well, too? Or perhaps here, as in the other places, he had "dressed up the thought" of so knowing them.

But now the evening had worn to its close. The elite were leaving with many a bow, with many an expression of appreciation for the privilege of meeting this charming, witty traveler from far-off America. Here and there servants were hurrying about, removing dishes, setting out lights. And now at last the honored guest beckoned to his little girl.

"Come, my dear. It is rather late for you. And do you know? I am quite tired as well, by all of this."

She rose slowly from her cornered place, approaching him with eyes orbbed with the trace

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of curiosity and question. The father knitted his brow. Strange, but she had never looked at him that way before.

"Papa, I have been thinking and wondering. I would like very much to ask you one question."

He bent down and put an arm around her small shoulder. "Only one question, my dear? And you are so good at asking thousands!"

But she did not smile. She just stood there, eyeing him. And then, from the lips of this little girl, there came this profound query, "Papa, you know everybody except God, don't you?"

You have probably guessed who "Papa" is, by now, for the story is quite familiar. He was the famous American humorist, Mark Twain.

"You know everybody except God, don't you?" The short, sharp question of a little girl, simply asked, yet so searching that no humor could ever hope to hide it, and no joke of jaded spirit could ever joggle it away!

To know everyone—except God, that is the most numbing negative in all the world. To know everything except God's salvation through the Lord Jesus Christ—why, that is the most positive peril with which a soul may be charged!

If someone should ask you that question, how would you reply? Especially in the light of that clear word from the warning of Christ, "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" (Mark 8:36-37). Just how would you reply?

## The Tenth Is the Lord's

By E. E. Wordsworth\*

MALACHI plainly said, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it" (Mal. 3:10).

But let us consider some objections to tithing. "I can't afford to tithe." But you can. You know it always pays to be honest—honest with the grocer, the butcher, the milkman—and with God. And being honest brings rich reward, blessing, consolation, peace. Then how do you know if you have not tried systematic tithing? Try it and see.

"Will I get rich if I tithe?" This suggests a very selfish motive for considering the subject, and selfishness is sin. A few have become wealthy by the practice of tithing, but not many. However, by the law of averages, we know that tithers do better than non-tithers. Paying tithes will not alter natural conditions nor improve your abilities and qualifications, but it will give

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you a sense of stewardship, advance your spiritual and temporal benefits, and protect you against many "devourers." If you are saved and sanctified, humble and victorious, claim the promises of God and He will not fail you.

"I'll tithe when I get out of debt." I knew a man that argued thus, but I noticed he always planned never to get completely out of debt. Foolish reasoning! Be honest with God. Don't forget that tithing is a debt, a racial law, a moral principle, a Christian obligation.

Tithing pays in so many ways, temporally, spiritually, and in usefulness. It pays in happiness, joy, blessing. It lifts you to a higher and fuller life. It deepens and broadens you. It brings real soul satisfaction and peace. It puts you in line for the fulfillment of God's promises in your behalf. It honors God, advances His kingdom, rebukes the devourer, opens the windows of heaven, secures for you a blessing, and brings

you into right relationship with God.

An old Jewish shepherd had a flock of sheep, and the Lord said, "You make all these sheep pass under the rod," which means that he was to make them go through a narrow place where they would be counted. The shepherd had a rod with red paint on it, and he would count one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine; and when the tenth sheep came by, he would strike it with the rod on its head. Every tenth sheep was touched with the rod and red paint. Yes, every one, the black sheep, the white sheep, the little sheep, the big sheep—every tenth one was set aside for the Lord. So the Lord counts our dollars, our corn, our bales of cotton, our potatoes, our pay checks, our salaries, our income, and says, "The tenth is the Lord's." Will you obey Him?

*Trust and obey, for there's no other way  
To be happy in Jesus but to trust and obey.*

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## Home Missions and Evangelism

*Roy F. Smee, Secretary*

### Touring The Abilene District

IT WAS MY privilege during the latter part of November and the first part of December to tour the Abilene (Texas) District with Superintendent Orville Jenkins. The tour was in the interest of the home missionary revolving fund which is being raised throughout the district. The money is earmarked for building purposes in starting new churches. An original donation of almost \$5,000 from one of the good laymen of the district inspired the project and additional contributions were made which, with the money raised on the tour, made a total of nearly \$20,000 for the fund.

The spirit of these Texas Nazarenes was a real inspiration. The district was covered through zone meetings, which were well attended, and the appeal of the revolving fund received a ready response in the minds of practical-thinking laymen of the district. They gave freely and with enthusiasm.

Every evidence indicated that Brother Jenkins has the 100 per cent cooperation of his pastors and people. They appreciate his aggressive and challenging objectives. They value his ability to invest home missionary money wisely and are willing to trust his judgment in future planning. There was a high spiritual tone in every service. The future of the Abilene District with Brother and Sister Jenkins leading is bright.

### NEW CHURCHES

District Superintendent Edward Lawlor has organized three new churches in Alberta, making a total for the quadrennium of twelve for the Canada West District. The Park-Allen Church in Edmonton is our fourth church in that city. The other churches are at Kalkirk and Wainwright.

Four new churches have been organized by District Superintendent John L. Knight on the Florida District. They are the Suburbia Church at Gainesville (Rev. Marvin F. Zimmerman, pastor), Belle Glade (Rev. P. E. Nelson, pastor), the Lawndale Church at Orlando (Rev. Henry Cooper, pastor), and Auburndale (Rev. Fred Bouse, pastor). Florida has eleven churches this quadrennium.

District Superintendent Victor E. Gray has organized at Deer Lodge, White Wing, and Pleasant Green. There is a total of twenty-two new churches this quadrennium on the East Tennessee District.

District Superintendent Mack Anderson has organized a new church at Griffin, Georgia. Rev. Ewing White is the pastor. This is the nineteenth new church on the Georgia District this quadrennium.

District Superintendent J. A. McNatt has organized a new church at

Unity, Oregon, with twelve charter members. The membership has increased to eighteen, and they are planning to begin building soon. The groundwork for this church was laid by a lady who held a daily vacation Bible school in Unity for two summers. Rev. Lyle Higgins is the pastor. This is the seventh new church on the Idaho-Oregon District.

In December a fine new church was organized in Farmington, New Mexico, by District Superintendent R. C. Gunstream. This is a growing town of 5,000 and is a special project of the New Mexico District. Lots are now being purchased and a building will be erected. There are six new churches in the New Mexico District.

District Superintendent Paul Updike has a new church at Geneva on the Northeastern Indiana District, with fifteen charter members. Rev. Homer Habegger is the pastor. They have their own church building. This is the tenth new church for this district during the quadrennium.

District Superintendent George Coulter has organized a new church at Tracy on the Northern California District. Rev. N. B. Graham is the pastor. This district now has twenty new churches during the quadrennium.

District Superintendent E. E. Zachary has organized the Bethel Church in Yakima on the Northwest District. This is the eighth during the quadrennium.

## I Like Our Organizational Setup!

**A**LL MEMBERS of the Church of the Nazarene and many of our friends are beginning to think about the General Assembly which will convene in June of this year. This body meets once every four years and "is the supreme doctrine-expressing and lawmaking and elective authority of the Church of the Nazarene, subject to the provisions of the Church Constitution." The General Assembly is a democratic organization representing every phase of our work and every section of our international church. At its quadrennial gathering it checks on what has been done during the past four years and then outlines our program for the coming four years. It also elects the general officers and boards which are to guide our church during the next four years under the leadership of the Holy Spirit.

The members of the General Board, like the general superintendents and other general officers, are elected by the General Assembly. Then the General Board elects from its number the members of the following departments: Foreign Missions, Home Missions and Evangelism, Ministerial Relief, Publication, Education, and Church Schools. The General Board and the departments meet annually in Kansas City and under the leadership of the Board of General Superintendents check on the activities of all departments and phases of our church. What has been done during the past year and the plans for the coming year are carefully appraised. Thus we have not only the over-all supervision of the General Assembly once every four years but also the more detailed guidance by the general superintendents and the General Board during the time between the meetings of the General Assembly.

I am not a member of the General Board but have had the privilege of attending several of its sessions during the past few years. After having had this firsthand knowledge of its work, under the direction of the general superintendents as well as that of the General Assembly across the years, I say with as much emphasis as possible: *I like our organizational setup!* It is democratic! It provides frequent and thorough checkups. All past activities are carefully appraised, and all plans and programs for the future are examined in detail before permission is given for them to be launched. Through the General Assembly with its quadrennial meetings, the General Board with its annual meetings, and the constant supervision of every department of our church by our general superintendents, the Church of the Nazarene is guaranteed under God a high level of efficiency and genuine spirituality. I like our organizational setup!

Pray for the coming General Assembly, pray for our general superintendents, and pray for the General Board with its six departments.

# EDITORIALS

## More Reports

**I**N LAST WEEK'S issue of the HERALD OF HOLINESS I gave you excerpts from the following reports to the General Board: General Secretary, Stewardship Committee, General Treasurer, Foreign Missions, Home Missions and Evangelism, Church Schools, Nazarene Young People's Society, Education, and Nazarene Publishing House. This week I present some high lights from the Nazarene Servicemen's Commission, the Christian Service Training Commission, the Junior Society Commission, the Department of Ministerial Benevolence, Nazarene News Service, and the Nazarene Radio League.

### The Nazarene Servicemen's Commission

**D**R. L. J. DuBois, secretary of the Servicemen's Commission, names our Nazarene chaplains and tells something of their work, briefly speaks of our post pastors, and outlines the program of the Servicemen's Commission in the following paragraphs:

As could be expected, we have seen an increase in the number of men in the chaplains' corps this year. At the present time there are eighteen chaplains in the military service and two in the Veterans Administration. Those in the army are: Alden D. Grim, Lloyd W. Hail, George C. Laurie, James E. Morris, Chester O. Mulder, Conley D. Pate, Lyle W. Robinson, Herbert J. Van Vorce, Paul E. Winslow, and Charles M. Crouch. Those in the air force are: Elbert L. Atkinson, Claude L. Chilton, J. Lowell George, Everett Penrod, and Geren C. Roberts. Those in the navy are: Cecil Ewell, Reginald A. Berry, and Albert S. M. Kirkland. Those in the Veterans Administration are Archel Meredith and Harry L. Jeter.

There will be some shifting in this list in the next few months. Several of these men are due for separation from the service. Several other men have applied for commission as chaplains, and no doubt some of them will be in uniform this time next year.

The reports which are coming from the chaplains monthly are encouraging. In most cases they have splendid opportunities to do vital work for God in their posts. All report the evangelistic potential outstanding. One chaplain, Herbert Van Vorce, reported 200 men saved or sanctified at his altars this past year.

We are made aware that here is a group of ministers who are representing the Church of the Nazarene in the military service. They are doing a good job as the spiritual leaders of their men, and they are recording some valuable chapters in the history of our church.

*Post Pastors:* A word should be said also about the vital link in our servicemen's work made possible by the pastors located near the military bases. We have had to depend upon these men to carry much of the load of our contact program with our service fellows. Their churches have given them time to do this extra

# Stephen S. White

and sometimes frustrating work. They have planned well and have labored diligently to be faithful to every one of our servicemen located at their particular bases and others who come into the services from time to time. Through these post pastors we are able to save a great number of our fellows. Through them also a great number of men who never have had contact with our church are being saved and sanctified. The reports from these men are thrilling and gratifying.

*Program:* We have been pursuing the program which was outlined by the Commission a little over a year ago. This includes: (1) providing billfold identification cards to local pastors to give to their servicemen, (2) sending periodicals to service personnel, (3) providing materials to chaplains and those serving as chaplains, (4) notifying post pastors and Nazarene chaplains of the arrival of men at the respective military posts, (5) keeping contact with the servicemen, giving them addresses of nearest Nazarene churches and other pertinent information, and sending them tracts and reading materials to suit specific spiritual needs.

## The Junior Society Commission

**T**HE JUNIOR SOCIETY COMMISSION, of which Rev. Roy. E. Swim is chairman and Mrs. Elizabeth Hodges is secretary, showed a gain in number of societies of 51, and an increase of 223 in membership. The total giving of the Junior Societies for 1951 was \$37,360, a gain of \$3,112 over 1950.

## The Christian Service Training Commission

**T**HE CHRISTIAN Service Training Commission, of which Dr. Albert F. Harper is chairman and Rev. Norman R. Oke is secretary and director, presented these facts as to its progress during the four years now closing:

	1948	1949	1950	1951
Number of classes	1,190	1,182	1,278	1,381
Churches holding classes	652	820	1,010	1,289
Districts participating	54	60	62	64
Credits issued—				
Local classes	9,718	13,100	14,995	16,598
N.Y.P.S. Institutes	6,283	8,022	8,543	8,412
Home Study	41	44	46	53
From other denominations		142	69	51
<b>Total credits issued</b> .....	<b>16,042</b>	<b>21,308</b>	<b>23,653</b>	<b>25,114</b>

There are two significant things that should be drawn to your attention. The number of Nazarenes taking part in this lay training enterprise has increased from 16,142 in 1948 to 25,114 in 1951—an increase of 55 per cent. The number of local churches engaging in this training program has increased from 652 in 1948 to 1,289 in 1951—an increase of nearly 100 per cent.

There are two other paragraphs in this report which I want our people everywhere to read:

**O**UR PEOPLE are interested in missions. They are standing by our world-wide program of evangelism with their prayers and money. This is evidenced by the number of recent appointees to the foreign mission fields. With the permission of Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt, the executive secretary for the Department of Foreign Missions, I present a list of those who are to go to the various fields during 1952:

Miss Grace Abila, R.N.	<i>Africa</i>
Rev. and Mrs. Donald Ault	<i>British Guiana</i>
Miss Mary Bagley, R.N.	<i>Africa</i>
Rev. and Mrs. Merrill S. Bennett	<i>Japan</i>
Rev. and Mrs. Ardee Coolidge	<i>Cuba</i>
Dr. and Mrs. Ira Cox*	<i>India</i>
Rev. and Mrs. Lawrence Faul	<i>Barbados</i>
Rev. and Mrs. William Gollieher	<i>Peru</i>
Rev. and Mrs. Wesley Harmon	<i>Trinidad</i>
Miss Mary Harper, R.N.	<i>India</i>
Rev. and Mrs. Hubert Helling	<i>Japan</i>
Miss Esther Howard, R.N.	<i>India</i>
Rev. and Mrs. James Hudson	<i>Guatemala</i>
Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Karker	<i>Africa</i>
Rev. and Mrs. Earl Morgan	<i>Italy</i>
Miss Leah Nelson, R.N.	

### *General Appointment*

Rev. and Mrs. Oather Perkinson	<i>Argentina</i>
Rev. and Mrs. Adrian Rosa	<i>Philippine Islands</i>
Miss Norine Roth, R.N.	<i>Peru</i>
Rev. and Mrs. Clare St. John	<i>Nicaragua</i>
Rev. and Mrs. Philip Steigleder	<i>Africa</i>
Miss Frances Vine	<i>Philippine Islands</i>
Rev. and Mrs. Alexander Wachtel*	<i>Israeli</i>
Rev. and Mrs. J. Elton Wood	<i>Cape Verde Islands</i>
Rev. and Mrs. Leonard York	<i>British Honduras</i>

\*Appointed prior to January

During the past year we have added to our textbook strength. *Bible Holiness*, by Dr. E. P. Ellyson, is being reissued as a fine addition to our doctrinal texts. Several others are in the process of preparation by our own writers. We are also steadily seeking for texts from outside sources that are nearer to our scriptural and theological position.

The Home Bible Course is coming into the stage where it can soon begin its ministry, and through 1952 will rapidly expand. We appreciate the fine co-operation and helpful assistance given to our work by Dr. Samuel Young, the representative from the Board of General Superintendents.

## Department of Ministerial Benevolence

**T**HE LATTER PART of the report of Mr. M. Lunn, secretary of the Department of Ministerial Benevolence, will be of special interest to all of our people. It shows that during 1950-51 more than \$151,000 was paid out in this wonderful work. It reads as follows:

Realizing that we are dealing with sacred funds, we have endeavored to the best of our ability to conserve the funds and at the same time to, with the approval of the Board of General Superintendents, minister to the needs of the ones who qualify for consideration.

For your information, we have prepared a Comparative Statement of Allowances for the past seven years.

Year	Permanent	Emergency (Temporary)
1944-45	\$ 41,257.78	\$ 1,900.00
1945-46	58,191.60	2,570.00
1946-47	81,902.35	2,455.00
1947-48	94,279.40	2,899.50
1948-49	111,209.46	3,895.03
1949-50	131,950.00	4,820.00
1950-51	148,794.29	2,913.00

As of November 20, 1951, we were assisting 130 widows and 267 elders (men and women).

For another year, it has been a blessed privilege to serve the men and women who now look to the church for encouragement as well as sustenance. The monthly checks remind them that the Church of the Nazarene has not forgotten them.

## Nazarene Radio League

DR. T. W. WILLINGHAM, executive director of the Nazarene Radio League, gave a condensed statement of the financial condition of our Radio League, and then added these two brief paragraphs:

The financial report speaks for itself. There are no unpaid bills on hand, a cash balance of over \$4,000, and programs produced ten weeks in advance.

Each year has shown an increase in station outlets. The number on April 30, 1951, was 329 as compared with 288 on April 30, 1950.

In addition to these words from Dr. Willingham's regular report to the General Board for the fiscal year ending April 30, 1951, I present some facts from a later report:

### INFORMATION CONCERNING "SHOWERS OF BLESSING"

Total cost of broadcast .....\$354,048.15

This expense is shared as follows:

Air time donated by stations .....61%

Air time paid by churches .....22%

Home Missions Budget and allotment 14%

Mail contributions ..... 3%

The program is currently carried on 337 stations

Stations airing the program free ....175

Sponsored broadcasts .....162

Surely God has helped Dr. Willingham in his work with the Radio League. As a church we are getting many outlets for our program without any cost. This means that we are paying but little comparatively speaking for the number of people reached through our radio broadcasts.

## Nazarene News Service

IN ORDER to acquaint our people with this somewhat unknown phase of our work, I shall print the larger portion of the report of Dr. S. T. Ludwig, its director. His words will give our readers a better understanding of the importance of the Nazarene News Service. They read as follows:

Nazarene News Service has been set up for but one purpose, and that is to make known the work of the Church of the Nazarene by means of the press, both religious and secular. In this manner we feel a more favorable climate can be created throughout the United States and around the world so that the local, district, and general church may carry on its soul-saving ministry with greater effectiveness . . . .

To give you a better idea of the activities carried on, let me give a brief review of some of the things we have done the last few weeks. They are as follows:

- Releases and mats sent out—700
- Glossies and cuts—15
- Stories in *Kansas City Star* (some on Associated Press)—7
- Write-ups in interdenominational magazines—3
- General news releases (to all district superintendents)—2
- Missionary write-ups—5
- Write-ups for Visual Art—20
- Biographical questionnaires sent out—182

Looking forward to the General Assembly, publicity needs will quadruple. The Publicity Committee of the General Assembly has assigned to Nazarene News Service the task of giving full newspaper and magazine coverage before, during, and after this quadrennial gathering.

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One day at a time is the way the Word of God teaches us we should try to live. Is it not true that the reason our burdens seem so heavy and the anxieties we face so fearful is that while we are living today we are also trying to live yesterday over again and seeking at the same time to anticipate what tomorrow will bring? The accumulated burdens of the past and present and future, taken together, may be too much for us. But today's burden—that, with God's help, we can bear today! Whatever our need of courage and faith—for today—He will provide if we will trust Him and go forward.—*Christian Observer*.

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## GUIDANCE

By Clarence E. Flynn

*There are so many crossroads of decision,  
So many mysteries we do not know;  
There are so many voices of division,  
We find it hard to see the way to go.*

*The human will is evermore insisting,  
The voices of the world are ever near.  
The soul must sometimes find it hard resisting,  
And the heart fail the still, small voice to hear.*

*God often sounds a call past understanding,  
And challenges to pathways yet untried.  
Flesh often shrinks from Duty's stern demanding,  
Unmindful of the One they crucified.*

*Often the human will misguides our going,  
Our wisdom fails despite our golden dreams.  
Safe is the guidance of the Ever-knowing,  
And He will bring us where His promise gleams.*

# Religious News and Comments

*Edited by Delbert R. Gish*

**T**HE AGE of some scrolls of the Book of Isaiah which were discovered a few years ago in a Palestine cave has been established by the use of atomic energy measurement. The process called for burning the linen coverings of the scrolls to pure carbon and then testing the residue by a special Geiger counter. One thousand nine hundred seventeen years was the age determined. However, the scientists said that an error of perhaps a century either too much or too little might be possible. These scrolls were believed to be from about the time of Christ when they were found. Scientific confirmation of beliefs about ancient documents is not unusual, but the application of atomic science in such matters is especially interesting.

Under a ruling by an Ohio judge the game of Bingo is a lottery and illegal under Ohio constitutional law. This decision reverses one made in another situation in May, 1951, in which charity Bingo was given a green light. The law states that "lotteries and the sale of lottery tickets for any purpose whatsoever shall be prohibited in this state." The more recent ruling affected eight organizations including churches, the American Legion, and hospital guilds. Judge Cecil J. Randall handed down the later ruling.

It is difficult to grasp the toll of destruction revealed by the figures on automobile-caused deaths and injuries in the United States. Thirty-five million persons injured and one million persons killed! Few among us have not been among the sufferers either by personal injury or bereavement. Yet when we think about it, we know that the automobile need not be such a destroyer. No one seriously proposes that we should ban it from public thoroughfares. The states are gradually getting some different perspective on the problem and are weeding out irresponsible drivers more effectively. One necessity is to eliminate tipsy drivers entirely. Christians must rally to help. It is not the part of Christian love to tolerate this menace. This is one of the situations in which the tolerant attitude is evil and wrong.

On Sunday, January 13, an unusual dedication service was performed in the First Church of the Nazarene of Kansas City, Missouri. Three babies were presented for dedication. The mothers of two of the babies are

double cousins, their mothers being sisters and their fathers being brothers. Both grandfathers are ministers and were present to perform the dedications. Two great-grandfathers, Reverend Joseph N. Speakes and Mr. Edward Edwards, Sr., stood with the group. Both of these men are great-grandfathers to both of the children. Dr. Speakes gave the prayer of benediction for the babies, Daniel Lynn Farrand and Linda Anne Silvey. A number of other relatives of the two families were present for the service. The third baby, Carol Lynne Sanford, was the infant daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Thaine Sanford and was dedicated by General Superintendent G. B. Williamson.

One truth which must have been apparent to many from this occasion was that Christ and the Christian religion provide a sure foundation for homes of stability, unity, and usefulness.

A new law outlawing all forms of racial discrimination has been enacted by the Brazilian government. Stiff penalties are to be imposed on any Brazilians who fail to treat persons of all races on equal terms in hotels, schools, stores, and like places. Public officials who make unfair discriminations will be dismissed from office in addition to receiving the regular penalty of fines and imprisonment.

Toward the rebuilding of the Catholic hospital which burned at Effingham, Illinois, in April, 1949, ten Protestants have collected over a half million dollars.

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## THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON

*By Norman R. Oke*

**Topic for February 10: The Decisions of Two Rich Men**

**Scripture: Luke 18:18-30; 19:1-10**

**(Printed, Luke 18:18-23; 19:1-10)**

**GOLDEN TEXT:** *Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it (Matthew 7:13-14).*

### LEARN TO UNLOAD

Matthew puts these words in the lips of the rich ruler, "What lack I yet?" However this is really improperly worded, for it was not what the young man lacked that was hindering him, but what he had *too much of!* Jesus recognized this and so bluntly told him to unload.

This is no brief for poverty, nor a suggestion that penury is an automatic road to spiritual greatness. Neither is there the inference that wealth is inevitably a ticket to soul ruin. But this one thing is sure—only the "poor in spirit" ever find the kingdom of Heaven. All must come to the place where they sense their need of that which the check-book cannot buy, namely, trust in God; and every man must not possess so

much that his dependence on God is destroyed. In that case he, too, must unload.

If the possession of wealth has throttled faith till it is bloodless, then whittle down the funds by lavish gifts to the cause of God. If an average level of income is where we find it the easiest to keep a good contact with God, then let's stalwartly refuse to accumulate beyond that point. That was John Wesley's advice. *Let's learn to unload.*

The publican faced a similar situation. Zaccheus had a storehouse full of ill-gotten gains that was beginning to depress his conscience. To him Jesus is recorded as saying nothing about unloading, but he somehow caught the idea and we still marvel at the blunt and positive way he went about it. His problem, too, was not what he lacked but what he had too much of.

Dear Lord, help us learn how to unload!

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# FOREIGN MISSIONS

*Remiss Rehfeldt, Secretary*

## Current Flashes

MISS LORRAINE SCHULTZ sailed to Lisbon, Portugal, on January 3, 1952, where she will begin the study of Portuguese in preparation for further service in Portuguese East Africa.

Miss Elizabeth Clark is scheduled to sail from Africa to her native Scotland this January. Also furloughing from Africa are Miss Louise Long and Miss Dorothy Beville, who will arrive in New Orleans early in February.

A new arrival has come to the home of Rev. and Mrs. Morris Chalfant, of Transvaal, South Africa. Nancy Joan Chalfant was born on December 30, 1951.

## Spencers

### Welcomed in Africa

On Christmas Day we arrived at the mission station at Acornhoek and it was really like a Christmas present just to get here. We were tired of travel; but it was not a sense of relief from travel, but rather a feeling of joy that we had at last come to the place where we were to labor in the calling which God had given us, that moved our hearts. We felt at home at once and have been very happy since that we are here.

Brother Schmelzenbach met us about seventy-five miles from Acornhoek and brought us the remainder of the way in his pickup. As we drove into his driveway we were welcomed by natives who lined both sides of the driveway, singing and waving branches. Needless to say, we were deeply moved and felt anew that we were just where God wanted us. We feel the immense task of this type of work more and more and know that we must rely upon God. Please pray for us.—D. H. SPENCER, *Transvaal*.

## Peru Reports Gains

Since the beginning of the fiscal year—or since the first of June—our Chiclayo church reports over forty professions of faith through the various departments of the church. This, with reports from several other congregations, makes the total of professions for the fiscal year thus far well over one hundred. Your prayers for these “babes in Christ” will be deeply appreciated. We cannot judge as to how many of these will stand true. Many times people go forward to the altar of prayer with other motives in mind than to seek the Lord as their Saviour, but we have to keep

in mind their background and do our best to instruct them further in the way of salvation until they will become definitely transformed by the power of the gospel of Christ—OSCAR AND CATHARINE BURCHFIELD, *Peru*.

## Thirsty Souls

Recently I had the privilege of holding a revival meeting in the Swaziland bushveldt. This section is very difficult to live in because of the heat and lack of rain, but many Swazi people live there. This section is also known for its heathendom and sin. How wonderful that through this section you will find many of our churches! Here you will find our native preachers living and preaching Christ.

A few miles from the Kwalanga church there is a watering pool, used for watering the cattle, drinking water, washing clothes, bathing, and the like. After visiting the kraals of the people in this section and seeing their

need, I decided to go to this watering pool and spend a part of the day giving the gospel to those who came. I wish I could picture to you the needy people that came my way that day: little shepherd boys in their ragged clothing, women with their water-pots, men with oxen, girls with the laundry, young men with their spears, people with sin written on their faces, people under the influence of native beer. Needy people, oh, how needy! A dry land, yes; how it needs the showers of blessing from God above! A dark land—yes, it needs Jesus, the Light of the World. Thirsty souls—they need Jesus, the Living Water. People bound by sin—Jesus can break every fetter. Thank God for His wonderful words of life. By giving out tracts and by testimony I tried to show the people the way to heaven.

How happy I was that night as I preached to see some whom I had talked to by the watering pool looking up at me and, better still, coming to Christ at the close of the service! God is still on the throne; He still answers prayer.—RUSSELL LEWIS, *Swaziland*.\*

\*Now home on furlough

# THE QUESTION BOX

*Conducted by Stephen S. White*

Q. I am soon to receive a bonus from the state of West Virginia for the time I spent in the United States Navy during World War II. Should I tithe this money or is it a gift?

A. In the first place, I have always felt that I should tithe what is given to me if it amounted to very much. Gifts add to our income, or the amount of money we actually receive. Besides, a bonus is really presented on the basis of service rendered, and from that standpoint is not in the strictest sense a gift. As a believer in tithing, I would feel obligated to tithe the bonus.

Q. Does the rule in the “Manual” prohibiting membership in or fellowship with oath-bound, secret orders or fraternities include college honor societies, such as the Pi Gamma Mu, the Phi Beta Kappa, Delta Sigma Pi, or the Arnold Air Society?

A. No.

Q. I heard a preacher say from the pulpit that if people would get rid of carnality they would not be nervous or have nervous breakdowns. I cannot believe this, for I had a severe nervous breakdown and other

serious illness, and yet I have the assurance in my heart that I am saved and sanctified today. What do you say?

A. I agree with you. We must be careful that we do not confuse carnality with nervousness or protect carnality under the cloak of nervousness. On the other hand, no one has a right to say that getting the second blessing will save one from all nervousness.

Q. Do you believe that someday God will laugh at the calamity of the sinner in hell? This is not my idea of a loving God, for I believe that the great heart of God will be broken because of the countless number of people who go to hell.

A. I am inclined to agree with you. God is heartbroken over any sinner that goes to hell. The verse you refer to, Proverbs 1:26, is talking about Wisdom, or opportunity personified, rather than God, according to some Bible scholars. If this were the case, then it would be Wisdom or Opportunity which mocks us, or laughs at our calamity, and not God.

# THE HOME CIRCLE

Conducted by Grace Ramquist

*Q. Would you please answer another question? We often hear the expression that Jesus is interceding at the throne of grace for us. Does this mean that God has so little patience with us that if it were not for the interceding Jesus He would not extend His mercy to His people for their mistakes and blunders, and to the sinner who puts off the day of repentance?*

A. We must always remember in connection with this question and the one preceding it, which you asked, that, while God is merciful, He is also holy. As holy, He cannot count sin a little thing. God's holiness means that in His character, mercy and judgment, or love and justice, are perfectly balanced. We are living in a soft, sentimental age—especially from the standpoint of religion—and people seem to see and talk about nothing but the mercy and love of God. I do not believe in overemphasizing God's justice and judgment, and neither do I believe in making too much of His love and mercy. Christ's interceding for you and me at the throne of grace is a part of His atonement, and Christ's suffering and death stand as an everlasting reminder to you and me that there is no easy way for God to forgive sin. Sin is not a passing matter, and God's intolerance as to sin may sometimes seem very harsh to us. This is one way that some account for the harshness of the statement in Proverbs rather than the way in which I explained it above. A loving and merciful God never means a God who disregards sin.

*Q. The other day I heard a Nazarene preacher say in the pulpit that to be saved was not enough. I called him and said that when Jesus saved a man He did a good job, and this preacher said, "But the saved man has to go on and seek entire sanctification by a second work of grace." Am I right? If not, please refer me to some scripture which proves what the preacher declared was right.*

A. You were right in saying that when God saves a man He does a good job, and I am sure that the preacher would agree with you in this. The preacher, however, is right in saying that the saved person has to go on and get sanctified. A few of the many scriptures which prove this are as follows: Matthew 3:11-12; John 17:9-17; Hebrews 6:1-3; I Peter 1:16.

"A life of momentary faith cannot be maintained by mere will power; but the strongest will have need to rely upon the help of the Spirit for preservation and perseverance."

## Moments That Count

**T**HE DAY promised to be an unusually busy one. I felt that I must surely make every moment count, if I were to accomplish the many household tasks needing to be done before it came to its close.

As I hurried, there came a little old woman. She stood somewhat hesitantly in the open doorway, a rather wistful smile on her face. Cordially, I invited her inside the living room and bade her be seated. For a moment I stood, glancing about me somewhat restlessly, so conscious was I of the work awaiting me.

My glance then returned to my little guest. I observed the weary sag of her shoulders and knew that her daily effort at self-support might well tax shoulders much younger and sturdier than hers. The sad lines of her face portrayed so plainly a life filled with deep sorrows. Left entirely alone, she was living the remainder of her life in a small nearby cottage. How long and dreary must be her hours of solitude!

Quietly then, lest she think I was trying to hasten her departure, I sat down and listened as she talked on in reminiscence of bygone days. Soon I was gratified to note signs of pent-up loneliness giving place to amused chuckles as she relived the warm home companionships of another day when her husband and sons were living.

After she had left, I felt better because of the moments shared with her. Back to my work I flew, but then there was the telephone call which needed to be made. Although tempted at first to put it off until another day, I knew within my heart that much of its effectiveness would by then be lost. I dialed the desired number. The answering voice sounded dull and toneless, as have mothers' voices from time immemorial whose sons have just left the safety of home life to face the nameless uncertainties of war. At first she spoke of the day spent in weeping, yet even as we continued to talk her voice took on a lighter tone. She began to look forward hopefully to her son's letters and to anticipate future home-leaves. When I hung up the receiver, I was glad I had taken time to make the call.

It took extra time to add the written words to those formally printed on the sick card. But to the woman lying so

ill in the hospital, those written words expressing personal concern and assurance of prayers being offered in her behalf would, I felt sure, mean much more than the professional verse.

In the twilight hour of the day there came the friend so burdened with life's cares. We sat for some time discussing the tangled problems that were confronting her. Although admitting our inability to understand all, we expressed our mutual trust in God's divine wisdom, in His ability to see her through her many difficulties. We spoke at some length of the glories awaiting us in heaven. When she left we were, although still not understanding, rejoicing in God's love and in His never-failing promises.

Now the day is over. No doubt there are household tasks that I have failed to accomplish. Yet as I sit here alone in quiet meditation and prayer, I am scarcely aware of what they are. However, I am mindful of those individuals whom I have tried to help. I shall breathe a special prayer for each one in turn.

When life's busy day draws to its final close, I am convinced we shall not be too concerned about the many earthly tasks left undone, knowing then that the moments which counted most were those spent in extending cups of cold water in Jesus' name. These shall be transformed, and we shall enjoy them throughout the countless ages.

## The Unexpected Guest

From a trip I took to Florida, I remember it as one of the most beautiful states in our land. While our little family was staying in Miami, one morning we decided to get an early start and drive over the overseas-highway to Key West. While some of the bridges between the islands were in good condition, others were narrow and rickety. They made us shiver even as they shook.

We spent several hours in the little Spanish town, then started back for the mainland. The tide was out as we went back, and the temptation to get out and walk over the recently covered rocks became so great that, when we reached a good-sized island, we parked the car and began exploring the sea bed.

Because few people inhabited the island, we found a bountiful supply of beautiful shells. We began to gather

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them, and by the time we were ready to leave, all four of us had our arms filled with shells—empty shells as far as we knew.

We placed these shells on the floor of the car and started on our homeward trip. In a few moments, I glanced down to the floor and noticed that the shells had slipped over under the driver's feet. Quickly I put them back on the other side, thinking that the swaying of the car had caused the displacement of the shells. After a few more moments of riding, the shells were back under the driver's feet. This really disturbed me. So I watched them. Then I saw one of those "empty shells" move. I leaned over and peered close to it and found it had feet. Quickly I picked up the shell and looked inside, but I could see nothing. I put it on the seat beside me. After a few moments of stillness, the shell began to move. I saw the feet plainly this time. That shell had something in it which was hidden from my eyes. Although I again peered into the shell, still I could see nothing. I later learned that a little sea animal had taken possession of that shell and made its home there. In what was perhaps a cruel way, we got the little fellow to come out. We struck a match and held the little flame up against the end of the shell. A crab-shaped creature soon came out, and the shell was free once again.

I have often thought of that experience in relationship to our lives here on earth. We go along smoothly for awhile. Then suddenly we have some peculiar traits of character show up inside us. We need to have something removed in order for us to be free and clean inside. There is help for such troubles, too. A little fire from off the altar of the Lord will run out those unwanted traits of character, and then we can be freed from the undesired natures which have taken up their abiding place in our hearts.

That the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus (Philemon 6).

If our profession of salvation is to have any effect on the world about us, then testimony to the presence of the grace of God in our hearts becomes imperative.—EARLE F. WILDE.

"He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death" (Rev. 2:11).

Benedict, North Dakota — Our church has been moving forward under the blessings of God. On December 9 we received ten members into the church, making ten new members for this year. We have insulated the parsonage and installed a furnace. Recently the pastor was given an increase in salary. Rev. A. Farrier, our pastor, preaches the full gospel. We have a fine group of young people who are willing to go forward for God and the church.—Mrs. L. E. Boston, Secretary.

Evangelists A. L. and Myrta Cargill report for the year 1951: "The holiday season one year ago was spent in the hospital at Nampa, Idaho, where we both underwent surgery. By the mercies of God, the skill of the doctors, and the efficiency of hospital attendants, we made good recovery and were able to be busy in the evangelistic field most of the year. We conducted revival campaigns in fourteen churches, in Colorado, Kansas, Oregon, Montana, Wyoming, Texas, Washington, and California. We are beginning the year of '52 in a meeting at Oxnard, California. God has blessed our efforts in a gracious way, and we are thankful for restored health that enables us to

carry a full slate again. We are to be in Texas and Oklahoma this spring and summer, then Northwest and West again this fall and winter. We have a few open dates which we'd be glad to slate. Write us, Box 256, Divide, Colorado."

Indianapolis, Indiana—God is blessing in the work at West Street Church. In our recent revival with Evangelist Loy Snow there were good interest and good crowds every night. The church gave Brother Snow a call to return for a meeting in December of '52. The revival spirit continues, with eleven at the altar on Sunday night in the regular service. We give God praise for His blessings.—Laston L. Dennis, Pastor.

Rev. Robert B. Fowler writes: "I am an ordained elder, and engaged in full-time district work as a special home-mission worker. At the request of my district superintendent I am resigning the church at Brookville, Pennsylvania, to engage in home-mission revival campaigns for the district, at McDonald and New Castle, Pennsylvania; then will settle at Clearfield, Pennsylvania, in a new church there. Please remember me in prayer."



Rev. Floyd N. Bradley writes: Last April I was hospitalized in Phoenix, Arizona. A diagnosis of my condition showed that I had a brain atrophy, for which there is no cure; I was given only a few months to live. I wish to thank my many friends for their prayers, for God has heard and answered and Christ has administered the healing touch. I am absolutely well, praise the Lord! I feel better than I have felt for years. I have held three wonderful revival meetings and plan to continue in the field."



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Kirbyville, Texas—God is blessing in the work here. Last summer we had our district N.Y.P.S. president, Rev. James C. Hester, with us as evangelist in a gracious Holy Ghost revival. Many souls prayed through to victory, new members were added to the church, and the pastor was given one of the best love offerings he ever has received. In the fall we had another wonderful revival with Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Leist as the special workers. Definite professions were made and a class united with the church. Dr. Leist's messages on holiness and his unique way of approaching people in their homes about their souls' need were truly blessed of God. Our record average in Sunday-school attendance was in November—123; so far this year, our attendance is 41 more per Sunday than last assembly year. God is blessing in our regular services, and we are now in what promises to be a very successful Christian Service Training class.—N. Becton Cain, Pastor.

Pauls Valley, Oklahoma—On December 16 we closed a great week-end meeting with Evangelist Joe Bishop. There were several seekers at the altar, and the church was blessed by the tender preaching of Brother Bishop. He is a great preacher and a blessing to the church. Under the blessing of God, the work here is going forward.—C. C. Whittington, Pastor.

Evangelist Lee L. Hamric reports: "Just before Christmas I was in a good revival at Shamrock, Texas, with Pastor Hewett and his people. God blessed and gave us a good revival, and we enjoyed our labors there. They have bought a building and are moving it onto a nice lot they have purchased. I enjoyed seeing old friends while in this meeting. Some members united with the church. I spent Christmas at home with my daughters. After Christmas, I spent four days with Pastor Ward B. Chandler and our Oakwood Church in Houston, Texas. We had a glorious service on Sunday morning. God's presence filled the house and the saints shouted. Also I preached for the New Year's Eve service, and that was a real climax—special singing, testimonies, and much of the blessing of God. After a fine message by a young man from our Bethany-Peniel

College, we closed out with a fine altar service. Brother Chandler keeps a revival spirit in his church. He is spiritual, aggressive and has a vision for the work. Recently he has built a new addition to his church, valued at \$35,000. They have invited me to return this summer and give them thirty days for a real, old-time revival."

Rev. O. F. Langford reports: "Feeling a definite call of God to preach the gospel, I put out a 'fleece' (back in 1934) to settle it once and for all. At Johnson's Chapel Church in Upshur County, Texas (where I was converted and later sanctified), I attempted to preach my first sermon; God came and a man was gloriously converted. In answer to my 'fleece,' I was immediately in the full-time ministry for my Lord. Dr. I. M. Ellis, district superintendent at that time, assigned me my first pastorate (he is in heaven now), at a salary of \$5.00 per week. I was ordained by Dr. J. B. Chapman in 1941, and haven't been without a church for one week since the first appointment. Our labors have taken us to pastorates in Pittsburg and Denison, Texas; Ardmore, Oklahoma City Westside (now Pennsylvania Avenue), and Tulsa West. In Denison, we had the privilege of building a new church and receiving 100 members; in Oklahoma City we were privileged to lead in the erecting of a lovely church building valued at \$65,000. During our three years in West Tulsa we have seen many wonderful works of God; budgets have been more than doubled, pastor's salary raised \$15.00 on the week, more than 300 seekers in our regular services, and 103 mem-

bers received into the church. We give God all the glory. Feeling in the will of God, we have resigned this fine church to enter the field of full-time evangelism. I am for the whole program of the church and am enthusiastic about its doctrine. With more than fifteen years' experience as pastor, I feel I can be of use to pastors and people. With a burning heart and a passion for the lost, I believe we can have revivals. Write me, 1307 West 22nd St., Tulsa, Oklahoma."

New Orleans, Louisiana—The colored Church of the Nazarene here with the help of Rev. M. M. Snyder, supervisor, was able to give a small gift to each one present for the New Year's service. There were twenty-nine children and sixteen adults in the service. Brother Sammie Murray, nephew of the pastor, brought the message. We appreciated the help of Brother Snyder so much, and all left rejoicing. The pastor left that night for Oakland, California, to conduct a revival meeting.—D. A. Murray, Pastor.

A wonderful spirit prevailed during the New Year's Day rally of the Monongahela Zone N.Y.P.S., with Rev. Harry A. Rich, a student of Eastern Nazarene College, as the speaker. A victorious altar service climaxed the day. The meeting was held at First Church in Washington, Pennsylvania, with 312 in attendance. Canonsburg was awarded the percentage banner, while Washington First was awarded the attendance banner. Music was rendered by the various societies.—June Greenwood, Zone Secretary.

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Oxford, Nova Scotia—Recently we closed one of the finest revivals ever held in this church. The presence of God's Spirit was manifest from the opening to the closing of the campaign. The preaching and singing were of

the highest order; and the church was blessed and took a great step forward. The workers were Rev. Roy T. Sellick of our own church, and Mr. DeVerne Mullen of the Reformed Baptist Church—H. Malcolm Burgess, Pastor.

Rev. R. S. Harris writes: "I am returning to the evangelistic field, where I have labored for seven years. I shall be happy to conduct meetings in any church. Am an ordained elder and commissioned evangelist on the North-eastern Indiana District. Write me, 432½ Fredrick Street, Huntington, Indiana."

## Sunday-School Attendance Report

Districts by Groups	1951	December 1951	%
<b>PURPLE STAR DISTRICTS (10,000-15,000)</b>			
Western Ohio	11,447	11,316	99
Central Ohio	10,294	10,047	98
<b>BLUE STAR DISTRICTS (7,500-10,000)</b>			
West Virginia	8,574	8,548	99.6
Washington-Philadelphia	8,500	8,513	100
Southwest Indiana	7,945	8,416	106*
Northeastern Indiana	8,541	8,180	96
Illinois	7,472	7,816	105
<b>GREEN STAR DISTRICTS (5,000-7,500)</b>			
Los Angeles	7,322	7,393	101
Kansas	6,907	7,359	107*
Eastern Michigan	7,621	7,288	96
Michigan	7,445	7,270	98
Arkansas	7,299	7,090	97
Indianapolis	7,539	7,037	93
Alabama	6,160	6,447	105
Oregon Pacific	5,904	6,307	107*
Florida	5,455	6,063	111*
Tennessee	6,036	5,966	99
Northwest	5,214	5,937	114*
Colorado	5,573	5,850	105
Southwest Oklahoma	5,612	5,744	102
Northwest Oklahoma	5,499	5,681	103
Iowa	5,546	5,578	101
East Tennessee	5,209	5,425	104
Chicago Central	4,899	5,410	110*
Northwest Indiana	5,049	5,012	99
<b>RED STAR DISTRICTS (2,500-5,000)</b>			
Dallas	4,563	4,594	101
Washington Pacific	3,717	4,413	119*
Kentucky	4,485	4,356	97
Georgia	4,085	4,147	102
Northwestern Illinois	4,128	4,031	98
Canada West	3,885	3,911	101
South Carolina	3,396	3,708	109*
North Carolina	3,300	3,351	102
Arizona	2,827	3,136	111*
Southeast Oklahoma		2,829	
Houston	2,714	2,798	103
Albany	2,815	2,763	98
New Mexico	2,602	2,704	104
Nebraska	2,535	2,530	99.8
<b>WHITE STAR DISTRICTS (Under 2,500)</b>			
Virginia	2,407	2,459	102
Mississippi	2,236	2,382	107*
New York	1,686	1,743	103
North Dakota	1,492	1,424	95
Maritime	720	736	102
South Dakota	744	705	95
Nevada-Utah	663	655	99

Kampsville, Illinois—Summit Grove Church recently had an outstanding revival. Evangelist A. K. Hankins and wife were the Spirit-anointed workers. Fine attendance, old-time conviction, and God-given victories around the altar were the evidences of this great revival season. On the closing Sunday a fine group of six saved and sanctified folks were added to the membership of the church; also a splendid love offering was given to the pastor and family.—Paul F. Wan-  
kel, Pastor.

Rev. J. D. Stafford reports: "On September 17, 1950, we came to our Cottage Hill Church in Birmingham, Alabama, and the blessings of God have been on our work. The first Sunday we had 76 in Sunday school, but with the co-operation of our good people and the help of the Lord we have averaged 171 for the last three months of '51. On the first Sunday of January we had 208 in Sunday school and, best of all, the Holy Ghost came and we had a great altar service. God has helped us to average taking in more than one new Nazarene a week since coming to Cottage Hill. In October we had a good, one-week revival with Rev. Carl Brown; he did our church much good. If you have friends in or around Birmingham you'd like for us to contact, write me, 4725 Sixth Ave., Wylam, Birmingham, Alabama."

Evangelists J. H. and Maggie Crawford report: "The year of 1951 was one of the best and busiest of our many years spent in the field of evangelism. We labored on nine different districts and witnessed several hundred souls praying through to God for conversion, reclamation, and heart purity. Also we saw several definite cases of divine healing, and had a goodly number to unite with our church. The fellowship and co-operation of our good pastors and people were most gracious. In general, we believe there are in our midst an increasing demand and appreciation for old-fashioned, sound, sane, definite preaching on second-blessing holiness. Due to a change of pastors, we have had a cancellation, thus have an open date, March 18 to 30; also have a few dates in the summer and fall yet unfilled. Write us, Springdale, Arkansas."

It is the very cream of Christian holiness to keep the heart full of tenderness—that lowly, compassionate love which seeks to be just like Jesus.—Selected.

December attendance reports were not received from the following districts: Abilene, Akron, Eastern Kentucky, Idaho-Oregon, Kansas City, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, New England, Northern California, Ontario, Pittsburgh, Rocky Mountain, San Antonio, Southern California, Wisconsin, Northeast Oklahoma.

Estimated total average attendance for December for all districts: 325,742.  
Gain .....4,177 or 1%

\*One of the ten highest in percentage gain for December.

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

Pastor J. Frank Simpson reports from Fostoria, Ohio: "December 31 marked the close of the first half of our assembly year, and during this time we experienced some wonderful victories. On September 23 we had our early fall Sunday-school rally with 400 in attendance. In October we had a very profitable revival with Evangelist George P. Woodward. Our Thanksgiving offering in November amounted to \$370 and we paid our Nazarene Ministers Benevolent Fund of \$249 in December. For the first six months of the year the Sunday-school attendance averaged over 200. We began the second half of the church year with the district's annual HERALD OF HOLINESS campaign; we will soon have our quota of 130 subscriptions. The church board already has set \$1,000 as the goal for our Easter missionary offering. We are serving a wonderful people. On December 23 Mrs. Simpson and I celebrated our silver wedding anniversary, and the church made it a great day by presenting to us a dining room suite, a 9 x 15-foot rug, a kneehole desk and chair, more than \$100 in cash, and many other wonderful gifts. We do appreciate these people, and it is easy to see why God is blessing such a church."

Idabel, Oklahoma—This church is making some good progress with God's help and the fine co-operation of the people. Since assembly, we have received some fifteen members into the church, also have just finished completely redecorating the main auditorium, which has greatly improved the appearance of the church. The attendance is on the increase, with 104 present last Sunday for Sunday school and the regular services. God is giving us a vision for the work, and is answering prayer. We are operating a church bus with good success. The ministry of Evangelists J. H. and Maggie Crawford was greatly appreciated in our recent revival; they gave us what we needed at this time. God blessed their work in our midst. We love and appreciate our faithful people here. If you have friends here, send us their names and addresses and we shall be happy to contact them.—Paul Seymore, Pastor.

### Two Sunday-School Conventions Northwestern Illinois District

The two Northwestern Illinois District Sunday-school conventions at Canton and Rockford, December 5 and 7, were thrilled by the Rev. C. E. Fleshman, pastor at Cape Girardeau, Missouri, with his "Truth on Fire" messages. It was refreshing to listen to a man with some down-to-earth plans that will work in building the Sunday school. He himself, awake to the needs of the day, is trying to do the job in his own church, and is making a good effort at stimulating others. He was full of ideas and gave in-

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formation as to the how; he was challenging, thought-provoking and had enough "Truth on Fire" to stir his listeners.

Each convention was well attended; of the 49 pastors on the district, 45 attended the conventions, also 143 teachers and officers, and 29 Sunday-school superintendents. This was a remarkable record. The night crowds were large, and finances came easily. All the needs were taken care of at the conventions, with bills all paid.

Rev. R. L. Weigel, district chairman, directed the conventions well. He made the best speeches he ever has made. He is a good leader, and the Sunday schools are moving ahead.

Rev. L. E. Eckley, our good district superintendent, who actually is the guiding hand on the district, was always ready with a word of commendation and counsel. His Spirit-filled ministry is an example to all. He is full of faith and vision for the district church schools. He is on the move, not only to have more schools, but also to have larger and better schools.

The spirit of co-operation is in evidence everywhere on the district. Pastors, people, and district leaders are working together. An honest effort is being made to do something through the Sunday schools.

Rev. and Mrs. W. W. Tink, of Rockford, were grand hosts, and the peo-

ple were wonderful. Canton likewise always enjoys having the people come for conventions. All want good, old-fashioned, friendly meetings. On with the work of the Sunday schools!

J. W. BROWN, Reporter

### District Superintendents' Conference

The Annual District Superintendents' Conference was held in Kansas City January 9 and 10. At the close, the general feeling seemed to be that it was "one of the very best."

The missionary rally preceding the conference was thrilling, as the missionaries, one after another, told of battles fought and won for God on foreign fields.

Each one of our good general superintendents brought messages that inspired and stirred us to greater zeal. Each speaker handled his subject in a masterful way. We were thrilled by the good reports from the heads of departments, which indicated that God's blessing is on the church in a wonderful way. The special music was uplifting, and the climax was reached in the last service as the Nazarene Seminary Men's Choir lifted us heavenward.

We were sorry that, because of illness, Superintendents E. C. Oney of West Virginia, L. T. Wells of Kentucky, and Ira L. True of Southwest (Mexican) were unable to be with

us. Our two veteran superintendents, Dr. E. O. Chalfant of Chicago Central and Dr. A. E. Sanner of Los Angeles districts, who will retire from office at the end of this year, spoke words of deep appreciation for the church and her leaders. They were given gifts of remembrance by the members of the conference.

We greatly appreciated the fine hospitality of First Church, Kansas City, and the many kindnesses of the Publishing House staff.

The theme of the entire conference centered in the text, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit." The emphasis was: More of prayer, more of God; more passion for souls. We believe this year will be outstanding in the victories won as the superintendents, pastors, teachers, officers, and laymen keep step with God.

W. S. PURDTON,  
Conference Secretary

### DEATHS

REV. HORACE G. COWAN, born May 25, 1859, in the state of New York, died at the age of ninety-two, on November 25, 1951, in Berkeley, California. He was ordained to the ministry by the Maryland Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church in 1884. He united with the Church of the Nazarene in 1908, and served in several pastorates on the North Dakota District. He had not been in the active ministry since 1927. He is known to many as the author of several books; two of the better known are "The Parson of Cow Creek" and "The Sabbath in Scripture and History." He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Libby Cowan; two sons, John and Harold; and a daughter, Mrs. Virginia Patterson. Funeral service was held in Berkeley, California, with burial at Malta, Montana.

REV. THOMAS A. EPPLER, son of the late Rev. George Eppler, was born January 24, 1921, in Carnegie, Oklahoma, and died December 18, 1951, in a hospital in Edmond. Death was caused by a diabetic condition. He attended Bethany-Peniel College. He rendered eight years of faithful service as pastor of the Church of the Nazarene in Britton, Oklahoma. He had a record of twenty-four years of perfect attendance in Sunday school. Truly, as stated by Dr. Fred Floyd, his life was an example of the song, "Let Me Burn Out for Thee." In 1942 he was united in marriage to Allie Emmert. He is survived by his wife, Allie; a son, Thomas Ray; a daughter, Martha Lynn; two brothers, Rev. John Eppler and Willis Eppler; and three sisters, Mrs. Nadene Barney, Mrs. Cecil Stowe, and Mrs. Alvin Moore. Funeral service was held at the Britton church, with Rev. Mark Moore, Dr. Fred Floyd, Rev. W. T. Johnson, and Mrs. D. Rand Pierce taking part in the service. Burial was in the Britton cemetery.

PAUL MILTON GARRETT was born May 9, 1904, and died at his home in Hanover, Pennsylvania, on December 25, 1951, very suddenly. He was a faithful member of Trinity Church of the Nazarene in Hanover. He loved God and the church with all his heart; he will be greatly missed. He is survived by his wife, Louisa Pullin Garrett; a son, Charles, age ten; and a daughter, Virginia, age five. Funeral service was in charge of his pastor, Rev. John L. Parry, assisted by a former pastor, Rev. Thomas Fowler. Interment was in Sherman's Cemetery, Pleasant Hill.

JAMES EDWARD WOODS was born April 8, 1870, near Bowling Green, in Pike County, Missouri, and died recently at Big Springs, Texas; he had been visiting relatives in that area. He had been a resident of Osage County, Oklahoma, for more than forty-five years. In 1900 he was united in marriage with Thresa Franklin. In 1902 the family came to Indian territory, settling near Dewey. In 1947 they moved into Wynona, Oklahoma. The couple observed their fifty-first wedding anniversary last April. In 1910 he united with the Church of the Nazarene, and served as a trustee for more than thirty years. Besides his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Mrs. J. E. Waller and Mrs. Eldon Helvey; and two sons, Lewis and Paul; also one brother. One daughter preceded him in death. Funeral service was conducted in the Church of



the Nazarene, with Rev. W. H. Barlow officiating, assisted by Rev. W. Lee Gann, Rev. Luther Griffin, and Rev. L. G. Helvey; interment was in the Hominy cemetery.

JOSEPH N. ROBERT was born December 22, 1869, at Shannon, Illinois, and died October 4, 1951, at his home in Nampa, Idaho. In 1901 he was united in marriage with Carrie A. Renner. He was a faithful member of the Church of the Nazarene. He is survived by his wife; three sons, Stanley R., Emerson R., and Harold W.; four daughters, Vesta V. Kiel, Gladys J. Hampton, Ruby I. Garmire, and Adelaide M. Smith; also two sisters. Funeral service was conducted in Nampa First Church by the pastor, Rev. Melza H. Brown, assisted by Rev. John Friesen. Interment was in Kohlerlawn Cemetery.

LEROY JAY of Indianapolis, Indiana, had a triumphant home-going on December 18, 1951, at the age of ninety years. He was the husband of the Rev. Cerena W. Jay, an elder in the Church of the Nazarene for many years; she preceded him in death by fourteen years. He was the father of Rev. Ora J. Turner and Rev. Eula W. Jay, both of Indianapolis.

SPITAL—Jerald Richard Dale, thirteen-month-old son of Rev. and Mrs. David J. R. Spittal of Calgary, Alberta, died very suddenly on January 5. He is survived by his parents, one brother David, and his grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Spittal of Vancouver, B.C. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. D. George MacDonald. Temporary burial was made in the vault in Union Cemetery.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTICE—Indoor Holiness Camp Meeting, February 4 to 10, at First Church of the Nazarene, Phoenix, Arizona. Workers: Dr. T. M. Anderson and Rev. H. Spencer.

### WEDDING BELLS

Rev. Miss Vivian Hinson, pastor of West Main Church of the Nazarene, Rock Hill, South Carolina, and Mr. Marion S. Pressley, ministerial student at Trevecca Nazarene College, were united in marriage on December 21, at Rock Hill, with Rev. W. R. Cloer, district superintendent, officiating, assisted by Rev. C. M. Kelly.

Bert F. Amick of Fithian, Illinois, and Rhoda E. Grigsby of Pahokee, Florida, were united in marriage on September 22, at Wheatland, Indiana, with Rev. A. B. Schneider, Nazarene pastor at Vincennes, Indiana, officiating.

Miss Elizabeth Reed and Rev. Raymond Jones were united in marriage on December 20, in the Church of the Nazarene at Himesville, Tennessee, with Rev. Harry Lee Hasty officiating.

Miss Hazel Smith, employee of the Nazarene Publishing House, and Mr. Gillespie Cash of the U.S. Army, were united in marriage on December 28, at the home of the bride's sister in Kansas City, with Rev. R. J. Reinmiller officiating.

BORN—to Rev. and Mrs. Roy Green of Snoqualmie, Washington, a daughter, Roxy Ann, on January 10.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Jack F. Tidwell of Ogden, Utah, a daughter, Vicki Louise, on December 28.

—to Rev. and Mrs. T. A. Burton of Bartlesville, Oklahoma, a daughter, Helen Annette, on December 15.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Frank L. Quiring, Jr., of Bethany, Oklahoma, a son, Frank Lynn, on December 12.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Fleshman of Kankakee, Illinois, a daughter, Jane Ruth, on December 9.

SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED by a lady in Kansas, that God will touch and help her eyesight; by a friend in Colorado for a Nazarene family who have been unjustly criticized, that God will give them grace; also that the husband may have a touch on his body from God, so he may be able to work again—and for several unspoken requests; by a lady in Indiana who has a head affliction and her nerves are wrecked, that God will touch and heal her—she is a child of God, but is suffering severe persecution; and that God will save her loved ones;

by a lady in California, that she may be true to Jesus; also for the salvation of her loved ones.

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### District Assemblies

#### (Pre-General Assembly Schedule—1952)

British Isles ..... April 9 to 13  
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Northern California ..... May 14 to 16  
Southwest Mexican ..... May 20 and 21  
Southern California ..... May 22 to 24  
Los Angeles ..... May 27 to 29

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Ontario ..... May 7 and 8  
Akron ..... May 14 to 18  
Florida ..... May 21 to 23  
Albany ..... May 28 to 30  
New England ..... June 4 to 6

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#### (Pre-General Assembly Schedule—1952)

Oregon Pacific ..... May 14 to 16  
Arizona ..... May 28 and 29  
New Mexico ..... June 4 and 5  
Rocky Mountain ..... June 11 and 12

### Summer Schedule—1952

Eastern Michigan ..... July 2 to 4  
Nevada-Utah ..... July 2 to 4  
New York ..... July 4 and 5  
West Virginia ..... July 4 and 5  
Colorado West ..... July 9 and 10  
Colorado ..... July 9 and 10  
South Dakota ..... July 9 and 10  
Alabama ..... July 9 to 11  
Northeastern Indiana ..... July 9 to 11  
Maritime ..... July 16 and 17  
Michigan ..... July 16 and 17  
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Western Ohio ..... July 30 to Aug. 1  
Illinois ..... August 6 to 8  
Kansas ..... August 6 to 8  
Kentucky ..... August 6 and 7  
Missouri ..... August 6 to 8  
Virginia ..... August 6 and 7  
Iowa ..... August 13 to 15  
Northwestern Illinois ..... August 13 and 14  
Northwest Indiana ..... August 13 to 15  
Northwest Oklahoma ..... August 13 to 15  
Wisconsin ..... August 14 and 15  
Chicago Central ..... August 20 and 21  
Dallas ..... August 20 to 22  
San Antonio ..... August 20 to 22  
Abilene ..... August 27 to 29  
Houston ..... August 27 to 29  
Indianapolis ..... August 27 to 29  
East Tennessee ..... September 3 and 4  
Kansas City ..... September 3 to 5  
Louisiana ..... September 3 to 5  
Tennessee ..... September 10 to 12  
Arkansas ..... September 17 to 19  
Northeast Oklahoma ..... September 17 to 19  
Southwest Oklahoma ..... September 17 to 19  
North Carolina ..... September 24 and 25  
Southeast Oklahoma ..... September 24 and 25  
Georgia ..... October 1 and 2  
South Carolina ..... October 1 and 2  
Mississippi ..... October 8 and 9



## SERVICEMEN'S CORNER

CHAPLAIN ALDEN GRIM writes from Camp Carson, Colorado: "We have recently closed our first year of service in our second enlistment as chaplain in the army of the United States. In this busy year we have served in Oklahoma, Colorado, Kansas, Pennsylvania, and California.

"This year has been interesting. We have conducted 113 preaching services, for army personnel, in chapels, tents, and open fields. One service was around an open campfire while it was snowing. We have also preached in many of our churches in the states mentioned above. We have given sixty lectures on character guidance subjects to large groups of young men. Many times these lectures took on the nature and emphasis of a sermon. We have had many marriage counsels and ceremonies. Consultations and conferences on a wide variety of problems have reached about a half thousand. Our tithes and offerings have gone to our home church and to home and foreign missions.

"We have enjoyed the co-operation of our commanding officers. We have preached and emphasized the ideals and fundamentals of our denomination. The year has been pleasant; we have maintained a sublime sense of divine sweetness and blessing of the indwelling Comforter."

Our missionaries are playing a vital part in serving as connecting link with the church and the servicemen. In return, the servicemen are also being a help to the missionaries. Rev. and Mrs. Doyle Shepherd write from Hokkaido, Japan: "We want to take this time to express our appreciation to the men of the Forty-fifth Division who have been stationed on Hokkaido. They have been a great blessing to us and have helped us in many ways. There are many fine Christian young men in the Forty-fifth Division. We cannot find words to express our appreciation, so we just say, 'Thank you and God bless you in the mission you have been given, that we may be able to remain in Hokkaido to preach and teach of the love of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.'"

"Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him" (Rev. 1:7).

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